

## **Competitions and Awards**

**Deadline for submissions** to the North Herzeliya competition has been postponed until Thursday - 21.09.2014 at 16:00.

Dealing with 1500 dunam for a residential area instead of Herzliya airport after evacuation, the plan includes affordable housing, public spaces, community structures and employment.

Awards: fifty, thirty twenty thousand NIS.

Architect Simona Bar-Sagi was crowned Darling of Tel Aviv, for her contribution to the appearance of the city over the past four decades. Bar-Sagi, a Technion graduate, is considered a pioneer of postmodern architecture in the country, offering a new interpretation of the Bauhaus architecture built during the thirties. Bar-Sagi designed many residential and public buildings in Israel and around the world. Her "Nof Hayam" building, designed on the Lahat Promenade in TLV, marked the renewed relationship between residential construction and the sea, and contributed to the development of the Kerem Ha'temanim neighbourhood and its surroundings.

The retiring Chairman of the Architects Association, architect Prof. Baruch Baruch said in his farewell address that solidarity among the architects themselves and the public has been eroded, and the main subject on the Association's agenda today must be to bring back exam and licensing procedures to the association. An extensive interview with elected Chairman - architect Prof. Eli First - appears on page 70.

Ten winners of the Ministry of Culture and Sport Young Artist Award for 2014 are: Eyal Assouline, Eden Bennett, Zohar Gottsman, Maya Gold, Elisheva Levy, Eden Efrat-Auerbach, Yair Peretz, Luciana Kaplun. 179 portfolios were submitted. Elisheva Levy - creates "Enchanting and alluring" environments using multimedia to illustrate the virtual characteristic of the world of consumerism based on the unrealistic fame and glamor of a world lacking in depth and roots. An exhibition of her work, entitled "Villa," is displayed at the Raw Art Gallery until 23 August 2014.

## **Events and Exhibitions**

**Architect David Azrieli** - patron of architectural education in the country and elsewhere, has died aged ninety-two.

Having lost his family in the Holocaust, David fled from Poland to Russia and then to Uzbekistan and Iran, arriving in Israel in 1942. In 1944, he began studying architecture at the Technion, abandoning it due to his service as a combat soldier during the War of Independence. After the war, he went to seek his fortune in South Africa, England and the U.S., after which he moved to Canada where he lived for the rest of his life, with short visits to Israel. He became a real estate tycoon after establishing the Ayalon Mall, the first of its kind in the country. The high point of his life was the establishment of Mercaz Hashalom in Tel Aviv - three towers designed by architect Eli Attia with his assistance. later to become the Azrieli Towers. The events he went through during World War II were collected in the book "One step ahead," edited by his daughter, Dana Azrieli, his business heir to the empire of malls he established across the country with his profound futuristic worldview.

The exhibition "CTRL + P Delete and Print in Israel 1914-2014", by Architect Uri Shalom, Dr. Roy Brand, and artist and interior designer Keren Yeala-Golan, and architect Edith Kofsky, represents Israel this year at the Venice Architecture Biennale. Curated by Rem Koolhaas the 14th International Architecture Exhibition was entitled "Fundamentals" and deals with the basic elements of architecture over the last century.

**Architect Adva (Naama) Baram** – a Bezalel graduate and an M.A. student at Tel Aviv University, specializes in architectural photography – presenting two solo exhibitions in September.

The first – DESTROYED - exhibits photographs taken two months after the Carmel fire, confronting viewers with the remains of the ecological disaster and its tragic architectural results – vacant, burned, crushed, abandoned buildings on the Carmel summit. Closing 07/10/14. Zaritsky Artist's House, 9 Alharizi TA, Tel. 03-5246685. Baram's second exhibition, "With the Help of the Women's Gallery" will be presented at Architect's House, focusing on the place of women in Israeli society through a researched vision of synagogue architecture.

Curators: Rebecca Gutman and architect Eran Tawil.

"Light Spaces" - American artist James Turrell's exhibition is showing at Israel Museum for his 70th birthday. Turrell, who for 50 years has examined the effect of light on art, says: "The source of light is not what interests me, but rather its effect on the place where it is spilled." Turrell's masterpiece - "Space that Sees" - is part of the museum's sculpture garden. Closing - 31 October.

Curator: Rita Kersting.

## **Projects**

Boxes Architecture is building a student dorms complex out of containers in Lod. The concept gained momentum following an article appearing in AI several years ago about the synergies of architecture. Influenced by the idea, a number of architects initiated the project throughout the world - New-Zealand, Gaza, Tel Aviv, and Haifa, where architect Israel Gudovich, a pioneer of "bee hive" buildings in the sixties, designed a cluster of containers for students dorms placed upon each other, reminiscent of Moshe Safdie's Habitat.

## **Students**

"Thinking outside the Box" - student project from the Holon Institute of Technology was exhibited during the Barcelona Design Week 2014, following the visit of the Mayor of Barcelona, Xavier Trias to Holon.

Curator: Industrial designer, Eilon Armon.

**Graduate Exhibition -** Wizo Haifa, in response to the question "What would happen if", allowing students to challenge existing situations while searching for alternatives free of obligation to the limits of reality.

Mentors: the architects Horacio Schwartz, Shahaf Zayit, Zvi Koren, Liran Chechik, Amos Yoren, Danny Shomani, Engineer Joseph Schultz, and landscape architect Ziva Kolodney.

Third year students from Ariel designed an eco-shelter for populations affected by natural disasters around the world.

Supervisors: architect Matti Avshalumov and designer Ron Navarro.

Architect Els Verbakel was selected as Director of the Master's Program in Urban Design at Bezalel.

That is all for now, please write in, Rachel. ruchi@netvision.net.il