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Message From the Principal's desk



Prof. Dr. Kavita Murugkar
Principal
BVDUCOA,Pune

Dear Alumni,

It is my sheer delight to present to you the first e-edition of our own Alumni Newsletter !

Alumni of an institution are the testimony of its years of commitment and continuous pursuit to impart the best knowledge, skills and values which the alumni take into the society to not just outshine others but to also make a difference for the larger good.

We hence wish to build a strong and growing bond with all of you and collaborate to mutually reach greater heights of success.

This newsletter is one such initiative under the bouquet of activities under the alumni association at BVDUCOA, that aims to showcase Alumni journeys, achievements, articles, prestigious works and event updates with the extended community.

I invite you to wholeheartedly contribute to this newsletter by sharing your updates time to time and we will be happy to include it for the world to know !

Hope to get an overwhelming response from all of you to make this endeavour a great success..

With best wishes and love always!!

BHARATI VIDYAPEETH
(DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY)
COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE ,PUNE



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Our Vision-

“To be a world class University for Social Transformation through Dynamic Education”

MISSION OF BV (DU) UNIVERSITY

- Provide quality technical education with state-of-the-art equipment, qualified faculty and adequate infrastructure to meet the needs of the profession and society.
- Foster an environment conducive to innovation, research, and entrepreneurial leadership.
- Adhere to and promote professional ethics, transparency and accountability for social, economic and environmental conditions.

VISION OF BVDU COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE PUNE

“Committed To Inculcating Sensitivity Towards Sustainable Built Environment Through Architectural Education”

MISSION OF BVDU COLLEGE OF ARCHITECTURE PUNE

The institution shall strive:

- To instill knowledge, skills, values, and ethics to produce socially responsible, environmentally conscious, and economically aware architectural professionals.
- To encourage innovation and research for a sustainable built environment.

The institutions of Bharati Vidyapeeth (BV) were accorded Deemed University status in 1996 for their academic excellence. The Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University) is renowned for its academic excellence and offers innovative programs in emerging areas. It currently boasts 29 constituent institutions, including three research institutes dedicated solely to research. This multi-campus and multi disciplinary university caters to both urban and rural students and has achieved significant success in research. It also boasts world-class infrastructure and facilities, has launched numerous innovative academic programs, and has best-in-class teaching-learning processes. The university has also established national and international collaborations.

Alumni Association of Bharati Vidyapeeth (Deemed to be University) College of Architecture, Pune

Bharati Vidyapeeth College of Architecture, Pune has been imparting architectural education Since 1994. More than 1300 alumni have graduated in the last 23 years. It also intends to unite all the graduates from Bharati Vidyapeeth College of Architecture, Pune. It strengthens alumni and Alma Mater ties, providing opportunities for cooperation and communication.

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Bharati Vidyapeeth College of Architecture, Pune Awarded as "Most reputed Architectural institution of the Year" By Navbharat Navrashtra Times education Awards 2023 on 29th July 2023.



LEARNING OUT OF THE BOX 2.0 -2023

It is proposed as an innovative opportunity to facilitate outdoor learning by tapping the educational resources our city and society can offer.

LootB 2.0 is planned as a series of educational exposure visits to studiously identified sites within the city limits escorted by faculty coordinators for mixed student groups from all classes.

**Grand Alumni meet
January 2024**

This meet promises to be a memorable occasion where you can reconnect with old friends, reminisce about your time at BVDUCOA, Pune and celebrate your achievements since then. Join us for an evening of nostalgia, networking, and fun as we come together to strengthen the bonds that were forged during your time with us.

MASTERCLASS 2.0

BVDU College of Architecture, Pune is organising a MASTER CLASS Program for students of Architecture to encourage them to see design and architecture through a multidisciplinary lens and broaden their spatial cultural understanding of the world. We intend to cover a wide variety of topics with respect to Art, Culture, Heritage, Design, Infrastructure, Technology, Environment and allied fields on Saturdays for around 4 hrs of duration.

Alumni D-talks Series

Alumni D-talks is a series initiated by BVDUCOA where alumni of the institute have interactions with the students of architecture. The Alumni of the institute discusses upon their success stories, their insights, the impact BVDUCOA, Pune had on their life and career and many such things.

The Alumni Katta

An Alumni Katta is typically an informal gathering of former students from a particular school, college or university. It provides a platform for alumni to meet, connect, and reminisce about their shared educational experiences.

**UPCOMING AT
BVDUCOA, Pune**

Alumni Spotlight

Ar.Yash Shah, Ar.Anuja Sawarkar
Batch : 2012-2017

ONE HABITAT STUDIO, established in 2019 by architects Yash and Anuja, stands as a youthful and acclaimed architectural and interior design studio nestled in Pune. The studio has garnered recognition and accolades across various platforms in the fields of interior design and architecture.

Their core mission revolves around delivering a personalized design experience to their clients.

To ONE HABITAT STUDIO, "architecture" holds a profound significance. They view a habitat as the natural environment where ecosystems thrive, and this philosophy serves as the cornerstone of their practice. They firmly believe that this natural environment represents the most ideal space for any living organism to flourish.

