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**HIGHLIGHT OF QUALIFICATIONS:**

- Architect AIBC, Principal, Shida Neshat Architect
- Member of the City of Pitt Meadows Advisory Design Panel
- Former member of the City of Chilliwack Design Review Advisory Committee
- Former member of the City of Maple Ridge Advisory Design Panel
- Master's degree in architecture, CSBA, LEED® AP BD+C
- 17 years of local experience as president, project manager, Architectural and building design
- 8 years of international experience as registered architect in Tehran, Iran
- Experienced in Design, Management, and production of Construction Documents for different types of projects, residential, industrial, commercial, hospitality, health care, office, etc... , new, conversion/ alteration/renovation/ addition, and tenant improvement
- Skilled in single and multi-family housing projects: low, medium, high-rise (most affordable to high end)
- Strong academic background in Environmental management, Sustainability, Urban design, Urban Land Economics and Real estate development
- Outstanding knowledge of BCBC/VBBL and municipal zoning bylaws
- Strong leadership, problem-solving, team playing, competent to bring projects to a close
- Excellent design, technical and communication skills
- Experienced in Revit, Autocad, Vectorworks and MS office

**EDUCATION**

SBA - Sustainable Design Advisor Program – SFU- National SBA program	2010
Associate Certificate in Bldg Design &Arch. CAD-School of Construction &Environment BCIT	2001
Built-Environment Planning PhD studies- Faculté de l'Aménagement, U. de Montréal, Mtl, QC	1996-1999
Built-Environment Management PhD studies -Faculty of Environment-U. of Azad- Graduate Studies and Advanced Research Branch, Tehran, Iran	1993-1995
M. Arch. - Grade of Excellence - School of Architecture, U of Shahid Beheshti, Tehran, Iran	1986

**PUBLIC SERVICE AND MENTORSHIPS:**

Member of the Advisory Design Panel – City of Pitt Meadows, BC	2023
Member of the Design Review Committee – City of Chilliwack, BC	2021-2022
Member of the Advisory Design Panel – City of Maple Ridge, BC	2018 & 2019
Mentor - Leaders of Tomorrow program – Greater Vancouver Board of Trade	2013-2014
Mentor - Building Energy and Resource Management Certificate Program– Douglas College, New Westminster, BC	Spring 2013

## **ARCHITECTURAL EXPERIENCE IN CANADA:**

As Architect AIBC, Principal: Design and/or supervision of different phases of a range of projects under:

- Shida Neshat Architect, Maple Ridge, BC**
- 2023 **6Unit townhouse + 6 lock-off units**, City of North Vancouver, BC
- Pre-Consultation submission, and coordination with Code and Energy consultants
- 2021 **6-unit townhouse + 6 lock-off units**, City of North Vancouver, BC
- Single family Alteration/Renovation**, West Vancouver, BC
- Proposed alteration and submitted Building Permit documents for the renovation of a 2 storey old house to make it energy efficient and modern- looking
- 2019-2020 **Multi-family 9-unit condominium**, Vancouver, BC
- Provided Building Envelope Professional Services
- 2019 **Affordable senior living residences**, Maple Ridge, BC
- Feasibility studies and concept design for a new form of senior living. The proposal comprised of two low-rise condominiums, and a communal building designed to provide services such as entertainment, food, medical and mid-term care, to residents. A total of 42 unit apartments were designed, each with 400 to 800 Sqft floor area.
- 2018 **Industrial Tenant improvement**, Mission, BC
- Change of use of single storey warehouse to a 2-storey ISO 8 packaging laboratory
- Design review, Code analysis, BP, CD and building Occupancy permit.
- 2017 **Single-family Renovation/ addition with secondary suite**, Port Moody, BC
- Addition/ Alteration proposal and BP submission with 2 different options
- 2013-2016 **SNB Architecture + Planning, Vancouver & West Vancouver, BC**
- 137-149 St. Patrick Ave 7-unit townhouse**, North Vancouver, BC
- DP, ADP and BP submissions
- 365 E 2<sup>nd</sup> Ave 18-unit townhouse**, North Vancouver, BC
- Concept design and Preliminary municipal meeting
- 230-232 E8th Ave 6-unit townhouse**, North Vancouver, BC
- Concept Design and Preliminary municipal meeting
- 384 200 Ave Single-family house**, Langley, BC
- BP submission
- 2557 Kingsway Ave Pho-Hoa restaurant TI Renovation/addition**, Vancouver, BC
- BP submission
- 2242 Balaclava Renovation/Addition and proposal for Conversion of the existing duplex to triplex**, Vancouver, BC
- DP, BOV and DP amendment submissions
- 3187 Venables Ave New Single family with Laneway house**, Vancouver, BC
- BP submissions with two different, 1 & 2 storey options
- 384 Stevens Drive**, West Vancouver, BC
- BP submission

