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Daniel is the Founder and Lead Architect at ZITA; a mission-focused architecture and urban design workshop. ZITA focused on 3 lines of work:

Social development: lead design and community development processes that result in the construction of community infrastructure.

Environmental protection: research and put into practice innovative material and construction processes with low environmental impact.

Historic revitalization: redevelop historic environments imbedding in them new narratives values and dynamics at both architectural and urban scales.

EDUCATION

Harvard University. Cambridge, USA - Masters of Architecture in Urban Design, 2015

James William Fulbright Scholarship, 2013

Harvard University Academic Merit Scholarship, 2013

Graduate School of Design Dean's Merit Scholarship, 2013

David Rockefeller Scholarship, Harvard University 2013

United Nations Peace University Economic Empowerment Program. New York, 2013.

Universidad de Los Andes. Bogotá, Colombia - Bachelor's degree in Architecture, 2008

Escola da Cidade. Sao Paulo, Brazil - Foreign Academic Exchange 2007

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

ZITA [Zona Industrial Taller de Arquitectura]. Bogota, Colombia (07/2018 – Ongoing). Founder and Principal of ZITA.

Universidad de Los Andes. Bogota, Colombia (07/2017-06/2022). Adjunct professor of Mid-Career design Studios, and Advanced Design Studio.

Universidad Catolica de Chile. Santiago, Chile. (10/2021). Guest professor at the Masters of Education.

UNDP. Bogota, Colombia (02/2021 – 09/2021). Lead architect in the "Infrastructure for Development" office focused on structuring small scale rural infrastructure projects.

Bloomberg Mayor's Challenge. Bogota, Colombia (01/2018 – 12/2018). Urban designer for the Mayor's Challenge winning project "Ciempies"; reimagining the way kids walk to school in low income communities.

The Janus Property Company. New York, NY (06/15 – 09/16). Project Manager for the largest privately led city and state sponsored Economic Development Project in north Manhattan with a total investment of \$400M in public, and private funds aimed at bringing jobs and economic activity to a vacant underutilized postindustrial complex in West Harlem, New York.

Rhode Island School of Design. Providence, RI (09/13 - 06/15). Visiting scholar & Adjunct Faculty

Harvard University. Cambridge, USA (08/14 – 12/14) Teaching assistant for Professor Camilo Restrepo.

Picture Perfect Parent. Founder and CEO (2014-2016). An innovative platform that promotes preventive healthcare during early childhood and pregnancy through emotional incentives.

Colombian Presidential Counselor for Special Programs. Bogota, Colombia (01/10 - 06/13). Portfolio Manager, Government Advisor, and Design director responsible for managing a \$25M portfolio of 20 projects with public and private local and international donors, focused on developing education and community infrastructure throughout the war-torn areas of Colombia. Responsible for supporting

fundraising initiatives led by the First Lady of Colombia in private and public sectors, impact assessment of the donated funds, and dialogue between donors and government at both national and local levels. Also, in charged with project and site assessment, construction oversight, formulation of new projects, leading participatory planning and design processes, and project management.

Universidad Javeriana. Bogota, Colombia (07/11 - 06/13). Professor of Social Innovation & Design.

Architecture for Humanity. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil and Bogota, Colombia (02/10 - 07/13) Regional Ambassador and Design Fellow: Project manager, fund raising, donor relations, public private articulations and designer.

Daniel Bonilla Arquitectura y Urbanismo. Bogota, Colombia (06/08 – 08/09). Lead Design Architect responsible for leading the competitions team resulting in two first prizes.

RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Nyhamnen – Power of Places. Active research and development project on creating an alternative vision for the future of Malmö's postindustrial harbor of Nyhamnen.

ZIBO. Ongoing research project focused on the preservation and adaptive reuse of Bogota's Industrial Zone. The conclusions have become the blueprint that Bogota's Preservation Institute and Urban Renewal Agency are using to redefine the zone's planning as part of the city's new land use master plan.

Architecture and Travel @ Los Andes Co professor of the Architecture and Travel study group.

DESINE-Lab @ RISD Co-director of the cross scalar and multi layered active research lab focused on justice and social innovation through community engagement and design thinking.

New Territories @ Javeriana Co-director of the research group focused on innovative human centered design processes of promoting the development of vulnerable populations

Cat.Arq.Sis @ Universidad de Los Andes. Researcher responsible for the design of homes for the group's affordable housing "Catalogue of Systematic Architecture".

PUBLICATIONS AND EXHIBITIONS

RADICAL. 50 Latin American Architectures. October 2016. Arquine Editorial, CDMX, Mexico.

