

NOMITA SAWHNEY
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Architect



Nomita Sawhney is an Architect and Urbanist with 14 years of work experience. She has worked with SOM in New York and "The Wallace Floyd Design Group" in Boston, prior to being a Design Consultant to Jasbir Sawhney & Associates.

She also heads her own Architectural Practice "Meta-Design", in New Delhi since 2002. She was involved in the design development of Kashmiri Gate Metro Station, Xansa Corporate Office and the Interior Design for Retail stores at the Park Hyatt Goa at Jasbir Sawhney & Associates. She has a Master's Degree in Architecture and Urban Studies from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, received a merit scholarship from the MIT in 2005. In 2000, she was awarded the Dean's Award of Excellence in Architecture from the Sushant School of Art and Architecture, New Delhi. At MIT, she worked with Richard Sennett and Manuel Castells, in developing ideas for the future of Urbanism. Her interest has been to foresee a new patterned environment, which is responsive to localized social patterns and is injected with new media (with which we perceive and encounter space and planning).

While at MIT, she was also the editor for the student design magazine and explored ideas for the design facilities with a focus in courses in Film, Visual Design, Comic Illustrative Art, Media and Technology. Working with Visual Artists like Krzysztof Wodiczko and Allan McCollum, who are internationally renowned for their works, and are responsible in engaging the architectural object with media and the patterned social environment.

At MIT, she also took courses at the department of Comparative Media Studies, under Professor Henry Jenkins, with a course in Understanding Comic Illustrative Art, to visualize the City and society in illustrative and abstract terms. Engaging with the media of film and the city has always been a focus in

Nomita's work. Due to which she also studied with Giuliana Bruno at the Visual and Environmental

Studies program at Harvard. Currently Nomita is working on developing an aesthetic which brings

together questions of "What is India" and "What is the World today" into the body of Design, Environment and the processes of building. Presently she is involved in the design of various Town and

Country houses, Offices for Delhi Fire Services (Connaught Place) New Delhi, Family Courts building (Rohini, Delhi) and a Senior secondary School for the Polyplex group in Bazpur.

Born

March 21, 1976

Academic Qualifications

- 2000 Bachelor of Architecture, Sushant School of Art and Architecture, Gurgaon, Haryana
- 2006 Science of Master of Architecture and Urbanism, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, USA

Professional Practice

- 2000 Architect with Wallace Floyd Design Group, Boston
- 2006 Architect with SOM, NY
- 2007 Architect with Jasbir Sawhney & Associates
- 2007 Architect and Founded META Design

Professional Affiliations

- 2000 Member Council of Architecture

Awards

- 2000 Deans Award for excellence in art and architecture
- 2005 Scholarship of Merit from MIT

Projects

- 2002 **House** for Ms. Anita Anand and Mr. Mahesh Uppal in Greenfields, Faridabad (Built)
- 2008 **Farmhouse** for Mr. Sandeep Gupta (Built)
- 2008 **Interior design for Retail store "Lightbox"** for Ms. Sharika Nath Radhu (Built)
- 2009 Design for The **Family Courts Building** in association with JSA (In Progress)
- 2010 Design for a **School Building for the Jaypee group** (In progress)
- 2011 **Interior Design for the Forest essentials Store's pan India**, in association with Mr. Peter D'ascoli (Built in Khan market, Bombay International Airport, Juhu (Bombay), Surat (Gujarat), Ambience Mall (Gurgaon) and Select City walk Saket.
- 2013 **Design for a Senior Secondary School building for the Polyplex group** in Bazpur, UP (In progress)
- 2014 Interior Design for the **"Khan ChaCha" restaurant** group in Delhi (Built in Punjabi Bagh, Delhi)
- 2014 Interior Design for the **Pet store "Heads up for Tails"** in Select City walk Mall, Saket, Delhi (Built)

Publications

Full of surprises from Home Trends volume 0204

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