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Languages: Italian (native), English (fluent), Spanish (fluent)

PROFILE

Italian architect and researcher engaged in visionary architecture, artificial intelligence, and spatial poetics. Founder of the Visionary-Architecture platform, he has taught, published, and exhibited internationally. His writings and projects have appeared in El Croquis, AD Architectural Design, Diseño Interior, Frame, Wiley, Springer. He collaborates with academic institutions in Europe and beyond.

EDUCATION

- PhD in Architecture, Universidad de Alcalá (UAH), Madrid
- Master in Architecture, HfBK-Städelschule, Frankfurt (Mentors: Enric Miralles, Peter Cook)
- Degree in Architecture, IUAV of Venice (thesis in Moscow)

ACADEMIC TEACHING AND COLLABORATIONS

- UAH Madrid, University of Campania Vanvitelli research collaborations
- Former professor at IE University
- Visiting professor, lecturer, or jury member at: Politecnico di Milano, ETSAM Madrid, IUAV Venice, AA London, Brown University, UBA Buenos Aires, ALBA Beirut, GUC Cairo, UCJ Mexico, USMP Peru, UNICA Cagliari, Alma Mater Bologna.

RESEARCH AND PLATFORMS

- Visionary-Architecture (since 2003): research on architectural imagination and emerging technologies
- Hybrids and Imaginary Architecture (2022-ongoing): Al environments inspired by animal forms and spatial alterity

SELECTED PROJECTS

- Casa Krespel (2020)
- Collaborations with EMBT Barcelona (2008-2012), Nearly Ninety for Merce Cunningham
- Editorial studies, competitions, curatorships

RECENT PUBLICATIONS AND CONTRIBUTIONS

- Archigram 10, edited by Peter Cook, Circa Press (2025)
- "Al and Synesthesic Space", AD Architectural Design, Wiley (2024)
- "Imago Mundi Imaginibus Mundi", in Diffusions in Architecture, Wiley (2024)
- Cover for The Monster Leviathan, Aaron Betsky, MIT Press (2024)
- Contributions in: El Croquis, Diseño Interior, Frame, XY, AD, IQD, Spazio e Architettura, Architect Magazine, The Conversation, Utopica, etc.

EXHIBITIONS AND INSTALLATIONS

- Constructing Future, Detroit Month Design
- Milan Fuori Salone (Invisible Rooms)
- Zoo of Particles, New York
- 4 Cuartos, EMBT Madrid
- Other solo and group exhibitions on visionary space and Al

AWARDS AND HONOURS

• Best Paper Award, "TRANSIZIONI / TRANSITIONS" Conference - University of Palermo, 2023

Award for significant scientific contribution to architectural representation and ecological transition.

• 1st Jury Prize, EMBT Workshop "A Scenario for Merce Cunningham" - IUAV Venice, 2008

Award for innovative design in contemporary dance.

3rd Prize, Cesena Novello Competition - EMBT, 2008
Award for a sustainable and inclusive architectural project.

SKILLS

- Al-based generative design
- Conceptual architectural development
- Writing and editorial direction
- Advanced digital visualization (Midjourney, CSM AI, Runway, etc.)