

NADIM KARAM (LEBANON, B. 1957)

Education

1989	D.Arch, Faculty of Architecture & Engineering, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
1985	MA, Architecture, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
1982	BA, Architecture, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

Professional Experience

2014	Juror , Young Bird Plan, Shenzhen, China
	Juror , International Symposium of Padideh, Mashhad, Iran
2003 - 2004	Visiting Associate Professor , American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon
2002	Curator , The Aesthetics of Mobility, 1st International Architectural Biennale, Rotterdam, Netherlands
2000 - 2003	Dean , Faculty of Architecture - Notre-Dame University, Zouk Mosbeh, Lebanon
1996 - Now	Founder , Atelier Hapsitus, Beirut, Lebanon
1995 - 1996	Visiting Researcher , University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
1993 - 1995	Visiting Assistant Professor , American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

Selected Solo Exhibitions

2017	<i>Compressed Thoughts</i> , Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
	<i>Urban Stories</i> , The Fine Art Society, London, United Kingdom
	<i>Stretching Thoughts</i> , Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
2013	<i>99 Objects Possible to Find on a Cloud</i> , Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
	<i>Urban Zoo</i> , Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
	<i>Shooting the Cloud</i> , Ayyam Gallery, London, UK
2012	<i>The Cloud, The Fisherman & The Mutating Cities</i> , Villa Empain, Brussels, Belgium
	<i>Clouds & Chairs</i> , Sultan Gallery, Kuwait City, Kuwait

- 2006 *In Transit*, Cityscape Global, Dubai, UAE
- Birds of Paradise*, Al Bustan, Beit Meri, Lebanon
- 2004 *Textures*, Riad El Solh Street, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2003 *In Transit*, Atelier Hapsitus, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2001 *London & Dublin Project*, UNESCO, Beirut, Lebanon
- Solfeggio 101*, Portside Gallery, Yokohama, Japan
- 2000 *Solfeggio 101*, Escape SD Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1999 *The Archaic Procession*, Notting Hill Gate, London, UK
- The Giraffe, The Wild Cat & The Apparently Digested Objects*, British Council, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1998 *Hilarious Beirut, Order of Engineers & Architects*, Beirut, Lebanon
- Hilarious Beirut*, Università Iuav di Venezia, Venice, Italy
- 1997 *Hilarious Beirut*, Technical University, Berlin, Germany
- Hilarious Beirut*, Bartlett School of Architecture, London, UK
- T-Races PCB-137*, Manes Exhibition Hall, Prague, Czech Republic
- 1996 *T-Races PCB-137*, Galerie Jaroslav Fragnera, Prague, Czech Republic
- T-Races PCB-137*, Bartlett School of Architecture, London, UK
- T-Races PCB-137*, Aarhus University, Aarhus, Denmark
- 1995 Galleri ROM, Oslo, Norway
- The French Cultural Center, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1992 *Spinning Caves*, Formes Gallery, Tokyo, Japan; Kikukawa Gallery, Oita, Japan
- 1991 *The Carrier*, Marunouchi Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 1990 **Installation and Performance**, *Temple of the Obelisks*, Sagacho Exhibit Space, Tokyo, Japan
- Performance**, *Intercrossings* - IMA Project, The French Institute of Tokyo, Japan
- 1988 Hom Savoy - Mini Gallery, Tokyo, Japan

- 1987 **Performance**, *Architectural Crisis*, Coelacanth House, Osaka, Japan
- Performance**, *Celebration of Life: The Funeral*, Spiral Garden, Tokyo, Japan
- 1986 *Micropluralism*, Striped House Museum of Art, Tokyo, Japan
- Performance**, *Family Crisis*, Yamagata, Japan

