Curriculum vitae



Christopher Chee Meng Lee

Education:

2012: Received Doctor of Philosophy in Architecture and Urbanism from Berlage

Institute and Technical University Delft, Netherlands.

1998: Graduated with the AA Diploma [Honours] in 1998 from Architectural

Association School of Architecture London and awarded the RIBA President's

Medal Commendation Award.

1995: Obtained B.A [Dean's List] from School of Architecture and Built

Environment, National University of Singapore.

Professional Qualifications:

2006 -: Chartered Architect of the Royal Institute of British Architects.

2006 -: Registered Architect with Architects Registration Board United Kingdom.

Work History:

2008 -: Principal and founder of Serie Architects London, Mumbai, and Beijing

2013 -: Associate Professor in Practice of Urban Design, Harvard Graduate School of

Design

2011–2012: Multi-Year Design Critic in Architecture and Urban Design, Harvard Graduate

- 2010 2012: Director, AA Projective Cities Programme, Architectural Association School of Architecture London.
- 2004 2009: Unit Master, Diploma Units 6 in the Architectural Association School of Architecture London.
- 2002 2004: Unit Master of Intermediate Unit 2.
- 2002 2004: Studio Tutor, University of Pennsylvania / AA Exchange Program.
- 1999 2000: Design Tutor, School of Architecture and Built Environment, National University of Singapore.

Prizes and Awards:

- 2013: 1st Prize, Invited Competition for the New School of Design and Environment Building, National University of Singapore
 2013: Finalist, Urban Heart Zhuhai, Architectural and Urban Design Open International Competition for Zhuhai's Urban Heart.
- 2012: 1st Prize, Open International Competition for the New Singapore Subordinate Courts Complex
- 2012: Nominee, International Iakov Chernikhov Prize for young architects
- 2012: 2nd Place, World Architecture News Awards: 21 for 21
- 2012: 2nd Prize, Invited Competition for Weihai Cultural District Urban Plan, Weihai, China
- 2011: 1st Prize, Invited Competition for BMW 2012 Olympic Showcase, London, UK
- 2011: 1st Prize, Wuxi District Civic Centre and Cultural Centre Competition, Wuxi, China
- 2011: 2nd Prize, Invited Competition for Genbei Urban Design and Landscape Plan, Hangzhou, China
- 2010: Winner of BD Young Architect of the Year Award
- 2010: 1st Prize, Srimad Rajachandra Ashram Masterplan, Dharampur, India
- 2010: 1st Prize, Invited Competition for XTD Plot L Residential Complex, Hangzhou, China
- 2010: 1st Prize, Invited Competition for XTD Plot M Residential Complex,Hangzhou, China

2010:	2nd Prize, Astana Presidential Park International Invited Competition,
	Kazakhstan
2010:	Nominated for the International Iakov Chernikhov Prize for young architects
2009:	10 for 2010: Leading European Architects Review's 10 visionary architects for
	the new decade
2009:	1st Prize, International Invited Competition for Ruzinov Residential
	Development, Bratislava, Slovakia
2009:	2nd Prize, Xi'an Horticulture Expo Masterplan, China
2008:	1st Prize, Bohacky-Zahorska Bystrica Residential Masterplan Competition
2008:	ICON's 20 Essential Young Architects, 2008
2008:	PEN Japan Design Award 2008
2005:	Architectural Record Design Vanguard, 2005
2004:	DCC Awards, Mumbai
2004:	IIID Awards, Mumbai
2001:	1st Prize, Rabin Square International Design Competition
	Judges: Arata Isozaki, Harry Siedler, Lea Rabin and Rafi Segal
2000:	2nd Prize, Shinkenjiku-sha Residential Design Competition
	Judges: Toyo Ito
2000:	Outstanding Contribution in Teaching Award, School of Architecture and Built
	Environment, National University of Singapore
1998:	AA Diploma Honours from Architectural Association School of Architecture
1994:	BA [Arch Studies] Dean's List from School of Architecture and Built
	Environment, National University of Singapore
1996-1998:	Building Construction Industry Scholarship to Architectural Association School
	of Architecture
1991-1994:	Building Construction Industry Scholarship to School of Architecture and Built
	Environment, National University of Singapore
1989-1991:	ASEAN Scholarship to Hwa Chong Junior College, Singapore
Lectures:	
2013:	Speaker, 'Masterplanning the Adaptive City', Architectural Association School of
	Architecture, London.
2013:	'Learning from the City', for GSD AECOM Project on China: Common Frameworks,

