

## RON ARAD

Tel Aviv, Israel, 1951

Lives and work in London, United Kingdom

Ron Arad is an industrial designer and architect. He received his training from the Bezalel Academy of Art and Design, in Jerusalem, and the Architectural Association School of Architecture, in London. Apart from his professional career as architect and designer, he has also pursued a career in teaching as professor of Design Products at Royal College of Art in London and at Vienna's Hochschule. He was awarded the London Design Week Medal for design excellence in 2011 and in 2013 he was elected as a Royal Academician by the Royal Academy of Art in London.

Ron Arad's constant experimentation with the possibilities of materials such as steel, aluminium or polyamide and his radical reconception of the form and structure of furniture has put him at the forefront of contemporary design. Alongside his limited edition studio work, Arad also designs for many leading international companies including Kartell, Vitra, Moroso, Fiam, Driade, Alessi, Cappellini, Cassina, WMF and Magis among others.

### SOLO EXHIBITIONS (SELECTION)

2015

*In Reverse*, Paul Kasmin Gallery, New York, USA

2013

*Ron Arad*, Ivorypress, Madrid, Spain

*Ron Arad: In Reverse*, Design Museum Holon, Israel

*Ron Arad: Last Train*, Palazzo Cavalli Franchetti, Venice, Italy

2012

*Ron Arad: 720°*, The Israel Museum, Jerusalem, Israel

2011

*Ron Arad: Curtain Call*, Roundhouse, London, United Kingdom

2010

*Ron Arad: Restless*, Barbican Art Gallery, London, United Kingdom

2009

*Ron Arad: In a China Shop*, Ben Brown Fine Arts, Hong Kong, China

*Ron Arad: No Discipline*, Museum of Modern Art, New York, United States

*Ron Arad: New Work*, Timothy Taylor Gallery, London, United Kingdom

*Ron Arad*, Gallery Mourmans, Maastricht, The Netherlands

2008

*Ron Arad: No Discipline*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France

*Ron Arad*, Gana Art Gallery, Seoul, South Korea

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2007

*Restless*, Friedman Benda Gallery, New York, United States

*Bodyguards*, Metropol, Milan, Italy

*The Dogs Barked*; Phillips, De Pury & Luxembourg; Zurich, Switzerland

2006

*THERE IS NO SOLUTION because there is no problem*, Barry Friedman Gallery, New York, United States

*Blo-Glo*, Dolce & Gabbana, Metropol, Milan, Italy

*Blo-Jobs*, Gallery Mourmans, Lanaken, Belgium

2005

*Paved with Good Intentions*, Miami Basel, Miami, United States

*Designs by Ron Arad*, Indianapolis Museum of Contemporary Art, United States

*Ron Arad: A Retrospective Exhibition*, Barry Friedman Ltd, New York, United States

*Ron Arad: New Works & Installation* (featuring Mike Figgis' film for the exhibition *In Space*), Phillips De Pury & Co., Chelsea, New York, United States

2004

*Ron Arad Fatto In Italia*, Venice Architecture Biennale, Italy

*Lo-rez-dolores-tabula-rasa*, Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy

2003

*Ron Arad in der Galerie Stefan Vodgt*, Galerie der Moderne, Munich, Germany

*Ron Arad Studio Works: 1981-2003*, Louisa Guinness Gallery, London, United Kingdom

*Von Mensch zu Mensch*, Sparda Bank, Münster, Germany

*Ron Arad*, Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy

*Permetre's la Llibertat*, Centre d'Art Santa Mònica, Barcelona, Spain

2002

*Two Floors*, Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy

2001

*Delight in Dedark*, Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy

2000

*Not Made By Hand Not Made in China*, Galeria Marconi, Milan, Italy

*Before and After Now*, Victoria and Albert Museum, London, United Kingdom

1998

*R.T.W.*, Gallery of Modern Art, Glasgow, Scotland

1997

*Ron Arad: New Acquisitions*, Montreal Museum of Decorative Arts, Canada

*Ron Arad*, Powerhouse Museum, Sydney, Australia

*Ron Arad and Ingo Maurer*, Spazio Krizia, Milan, Italy

1996

Glasgow Festival of Architecture & Design, Scotland

*Ron Arad and Ingo Maurer*, Spazio Krizia, Milan, Italy

1995

*Ron Arad*, Gazi, Athens, Greece

*The Work of Ron Arad*, Museum of Applied Arts, Helsinki, Finland

*Ron Arad and Ingo Maurer*, Triennale di Milano, Milan, Italy

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*Sticks and Stones*, Vitra Design Museum (travelling exhibition: 1990-1995), Weil am Rhein, Germany  
1994

*L'Esprit du Nomade*, Fondation Cartier, Paris, France

1993

*Breeding in Captivity*, Edward Totah Gallery, London, United Kingdom

*Design in the 20th Century*, Grand Palais, Paris, France

1991

*A Break with Tradition*, Röhsska Museum, Gothenburg, Sweden

1990

*Ron Arad Recent Works*, Tel Aviv Museum of Art, Israel

1987

*Nouvelles Tendences*, Centre Georges Pompidou, Paris, France

Documenta 8, Kassel, Germany

1986

*Intellectual Interiors* (with Philippe Starck, Rei Kawakubo and Shiro Kuramata), Seibo, Tokyo, Japan

## ARCHITECTURAL PROJECTS (selection)

2015

Maze, Margate, UK

The Watergate Hotel, Washington, DC, USA

Private Residence, Shibuya, Tokyo, Japan

2014

National Holocaust Monument, Ottawa, ON, USA

2013

Heinemann Regionals, Tel Aviv, Israel

2012

Public areas and restaurants of the Watergate Hotel, Washington, United States

2010

The prefabricated villa Onion House

Totseret Ha'Aretz Towers, Tel Aviv, Israel (first phase to be completed in 2017)

Design Museum Holon, Israel

2009

The public art installation *Vortex*, Seoul, South Korea

2009

Mediacité, Liège, Belgium

2007 onwards

Ohayon Villa, Marrakech, Morocco

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2005

Seventh floor of the Hotel Puerta América, Madrid, Spain

2004 onwards

Hotel at the Kristallwelten, Wattens, Austria

2003 onwards

Upperworld Hotel, Battersea Power Station, London, United Kingdom

2003

Yohji Yamamoto's Y's flagship store, Roppongi Hills, Tokyo, Japan

Maserati Headquarters showroom, Modena, Italy

2002-2003

Exhibition enclosure for Islamic Art in Doha, Qatar

2001

Selfridges technology hall, London, United Kingdom

1999

Exhibition design for *Winning: The Design of Sports* for the festival that celebrated Glasgow being designated 1999 UK City of Architecture and Design, Glasgow, Scotland

1995-1996

Design of the winning scheme for the flagship Adidas Stadium in Paris, France

1995

Belgo Centraal restaurant, London, United Kingdom

1994

Belgo Noord restaurant, London, United Kingdom

1994

Tel Aviv Opera foyer, Tel Aviv, Israel

## BIBLIOGRAPHY

### Books and catalogue (selection)

2013

*Another twist in the plot*, Ivorypress, Madrid

2009

*Ron Arad: No Discipline*, The Museum of Modern Art, New York

2008

*Ron Arad Architecture*, Galerie Enrico Navarra, Paris

2004

*Ron Arad Talks to Matthew Collings About Designing Chairs, Vases, Buildings and...*, Phaidon Press, London

1999

*Ron Arad*, Laurence King, London

1992

*Neo-Furniture*, Londres, Thames & Hudson, London