Selected Group Exhibitions

- 2018 *you + topia*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE
- Art & Jewellery*, Custot Gallery, Dubai, UAE
- 2014 - 2015 **Two-Person Exhibition**, *Fifth Anniversary Exhibition* | with Safwan Dahoul | Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2014 JISP Biennale (Jing'an International Sculpture Project), Shanghai, China
- 2013 *25 Years of Arab Creativity*, Abu Dhabi Festival in partnership with Institut du Monde Arabe, The Gallery at Emirates Palace, Abu Dhabi, UAE (Curator: Ehab El Labban)
- 2012 *25 Years of Arab Creativity*, Institut du Monde Arabe, Paris, France (Curator: Ehab El Labban)
- 2011 *Subtitled: WITH NARRATIVES FROM LEBANON*, Royal College of Art, London, UK
- Dial 911 for the New Middle East*, The Running Horse Contemporary Art Space, Beirut, Lebanon (Curated by The Feel Collective)
- Rebirth*, Beirut Exhibition Center, Beirut, Lebanon (Curators: Janine Maamari and Daniele Giraudy)
- 2010 *Convergence*, American University Museum - Katzen Arts Centre, Washington, D.C., USA
- Contemporabia*, The Egg, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2009 *Stories from the Levant*, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai
- Levant Summer*, Ayyam Gallery, Damascus, Syria
- Two-Person Exhibition**, *Safwan Dahoul & Nadim Karam*, Ayyam Gallery, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2006 Liverpool Art Biennale, Liverpool, UK
- 2003 *Renewing, Rebuilding, Remembering*, The Lighthouse, Glasgow, Scotland, UK
- 2002 *Renewing, Rebuilding, Remembering*, Van Alen Institute, New York, USA

- 1998 *Les Jours Numériques*, The French Cultural Center, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1996 The 6th Venice Biennale of Architecture, Venice, Italy
- Erotic Museum, Berlin, Germany
- Aedes Gallery, Berlin, Germany
- 1995 *Beyond Borders*, 1st Gwangju Biennale, Gwangju, South Korea
- 1994 *Pet's Room & Window*, Living Design Center, Tokyo, Japan
- 1993 *Geopolitics*, Inspiration Gallery, Tokyo, Japan
- 1991 *Lebanese Diaspora*, Strassy Gallery, Washington, D.C., USA
- Asian Art Road*, Korean Cultural Center, Tokyo, Japan

Commissions

- 2014 *The Willow Housing*, Architecture, Mount Lebanon, Lebanon
- 2013 *Lagos and the Surreal*, Architecture, Lagos, Nigeria
- 2012 Naas Springs, Architecture, FFA, Mount Lebanon, Lebanon
- Saab Residential Building, Architecture, Ashrafieh, Beirut, Lebanon
- Private Commission**, Shelves, Beirut, Lebanon (commissioned by Liliane Bridi)
- 2011 - 2012 *Le Phare*, Architecture, Ashrafieh, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2011 *The Genius of the Desert*, Sculpture, Contemporary Art Platform, Kuwait City, Kuwait
- Casper & Gambini's, Architecture, Amman, Jordan
- BLC Sassine, Architecture, Ashrafieh, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2010 - 2011 Place Sassine, Architecture - Residential Building, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2009 The Encounter Tower, Architecture, Ain El Mreisseh, Beirut, Lebanon
- Factory Design, Anis Printing Press, Beirut, Lebanon
- 2008 - 2009 Interior Design, Monza Showroom, Raucheh, Beirut, Lebanon
- Interior Design, Hallak Optic, Beirut, Lebanon
- Interior Design, Manolo Blahnik Store Villaggio, Qatar

2008	<i>The Cloud of Dubai</i> , Dubai, UAE
2007 - 2008	Interior Design, Villa Moda, Qatar
	<i>Dream Room</i> , Hotel Dieu Hospital, Toufoula, Beirut, Lebanon
2006 - 2008	Sehnaoui Residence, Beirut, Lebanon
2003 - 2008	The Net Bridge, Architecture, Marina, Beirut, Lebanon
2001	The Net Bridge, Architecture, Solidere, Downtown Beirut, Lebanon
2000	24 Approach Road, Extension and Design, London, UK
2000 - 2002	140 Urban Art Works, Nakameguro Complex, Tokyo, Japan

