



**Young
Talent
Architecture
Award
2020**

Meet the most talented architecture graduates in Europe and Asia

Announcement of the Young Talent Architecture Award 2020 finalists that compete for the prize.

→ 12 Finalists will compete to win the Young Talent Architecture Award (YTAA) 2020 and 9 other Finalists will compete to win the Asia Edition of YTAA 2020.

→ On October 5 – the World Architecture Day and the World Habitat Day – Commissioner Mariya Gabriel will announce the YTAA 2020 Winners.

→ The YTAA 2020 exhibition will open on May 22, 2021 at the European Cultural Centre - Palazzo Mora in Venice, as a Collateral event of the 17th International Architecture Exhibition of La Biennale di Venezia.

→ The YTAA Awards Ceremony will take place in June in Venice with the debate entitled ‘Learning together’ in the framework of the Biennale Architettura 2021 “How will we live together?” curated by Hashim Sarkis.

The **12 finalist projects** competing to win the YTAA 2020 and the **9 finalist projects** competing to win the Asian Edition of YTAA 2020 have been announced today:

12 finalists of YTAA 2020

Project	Authors	University	City	Country
Between the Things	Michael Strixner	Vienna University of Technology. Architecture and Planning	Vienna	AU
Off the Grid	Willem Hubrechts	University of Leuven. Faculty of Engineering Science	Leuven	BE
Temporary use as a new right to the city	Gaspar Lambé, Vianney Soulard	Catholic University of Louvain-la-Neuve. Faculty of Architecture, Architectural Engineering and Urban Planning	Louvain-la-Neuve	BE
Conditions and Contradictions on the Furka Pass	Edvardas Bukota	Swiss Federal Institute of Technology Zurich. Department of Architecture	Zurich	CH
Three places to inhabit the mountain range in the Maule region	Maria Jesús Molina, Pía Montero, Antonia Ossa	University of Talca. School of Architecture	Talca	CL
Golden Canal	Kateřina Průchová	Czech Technical University. Faculty of Architecture	Prague	CZ
Oasi	Álvaro Alcázar Del Águila, Rosier García, Eduard Llargués, Sergio Sangalli	Universitat Politècnica de Catalunya - Barcelona Tech. Vallès School of Architecture	Sant Cugat del Vallès	ES
Vulnerable Architecture as Ephemeral Fossil	Luca Petrányi	Moholy-Nagy University of Art and Design. Institute of Architecture	Budapest	HU
Commonplace	Natalia Podejko	University of Liechtenstein. Institute of Architecture and Planning	Vaduz	LI
Forensics of Grenfell	Sonja Draskovic, Seva Yurchenko	University of Edinburgh. Edinburgh School of Architecture and Landscape	Edinburgh	UK
Polyvalent Models	Oliver Carter	London Metropolitan University. The Sir John Cass School of Art Architecture & Design	London	UK
Stage for the City	Monika Marinova	London Metropolitan University. The Sir John Cass School of Art Architecture & Design	London	UK

9 Finalists of the Asia Edition of YTAA 2020

Project	Authors	University	City	Country
The Wall	Peiquan Ma, Yuan Liu, Jing Cheng, Yuxuan Liang, Zi'ang Li	Tianjin University. School of Architecture	Tianjin	CN
Plan for Kulangsu	Zhixuan Wang, Shaoji Wu	Tianjin University. School of Architecture	Tianjin	CN
SUPER CAMPUS	Xiruo Luo, Yujin Xue, Zishuo Zhang, Xinning Hua, Qinglin Jin, Xiaoran Ma, Zhengling Jiang, Shuai Tong, Ziyu Liu, Liqun Hu, Xuezhou Yang, Yuting Jiang, Jingyi Huang	Tongji University. College of Architecture and Urban Planning	Shanghai	CN
Mending the gap: Landscape conservation for the island of Aliabet	Shreeni Benjamin	CEPT University. Faculty of Architecture	Ahmedabad	IN
Beach conservation project in Tsujido	Ryusuke Baba	Chiba University. Department of Architecture, Graduate School of Engineering	Chiba	JP
The Wood Laboratory	Tazuru Harada	University of Tsukuba. Graduate School of Comprehensive Human Sciences	Tsukuba	JP
New Style of the Artificial Earth	Wataru Maruyama	Tokyo University of Science. Faculty of Engineering	Tokyo	JP
Field of Rooms	Daye Kim	Seoul National University. College of Engineering	Seoul	KR
Yulgok street	JiSoo Kim	Hanyang University. School of Architecture	Seoul	KR

The members of the YTAA 2020 jury and of the Asia Edition of YTAA 2020 highlighted the outstanding quality of all the nominees and met several times online before taking a decision regarding the finalists.

