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ABOUT

A highly creative architect & designer with over ten years of professional experience focusing on concept development and design. Has won a total of twelve international competitions in a wide range of scales, programs and typologies. Comes from a diverse background that includes an Italian and Danish education as well as work experiences in London, New York City & Copenhagen.

PROFICIENCIES

- Concept Development
- Architectural Design
- Complex Digital Modeling
- Team Management and Leadership
- High Quality Visualizations / Animations
- Detailed Interior / Exterior Design
- Client Relations
- Construction Documentation
- Organization of User-Group Workshops

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2020-Present

3XN Architects

Copenhagen, Denmark & New York City, USA
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1st Prize Competitions

Shenzhen Natural History Museum - Designed the initial concept for the pre-qualification phase of a competition against 90 other firms and selected among the top 5 to further develop the design. Won first prize against award-winning, pritzker prize offices and led the schematic design phase which entailed refining the concept and detailing the design.

Commissions

Pointe Limbe, Haiti - Designed energy efficient "bungalows" that can be adapted to various programs due to their modularity and flexibility. Created three different sizes of units that can be expanded as needed. Worked closely with the client to refine details, including a 3D animation.

Rotman Commerce, University of Toronto - Designed the expansion for the Rotman School of Commerce with a diagonal atrium running throughout the whole building. This open and terraced interior allows for flexible workspaces and an increased sense of community.

Completed

Green Solution House 2.0 - Developed the overall concept for the first energy positive hotel in Europe. Further detailed the project in the schematic design phase. Worked alongside GXN to create a circular sustainability strategy integrated in every aspect of the design. This included developing a modular structure to be completed in Fall 2021.

2019-2020

Henning Larsen Architects

Copenhagen, DK
Architect MAA / Lead Design Architect

1st Prize Competitions

Cockle Bay Park, Sydney - Developed the winning concept and design for a 38,000sqm mixed-use tower in the Sydney waterfront. This included multiple aspects in design, from 2D plans to 3D details of the tower and plinth. Additionally, the project entailed working closely with the client and collaborators.

Leo Pharma HQ - Developed the winning concept and design for a pharmaceutical company in Denmark. The key to the design was centered on the wellbeing of its users by focusing on the quality of the interior spaces.

2015-2019

JAJA Architects

Copenhagen, DK

Architect MAA / Project Leader

1st Prize Competitions

Nyborg Slot (DK), KHA Activity Loop (DK), StreetMekka Aalborg (DK), Greve Sport Hall (DK), Varatun Parken Masterplan (Norway)- Began as an architect but quickly promoted to project leader due to numerous successful 1st prize competitions. Became an integral part of the core team of the office and helped its growth from an initial 8 to 28 people. Worked closely with clients and contractors as well as user-groups to engage the community in the process of public interest projects. Invited as a visiting professor to the architecture university in Valencia, Spain to lead a workshop and participate as a jury member. Represented JAJA at ArchMarathon 2018 in Milan and presented the award-winning

2014-2015

COBE Architects

Copenhagen, DK

Architect MAA

Intern

1st Prize Competitions

Køge Nord Station, Denmark - Developed the concept and initial design for a 225m long station bridge hybrid combining a pedestrian bridge, train network and a highway located south of Copenhagen. Completed in 2019. It is considered a landmark for green mobility and has won multiple awards including Prix Versailles 2020, Dezeen Awards Shortlist and more.

OPEN/COBE, Copenhagen - In-house competition to design the new central staircase for the COBE headquarters. Participated while interning and won amongst 70 other entries.

2012-2013

Andy Martin Architects

London, UK

Architect RIBA Part I

Commissions

Hay House (London), The Groucho Private Club (London) - Developed the interior design concept and created bespoke furniture.

EDUCATION AND TRAINING

February 2019

CEU / Universidad de Arquitectura

Valencia, Spain

Invited Professor, Workshop Leader and Jury Member @CONNECT-A COPENHAGEN

2012-2015

KADK / The Royal Danish Academy of Fine Arts / School of Architecture

Copenhagen, DK

Master of Arts, Architecture

2008-2011

IUAV / University Institute of Architecture

Venice, Italy

Bachelor of Architecture, Final Grade 110/110

2003-2008

A. Modigliani / Art Academy

Padova, Italy

Diploma in Arts