Public Art Installations

2017	<i>The Wheels of Innovation</i> , Nissan Headquarters, Yokohama, Japan
2016	<i>Green Elephant</i> , Lovers Park, Yerevan, Armenia
	<i>Standing and Seated</i> , UWC Atlantic College, Wales
	M-Rio, Madrid, Spain
	<i>Wheels of Chicago</i> , Chicago, USA
	<i>Dialogue of the Hills</i> , Amman, Jordan
2015	<i>The Elephant Trio</i> , Jumeirah Emirates Towers, Dubai, UAE
	<i>Wishing Flower</i> , Singapore (by the entrance of Zaha Hadid's D'Leedon Residential Project)
2012	<i>The Wild Cat</i> , DIFC Gate, Dubai, UAE
2010	<i>The Fisherman and the Cloud</i> , American University Museum, Washington, D.C., USA
2008	<i>The Fisherman Fishing from a Cloud</i> , Creek Art Fair, Bastakiya, Dubai
	<i>Urban Toys</i> , IDF (International Design Forum), Dubai, UAE
2006	<i>The Travellers</i> , Sandridge Bridge, Melbourne, Australia (commissioned by Victoria State & the City of Melbourne)
2004	<i>The Three Magic Flowers of Jitchu</i> , Kagami Lake, Todaiji Temple, Nara, Japan
2002	<i>101 Archaic Procession Elements</i> , Leeds, UK

2001	<i>101 Water Sprites</i> , Mile End Millennium Park, London, UK
2000 - 2003	<i>Elephant, Wild Cat and Old Man</i> , Notting Hill Gate, London, UK
1997 - 2000	<i>The Archaic Procession</i> , Urban Art Installation, Central District, Beirut, Lebanon
1997	<i>Kafka & Kandinsky on the Charles Bridge</i> , Manes Bridge, Prague, Czech Republic
1995	<i>The Carrier</i> , National Museum, Beirut, Lebanon
1994	<i>T-Races BSC-4971</i> , Sursock Museum, Beirut, Lebanon
1986	<i>Shibuya Parco Part 1</i> , Tokyo, Japan

Architecture and Design Projects

2013 - 2014	The Muse , Architecture, Mount Lebanon, Lebanon
2005	Daroun House , Restoration, Harissa, Lebanon
2004	Void House , Design, Tripoli, Lebanon
2003	Atelier Hapsitus , Office & Extension – Design, Beirut, Lebanon

Workshops Facilitation

2014	Workshop , International Symposium of Padideh, Mashhad, Iran
2011	Children's Workshop , Louis Vuitton, Dubai, UAE
2009	Workshop , Tawasul Design, Dar Al-Hekma University, Jeddah, Saudi Arabia
2007	Workshop , Communities & Territories, Haret Hreik, Lebanon
2001	Workshop , Melbourne City Infrastructure Planning Section, Melbourne, Australia

Awards

2011	Distinguished Alumnus Award , Faculty of Engineering and Architecture – American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon
	Winner - Landmark Competition , BLC Bank, Beirut, Lebanon
2008	Award , Australian Steel Institute, Sydney, Australia
2000	Urban Design Award , Bridge Redevelopment, Melbourne, Australia
	Melbourne Prize , The Travellers, Melbourne, Australia