Featured Project :A Desert Oasis



The house embraces minimalism with a serene color palette dominated by beige and white, accented by hints of forest green. Linear forms, uncluttered spaces, and subtle curves make the whole space attain unity and tranquility in the space. Using the natural elements like, the wood, stone, terracotta brick tiles, marble, complemented by ash wood and subtle hints of green in form of décor and paints, creates a complete cohesive nature-inspired ambiance for the home.

The entrance foyer was carefully designed to strike a balance between open and closed spaces, ensuring ample storage solutions while maintaining a welcoming entry to the house. The minimalist furniture elements, with a touch of green, inject excitement and character into the living space. We curated a serene and a peaceful Buddha idol, handmade from the local stone artisan, seated on a custom-made console, adorned with Tibetan chants in monochrome, creating a divine space within the house. The dining and kitchen areas are thoughtfully attached to facilitate a seamless flow of circulation. Our on-site kitchen construction enables customization, allowing us to tailor the space precisely to our clients' needs.



The parents' room blends a hint of traditional aesthetics with a custom-designed bed back fabric, harmoniously complemented by tropical minimalist artworks, lending the space a fresh and a lively vibe. The master bedroom epitomizes luxury with a terracotta wall adjacent to the bed providing an earthy backdrop for the seating area, striking a perfect balance between opulence and grounding elements.

Lastly, the study unit with its graceful curves, cane detailing, and subtle hints of green seamlessly integrates with the overall design, providing a sense of completeness to the entire home. The cohesive use of these elements throughout the house creates a harmonious and inviting atmosphere, reflecting the family's values and preferences while achieving the desired balance between functionality and aesthetics.

Project Location:Pune, Maharashtra, India |Completion Year: 2023 | Gross carpet Area (m2/ ft2): 1200 sq.ft |
Office Name: One Habitat Studio | Office Website: www.onehabitatstudio.com | Social Media: [one_habitat_studio](https://www.instagram.com/one_habitat_studio)



Alumni Spotlight

Ar. Aakash Mathur

Batch : 2015-2019

Aakash Mathur, a proficient architect with expertise in design, real estate, and sustainability, holds an MSc from The University of Manchester and a Bachelor's from Bharati Vidyapeeth University with distinction. He's excelled as Founder Architect at Sky+Line Built and in roles like strategist, showcasing innovation, investment acumen, and sustainability with Hines Group's ESG team in London. He spearheaded impactful projects in various architectural companies, displaying exceptional management while being a poet, podcast originator, and constant explorer of creativity.

The Urban Land & Hines competition (Europe-Asia), which included 17 postgraduate student teams, worked on different development sites before reaching the finals to submit a financially feasible redevelopment design for a live site in Berlin, Germany. As the University of Manchester's team leader, my responsibilities included architectural design, team cohesiveness, budgetary monitoring, and presenting the design to the jury. We were awarded for our overall approach to the problem, which prioritized affordable housing, social value, and the efficient use of hard, soft, and public spaces while preserving the local Bauhaus architecture legacy. In the final jury rounds, Aakash and his beat LSE, UCL, and the University of Madrid.



The University of Manchester winners:
Aakash Mathur,
Nimrah Maryam,
Hiba Jabbour and
Max Medina

The winners of the competition, Aakash Mathur, Hiba Jabbour, Nimrah Maryam and Max Medina, will each receive a fast-track to the Hines internship programme, a guided tour of an existing development project, participation in project meetings in Hines' European offices, and complimentary access to bespoke in-person opportunities to participate in ULI's programmes. Each finalist will also receive a one-year ULI membership providing access to research content, events, webinars, education and mentorship programmes, knowledge sharing, and connections with a global network of real estate and land use professionals.



ULI HINES STUDENT COMPETITION

EUROPE 2023



Hines

Regeneration project with the aim to minimize the carbon footprint and emissions.



Alumni Fresh Faces 2023



Saloni Bandal
B.Arch #1



Prutha Pawar
B.Arch #2



Shwetali Bhilare
B.Arch #3



Pratyaksha Shrivastava
B.Arch #4



Geetanjali Pradhan
B.Arch #5



Shailvi Shah
M.Arch #1



Priyanka Singh
M.Arch #2



Rucha Trivedi
M.Arch #3

Alumni Achievers 2023

Ar. Imran Sheikh Batch: 1996-2001



Ar.Imran's Project named 'Sarhad High School' was inaugurated by the hands of Shri Sharad Pawar , Chandrakant Dada Patil and Sushilkumar Shinde at Taljai ,Dhankawadi

Ar. Ankit Parekh Batch: 1996-2001



Ar.Ankit received CWAB Awards 2023 (Responsible Design) from eminent architect Dr. Lui Thai Ker - "Architect of Modern Singapore" for Tiku Farm in Noteworthy Residential: 'Independent Homes'

Ar.Yati Mishra Batch: 2015-2020



Yati's Firm Shaleen Consultants has been chosen as the Planning Consultant for the project by the Government of Uttar Pradesh And Aligarh Development Authority which is a Project Management Consultancy,The Idea of the modern residential township revolves around the multiple nuclei model and it is associated with the various of activities that are held during the regime of lord Ram and Goddess Sita.