155 schools of architecture, landscape and urban design from 124 cities participated in YTAA 2020 with 382 projects submitted by 478 young architects. The jury members of YTAA 2020 are: chairwoman Martine de Maeseneer (Brussels), Oleg Drozdov (Kharkiv), Rosario Talevi (Berlin), Juliet Leach (London) and Bet Capdeferro (Girona). During four intense online meetings – due to Covid-19 – the jury discussed the proposals of the young graduates focusing on today's challenges, such as: the necessary shift in how complex social, economic and political systems shape our lives and spaces; the need to find alternatives to the current dominant lifestyles; and how architects and urban designers contribute to this. The jury selected a shortlist of 43 projects (<http://ytaa.miesbcn.com/archive/2?editions=4&classification=2>), which will be exhibited as a Collateral Event of the 17th International Architecture Exhibition - La Biennale di Venezia next year, from which they chose the 12 finalist projects listed above.

The **Asia Edition of YTA 2020** was the first independent experience of YTA with architecture education in China, India, Japan and South Korea, the four strategic partners of the European Union in Asia.

After a research project carried out with the support of the Cultural Relations Platform of the European Union and by four experts in each of these countries, several schools of architecture, landscape and urban design were contacted to encourage their participation in YTA 2020. As a result, 139 graduation projects were submitted by 190 students of 61 Schools from 39 cities.

The jury, formed by chairwoman Momoyo Kaijima (Tokyo), Minsuk Cho (Seoul), Chitra Vishwanath (Bengaluru), Li Xiangning (Shanghai) and Eduard Kögel (Berlin), had four intensive online meetings – again due to Covid-19 – after which they reached a shortlist of 22 projects (<http://ytaa.miesbcn.com/archive?editions=5&classification=2>) from where they selected the 9 finalists listed above. The jury highlighted the quality of the topics and their strong research background, as well as the high number of projects tackling essential topics that our society needs to solve such as energy supplies, nature and city regeneration, updated traditional techniques and human habitat.

The 4 YTA 2020 Winners and the 3 Winners of the Asia Edition of YTA 2020 will be announced by Mariya Gabriel, European Commissioner for Innovation, Research, Culture, Education and Youth, on **5th October 2020**, at the beginning of the **Young Talent Architecture Award Day** that will take place online (https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL7a-W7ZrsYHP6u2hjylk31W_maPU6qMry) from 11:00h to 17:00h (CET). 5th October is also the World Architecture Day and World Habitat Day, offering a unique opportunity to link them to the Winners projects, addressing the importance of water supplies, landscape transformation with natural logic, city regeneration and changes in the academic practice and student attitude towards architecture education. The 14 finalists will participate with the video-presentation of their projects and **Oya Atalay** (EAAE), **Georg Pendl** (ACE-CAE) and **Anna Ramos** (Fundació Mies van der Rohe) will talk on architecture education and practice today.

YTA Winners benefit from the creation of a network with the architects and critics involved in the European Union Prize for Contemporary Architecture - Mies van der Rohe Award. To support their professional development and the launch of their international career, the winners receive:

- a diploma
- 5.000€ each
- a profile in World-Architects.com
- visibility through the YTA 2020 exhibition in Venice and universities worldwide
- participation in events such as the Awards ceremony and the Future Architecture Platform
- USM furniture to design their work space

Within the framework of the 17th International Architecture Exhibition - La Biennale di Venezia, the “**Young Talent Architecture Award. YTA 2020**” Exhibition will be inaugurated on **May 22, 2021** at the **European Cultural Centre - Palazzo Mora** as a Collateral Event. The Awards Ceremony will take place in Venice in June with the participation of the Winners, the jury members and all those involved in the organisation of the Award.

YTA is an inherent part of the European Union Prize for Contemporary Architecture – Mies van der Rohe Award, organised by the **Fundació Mies van der Rohe** with the support of the **Creative Europe** programme of the European Union, in partnership with the **European Association for Architectural Education** (EAAE) and the **Architects’ Council of Europe** (ACE-CAE); **World Architects** as a founding partner; the **European Cultural Centre** as a partner in Venice; sponsored by **Jung, Jansen and Regent**; and with the support of **USM**.

Publication

All nominated designs have been published online and will be published in a catalogue; they will also become part of the **EU Mies Award Archive** as a recognition of their authors and the schools they come from.

Exhibition

As in the previous editions, the YTAA results will be presented in a **traveling exhibition** that will start its journey in universities worldwide in November 2020 and the **exhibition in Venice during the Biennale Architettura 2021**.

YTAA 2020 Calendar

2020

October 5 → YTAA 2020 Day with the announcement of the Winners and their participation together with the jury members in debates on today's most relevant topics.

November 2020 – May 2021 → YTAA 2020 exhibition in universities worldwide.

2021

February → Future Architecture Platform.

May 22 → Exhibition Opening in Venice, as a Collateral event of the 17th International Architecture Exhibition, Biennale Architettura 2021.

June → YTAA 2020 Awards Ceremony and debate.

More information → <http://www.ytaaward.com>

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