## Samar F. ABI NASR

# Architect | Restorer

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### **PROFILE**

Motivated and project-driven architect and restorer with 10+ years of experience in design and execution of architectural projects with Lebanese and Spanish firms. A trained project manager and Technical Consultant passionate about three interrelated pursuits: design of modern architecture, restoration of historical monuments and sites, and site work.

Skilled at AutoCAD, Revit, Photoshop, SketchUp, 3D Max, Microsoft office, Presto, Perspective Rectifier, etc.

Fluent in Arabic (Native), French (Bilingual), English (Advanced), and Spanish (Proficiency).

#### **AREA OF EXPERTISE**

Architectural design - Planning regulations - Structural pre-dimension — MEP - Feasibility studies - Bill of Quantities — Surveying - As-Built - Shop Drawings - Site inspections - Specifications - Time schedule - Health & Safety — Daily Site Reports - Making Reports (Minutes of Meeting, weekly report, monthly report, ...) — Quantity Survey — Certifications - etc.

### PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

### Technical consultancy & Project Management | Full Time Job

Empresa de Transformación Agraria (Tragsa) - Líbano (Spanish Public Service Company / Government-owned) September 2022 – August 2024

- Project Management & Technical Expertise: Led and assisted in the rehabilitation and equipping of police stations (Gemmayzeh, Tripoli Justice Palace, New Saida, and Dekwaneh) as part of the "REHABILITATION & EQUIPMENT OF POLICE STATIONS: IMPLEMENTING COMMUNITY POLICING IN LEBANON" initiative. Project financed by the EU, and supervised by APAVE.
- <u>Project Development & Tender preparation document:</u> Oversaw architectural and engineering tasks, including preparation and review of project drawings and details including: research, project development, and coordinate with the structure and MEP engineers, on design integration, materials, calculations, and schedules.
  - Prepared and reviewed tender documents, including technical specifications, BOQs (Bills of Quantities), and budgets. Ensured compliance with project requirements. Provided technical briefings to contractors prior to bidding.
- <u>Project Supervision:</u> Managed construction tenders and prepared the weekly meetings, prepared minutes of meetings, weekly and monthly reports, etc.
- Quality & Compliance Oversight: Monitored material quality, site execution, waste management, health and safety, compliance with specifications, and Schedule control and budget expenditure. Reviewed and approved design, technical changes and materials in line with project requirements.
- <u>Stakeholder Coordination</u>: Liaised with contractors, consultants, client, suppliers, and beneficiaries to ensure project objectives were met. Organized weekly progress meetings and submitted detailed reports to stakeholders.
- <u>Technical Assistance:</u> Supported the development of solutions, development and modification of design, geometric controls, and qualitative and quantitative monitoring plans to ensure alignment with project specifications.

### Architect - Restorer | Self-employed

2015 -present

- **2025** (ongoing) | Interior remodelling of a Townhouse, Dubai. Design preparation, execution file, BoQ, and specifications.
- **2025** (ongoing) | Dismantling and reconstruction of the St-Michel Parish Hall Chnaniir stonework (cladding and handrail). Preparation of survey (diagnosis/intervention), design, execution file, shop drawing, BoQ, specs, site work supervision.

- 2024 | Consultancy for the 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the consolidation of Chnaniir Nature Reserve Caves. The caves are about 3 traditional stone vaults integrated in the site and its morphology. I coordinate and follow up with the client (UNDP) the surveying phase, the diagnosis, the problems, and finding the appropriate solution respecting the historic structure values. The project was financed by AICS, and implemented by the UNDP in coordination with the Ministry of Lebanon Environment (MoE).
- **2022** | Conservation and Valorization of Chnaniir Nature Reserve Lime kiln. It is an historical structure which dates from the XIX<sup>e</sup> c. I have prepared the study including:
  - o The survey and assessment of the state of the historical structure
  - The execution drawings, BoQ, technical specifications and relevant tender document for the above project. Based on respecting the values of the structure, its authentic materials, construction technique.
  - The consultancy and supervision of the execution works
     The project was financed by AICS, and implemented by the UNDP in coordination with the MoE of Lebanon.
- **2022** Rehabilitation study of a 1960 private house in Jounieh. Preparation of the survey, diagnosis, solutions, design, permit files, and execution drawings.
- **2019** Design development, execution file and site supervision for the CH506 villa in Chnaniir. The work includes the stone facade cladding, preparation of dummies at 1:1 scale for sculpting all the stones on site for all architectural elements, architecture finishing and landscape design, shop drawings, preparation and leading the meetings, and coordinate with all engineers (civil and MEP) and stakeholders.