C3 Magazine: In the Community. January 2015. C3 Publishing, Korea.

Arquitectura Viva: Elements. February 2015. Arquitectura Viva Editorial, Spain.

Proyecto Diseño: Lápiz de Acero. December 2014. Semana, Colombia.

Small Scale Big Change @ MoMA: Centro Comunitario Liberdade, 2011

Design Like You Give a Damn 2: Architecture for Humanity. 2012 Abrams, New York.

Domus Magazine: State of Design, 10 Social Designs. February 2012. EdiDomus, Italy.

Escala Magazine: #222, Objetos, Forma, Función. October 2011. Escala S.A., Colombia.

Colors Magazine: #80, Superheroes. March, 2011. Colors. Italy.

LECTURES

Swedish University of Agricultural Sciences, Landscape School. Malmö, Sweden, 2023.

Malmö University, School of Urban Sustainable development. Malmö, Sweden, 2023.

Panama Architecture Students Council. Panama, Panama. 2022

Probogota Architectural Recycling Conference. Bogota, Colombia. 2022

Colombian Entrepreneurship Conference. Cartagena, Colombia. 2022

Architecture Museum at Universidad Nacional de Colombia. Bogota, Colombia. 2021

Universidad Catolica de Chile. Santiago, Chile, 2021

Universidad Nacional de Colombia. Bogota, Colombia, 2021

CAMPO Anteproyecto Rural. Bogota, Colombia, 2018.

First International Children's Architecture Biennial. National University. Bogota, Colombia, 2018.

Tec. De Monterrey. Morelia, México. Morelia Design Festival 2016

Pratt University. New York, NY. Urban planning and place making 2016

Harvard University. Cambridge, MA. Igniting Innovation Summit on Social Entrepreneurship 2016

Universidad de Navarra. Pamplona, España. 2015

SEED Conference. 2015, Detroit, MI. 2015

Brown University. Providence, RI. Better World by Design 2015
Iberoamerican Biennial of Architecture. Rosario, Arg. 2014
Rhode Island School of Design. Providence, RI 2013
Harvard Graduate School of Design. Cambridge, MA. 2012
Sports for Social Change Network. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil 2011

HONORS

Winner Power of Places open international call. Malmö, Sweden, 2023.
Selected Young Global Leader for the World Economic Forum. Geneva, Switzerland, 2022.
Selected participant 2022 Oslo architecture Biennial. Oslo, Norway, 2022.
Nominated to the Mies Crown Hall of the Americas Award. Chicago, USA, 2022.
Selected participant 2021 Seoul Biennial of Architecture and Urbanism. Seoul, Korea, 2021.
Finalist FIBRA Architecture with Natural Fibers Award. Paris, France, 2019.
Winner Young Architects Latin America Award. Venice Architecture Biennial. Venice, Italy, 2018.
Finalist, 21st Century School in Latin America and the Caribbean. IDB, Washington, USA, 2018.
Honorable Mention, 5th Urban Development and Social Inclusion Award – CAF, Caracas, Venezuela, 2018.
Selected participant XVII Buenos Aires Architecture Biennial. Buenos Aires, Argentina, 2017.
Selected participant XX Chile Architecture Biennial. Valparaiso, Chile, 2017.
Second Place: Corona Pro-Habitat Award. Bogota, Colombia, 2017
Architizer A+ Impact Award Winner. New York, USA, 2016.
First Prize: 2015 Federal Loan Bank of Boston Affordable Housing Development Competition.
First Prize: 2015 Harvard Global Health Case Competition, Harvard School of Public Health.
Winner SEED Award 2015. Detroit, USA.
Winner and Colombian representative for the Latin American Biennial 2015. Pamplona, Spain.
Finalist MIT Global Ideas Challenge 2015. Cambridge, Massachusetts.
Winner Kyobo Faculty Enrichment Grant 2015, Mass General Hospital, Cambridge, Massachusetts.
Global Healthcare and Human Rights Development Grant 2014: Massachusetts General Hospital
Winner Iberoamerican Architecture and Urbanism Biennial 2014. Rosario, Argentina.
Winner Lapiz de Acero Award 2014: Winner of the orange and blue awards
Honorable International Mention: Quito Biennale of Architecture 2014
First International Mention: Quito Biennale of Architecture 2012
Honorable Mention: Environmental Museum Expansion Competition. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. 2010
Design Fellowship: Architecture for Humanity's 2010
Second Prize: Homeless World Cup 2010 Legacy Center. Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
Finalist Premio Lápiz de Acero 2007. Project: "Má House". 2007

LANGUAGES

Spanish - *native*
English – *proficient*
Portuguese – *proficient*