



## DISCOVER İSTANBUL

### MAIDEN'S TOWER

Istanbul's city pictures almost always include "Kiz Kulesi". "Kiz Kulesi" is called Maiden's Tower in English. The Maiden's Tower is located on a small islet at a very short distance from the shores of "Uskudar" in the Asian side of the city. It can be seen from Topkapi Palace, Dolmabahçe Palace, Ortakoy district and many other interesting places of Istanbul. According to a Turkish legend, a princess was locked up in the tower by her father because of a prophecy. The prophecy alerted him saying that his daughter would die by the bite of a snake. The father wanted to protect the princess and put her in the Maiden's tower. Unfortunately at the end of the story, the princess dies by the snake that was brought to the islet in a basket of grapes. Until today the tower is used as a lighthouse, signal station, quarantine, customs control area, and home for retired naval officers. The building that you can see today dates back to 18th century.

### BALAT

Balat, a name that is a transfer from Palation in the Greek meaning "palace", is one of Istanbul's districts along the Golden Horn. The name of Balat comes from the Byzantine emperors. The emperors came by the sea and got to the Blachernae Palace outside the city for passing through the gate in Balat. Balat, along with Fener, is one of the most attractive regions. In Istanbul, photo clubs and local travel agencies often organize Fener - Balat tours. They introduce this region which is very far from the center of the city today. Nowadays, Balat is home to many films and TV series. Recently, TV series that brought voice such as Çukur, İçerde and Suskunlar has been filmed in Balat streets.

### NOONE KNOWS THESE!

- Escorial Palace, where the king of Spain is located, has 1200 doors.
- The gold bullion brought from America by Christopher Columbus was used in the gilding of the ceiling of the Church of Santa Maria Maggiore in Rome.
- Outside the Spanish capital of Madrid, Escorial palace was made in grid form. It is interesting to note that such an artifact was made on Aziz Saint being grilled and killed.
- 10,000,000 bricks were used in the construction of the Empire State Building.
- The longest wooden staircase made up of 4444 steps in the world, is in Norway. Total length is 1600 meters.
- The Sheikh Zayed Mosque, which has a huge carpet of 5627 square meters, has the world's largest kilim.
- The pizza tower has shifted 4.9 meters from the center.

### INTERVIEW WITH EMRE KAVUT



Let's start with your academic life. Your academic journey started at Mimar Sinan Fine Arts University. What do you regret doing and not doing when you were a student back then?

*-Not extending the school*

Why did you choose interior design as an occupation?

*-All my family members have been graduates of MSGSU since the beginning of 1900s and all of them were architects but no one was interior architect. Therefore, I wanted to be an interior architect*

We heard that you had to found a company when you were 2nd grade student at university. How did this process develop?

*- My friends and I were working when we were students. A respectable company offered us to work together after they saw our works. To bill the projects, we had to found a company. Then, we designed showrooms for this company.*

What is your favorite project that you have enjoyed doing most?

*-Fictional, technological and utopic projects.*

What do you advise us not to miss the life during university years other than academic success?

*-You should plan your life very well. You should be organized but at the same time you should seize the day!*

What was the most challenging/difficult moment in your life?

*- When I was handing in my MA thesis, even my shirt got wet.*

Let's talk about your life at home. Who is the boss at home?

*-Certainly my wife*

How do you spend your free times?

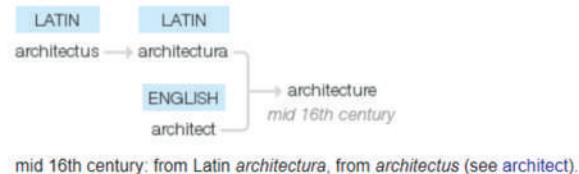
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We know that you are addicted you Star Wars movies. Which character is your favorite?

*-Darth Vader*

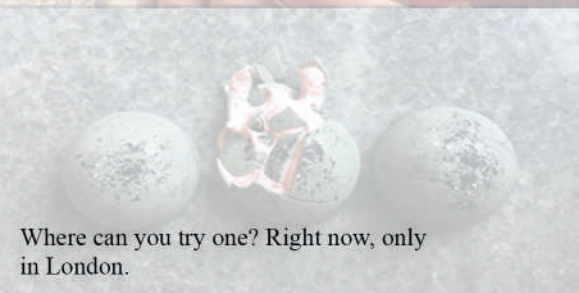
## architecture

### Origin



### THE DANISH TREATS THAT BELONG TO AN ART GALLERY

Inspired by the modernist architecture, Danish designer Utzon-Frank created an elegant collection of flødeboller — a kind of Danish chocolate that looks like concrete. There are some other kinds that look like marble, stone and granite.



Where can you try one? Right now, only in London.



