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Zaha Hadid



Figure 1: Zaha Hadid, February 21, 2023, <https://www.zaha-hadid.com/people/zaha-hadid/>

Zaha Hadid was born October 31, 1950 in Baghdad, Iraq. She died March 31, 2016 in Miami, Florida. Hadid is widely regarded as one of the most famous female architects. Hadid founded Zaha Hadid Architects, an architecture firm based in London and is “developing transformational projects across six continents” (Zaha Hadid Architects). Zaha Hadid is known for contemporary, imaginative buildings that push the

limits. She has won numerous awards for her groundbreaking designs, including the first female and Muslim recipient of the Pritzker Architecture Prize.

“I don’t want to be seen as an outsider necessarily, but it means I can carry on with experimentation and innovation. Having to fight hard has made me a better architect.” (Zaha Hadid, 2016)

Hadid’s designs, as well as her story as a Muslim female architect in a male-dominated industry, is inspiring. I love that she pioneered the way for other female contemporary architects.



Figure 2: “Zaha Hadid: Heydar Aliyev Centre.” Encyclopedia Britannica, www.britannica.com/biography/Zaha-Hadid#ref944402.

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