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EDUCATION

2022-2024 Master of Science in Architecture Studies, Design

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

2015-2020 Bachelor of Architecture, Visual Studies Minor

Cornell University

ACADEMIC

2024-2025 MIT SA&P, Teaching Fellow (Lecturer)

4.021 Design Studio "How to Design"

4.024 Architecture Design Studio II, "Domestic Revolution"

4.s02 Special Subject: Design, "Chasing Dust Bunnies: Architectural Illustration in Fragments"

4.02A IAP Design Studio, "How to Design"

4.153 Core 3 Studio, "Constructive Reciprocities"

2022-2024 MIT SA&P, Teaching Assistant

4.024 Design Studio II, "Domestic Revolution" Instructors: Rosalyne Shieh, Natalie Pearl

4.154 Collective Studio 3, "Belgrade Collective Housing"

Instructor: Ana Miljački

4.023 Design Studio I, "Elementary Studio" Instructors: Miho Mazereeuw, Cherie Miot Abbanat

2022-2024 MIT Urban Risk Lab, Research Assistant

Community workshops, research, mapping and architectural design for flood resiliency oriented waterfront park for

Kōtō City, Japan.

Product design for the Bosai+ line: everyday objects with built-in emergency functions for disaster preparedness.

2022 MIT SA&P, Design Assistant

Exhibition design and assistance for Yolande Daniels

MIT Keller Gallery, "Restrictive Topographies: the BLACK city"

2023 Venice Architecture Biennale, "The BLACK City Astrolabe: A Constellation of African Diasporic Women"

PROFESSIONAL

2024-... Office of Back of House (OoBoH), Founder

Projects in, around and about backsides of architecture.

Ongoing design for a cabin on Orcas Island, WA, built from reused materials with minimal thermal conditioning. On going exhibition and installation design at Pratt Institute, Storefront for Art and Architecture among others.

Maintenance* shed for a home, Richboro, PA.

2021-2022 SMA, Architectural Associate

SD, DD, CD and CA for three residential gut-renovation projects and ADU in Larchmont and Shelter Island, NY.

Feasibility studies for multi-family housing development in Mamaroneck NY.

2020-2021 MSS, Designer

NYC

NYC Master facilities planning, GIS mapping, design and programming for public library networks in Salt Lake City,

Delaware and Broomfield, LA. Design research through exhaustive community workshops with residents, librarians,

local organizations.

2020 Bureau Spectacular, Designer

Los Angeles Chapter design, research, and analysis drawings about back alleys and leftover spaces of Downtown Los Angeles for

a publication.

2019 Collective Studio, Architecture Intern

Hong Kong SD, DD, CD and CA for a retail space design, from concept to end of construction. Drawing sets, renderings, millwork

details.

2018 Gensler, Architecture Intern

Tokyo Model and animation production for Maruwa Headquarters in Aichi, Japan.

2017 Ma0 Studio D'Architettura, Architecture Intern

Rome Public park design for skateboarding and recreation zones commisioned by City municipality of Frosinone, IT. SD for

multi-family housing in Caglieri, Sardinia.

Ithaca Cornell AAP Galleries, Gallery Lead

2018-2020 Preparation, installation and management for exhibits:

Iftikhar Dadi and Elizabeth Dadi, Tilism

Esra Akcan. Open Architecture: A book on Migration

Douglas Darden, Condemned Building: Prints of Douglas Darden

EKIN BILAL

HONORS & AWARDS

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2024-2025	Teaching Fellowship, MIT
2024	De Florez Fund for Humor, MIT Project: Care-Actors Comics Compendium
2022-2024	W. Danforth Compton Graduate Fellowship, MIT Full tuition award with stipend
2023	Schlossman Research Award, MIT
2021	Non-Architecture Award, Honorable Mention Project: Night Market Unfolding
2018	Edwin A. Seipp Prize, Cornell University Project: Barcode
2017-2020	Dean's List, Cornell University
2015	Bulent Ecevit Art Award, Robert College
2014	Ozlem Akcakus Art Scholarship, Robert College
PUBLICATION & EXHIBITION	
2025	2025 Venice Architecture Biennale, Book Pavilion, <i>A World Previous to Ours</i> Research, Model Design and Fabrication in collaboration with Design Earth
2025	Berggruen Institute, The Next Earth: Computation, Crisis, Cosmology, Office of Back of House
2025	Pratt Institute, DeKalb Gallery, <i>Collective Mobilities</i> in collaboration with Alex Strada
2024	Timişoara Architecture Biennial: Cover Me Softly, <i>Discovering the Wild and Expansive Worlds of Bruce Goff</i> in collaboration with New Affiliates
2023	MIT, Wiesner Gallery, Taking the Long View: The Deep Time Project - Group Exhibition
2021	Best New Architects, "Night Market Unfolding"
2020	KooZA/rch, "Night Market Unfolding"
2019	KooZA/rch, "Alternativ"
2018	Cornell University, Association, Vol.10, "Small Culminations on Skin"
	SELECTED PROJECTS
2024	Public Address, Storefront for Art and Architecture, NYC
	Installation Design, On-going Collaborating with New York City Department of Homeless Services artist-in-residence Alex Strada, NYC DOT and NYC Parks Dept. for long-term installations in public parks in five boroughs.
2024	Cuteness is the beauty i can afford which is the beauty i deserve, Earshot Gallery, NYC Exhibition Design
2022	Victoriassecret, Helena Anrather, NYC Exhibition Design Designed the group show at Helena Anrather gallery. The exhibition design emulates the materiality and clutter of a garage around the themes of the show; art, hoarding and family.
2020-2023	Art in the Yard I, II & III, BAMart, Larchmont Exhibition & Graphic Design Designed modular and re-use outdoor exhibition spaces for the annual art exhibit.
2022	Mobile e Immobile, Salone del Mobile, Milan IT Installation Design for: Bureau Spectacular Design of the large scale movable and modular installation investigates changing rituals of home office spaces.
2022	House of Words, Grand Park LA Folly Design for: Bureau Spectacular Design of 12' tall timber interactive acoustic folly. The creaturely folly collects the sounds from the visitors, distorts and disperses them into the landscape.