

SEVAK KARABACHIAN

Sevak Karabachian was born in Beirut, Lebanon. He received his bachelor's degree in architecture from Cal Poly Pomona with honors, earning the Concours d'Elegance award – the highest award granted for thesis projects.

While studying architecture in college, Sevak kept busy with part time jobs working in the repair department of Najarian Furniture Company and worked as a Laboratory Assistant at Garfield Medical Center for over seven years.

Upon graduation Sevak worked full time for Michael Maltzan Architecture in Los Angeles. Starting out as a model maker, he soon became shop manager, leading teams of interns to meet tight presentation deadlines. In the span of two years, he became project designer and project designer assistant on many projects varying in scale including the JPL headquarters in Pasadena and the Carver Apartments for Elderly Homeless in Downtown Los Angeles. Before beginning his post professional studies, his last project with Michael Maltzan was the design for the Dark Side of the Moon exhibition in 2007 at SCI-Arc for which he was the project designer and coordinator. The exhibition received an AIA Design Award in 2008.

Sevak received his master's degree in architecture at Harvard Graduate School of Design in 2010 where he won the Edward Larrabee Barnes Fellowship at Haystack Mountain School of Crafts. Sevak held a teaching assistantship in 2009 for the CNC-Router at Harvard GSD. He also held a teaching assistantship at the Harvard VES Carpenter Center throughout 2009-10.

Sevak taught an architecture studio during Career Discovery for the summer of 2010 at Harvard GSD.

Since October of 2010 Sevak is working full-time at Gehry Partners in Los Angeles.

EDUCATION

Harvard Graduate School of Design

Master of Architecture II, 2010. Studios with M. Thompson, J. Silvetti. Thesis Advisor Hashim Sarkis

Haystack Mountain School of Crafts. Deer Isle, Maine, Summer 2009

Beginning Glass with Pablo Soto

Estampería Quiteña. Quito, Ecuador, Summer 2009

Printmaking with Arnolod Sicles, and Gerardo Pilca

California State Polytechnic University, Pomona

Bachelor of Architecture, 2006 / Concour's d'Elegance, Senior Project

National Technical University of Athens, Greece

School of Architecture / Study Abroad Program