Alumni Pecha Kucha Night

3rd April 2023



Pecha Kucha night is an initiative started by Bharati vidyapeeth's College of Architecture, Pune since last year . At a PechaKucha Night, individuals gather at a venue to share personal presentations about their work.

This initiative is to bridge the gap between the students, alumni and the institute. It helps the current students to get motivated and exposed to the present technology and the overall market scenario through the projects of the alumni.

Following Alumni presented their work

- Ar .Neha Vyas
- Ar. Somanwita Bhattacharya
- Ar.Anuja Sawarkar
- Ar.Yash Shah
- Ar.Dushyant Joshi
- Ar.Yati Mishra
- Ar.Omkar Shinde

01 Alumni D-Talks Ar.Siddharth Aladangady

Ar.Siddharth gave insights to students regarding perception of architecture , its management and its built relationship along with the function.



He also explained different managerial roles as an architect through his large scale projects like stadium, high rise tower etc .

02 Alumni D-Talks Ar.Prakhar Ranjan

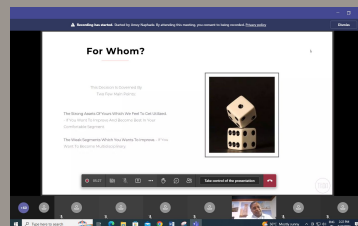
Ar.Prakhar explained his experience in the field of architecture after graduating from College. He also showed some the selective projects by his firm.



He explained his methodology for working and execution of the projects.

03 Alumni Interaction Ar.Pankaj Nande

Ar.Pankaj took a interaction and Orientation session for fourth and final year B.Arch on "How to present the portfolio". He showed some his works and its presentation drawing He also discussed on how to make presentable portfolio and contents of it.



Alumni Interactions 2023-24

01.Dr.Nikhil Joshi

Dr.Nikhil explained his experience in the field of architecture after graduating from College. He also gave insights about his current professional work and showcased a selection of his latest projects, that have garnered national recognition in the architectural landscape of Singapore.



Alumni Activities 2022-2023

Alumni Reminisce



Ar. Harshad Bagal

Batch of 2002-2007

I completed my B.Arch from BVDCOA, Pune in the year 2007. I feel lucky that I learnt architecture from my College the teachers were so professional and the knowledge they gave helped me to sharpen my skills in today's practice. In college my teachers gave me exposure to participate in various design competitions which helped me a lot. During my college period (2004-2005) our Vice principal gave me a chance to work on a live government Pharmacy project for Government of Maharashtra. This project I received after completing my graduation when I entered in my professional life. All this past experience helped me because of which today I received many recognition at national and state level. First state level awardee from college who received IIID award for interior in 2013 and 2014. My current work has been featured in various magazines too. I give this credit to my teachers who guided me in my professional journey.

During my student days in BVP, I wasn't a meritorious one; but what I only made sure was to attend classes and follow up, which meant a good connect with the learned faculties, bond with collaborative colleagues and interact with seniors.

Without much clarity for goals, the 5-years fled towards the end already. Couldn't have imagined it would all make so much of sense eventually! Thankfully to my own consciousness (which made me genuinely listen to my mentors enough), I was on a worthy path right before the college ended. And that was just the beginning. I feel today, academic is the foundation of our precious lives and career, and Bharati Vidyapeeth made sure to make it strong for me.



Ar. Prakhar Ranjan

Batch of 2008-2013

I began my journey in Architecture with Bharati Vidyapeeth College of Architecture, Pune and very fondly remember my time there. I had the best of the mentors and it was here that I met some of my closest friends. Back then, the entire college was like a small family and we spent most of our time together. We were encouraged to think out of the box and engage in all extra-curricular activities. We organized the first Pune Biennale, the learnings from which help me to date. I moved on to working in Auroville and Chennai after graduating. Later, I pursued my Masters in Resilient and Sustainable Strategies, from KU Leuven, Belgium and worked there for three years. I have recently started working in Ethos, an organization that works towards bridging the gap between academics and the profession.



Ar. Rasya Kumar

Batch of 2008-2013

From the Editor's Desk

Dear Fellow Alumni,

It brings me immense joy and pride to address you as part of this extraordinary alumni community. Being an alumna myself, I understand the deep connection we share with our alma mater and the sense of belonging that binds us together.

This inaugural edition is not just a newsletter; it's a milestone. It marks the beginning of a new chapter in our journey as alumni, as we strive to stay connected, informed and inspired by the remarkable stories and achievements of our fellow graduates.

I encourage each and every one of you to actively participate in this journey. Your contributions will not only enrich this newsletter but also inspire the next generation of graduates.

I look forward to the exciting journey ahead and to the stories and experiences we will share in the editions to come. Thank you for being a part of our alumni family and here's to the start of a remarkable journey!

Warm Regards,

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