1995	Honourable Mention - The National Museum of Korea, Korean Pavilion, South Korea
Presentations	
2014	<p>Talk, International Symposium of Padideh, Mashhad, Iran</p> <p>Talk, <i>Stretching Thoughts</i>, Sotheby's, London, UK</p> <p>Talk, <i>On the Edge</i>, Mathaf: Arab Museum of Modern Art in collaboration with Doha Architecture Forum Doha, Qatar</p> <p>Lecture, <i>On the Edge</i>, American University of Dubai, Dubai, UAE</p> <p>Talk, <i>Can Cities Dream?</i>, Rotaract Phoenix USJ, Beirut, Lebanon</p>
2013	<p>Panel Discussion, <i>Can Cities Dream?</i>, Ayyam Gallery, Al Quoz, Dubai, UAE</p> <p>Talk, <i>Can Cities Dream?</i>, Young Artist Programme – Sharjah Art Foundation, Sharjah, UAE</p> <p>Panel Discussion, <i>On the Edge</i>, Arkimeet, Istanbul, Turkey</p> <p>Lecture, <i>Moments</i>, Li Po Chun – United World College, Hong Kong, China</p> <p>Lecture, <i>Moments</i>, School of the Arts, Singapore</p> <p>Lecture, <i>Moments</i>, CapitaLand, Singapore</p> <p>Debate, <i>Can Cities Dream?</i> with Edwin Heathcote Ayyam Gallery, London, UK</p> <p>Talk, <i>Can Cities Dream?</i>, presentation at the Danish Agency for Culture, Copenhagen, Denmark</p> <p>Lecture, <i>Moments</i>, Alumni Art Gallery Event, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon</p>
2012	<p>Lecture, <i>Moments</i>, Midday Musings, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Chicago, USA</p> <p>Lecture, <i>Moments</i>, Memphis College of Art, Memphis, Tennessee, USA</p> <p>Talk, <i>Closets & Closets</i>, Polypod Creative Series, POP-UP Studio-X, Beirut, Lebanon</p> <p>Roundtable Discussion, <i>Moments of Graffiti</i>, Beirut Art Center, Beirut, Lebanon</p> <p>Lecture, <i>Tomorrow's Public Art & Cultural Institutions</i>, Imagination School - Henning Larsen Architects, Beirut, Lebanon</p> <p>Talk, <i>Fresh Moments</i>, American University of Science and Technology, Beirut, Lebanon</p> <p>Talk, <i>Future Public Art</i>, Imagination School - Henning Larsen Architects, Beirut, Lebanon</p>
2011	Talk , <i>Stories in Moments</i> , Contemporary Art Platform, Kuwait City, Kuwait

Talk, *Stories in Moments*, Jordan Interior Design Association, Amman, Jordan

Talk, *9 Specific Moments*, ALBA University, Sin el Fil, Lebanon

Talk, *Stories in Moments*, Royal College of Art, London, UK

Lecture, *Moments*, Sotheby's, London, UK

Lecture, *Building Moments*, AUB, Beirut, Lebanon

2010 **Lecture**, *Walking on a Cloud*, The Cooper Union, New York City, New York, USA

Lecture, *Walking on a Cloud*, American University Museum - Katzen Arts Centre, Washington, D.C., USA

2009 **Lecture**, *Walking on a Cloud*, ALBA University, Sin el Fil, Lebanon

2008 **Conference**, Qatari Diar Art Symposium, Doha, Qatar

Lecture, *Urban Art and the Dream of Cities*, CSBE & Goethe Institute, National Gallery of Fine Arts, Amman, Jordan

Lecture, *Moments*, ARTos Foundation, Achilleas Kentonis, Nicosia, Cyprus

2007 **Lecture**, Oslo School of Architecture and Design, Oslo, Norway

Lecture, *Atlante Mediterraneo: New City-Territory*, org.aMAZELab, Università Iuav di Venezia, Venice, Italy

Lecture, *Re-thinking Beirut*, org.aMAZELab, Museum of Social and Territorial Art, Milan, Italy

Lecture, *The 3 Magic Flowers of Jitchu*, Trondheim, Norway

Panel Discussion, *Architecture in the context of cities & culture*, Global Art Forum, DIFC, Dubai, UAE

2006 **Panel Discussion**, Dubai Cityscape, Dubai, UAE

Panel Discussion, Arab Strategy Forum, Dubai, UAE

Panel Discussion, *Geo-design & the Role of Creativity in times of Conflict*, Institute of Contemporary Art, London, UK