	Xiamen Studio Exhibition, Tongji University, Shanghai, China.
	Speaker, 'Infrastructural Monument Symposium' MIT, Cambridge MA.
	GSD China Guest Lecture, 'The City and its Architectures, Research and
	Projects in Progress', Harvard University, Graduate School of Design
2012:	Speaker, 'Common Artifacts', AD Sustaining Identity Symposium, Vi&A Museum,
	London.
2012:	Speaker, Aga Khan Seminar 'Emerging Models of Planning Practices', Singapore
2011:	GDS Talks, 'Type and the Idea of the City', Harvard University, Graduate
	School of Design
2011:	Guest Lecture, 'Type and the Idea of the City', MIT Department of
	Architecture, U.S.
2011:	Guest Lecture, 'Type and the Idea of the City', Oslo School of Architecture and
	Design, Norway
2011:	Guest Lecture, 'Research-Practice' Lecture Series, Stadelschule Frankfurt, Germany
2011:	Guest Lecture, 'Working in Series', ICD Stuttgart, Germany
2011:	Guest Lecture, 'Working in Series', CAFA Beijing, Germany
2011:	Guest Lecture, EPFL Media x Design Lab, Lausanne, Switzerland
2011:	Guest speaker, 'What about Architecture itself?' Symposium, Architectural
	Association, London
2011:	Speaker, Symposium for AD Publication 'Typological Urbanism', Architectural
	Association, London
2010:	Guest Lecture, 'Working in Series', Architecture Department, Chongqing
	University, China
2010:	Guest Lecture, 'Working in Series', Sichuan Southwest Jiaoting University,
	Chengdu, China
2009:	Guest Lecture, 'Working in Series' travelling solo exhibition, Faculty of
	Architecture Hong Kong University, Hong Kong
2009:	Guest Lecture, 'Working in Series' travelling solo exhibition, HKU Architecture
	SH, Shanghai
2009:	Guest Lecture, Urban Futures Symposium, Sydney, Australia
2009:	Guest Lecture, University Technology Sydney, Australia
2009:	Gallery Talk, Le Corbusier: the Art of Architecture, Barbican Art Gallery,
	London

2009:	Guest Lecture, Manchester University
2008:	Guest Lecture, Tsinghua University, Beijing, China
2008:	Guest Lecture, Central Academy of Fine Arts, Beijing, China
2008:	Guest Lecture, Beijing Institute of Architectural Design, Beijing, China
2008:	Keynote Speaker, School or Architecture & Planning, Chennai, India
2007:	Invited Speaker, UIA Conference Kuala Lumpur
2007:	Guest Lecture, Chinese University of Hong Kong
2006:	Guest Lecture, Barbican London, Futures City Exhibition
2005:	Guest Lecture, Bezalel Dept. of Architecture Israel
2004:	Guest Lecture, Goldsmith College, University of Arts London, 2004
2004:	Speaker, Asia@AA Forum London
2002:	Invited Lecture, Urban Design Research Institute, Mumbai

Published Books:

2013:	Lee, Christopher C. M., Common Frameworks: Rethinking the Developmental City in
	China, Part 1, Xiamen: The Megaplot (Cambridge MA: Harvard Graduate School of
	Design, 2013)
2011:	Lee, Christopher C.M., Jacoby, Sam, eds. Typological Urbanism: Projective
	Cities, Architectural Design, V.81, No.1 (London: John Wiley & Sons, 2011)
2010:	Lee, Christopher C.M., Working in Series (London: AA Publications, 2010)
2007:	Lee, Christopher C.M., Jacoby, Sam, eds. Typological Formations: Renewable Building
	Types and the City (London: AA Publications, 2007)

Published Articles and Research:

2013:	'The Deep Structure of Type: The Construction of a Common Knowledge in
	Durand's Method' in The City as a Project, edited by Pier Vittorio Aureli (Berlin:
	Ruby Press, 2013), 170-212
2013:	'The City as a Common Framework' in Common Frameworks: Rethinking the
	Developmental City in China, Part 1, Xiamen: The Megaplot (Cambridge MA: Harvard
	Graduate School of Design, 2013), 8-26
2012:	'Common Artifacts' in Human Experience and Place: Sustaining Identity, ed. by
	Paul Brislin, Architectural Design, November 2012
2011:	'Type: A Glossary' for The City as A Project, Berlage Institute PhD Programme

