



Aga Khan Award for Architecture

PROJECT SUBMISSIONS FOR 2020-2022

HOW TO SUBMIT A PROJECT

The Aga Khan Award for Architecture is given every three years to projects that set new standards of excellence in architecture, planning practices, historic preservation and landscape architecture. The Award carries with it a triennial prize fund of \$1,000,000. The Fifteenth Cycle of the Award runs from the spring of 2020 until the autumn of 2022.

Submission Period: 1 June 2020 to 15 September 2021.

Who Can Submit: Projects can be submitted for consideration by anyone, including by architects themselves.

Criteria: The Award seeks nominations that represent the broadest possible range of architectural interventions. All types of building projects that affect today's environment may be submitted. Projects can range from modest, small-scale buildings to sizeable complexes, from single homes, bus stops and rural school buildings to skyscrapers, infrastructure and transportation undertakings, as well as housing initiatives, educational and health campuses, new towns, urban conservation projects and the re-use of brownfield sites. Particular attention is given to building schemes that use local resources and appropriate technology in innovative ways, and to projects likely to inspire similar efforts elsewhere. The central criterion, however, is excellence.

Project Dates: Projects are required to have been completed between 1 January 2015 and 31 December 2020 and been in use for at least one full year.

Project Locations: Projects can be located anywhere in the world but must successfully address the needs and aspirations of societies in which Muslims have a significant presence.

Forms: Submission forms are available for download on the Award website: <https://www.akdn.org/submission-procedures> or by writing to akaa@akdn.org

Master Jury: Once projects are nominated, they are presented to a Master Jury, which is reconstituted during each new cycle. The Master Jury reviews the nominations and selects a shortlist of projects. In a rigorous process that is unmatched by other architectural prizes, on-site reviewers are sent to each site to examine the short-listed projects. The Master Jury then reviews the reports of the on-site reviewers and makes a final selection of Award recipients.

Shortlist: The shortlist will be announced in the spring of 2022.

Ceremony: The Award's prize-giving ceremony will be held in the autumn of 2022.

For more information: www.akdn.org/architecture



FOURTEENTH CYCLE 2017-2019

The recipients of the fourteenth cycle Aga Khan Award for Architecture – including architects, clients and craftsmen – received awards from His Highness the Aga Khan and His Excellency Mintimer Shaimiev, first President of the Tatarstan, during a ceremony held at the Musa Jalil Tatar Theatre and the Kazan Kremlin, in the Russian Federation, on 13 September 2019.

- Revitalisation of Muharraq, in Bahrain
- Arcadia Education Project, in South Kanarchor, Bangladesh
- Palestinian Museum, in Birzeit, Palestine
- Public Spaces Development Programme, in the Republic of Tatarstan, Russian Federation
- Alioune Diop University Teaching and Research Unit, in Bambey, Senegal
- Wasit Wetland Centre, in Sharjah, United Arab Emirates

AWARD ARCHIVES

Since 1980, some 122 projects in 43 countries have received the Aga Khan Award for Architecture. Four individuals have received the Chairman's Award for their lifetime achievements. Detailed information, images and videos on the recipients of the previous Award Cycles are available on: www.akdn.org/architecture.

AWARD PUBLICATIONS

Architecture in Dialogue – In addition to detailed descriptions of all projects, the 2019 Award monograph gathers a series of personal statements from the members of the Steering Committee and the Award's Master Jury on key issues that were crucial in the discussions for the final selection and assignment of the award recipients. Assembled together, this book presents a selection of the outstanding examples of sustainable and socially relevant architecture in the world today and opens up fundamental perspectives for the planning of the future. A Russian language edition of this publication is available <https://architangle.com/>. The book is published by Architangle (<https://architangle.com/>) and is available from booksellers and online on the publisher's website.

A catalogue of Aga Khan Award for Architecture and Aga Khan Trust for Culture media and publications is accessible through the Award website. Current publications include **Architecture & Plurality** (Lars Müller Publishers, 2016), **Architecture is Life** (Lars Müller Publishers, 2013), **Shaping Cities, Emerging Models of Planning Practices** (Hatje Cantz, 2016), **Workplaces: The Transformation of Places of Production** (Istanbul Bilgi University Press, 2010), and **Homogenisation of Representations** (I.B. Tauris & Co., 2012).

BACKGROUND INFORMATION



The Aga Khan Award for Architecture is part of the Aga Khan Trust for Culture, which engages in a wide range of activities aimed at the preservation and promotion of the material and spiritual heritage of Muslim societies. As the cultural agency of the Aga Khan Development Network, the Trust leverages cultural heritage as a means to support development.

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