Panel Discussion, International Design Initiative Design Forum, Serpentine Gallery, London, UK

2004 **Delegate Speaker**, World Creative Forum, London, UK

Keynote Speaker, *A Free State Conference*, The British Museum, London, UK

2003 **Speaker**, *A Sense of Place*, The Old Library, Cardiff, Wales

- Lecture**, *Migration*, 1st International Architectural Biennale, Rotterdam, Netherlands
- 2001 **Lecture**, Lebanese University, Tripoli, Lebanon
- Speaker**, (Re)Marking Beirut Symposium, Lebanese American University, Byblos, Lebanon
- Speaker**, 1st Convention of Lebanese Engineers & Architects, UNESCO, Beirut, Lebanon
- Speaker**, *City Edge 2*, International Urbanism Conference, Melbourne, Australia
- Lecture**, *Urban Toys*, Royal Australian Institute of Architects, Sydney, Australia
- Lecture**, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
- 2000 **Lecture**, School of Architecture – The Bartlett – University of London, London, UK
- 1998 **Lecture**, Università Iuav di Venezia, Venice, Italy
- 1997 **Lecture**, *Hilarious Beirut*, School of Architecture – The Bartlett – University of London, London, UK
- Lecture**, *Hilarious Beirut*, York University, York, UK
- Lecture**, *Hilarious Beirut*, Technical University of Berlin, Berlin, Germany
- 1996 **Lecture**, University of Tokyo, Tokyo, Japan
- Lecture**, University of Chiba, Chiba, Japan
- Lecture**, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1995 **Lecture**, Prague Project, School of Architecture – The Bartlett – University of London, London, UK
- Lecture**, Prague Project, Oslo School of Architecture and Design, Oslo, Norway
- 1994 **Visiting Summer Lecturer**, Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc), Vico Morcote, Switzerland
- 1992 **Lecture**, Moscow University (MARKI), Moscow, Russia
- Lecture**, Shibaura Institute of Technology, Tokyo, Japan
- Lecture**, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon
- 1991 **Speaker**, *Creativity in Economics, Art and Science*, International Zermatt Symposium, Zermatt, Switzerland
- Lecture**, American University of Beirut, Beirut, Lebanon

Collections

Al Bustan Hotel, Beit Meri, Lebanon

Allied Bank, Beirut, Lebanon

Audi Bank, Beirut, Lebanon

Four Seasons Hotel, Beirut, Lebanon

Le Gray Hotel, Beirut, Lebanon

Mitsubishi Real Estate, Yokohama, Tokyo

Musee Sursock, Beirut, Lebanon

The Samawi Collection, Dubai, UAE

SGBL, Beirut, Lebanon

Membership and Participations

2002 **Co-Chair**, Conference on the reconstruction of Kabul, sponsored by the United Nations & Center of International Co- operation, New York University, London, UK

Publications

2014 *Stretching Thoughts*, Booth-Clibborn Editions, London, UK

2012 *Architecture Now! 8*, TASCHEN, Berlin, Germany (Author: Philip Jodidio)

2007 *The Cloud, the Desert and the Arabian Breeze*, Edited by Kaya Mussack, Booth-Clibborn Editions, London, UK

Cultivate Cat, TOTO Publishing, Tokyo, Japan (Authors: Kazuko Akamatsu and Kazuhiro Kojima)

Arabian Design, Daab GmbH, Cologne, Germany

2006 *Urban Toys*, Edited by Kaya Mussack, Booth-Clibborn Editions, London, UK

2005 *City Edge: Case Studies in Contemporary Urbanism*, Edited by Esther Charlesworth, Architectural Press, Oxford, UK

2000 *Voyage*, Edited by Kaya Mussack, Booth-Clibborn Editions, London, UK

1995 *581 Architects in the World*, Edited by Gallery MA, TOTO Publishing, Tokyo, Japan