2011:	'My Kind of Town' in Architecture Today, No. 219, June 2011
2010:	'Working in Series: Towards an Operative Theory of Type' in Working in Series
	(London: AA Publications, 2010)
2010:	Article 'Typological Urbanism and the Idea of the City' in Typological
	Urbanism: Projective Cities, Architectural Design, V.81, No.1 (London: John Wiley
	& Sons, 2011)
2009:	'Working in Series: Towards an Operative Theory of Type' catalogue for
	travelling solo exhibition, HKU Architecture SH, Shanghai, Hong Kong &
	China, Sep 2009
2008:	Article 'Renewable Types and the Urban Plan' in Architectural Design, Vol.78 No.
	2, Mar 2008
2007:	Article 'Projective Series' in Lee, Christopher C.M., Jacoby, Sam, eds. Typological
	Formations: Renewable Building Types and the City (London: AA Publications, 2007)
2001:	The Final House' in Japan Architect 40, 2001
2001:	'AA Current Works', Vol. 2 & 7, AA Publications
1999:	Project 'SKLCM', AA Diploma Honours Project, AA Files, AA Publications
1998	'Woven Structures, AA 4th Year project': Andreas Papadakis [edt] Architectural
	Design: Tracing Architecture, Wiley Academy London

Published Articles about Serie Architects:

2012:	Article 'Winning by Design' by Yvonne Yong in New Straits Times, 27 July 2012
2012:	Article 'The water pavilion in Olympics Park' by Cai Rui in Life Magazine,
	Issue80, July 2012
2012:	Article 'Envelope: BMW Olympic Group by Serie Architects' by Oliver
	Wainwright in Building Design Magazine, 17 July 2012
2012:	Article 'New Court Complex Unveiled' by Ng Kai Ling in The Straits Times, 6
	June 2012
2012:	Article 'Boxes in the air wins competition for Singapore Subordinate Courts' by
	Yang Meng in Lianhe Zaobao, 6 June 2012
2012:	Article 'Serie' by Lucy Bullivant in New Arcadians: Emerging UK Architects
	(London: Merrell, 2012)
2011:	Article 'Calligraphy Museum by Serie Architects' by Catherine Slessor in
	Architectural Review, Aug 2011

2011:	Article 'Serie Architects' by Rahul Mehrotra in Architecture in India since 1990
	(Mumbai: Pictor, 2011)
2011:	Article 'Book Review: Working Series' by Peter Carl in Architectural Review,
	no.1373 June 2011
2011:	Article 'Revert to Type' by Christopher Turner in ICON, issue 094 April 2011
2010:	Article 'Going Against Type' by Brett Steele in Lee, Christopher C.M., Working
	in Series (London: AA Publications, 2010)
2010:	Article 'Architecture as Mental Habit: Notes on the Method of Serie' by Pier
	Vittorio Aureli in Lee, Christopher C.M., Working in Series (London: AA
	Publications, 2010)
2010:	Article 'Punctuated Equilibrium: Typal Conviction of Serie' by Sam Jacoby in
	Lee, Christopher C.M., Working in Series (London: AA Publications, 2010)
2010:	Article 'The Practice of Conjectures as Project' by Laurence Liauw in Lee,
	Christopher C.M., Working in Series (London: AA Publications, 2010)
2009:	Article 'Go Forth, Multiply and Build' by Beatrice Galilee in Tank, Vol.5, Issue 7
	2009
2009:	Article 'the Tote' by Jagan Shah in Domus, Vol 931, Dec 2009, Italy

Published Interviews:

2013:	Interview on 'Gooood', May 2013, <www.gooood.hk></www.gooood.hk>
2012:	Interview by Yvonne Yong, 'Winning by Design' in New Straits Times, 27 July
	2012
2011:	Interview by Lee Kyung-taek, for webzine VM Space, South Korea
2010:	Interview by Anna Richardson in Design Week, Vol. 25/No. 27, 8 July 2010, UK
2009:	C3, Issue 296 Apr 2009, South Korea
2009:	'The State We're In', interview by Christopher Kanal, in Leaf Architecture Review,
	Issue 06 2009

Monograph and Special Issues (Serie Architects):

2011:	ICON, No. 094 Apr 2011, UK
2010:	Lee, Christopher C.M., Working in Series (London: AA Publications, 2010)
2009:	Working in Series, catalogue for travelling solo exhibition at HKU, HKU
	Architecture SH, Shanghai, Hong Kong & China, with contributions from

Ralph Lerner and Pier Vittorio Aureli

2009: *C3*, Issue 296 Apr 2009, South Korea

2007: Archiworld, Issue Aug 2007, South Korea

2006: Tatlin, Issue May 2006, Russia

Publications (Serie Projects):

2012: Lucy Bullivant in New Arcadians: Emerging UK Architects (London: Merrell, 2012)

2011: Rahul Mehrotra in *Architecture in India since 1990* (Mumbai: Pictor, 2011)

2011: ICON, No. 094 Apr 2011, UK

2010: Frame No. 74, May/June 2010, Netherlands

Design Week Volume 25/No. 27, 8 July 2010

BD No.1807, Feb 2010

Architectural Review, Jan 2010

2009: Domus Magazine, Volume 931, Dec 2009, Italy

Tank Magazine Interview, Vol.5, Issue 7 2009

2008: Monitor No.48, July 2008, Russia & Italy

ICON No. 058, April 2008

Frame No. 63, July/Aug 2008, Netherlands

XXI No.66, June 2008, Turkey

BD No.1807, Feb 2008

2007: A+U (445), Dec 2007, Japan

Arch+, Dec 2007, Germany

Architectural Design, Dec 2007

2006: News Week, May 2006, USA

2005: Architectural Record, Dec 2005, USA

Exhibitions:

2013: GSD AECOM Project on China: Common Framework, Xiamen Studio, Tongji

University, Shanghai, China.