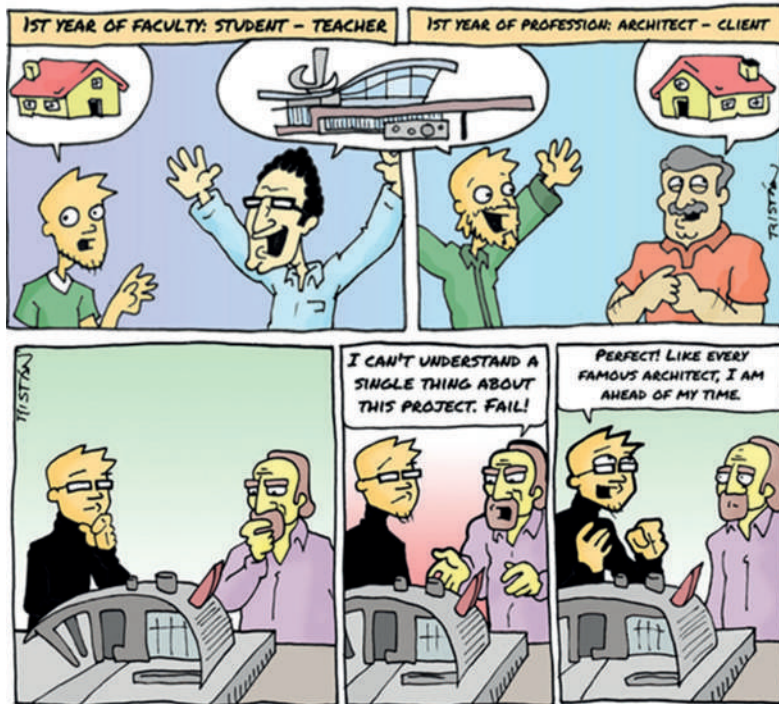
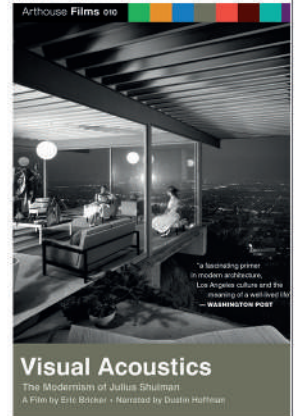
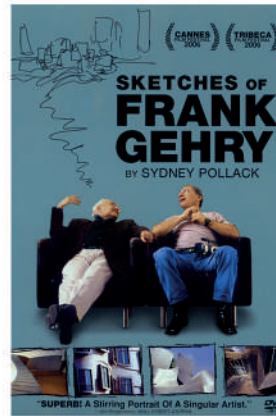
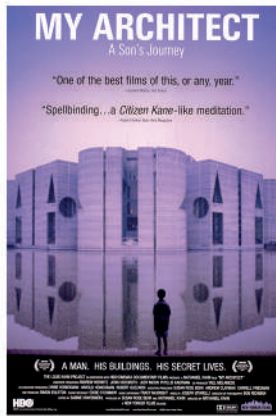
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## MOVIE SUGGESTION



### CELEBRITIES YOU NEVER KNEW WERE ARCHITECTS



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FLOOR  
KITCHEN  
PAINT  
PREFABRICATION  
STRUCTURE

ARCHITECTURE  
COLOUR  
DECORATION  
FURNITURE  
LAND  
PERSPECTIVE  
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## EVENTS

**Architectural Design Summit**  
Date: April 6-7, 2018  
Place: Lütfi Kırdar International Convention and Exhibition Center

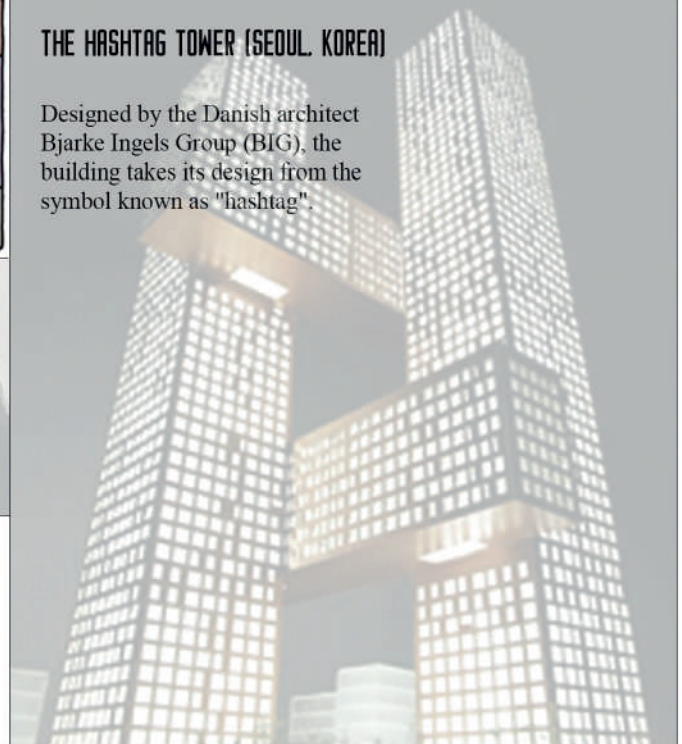
**Wood in the Building**  
Date: April 5-8, 2018  
Place: Istanbul Congress Center

**Renaissance Period Exhibition**  
Date: April 7, 2018  
Place: Uniq Gallery

**Building Fair**  
Date: May 8-12, 2018  
Place: TUYAP Fair and Congress Center

## THE HASHTAG TOWER (SEOUL, KOREA)

Designed by the Danish architect Bjarke Ingels Group (BIG), the building takes its design from the symbol known as "hashtag".



## COIN BUILDING (ABU DHABI, UAE)

Aldar Headquarters Building in Abu Dhabi. It was designed by MZ Architecture and opened in 2010. This coin-shaped building is the first circle in the world.

