

# rzlbd

## ARCHITECTURE IS ALL ABOUT, HOW TO TREAT THE EMPTINESS, TO RESPECT THE SPACE NOT TO FILL IT UP. \_ REZA ALIABADI



### PRACTICE STATEMENT

reza aliabadi → r\_z\_l\_b\_d → rzlbd

The word "rzlbd" is not just a "play with identity" or a "miniature version" of a name; it is a representative of a design philosophy. Founded by Reza Aliabadi in Toronto in 2006, atelier rzlbd is not an ordinary architecture practice; but an everyday engagement with design, constantly exploring alternatives for conventional solutions and understandings of arrangements. Basing the foundations of his practice as a contribution and not a service, rzlbd emerges as an innovative mind, seeking opportunities for design everywhere. After its early explorations and careful attentions to details and materials, rzlbd continued his works by reevaluating familiarities, introducing metaphors and sharing ideas while respecting simplicity of design.

Although the main focus of the atelier is Architectural, but its work ranges from conceptual ideas to product design, and publications. Designing affordable and modern single-family houses is one of the main focuses. The journey is through manipulating spatial experiences with means of natural lighting and avant-garde perspectives. While the attention to details and materials are still an important factor, recently, the aesthetic concerns have been more focused on the negative spaces and voids, introducing exciting spatial experiments.

rzlbd makes changes rather than additions, whether it is "a house with all the right angles" or an idea worth sharing, it is alternating everyday settings; re-designing experiences, objects, styles, and thoughts that are so familiar for us that we dare to design them!

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### SELECTED PROJECTS

2011 → Patio House :: Toronto, CA  
2011 → Gallery House :: Markham, CA  
2011 ← 5/6 House :: Toronto, CA  
2010 ← Charcoal House :: Toronto, CA  
2010 ← Shaft House :: Toronto, CA  
2009 ← 63° House :: Toronto, CA  
2006 == Armstrong House :: New Brunswick, CA  
2006 == Low Cost Solar Thermal Power Plant :: Yazd, IR  
2005 == La petite Maison [Slice House] :: Montreal, CA  
2005 == Villa Mona :: Tehran, IR  
2004 == Café Gallery :: Tehran, IR  
2004 ← Kiosk :: Info kiosk for Métropolitans :: Tehran, IR  
2004 == Jahan e Koodak Restaurant :: Tehran  
2004 == Shemshak Residential Complex :: Tehran, IR  
2004 == Doostan Sport Complex :: Tehran, IR  
2004 ← Unit No. 207 :: Interior :: Tehran, IR  
2003 → General Consulate of Iran :: Herat, AF  
2003 → Sina Kavosh Co. R&D Building :: Pardis Tech. Park :: Tehran, IR  
2003 → Nosa Co. R&D Building :: Pardis Tech. Park :: Tehran, IR  
2003 == Padid Pardaz Co. R&D Building :: Pardis Tech. Park :: Tehran, IR  
2003 → Kohrang Co. R&D Building :: Pardis Tech. Park :: Tehran, IR  
2003 ← Sagha'khaneh :: prototype design :: Tehran, IR  
2002 → Sanjesh D. T. Co. R&D Building :: Pardis Tech. Park :: Tehran, IR  
2002 ← Café Paez :: Escan Commercial Center :: Tehran, IR  
2002 ← Kohan :: Residential Complex :: Tehran, IR  
2002 ← Iran Phosphate Co. Head Office :: Interior :: Tehran, IR  
2002 ← Sonia :: Retail :: Tehran, IR  
2001 ← RWTUV :: Office building :: Tehran, IR  
2001 ← Aazam :: Retail, [drapery] :: Tehran, IR  
2001 ← Elika :: Retail, [boutique] :: Tehran, IR  
2001 ← Sapta :: Office Interior :: Tehran, IR  
2000 ← Big byte :: Retail, [computer shop] :: Tehran, IR  
2000 ← Moallem Co. :: Office building :: Tehran, IR  
2000 ← Rock :: Retail, [fast food] :: Tehran, IR  
2000 ← Tarh-e-no :: Retail, [book shop] :: Tehran, IR  
1999 ← ZF :: Industrial Complex :: Tehran Branch, IR  
1998 ← Villa no.24 :: Royan, IR  
1998 ← Villa no.128 :: Royan, IR  
1997 ← Villa no.81 :: Royan, IR  
1997 ← Shoghhestan [TV series] :: Stage Design :: Tehran, IR  
1996 ← Babak Bahrami :: Residential Complex :: Tehran, IR  
1995 ← Garmsar :: Office Building :: Tehran, IR  
1995 ← Dr Niknafs Clinic :: Interior :: Tehran, IR

← built  
→ under construction  
== design completed

### EXHIBITIONS

2009 :: 63 Degree House :: Alumni work :: McGill :: School of Architecture :: Montreal  
2009 :: My City II :: Urban Cardiogram :: Urbanscape Gallery :: Toronto  
2009 :: Cart Shelter :: OAA Awards :: Urbanscape Gallery :: Toronto  
2008 :: Transimage :: Urbanscape Gallery :: Toronto  
2008 :: My City I :: Urbanscape Gallery :: Toronto  
2004 :: Complete Works (1995-2004) :: Iranian Artist't Forum :: Tehran  
2003 :: Innovative Architecture :: Projects of six honored architects :: Tehran Int. TradeFair  
2002 :: The Grand Memar Award :: Barg Gallery :: Tehran  
1998 :: Photo Exhibition :: Karshive Gallery :: Tehran

### RECOGNITIONS

2011 :: Award of Excellence :: OAA Awards :: Transimage [photo installation]  
2009 :: Honorable mentioned :: OAA Awards :: Cart Shelter [concept proposal]  
2003 :: 1st place :: Technology Cooperation office (TCO) of I.R. of Iran Presidency Architectural Competition :: Nosa R&D building  
2003 :: 1st place :: Technology Cooperation office (TCO) of I.R. of Iran Presidency Architectural Competition :: Sina Kavosh R&D building  
2002 :: Honorable mentioned :: The Grand Memar Award :: Villa No.24 & Villa No.81  
2002 :: 5th place :: Technology Cooperation office (TCO) of I.R. of Iran Presidency Architectural Competition :: Sandjesh D.T. Co. R&D building  
2001 :: Honorable mentioned :: The Grand Memar Award :: For Villa No.81  
1999 :: Top Student :: among all the graduates of M. Arch. program

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