2020: Housing China Exhibition, Hong Kong University Department of

Architecture.

2010: 'Working in Series' solo exhibition of Serie, Architectural Association, London

Working in Series' travelling solo exhibition of Serie, Sichuan Southwest Jiaoting

University, Chengdu, China Working in Series' travelling solo exhibition of Serie, HKU Architecture Gallery 2009: Shanghai 2009: Urban Futures: Ideas of the City, featuring works of AA Diploma Unit 6, University Technology of Sydney, Australia Beijing Architectural Biennale '08: Serie Architects Work in Progress, Beijing, 2008: China Typological Formations: Renewable Building Types and the Urban Plan, 2007: Architectural Association, London Venice Architecture Biennale 2006, with AA Diploma Unit 6, Venice, Italy 2006: Armani Teatro, Milan as part of the Global Edit 06: Emerging International 2006: Design curated by Wallpaper* Magazine, Milan, Italy

Juries and Reviews (selected):

2013 Final Review, Architectural Association School of Architecture Projective Cities MPhil Programme
 2013 Examiner, Final Review, Stadelschule Frankfurt, Germany
 2012: Final Review, Architectural Association School of Architecture Projective Cities MPhil Programme

Ongoing Projects:

 New School of Design and Environment Building , National University of Singapore
 Future Energy, Masterplan and Architectural Design for Astana Expo 2017

Urban Design for Hangzhou Zhejiang Mixed-use Development, China

International Furniture Hub, Singapore

Tampines Funeral Parlor Singapore

Nagpur 360 Housing, Nagpur India

Entertainment Paradise, mixed-use development, Jaipur, India

2012 - New Singapore Subordinate Courts Complex

Hongru International Art Gallery, Linyi, China

2011 Ordos Planning Museum, Ordos, China

Wuxi XiShan district Civic centre and Cultural centre, Wuxi, China

YanZhenQing Calligraphy Museum, Linyi, China

Linyi Mountain Resort, Linyi, China

HF Tower, Linyi, China

Napean Sea School, Mumbai, India

Shrimad Rajchandra Ashram Masterplan, Dharanpur, India

XinTianDi, Plot L and M, Residential Development, Hangzhou, China

Gen Bei Urban Design and Landscape Masterplan, Hangzhou, China

2010 - XinTianDi: Factory H, Hangzhou, China

Watchtower Residential Development, Maharashtra, India

Aarvli Estates, Goa, India

Blue Frog II, Delhi, India

Imperial Tower, Penthouse Project, Mumbai

Astana National Park Invited Competition, Astana, Kazakhstan

Ruzinov Middle Income Housing, Bratislava, Slovakia

Bohacky-Zahorska Bystrica Residential Masterplan, Bratislava, Slovakia

Past Projects:

2011 An'ren Culture Centre and Museum Invited Competition, Sichuan, China

2010: Astana National Park Invited Competition, Astana, Kazakhstan

2009: Xi'an Horticultural Expo Masterplan 2010, Xi'an (Competition 2nd Prize),

China

Tong'chuan Mixed Use Development, Chengdu, China

Mehta Family Penthouse, Mumbai, India

Meswani House, Pavna, India

2008: Guiyang Huaxi Urban Centre, Parcel 9, Guiyang, China

RC Office Complex, Mumbai, India

2007: V Office, Mumbai, India

Birla Walkeswar School, Mumbai, India

Birla Napean Sea School, Mumbai, India

Birla Medical Spa, Mumbai, India

Completed Projects:

2012: BMW 2012 Olympic Showcase, London, UK

2011:	'The Monsoon Club' at the Kennedy Centre, Washington D.C.
2009:	The Tote, Mumbai, India
2008:	Blue Frog Acoustic Lounge, Mumbai, India
2007:	Gallery Monika Spruth Philomena Magers, London
2005:	Thanks Boutique, Mumbai, India
2004:	Aluhwahlia Gallery, Mumbai, India
2003:	Leo Burnett Office, Mumbai, India
2002:	Jewel Tech Factory, Mumbai, India