

Architects

## NFA (NICOLAS FIRKET ARCHITECTS)

Description

NFA (Nicolas Firket Architects) is a Brussels based agency that focuses on Architectural and Urban design as cultural disciplines with fundamentally prospective natures. NFA investigates different scales of spatial organisation through unprecedented yet evident formal synthesis, with build reality as sole manifesto.

Established in 2006, the office's long term aspiration lays in the valorisation of a Brussels-based European identity fostering significant international collaborations.

In an era of mediated architecture, NFA aims to restore the act of construction as medium.

NFA was also implicated in two of the major Masterplan competitions ever organised in Brussels, activating associations with OMA, Arup, Michel Desvigne... In 2009, ?A New Skyline for Brussels? (700.000m<sup>2</sup>) aimed at a symbolic, citizen and sustainable re-gathering of the EU commission's compounds in the EU district's Rue de la Loi. Later in 2010, the competition for the Heysel plateau (950.000m<sup>2</sup>) was the opportunity to propose a vision for the former EXPO 58 park, to redevelop as Brussels' new pole of activities.



Creation

2006

Awards

Prix d'Urbanisme de la Province du Brabant 2013, 2nd Prize  
Grand Prix d'Architecture de Wallonie 2012, Nominated  
Belgian Prize for Architecture 2011, Selected

Publications

Guide Architecture Moderne et Contemporaine 1895-2014  
Liège, 2014, Mardaga, Bruxelles  
Absolut n°7, Herfst-Winter 2013-2014, Absolut, Antwerpen  
DOMUS n° 966, Febbraio 2013, Domus, Milan  
A+ n° 244, Octobre-Novembre 2013, CIAUD, Bruxelles  
Bruxelles Architectures, de 1950 à Aujourd'hui, 2012, AAM editions, Bruxelles  
Belgium's Best Buildings, 2012, Luster, Antwerpen  
Belgium New Architecture 5, 2012, Prisme Edition, Bruxelles  
Espèces d'Architecte, 2011, FWB/WBI, Bruxelles  
Beton n°210, Mars 2011, FEBE, Bruxelles  
Architectures Wallonie-Bruxelles, Inventaires#0 2005-2010, 2010, CFWB, Bruxelles  
Belgian Architects and Their Houses, 2011, Luster, Antwerpen  
Collection d'Architectures, 2007, A16 et Centre  
Wallonie-Bruxelles, Bruxelles, Paris  
Belgium New Architecture 1, 2001, Prisme Edition, Bruxelles

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OTHER PROJECTS :

Private house Villa Arra  
- 2006 2010  
- Queue-du-Bois

Private house  
- 2006 2009  
- La Hulpe

Rue de la Loi, International Masterplan Competition  
- 2008 2009  
- Bruxelles

NEO Project - Redevelopment of the Heysel Plateau  
- 2010  
- Bruxelles

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