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Biography

Namık Erkal received the bachelor degree of architecture in 1992 from the Middle East Technical University (METU) Department of Architecture. He graduated from the program of History of Architecture METU in 1995 with the thesis entitled "Constantinopolis: a Study on the City of Constantinople as the Artifice of Constantine the Great's Imperial Project" that was granted the METU Mustafa Parlar thesis award. In 1996 he became research assistant at the Department of Architecture METU; the same year he attended the international graduate program of "Culture of the Metropolis" at the Department of Architecture, University of Catalonia Barcelona. He received PhD degree of architecture from METU Department of Architecture in 2001 with the thesis entitled "Haliç Extra-mural Zone: a Spatiotemporal Framework for Understanding the Architecture of Istanbul City Frontier". He was assigned as instructor in METU Department of Architecture in 2002. In 2005 his post-doctoral research project "Excavating the Visual Sources Depicting Istanbul's Maritime Frontier" was awarded with the Ilse and George Hanfmann Fellowship of American Research Institute in Turkey (ARIT) by means of which he found the opportunity to work in the major visual archives and libraries of London, Paris, Vienna and Venice for two semesters. He continued the instructorship in METU Department of Architecture until 2016 receiving respectively the positions of assistant professor (2009) and associate professor (2013). He has given courses at the undergraduate level in Architectural Design (2nd, 4th and specifically 3rd year) and Architectural History, at the graduate level in Architectural Design and the program of History of Architecture. In addition he has organized study abroad trips under courses entitled "architecture in situ"

His academic research has been based on two major topics that are architectural design and history of architecture. Concerning the topic of architectural design he has realized research projects (as consultant to different teams) some of which have been constructed, specifically focusing on issues like new buildings and urban design in complex environmental and historical contexts, annexes to old buildings, museum and exhibition design. Some of his proposals to the national architectural competitions have been awarded. He has also been jury member of several national architectural competitions.

His academic research in history of architecture is mainly on the military, economic and ceremonial structures of the city frontiers; market places, customhouses and maritime ports; and the architecture of the everyday life with a specific focus on the Early Modern Mediterranean and Ottoman cities. Architectural and urban history of Istanbul has been a case study topic since the graduate studies resulting in a number of publications. The writing of the architectural history of now vanished buildings in reference to the original sources of multi-layered cities has been a major interest. His major academic aim has been to search various possible means to relate the disciplines of history of architecture and architectural design -concerning the autonomy and the different outputs of each field- as well as to reflect this dialogue to the benefit of architectural education.

Education Information

Doctorate, Middle East Technical University, Architecture, Turkey 1996 - 2001

Postgraduate, Middle East Technical University, Graduate School Of Social Sciences, History Of Architecture, Turkey 1992 - 1995

Middle East Technical University, Turkey 1987 - 1992

Foreign Languages

English

Dissertations

Doctorate, Haliç Extra-mural Zone: a Spatio-temporal Framework For Understanding The Architecture Of The Istanbul City Frontier, Middle East Technical University, Faculty Of Architecture, Department Of Architecture, 2001

Postgraduate, Constantinopolis: A Study on the City of Constantinople as the Artifice of Constantine the Great's Imperial Project, Middle East Technical University, Faculty Of Architecture, Department Of Architecture, 1995

Research Areas

History, Architecture, History of Architecture

Academic Titles / Tasks

Professor, TED University, Faculty of Architecture and Design, Department of Architecture, 2018 - Continues Associate Professor, 2016 - 2018

Associate Professor, Middle East Technical University, Faculty Of Architecture, Department Of Architecture, 2012 - 2016 Assistant Professor, Middle East Technical University, Mimarlık Fakültesi, Mimarlık Bölümü, 2009 - 2012 Lecturer PhD, Middle East Technical University, Mimarlık Fakültesi, Mimarlık Bölümü, 2002 - 2009 Research Assistant, Middle East Technical University, Mimarlık Fakültesi, Mimarlık Bölümü, 1996 - 2001

Academic and Administrative Experience

Akademik Atama ve Yükseltme Komisyonu, 2021 - Continues

TEDÜ Mekan Düzenleme Komitesi, 2021 - Continues

Kurtuluş Parkı Mimarlık ve Kentsel Tasarım Projesi Komitesi, 2021 - Continues

TEDU- Ozbekistan AKFA University Progarm Transfer Protocol Execution Committee Department of Architecture, 2021 - Continues

Dean, TED University, Faculty Of Architecture And Design, Department Of Architecture, 2020 - Continues