# Architect - Restorer | Full Time Consultancy ARAR (Nohra Abi Rizk) 2018-2020

- Participate in the Restoration and Valorization of Toron Castle in Tebnin and Maron Castle in Deir-Kifa;
   The sites are protected by Lebanese Law under the Ministry of Culture Directorate General of Antiquities. The project budget for the conservation and valorization of Tibnine castle was 5 000 000 USD, and the budget for Deir Kifa was 3 000 000 USD. In charge of:
  - The Historic search, survey, diagnosis, problematics, surface and structural pathologies, proposal, analysis, planning, details, etc), problem solving, intervention and administrative services;
  - Prepare BOQ, technical specifications, and complete tender document;
- Manage the team of 10+ architects and draftsmen related to operational and site requirements and validate probation periods of employees and give continuous feedback; Supervising and Monitoring of the works.

# **Architect - Restorer | Part Time Consultancy** *Era Heritage*

2018-2019

Participate in the Conservation and Valorization of Mar Challita Moqbes Monastery (and was my final Year Project at UL). The Mar Challita Moqbes Monastery is a 17<sup>th</sup> c. monument protected by Lebanese Law under the Ministry of Culture – Directorate General of Antiquities. The Monastery has an area of circa 2900 m2. The project budget for rehabilitating and valorizing the monastery is about 7500,000 USD.

Participate in the survey, assessment of its actual state, execution drawings, BoQ, technical specifications, tender document, and supervision of its rehabilitation.

### **Architect - Restorer | Part Time Consultancy**

*YM A&A* 2017-2018

- Participate in Al-Saydeh Church Structure consolidation and surface conservation.

- Site work supervision of Tell Beirut Archaeological site, Down-Town.

### **Architect** | Full Time Consultancy

HCC (Hayek Construction Company) 2015-2017

- Participate in the conceptualization and implementation of architectural projects (Residential buildings: Fatka 47, and a complex of 6 buildings in Ghazir) including design, permit file, execution files and details, BOQ and specifications, site supervision, problem solving, and administrative services;
- Prepare the structural design and steel order, and collaborate with MEP departments;

### **Architect** | Part Time Consultancy

ARAR (Abi Rizk Architecture & Restauration co.) 2012-2015

- Participate in the conceptualization and implementation of 15+ architectural projects including design, permit file, execution files and details, Shop drawings, survey and assessment, As-Built, BOQ and specifications, site supervision and quality control, problem solving and administrative services;
- Collaborate with structural, and MEP departments;

### **EDUCATION**

| Lebanese University (2015-2017)   | Master's degree with honors   |  |
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| Center of Conservation and restoration of historical monuments and sites    | Conservation and Restoration of Historical Monuments and Sites  |  |
|   | Final project: Conservation and valorization study of Mar Challita monastery in Lebanon                   |  |
|   | <b>Thesis:</b> Reconstruction of historical cities after an armed conflict Between resurrection and death |  |
| Holy Spirit University of Kaslik – Lebanon (2013-2015)                      | Master in Architecture  |  |
| Holy Spirit University of Kaslik – Lebanon (2009-2013)                      | Bachelor of Science in Architectural Studies  |  |
| Collège des Soeurs des Saints-Cœurs (1994-2009)<br>Kfarahbab-Ghazir,Lebanon | Lebanese baccalaureate: Socio - Economics   |  |

### **WORKSHOPS & VOLUNTEERING**

| • | Member of the Chnanïr Nature Reserve Committee | 2022 - Presen | nt .                                    |
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| • | Volunteering for Rebuilding Beirut             | August 2020   | Architect – Restorer in ARAR team       |
| • | Climate change and nature conservation         | 2017-2018     | Financing contribution, Management plan |
| • | Member of Scouts of Lebanon                    | 1997-2005     | Guide                                   |
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| FREELANCE               |             | REFERENCE    |  |
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| Freelance Piano teacher | 2010 – 2019 | Upon Request |  |