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Nina F. D'Elia is a purpose-driven Interior Architect (HES-SO) with more than 10 years of international experience. In 2015 she co-founds MELT, an interior design and construction studio mainly focused on retail and hospitality. In 2018 she is invited to take the role of Head of Architecture for Novak innovation, while excelling as a lecturer for her alma mater. In 2022 she founds the startup **trashmanship**, where she explores contemporary global issues, such as climate injustices and inequalities, championing a circular approach to design by using Swiss-waste as a primary source or as a raw material.

## Academic Background

Master of Arts - Advanced Interior Architecture | HEAD Geneva, CH 2021 (board member for the admission panel of 2020 & 2021)

Waste; Making Design Circular (Master Class) | Katie Treggiden Online, 08—12.2021

Certificate in Innovation and Design Thinking | CEDIM Monterrey, MX 2017

Bachelor in Interior Architecture | CEDIM Monterrey, MX 2012

## Professional Experience

### Designer - Communication Department

Berney Associés [link to web](#) Geneva CH 01.2023 — Active at a 40%

### Founder - trashmanship.

Circular Economy Transition incubator [link to web](#) Geneva CH 01.2023 — Active at a 20%

### Founder - trashmanship.

Pulse HES [link to web](#) Geneva CH 03.2022 — Active at a 40%

- **trashmanship** is a sustainable brand of high-quality furniture and home accessories carefully crafted with the reuse of local construction and demolition waste.

### Museum Technician

MUDAC - A Chair and You [link to web](#) Fondation Plateform 10 - Lausanne CH 09.2022 — 10.2022

MUDAC - Train Zug Treno Tren [link to web](#) Fondation Plateform 10 - Lausanne CH 04.2022 — 05.2022

### Temporary Teacher

HEAD Genève [link to web](#) - Le Servette Aux Charmilles Journées Européennes du Patrimoine - Geneva CH 08.2022

### Interior Architect.

Typology [link to web](#) Geneva CH 08.2021 — 12.2021

- Leading with autonomy the creative and conceptual stages of the projects.
- Design and development of floor plans, construction details, furniture and fixtures.
- Photographic documentation of projects, web design and web development.

### Head of Architecture.

Novak Innovation [link to web](#) Monterrey MX 02.2018 — 03.2019

- Responsible of the architecture division ( 5 persons )
- Leading and managing multiple projects simultaneously; successfully developing them from concept to completion on time and within budget.
- Professional, inspirational and creative presentation of proposals to clients.
- Actively contributing to the company's culture; developing initiatives, workshops and embracing social activities, wellness and environmental awareness.
- Partnered effectively with a multidisciplinary team of: researchers, anthropologists, economists, web developers and designers.

## Co-founder & Creative Direction.

Melt Studio [link to web](#) Monterrey MX 05.2015 — Active

- Client acquisition, account management, building and growing existing client and supplier relationships.
- Crafting solutions, hand in hand with clients ensuring great design quality, broad understanding of the briefing and contemporary trends.
- Responsible for the technical development of projects, managing the planning process, cost feasibility exercises and tender process management.
- Manage and check information produced by subcontractors and suppliers. Site meetings and construction supervision
- Inspire the client, manage their expectations throughout the project, deliver efficiently against deadlines while efficiently managing several agendas and third parties.

## Lecturer.

CEDIM [link to web](#) Monterrey MX 01. 2016 — 12. 2018

LaSalle College [link to web](#) Monterrey, MX 01.2016 — 10.2017

- Participating in curriculum development and engaging with professional organizations to provide the students real projects opportunities. Courses: Introduction to Interior Architecture, Interior Architecture Workshop (II,III, IV & V), Mathematics, Exhibition Design, Spatial Semiotics, Habitat History & Habitat Experience, Interior Design( III<sup>2</sup>, IV , V<sup>2</sup>), Formative Research<sup>2</sup>.

## Designer & Construction Supervisor.

Treceavo Plano [link to web](#) Monterrey MX 09.2014 — 05.2015

- Preparation of concepts, mood boards, preliminary and final designs, and development of details, furniture, fixtures and lighting layouts.
- Producing accurate architectural drawings reflecting creative solutions.
- Arrange project reviews to assist with resolving technical issues as they arise.

## Junior Project Manager & Designer.

URBN [link to web](#) Monterrey MX 08. 2013 — 09. 2014

- Developing scope of works, cost estimations and timescales under the guidance and direction of the project leader
- Sample library management, trend research and model making.

## Intern + Junior Designer.

L.H. Interiorismo [link to web](#) Monterrey MX 08. 2011— 06.2013

- Production of detailed design drawings packages 2D, 3D and renderings.

### Skills

#### On Screen

AutoCAD for 2D, rendering with 3dsMAX + Vray + Photoshop. Printed matters with InDesign and presenting with Keynote. Experience in working with virtual reality. (Proficiency in Office & Adobe Suite )

#### Off Screen

Model making + Prototyping from 1:100 to 1:1. Proficiency in metalworking, woodworking and earth building.

Always happy to learn, always open to adapt.

#### Languages

Business English, native Italian and Spanish, intermediate French.

### Publications/Exhibitions/Workshops

Workshop on material re-use : funky Earrings  
Guest Artist Galeries Lafayette, Annecy FR 09.2022

Tout part de la matière: L'Upcycling, un vecteur de liens et de beauté  
Guest Artist Galeries Lafayette, Annecy FR 06.2022 - 12. 2022

Herbarium of interiors. Curated by India Mahdavi.  
Project Exhibition Salone del Mobile, Milan IT 08.2021

Trashmanship  
Project Exhibition Geneva CH 06.2021

Herbarium of Interiors Volume Magazine # 57 Bye Default.  
International Publication 11.2020

Cité Radieuse: Night Manifeste du Sud for Manifesta 15, The European Nomadic Biennial.  
Art installation Marseille FR. 10.2019

Amoustique for Journées Européennes du Patrimoine  
Art installation. Hyères FR 09.2019