Kalite Komisyonu, 2020 - Continues

TEDÜ disiplin komitesi, 2021 - 2021

2019 - 2020

Courses

Student Development Seminar, Undergraduate, 2022 - 2023, 2021 - 2022

Master's Thesis I, Postgraduate, 2022 - 2023, 2021 - 2022, 2020 - 2021

Architecture of Urban Form Through History, Undergraduate, 2021 - 2022, 2020 - 2021, 2019 - 2020, 2018 - 2019

History of Architecture I, Undergraduate, 2022 - 2023, 2021 - 2022, 2020 - 2021, 2019 - 2020, 2018 - 2019

First Year Experience at TEDU, Undergraduate, 2022 - 2023

Architectural Design III, Undergraduate, 2020 - 2021, 2019 - 2020

Architectural Design IV, Undergraduate, 2020 - 2021, 2019 - 2020

Architectural Design V, Undergraduate, 2018 - 2019, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017

Architectural Design VI, Undergraduate, 2018 - 2019, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017

Architecture of Urban Form Through Histo, Postgraduate, 2018 - 2019

Architecture of Urban Form Through History, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018

History of Architecture I, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018, 2016 - 2017

Architectural Design V, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018

Architectural Design VI, Undergraduate, 2017 - 2018

Jury Memberships

Award, Türk Serbest Mimarlar Derneği 16. Mimarlık Ödülleri 2023-2024, TED University, May, 2024 Award, OTSA Yavuz Sezer Memorial Article Award, Ottoman and Turkish Studies Association, April, 2024

Competition, Ziya Tanalı Ödülleri Ulusal Öğrenci Yarışması 2024, March, 2024

August, 2021

May, 2021

April, 2021

April, 2021

September, 2020

September, 2020

February, 2020

February, 2020

December, 2019

Published journal articles indexed by SCI, SSCI, and AHCI

I. Reserved Abundance: State Granaries of Early Modern Istanbul

Erkal N. G.

JOURNAL OF THE SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIANS, vol.79, no.1, pp.17-38, 2020 (AHCI)

II. Grain Scale of Ottoman Istanbul: Architecture of the Unkapan Landing Square

Erkal N. G.

JOURNAL OF URBAN HISTORY, vol.44, no.3, pp.351-381, 2018 (AHCI)

III. THE CORNER OF THE HORN: AN ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW OF THE LEADED MAGAZINE IN GALATA ISTANBUL

Erkal N. G.

METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, vol.28, no.1, pp.197-227, 2011 (AHCI)

Articles Published in Other Journals

I. Fenerlilerin Meskenlerinin Peşinde Başlıklı Çalıştayların Ardından

Erkal N. G.

Toplumsal Tarih, pp.8-11, 2023 (Non Peer-Reviewed Journal)

II. Of A Piece With Their Habitations: Phanariots and Their Houses on the Phanar Waterfront

Erkal N. G., Sümertaş F. M.

YILLIK: Annual of Istanbul Studies, vol.4, pp.7-44, 2022 (Scopus)

III. Erkal N. G.

Arredamento Mimarlık, no.352, pp.70-73, 2022 (Non Peer-Reviewed Journal)

IV. Mimar Olmadan Mimarlık: Erol Akyavaş

Erkal N. G.

Artunlimited, 2022

V. Marmara Denizi'ne Yönelmiş Bir Kent ve Kıyısının Ağır Dönüşümü

Erkal N. G.

İstanbul Planlama Ajansı Dergisi, vol.3, pp.78-82, 2021 (Non Peer-Reviewed Journal)

VI. Taşıma Kampüs: Uzaktan Eğitimle Gelenler

Erkal N. G.

Arredamento Mimarlık, vol.346, no.May-June, pp.88-90, 2021

VII. Korku, Ecel ve Mimarlık Üzerine

Erkal N. G.

Mimarlık, vol.413, no. Mayıs-Haziran, pp.40-43, 2020

VIII. Tarihselciliğin Merkezine Seyahat

Erkal N. G.

Arredamento Mimarlık, vol.340, no.Mayıs-Haziran, pp.84-87, 2020

IX. Nezih Eldem'in Bütüncül Mimarlığı: Harbiye Askeri Müze ve Kültür Sitesi

Erkal N. G.

Mimarlık, vol.411, no.Ocak-Şubat 2020, pp.41-47, 2020

X. Kitap eleştirisi: Muhafaza / mimarlik

Erkal N. G.

Metu Journal of the Faculty of Architecture, vol.36, no.2, pp.247-250, 2019 (Scopus)

XI. Muhafaza/Mimarlık

Erkal N. G.

METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, vol.2, pp.281-283, 2019 (Scopus)

XII. Golden Horn: Towards the Museum-Harbor

Erkal N. G.

Abitare International, vol.472, no.May, pp.136-143, 2007

Books & Book Chapters

I. In Due Time Laid Before Them: Istanbul in London Panoramas

Erkal N. G.

in: On the Spot: Panoramic Gaze on İstanbul, a History, Çiğdem Kafesçioğlu, Mehmet Kentel, Baha Tanman, Editor, Pera Müzesi Yayını, İstanbul, pp.84-101, 2023

II. Once the Belly of Istanbul: Unkapanı as a Food Provisioning Center

Erkal N. G.

in: Industrial Heritage for Sustainable Cities Proposals for the Transformation of Istanbul's Unkapanı Flour Mill, Fokke Gerritsen,Özgün Özçakır,Aysel Arslan,Sena Kayasü,Sedef Yurdagül, Editor, Netherlands Institute in Turkey, Ankara, pp.10-14, 2023

III. Köşe Kulesi

Erkal N. G.

in: İnci Aslanoğlu için Bir Mimarlık Dizini, Sevil Enginsoy Ekinci, Elvan Altan, Editor, ODTÜ Mimarlık Fakültesi Yayınları, Ankara, 2019

IV. Meanwhile in the Valley: Notes on Ağlasun after Sagalassos

Erkal N. G.

in: Meanwhile in the Mountains: Sagalassos, Jeroen Poblome, Editor, Yapı Kredi Kültür Sanat Yayıncılık, İstanbul,

pp.41-58, 2019

V. Reporting From Darzana: Seven Episodes of the Golden Horn Arsenal

Erkal N. G.

in: Darzana: Two Arsenals, One Vessel, Feride Çiçekoğlu, Editor, Istanbul Foundation for Culture and Arts, İstanbul, pp.5-38, 2016

VI. İstanbul: Water City, Water Life

Erkal N. G.

in: Istanbul, Two Continents, One city: EXPO Shanghai 2010 Pavilion of Turkey, Ayşen Savaş, Editor, Ankara, 2010

Supported Projects

Erkal N. G., Türkay Coşkun S., Project Supported by Higher Education Institutions, Reinstalling the Phanariot Houses in Istanbul: an Architectural and Urban History Research by Visualization, 2022 - 2023

Design

Erkal N. G., Galeri Nev 35. Yıl Sergisi

Scientific Refereeing

Journal of Ankara Studies, August 2021
Journal of Faculty of Architecture METU JFA, August 2021
Lexington Books, February 2021
INTERNATIONAL JOURNAL OF ISLAMIC ARCHITECTURE, January 2021
METU JOURNAL OF THE FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, January 2020
JOURNAL OF THE SOCIETY OF ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIANS, July 2019

Tasks In Event Organizations

Erkal N. G., Phanariot Materialities: Domestic Architecture, Urban Culture, and Social Mobility, Scientific Congress, İstanbul, Turkey, Temmuz 2024

Erkal N. G., In Search of the Phanariot Abode: Aspects of Domestic Culture, Residential Architecture, and Court Life 3: Phanar après Phanar: Afterlife and the Search for the Phanariots, From the Nineteenth Century to the Present, Workshop Organization, Turkey, Haziran 2023

Erkal N. G., In Search of the Phanariot Abode: Aspects of Domestic Culture, Residential Architecture, and Court Life 2: Phanariot Ascendency, the Long Eighteenth century, Workshop Organization, Turkey, Mayıs 2023

Erkal N. G., In Search of the Phanariot Abode: Aspects of Domestic Culture, Residential Architecture, and Court Life 1:

Early Phanar: Mid-Fifteenth to Late Seventeenth Century, Workshop Organization, Turkey, Mayıs 2023

ERKAL N. G., European Architectural History Network International Thematic Conference, Ekim 2021

ERKAL N. G., ISUF Türkiye 2021, Mayıs 2021

Awards

Erkal N. G., Yavuz Sezer Article Prize in History of Architecture and Urban Environment, Ottoman And Turkish Studies Association (Otsa), December 2022

ERKAL N. G., WA Award Cycle 33, World Architecture Community, March 2020

Artistic Activity

ERKAL N. G., Jeroen P., Once Upon a Time in the Mountains: Sagalassos, January 2020 ERKAL N. G., Motto Mimarlık , 2018 Arkitera Mimarlık Seçkisi Sergisi: Galeri Nev Kırlangıç, June 2019 Erkal N. G., 15th Venice Architecture Biennale Turkish Pavilion, May 2016