As Intern Architect AIBC, Principal: Design and/or supervision of different phases of a range of projects under:

- 2008-2013 **Shida Neshat-Behzadi Building Design Consultant**, Vancouver, BC
- 4855 Fannin Ave**, Vancouver, BC
- Artist rendering for the addition of a storey above the existing
- Dunbar project Renovation/Addition**, Vancouver, BC
- Preliminary Design for house re-zoning under the Interim zoning policy
- 1943 Custor Court, Single family addition/reno.**, Coquitlam, BC
- BP submission
- 5029 Loraine Street, Single family Remodelling**, Burnaby, BC
- BP preliminary review
- 3601 W10th Ave garage conversion to secondary suite**, Vancouver, BC
- BP submission and Occupancy Permit
- 8365 Valley Drive garage conversion to secondary suite**, Whistler, BC
- BP submission

As Freelance Intern Architect, worked for different architectural companies in BC in different capacities

- 2010-2014                    **For Mackin Tanaka Architect, West Vancouver, BC**  
                                    **Guesthouse, Olympia, WA**
- BP submission
- Laxgalts' AP Government Office Renovation/Addition, Terrace, BC**
- BP and construction documents for tender
- Laxgalts' AP James Gosnell Health Center Alteration/Renovation, Terrace, BC**
- minor change in construction documents for tender
- Harbour Inn Hotel with Green Roof, Prince Rupert, BC**
- BP, CDs, remote field reviews and Occupancy permit
- Assisted Living new concept, Terrace, BC**
- Concept Design
- 1756 Argyle Street Community Centre, West Vancouver, BC**
- BP minor changes
- Laxgalts' AP House of Healing Terrace, BC,**
- Construction documents for tender and post-addendum
- Mc. Bride Point Residence/ Commercial Ren, Prince Rupert, BC**
- BP submission, CDs, specs & shop drawings
- 2012-2013                    **For Vivid Green Architecture, Richmond, BC**  
                                    **7418 Giroday Place new house, Delta, BC**
- Concept Design with the potential to conversion to three suites
- 3468 W14th Ave, Vancouver, BC**
- Report summary of the CoV RS5 zoning by-law
- Organo Gold Headquarters, Richmond, BC**
- Preliminary Design for the entrance lobby, 2<sup>nd</sup> pair of eyes on %90 CDs, and Research for new construction methods and materials
- 2012                            **For Rafii Architect, Vancouver, BC**  
                                    **Mixed-use Residential/Commercial High-rise, Vancouver, BC**
- %90 BP submission
- 2011-2012                    **For Brian G. Hart Company, Ladner, BC**  
                                    **Park Residential/Commercial heritage reno/addition, Ladner, BC**
- BP submission and CDs
- Conversion of nursing home to Students' Residence, Ladner, BC**
- building code analysis, BP submission, CDs, Field reviews, Permit Occupancy, and as-built drawings

As Intern Architect and employee, worked for different architectural/ design companies in BC, in different capacities such as, Research, Concept Design, DP& BP submissions, minor changes, CDs, and Field reviews, etc...

- 2007-2008                    **HRHatch Architect, Vancouver, BC**  
                                    **The Composition low-rise Multi-Family residential, Vancouver, BC**  
                                    **2604 Veritas low-rise Multi-Family residential, Vancouver, BC**  
                                    **601 East Pender Multi-Family residential, Vancouver, BC**  
                                    **2717 The Essence low-rise multi-Family residential, Vanc., BC**  
                                    **3799 Maxwell Street Multi-Family residential, Vancouver, BC**  
                                    **Vancouver Fairmont Hotel Spa, Vancouver, BC**  
                                    **2801 YVR Absolute Spa, Richmond, BC**  
                                    **2808 Park Royal Spa, West Vancouver, BC**  
                                    **The Keg Restaurant, New Westminster, BC**

