

# Mitul Desai

## Biography

"An independent practitioner, he worked at Studio Mumbai in 2009-2010 and continues to collaborate on publications, exhibitions and installations locally and abroad. An architect, teacher and photographer in his native Surat, Mitul is consistently and thoroughly observing and documenting the ever-changing Indian landscape."

from Moleskine - Inspiration and processes, Studio Mumbai

## Academic Qualifications

### Bachelors of Architecture

Sarvajanik College of Engineering and Technology (S.C.E.T.)  
Surat, Gujarat  
Year of completion: 2005

### Masters in Architecture

Washington University in St.Louis, U.S.A  
Year of completion: 2008

## Professional Experience

Architectural intern with **Architect Neelkanth Chhaya**, Ahmedabad  
2003

### **Studio Mumbai Architects**, Mumbai - Alibag

2009-2010  
Independent Collaborator 2011 - 2017

### **Independent Architectural Practice**, Surat

Since 2012

### **Studio ii**

Since 2017

## Academic Engagements

- Visiting Faculty at School of Interior design, South Gujarat University. 2010 - 2012
- Visiting Faculty at GCPIA School of Architecture, South Gujarat University. 2012 - 2014
- Guest critic at Accademia di Architettura di Mendrisio, Switzerland for Bijoy Jain studio 2015
- Studio coordinator for BASE Mumbai. 2015
- Guest reviewer at CEPT University, Ahmedabad. 2016, 2017
- Visiting faculty and reviewer at AURO University school of Design, Surat. 2017
- Visiting faculty at AURO School of design. 2018 - 2019

## **Publications**

- Contributor for Studio Mumbai publications  
El Croquis - Studio Mumbai. 2011  
Moleskine - Inspiration and Processes - Studio Mumbai. 2012  
TOTO – Praxis. 2012  
CCA - Rooms you may have missed: Bijoy Jain - Umberto Riva. 2014  
El Croquis – Studio Mumbai 2019
- Author and photographer for **Studies**  
Published as part of Studio Mumbai show 'Between the Sun and the Moon' at Arc en Reve, Bordeaux 2015
- Contributed with Studio Mumbai to Images of Architects book by Valerio Olgiati. 2014
- Contributed to University of Birmingham book – Mumbai City Wise. 2015
- Speaker at ARCASIA Forum 2014 held at Ayutthaya, Thailand. Presented a photo-research and study on Demolition.
- Architectural Digest listed as 'Top 7 Architectural photographers you need to know'. 2016

## **Exhibitions**

- Contributed to Studio Mumbai exhibition Rooms you may have missed at Canadian Center for Architecture. 2014
- Contributed to photo exhibition 'City Struck' at Danish Architecture Center, Copenhagen. 2017
- Lectured at FAAA dialogues at hosted by CEPT Alumni Association, Ahmedabad. 2018
- Exhibitor at FCML Design Initiative – India Arch Dialogue, New Delhi. 2018
- Invited to showcase current work at Doshi We Know Exhibition at Mill Owners' Association building, Ahmedabad. 2019