- 2007 **The Bailey Group, Vancouver, BC**  
 3930 Bayridge Ave Single-family Residence, West Vancouver, BC  
 3940 Bayridge Ave Single-family Residence, West Vancouver, BC  
 680 Holmbury Place Single-family House, North Vancouver, BC  
 3998 Bayridge Ave Single-family Residence, West Vancouver, BC  
 3960 Bayridge Ave Single-family Residence, West Vancouver, BC  
 3090 Proctor Ave Single-family Residence, West Vancouver, BC  
 1630 Store Street Commercial, Victoria, BC  
 708 Powell Street Office/Commercial Vancouver, BC
- 2006 **Gustavson Wiley Architecture, Vancouver, BC**  
 City of Cowichan Maple Bay Fire Hall, North Cowichan, BC  
 Starbucks Restaurant, Confederation Village, BC
- 2006 **Orbis Architecture, Vancouver, BC**  
 W1st Ave Multiple-Family Conversion/ Addition, Vancouver, BC  
 • Worked also on Feasibility studies, Land acquisition& Concept Design  
 1591 W16th Ave. Willingdon Lodge Suite Conversion, Vanc., BC  
 688 West Hastings Street - Suites 700&710/Office, Vancouver, BC  
 Roger's Building - 410 Granville St. Suites 322-330/Institutional, Vancouver, BC  
 Kumon - Suite 226 Tenant Improvement, Burnaby, BC  
 3100 Production Way-The Brick Warehouse Interior Remodelling, Burnaby, BC
- 2005 **Insideout Architecture, Sidney, BC**  
 Shawnigan Lake School Lonsdale House dormitory  
 Fort Saint John Hospital wards remodelling, Fort Saint John, BC  
 Government Office – Headquarter
- 2004-2005 **Ankenman Marchand Architects, Vancouver, BC**  
 Kings Road Multiple family condominiums, UEL-Vancouver, BC  
 W8th and Larch Ave Multi-family conversion/addition, Vanc., BC  
 • Worked also on Feasibility studies, Land acquisition& Concept Design
- As building designer, worked as independent or as employee for different architectural/ research/design companies in BC and QC, in different capacities, e.g. Research, Concept Design, DP/BP submissions, CDs, Field reviews, builder, etc...
- 2002-2003 **Shida Neshat Building Design, Vancouver, BC**  
 4034 W18th Ave New Single-family residence, Vancouver, BC  
 • Feasible studies, Land Acquisition, concept Design, Consulting and Coordination, DP and BP submissions, CDs, Tendering, Field reviews and Occupancy Permit
- 2002 **Studio One Architecture Vancouver, BC**  
 1050 Smithe Street High-rise residential, Vancouver, BC
- 2001 **Vernacular design, West Vancouver, BC**  
 739 W. Keith Road Residence/suite addition, North Vancouver, BC
- 2000 **Shida Neshat Design, Vancouver, BC**  
 556 Alpine Court, Garage conversion to habitable space, North Vancouver, BC
- 1997 **Buildings-In-Use, Montreal, Qc**  
 Assessment of STCUM Interurban transportation facilities for Handicapped Vermont office project, Vermont, US
- 1995-1996 **Arc Design International, Vancouver, BC**  
 Sobhani home/office/Residence, Takamatsu, Japan

**TEACHING ASSISTANT/URBAN DESIGN/ ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING; Tehran, Iran:**

Spring 1994 **Azad Islamic University – School of Science and Research – Faculty of Environmental Engineering, Environmental Engineering undergraduate Program Year 1 - Term 1** Tehran, Iran  
 Course: Visual Perception of the Built Environment  
 TA, Edition of Book notes, and marking the students’ tests

**ARCHITECTURAL EXPERIENCE IN IRAN:**

As a registered Architect in Tehran Iran worked as Designer, Project Manager, Researcher

**Shida Neshat Registered Architect**

1993-1995 **Pasdaran Mixed-use Residential/Commercial/Institutional development proposal, Tehran, Iran**  
 Feasibility studies and Concept Design  
**City of Tehran new motor pool**  
 Environmental Planning report  
**Tehran cooperative "Healthy Cities project" study, Tehran, Iran**  
 Environmental Planning summary from the “WHO healthy cities project”  
 Rafsanjan Tourism project, Tehran, Iran  
 Descriptive Environmental report from places of interest in various parts of Iran and Proposal of four touristic belts from these places to the Capital city of Tehran  
 Design, BP submission and CDs for the following projects:  
**Tehran-Pars Condominiums, Tehran, Iran**  
**Fasham low-rise apartments, Fasham, Tehran, Iran**  
 1989-1991 **Khaneh-Ghah condominiums, Tehran, Iran**  
**Farah-Abad cottage, Farah-Abad, Iran**

As an Intern Architect in Tehran Iran worked for architectural and Urban planning and design companies in Tehran

1989-1995 **Aban Architects, Engineers, and Planners**  
**Izeh, Iran, Shahrkord, Broojen, Iran comprehensive projects**  
**Zanjan 750-hectare Elahyieh and Broojen 250 hectare**  
**Zanjan Governorship office and auditorium, Zanjan, Iran**  
**Khodabandeh Governship Office, Khodabandeh, Iran**  
**Pars Paper manufacturing company Office, Tehran, Iran**  
**Amir –Abad Mosque, Tehran, Iran**

1986 **Sharmand Architects and Planners**  
 City Beautification study and report summary from different UD articles

1988 **Tehran Metro Company**  
**Metro Co-op low-rise apartments, Tehran, Iran**  
**University of Metro Auditorium, Tehran, Iran**

1984 **Jair Architects and Planners**  
 Kashani 4-unit apartments, Tehran, Iran  
 Feasibility study, Design, and BP submission

## **URBAN DESIGN COMPETITIONS AND AWARDS:**

Spring 2011

**City of Surrey, BC "Townshift Competition" projects  
"Alexandra and Zeljco Stanar group" - Team member**

- Design of green roof and outdoor space for Cloverdale Round-Up affordable building
- Shared ideas for the Semiahmoo development proposal and its public Square. The jury recognized this proposal as a scheme rich in detail, rewarding close scrutiny with a thorough sense of what new high-density building might mean for a place like South Surrey. The jury distinguished its sun-oriented public plaza, as well, which responds to the community needs while giving ample consideration to humanizing its public plaza through numerous programmed activities.

Winter 1997

**GIM bursary-Towns and Development  
Institute of Urbanism - Université de Montréal, Mtl, Qc - Recipient**

- For the exceptional quality of work: Social interaction in public spaces

Spring 1996

**Arc Design International, Vancouver, BC  
Position: Urban Design team member  
"Ottawa gateway Competition", Ottawa, On  
● Urban Design rationale and design proposal**

Winter 1995

**United Nations Environmental programme – Industry and Environment  
Letter of Acknowledgement Recipient  
● For translation and publication of the book: "Industry and the Environment"**

**Ministry of Environment – Islamic Republic of Iran  
Letter of Acknowledgement Recipient  
● For translation of: "Industry and the Environment from English to Farsi"**

March 1986

**University of Shahid Beheshti (Former National University)  
M. Arch degree Thesis project  
Facility for physically challenged veterans and their families Tehran, Iran  
● Research and edition of a two-volume dissertation  
● Design and presentation of the project to the Thesis Jury  
Soosanguerd City Rehabilitation proposal, Soosanguerd, Iran  
Urban Design course project – School of Architecture and Planning, U. of Shahid Beheshti  
● Conceptual Design for the City of Soosanguerd Rehabilitation**

## **PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENTS:**

Membership of the AIBC and the right to use the title of Architect in British Columbia March 2013

LEED AP Building Design and Construction Certificate, Green Building Certification Inst. Oct. 2010-Oct 2022

National Certificate to use the title Certified Sustainable Building Advisor–NASAP Sept. 2010

Certificate of Practice, Ministry of Housing and Urban Planning, Tehran, Iran 1989-2013

### **PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENTS:**

Passive House Tradesperson - Building Envelope Specialist	BCIT	Nov. 2019
Building Better Buildings – Energy Step Code Building Science Seminar – GVHBA		May 2017
2015 Certified Professional Program	AIBC	2015- 2016
Building Envelope Education Program – Module I	AIBC	2016
Green Roofs Details and Installations - School of Construction and the Environment, BCIT		2009
BCBC 2006, Part 3/Part 3 Advanced, Part 9, Multi Unit, Small Buildings - BCIT		2007 & 2009
Advanced Urban Design – School of Community and Regional Planning, UBC		2005
Process and Practice of Architecture – School of Architecture- UBC		2004
Building Envelope Performance and Solutions - BCIT		2003
Urban Land Economics - Sauder School of Business – Real Estate Division, UBC	2001-2002	

### **PROMINENT SCHOOL PROJECTS in CANADA:**

2009- 2010	<b>Combined Clean Energy Producing System</b> Sustainable Design Advisor Program team project, SFU, Vancouver, BC Proposal of a Clean energy producing system for a Vancouver waterfront project Which harvested energy through seawater and wind turbines and converted the rest to hydrogen energy eventually stored in batteries
Winter 2006	<b>“Heart of Main Street, Vancouver, BC”</b> Advanced Urban Design course team project, UBC, SCARP, Vancouver, BC Design Proposal for the street section between King Edward and 33 <sup>rd</sup> Ave.
1995-1997	<b>Study of People interactions in Civic Squares and Public Spaces</b> <b>The Perception of Public spaces by Iranians through Persian narratives</b> Ph.D. studies, Planning Department, U. of Montreal, Montreal, QC
1993-1995	<b>Mc. Gill St. Montreal sociability and Montreal Old port touristic belt</b> Urban Design Course project, Ph.D. studies, Planning Department, U. of Mtl, Mtl, QC
	<b>Perception of the Built Environment by people</b> Literature review on the perception of the built environment, PhD studies -Faculty of Environment- Graduate Studies and Advanced Research Branch, Azad Islamic University, Tehran, Iran