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Education

- 1971** Architect, Azerbaijan State Polytechnic Institute
1975 Advanced Training Courses in Urban Planning, Moscow Institute of Architecture (MARKHI)

Professional and Organizational Activity

- 1971-1975** Director of Landscape Architecture Division, Department of Architecture and Urban Planning under the City Administration of Baku
1975-1989 Deputy Director, Chief Architect, Central Institute Design for Rural Areas of Azerbaijan
1989-2001 Head of the Department of Architecture and Urban Planning at Baku City Administration, Chief Architect of Baku
1984-1990 Board Member of the Union of Architects of the USSR
1984-2012 Secretary of the Board of the Union of Architects of Azerbaijan
1992 - Present President and Founder of EI&En - Architecture and Design
1992 - Present Academician of the International Academy of Architecture (Moscow Branch);
Vice-President of the International Academy of Architecture of Eastern Countries;
Professor, Head of the Department of Architectural Design and Urban Planning of the Azerbaijan University of Architecture and Construction;
Member of Coordinating Council of the International Association of Architects Unions (IAAU);
2012 - Present Chairman of the Board of the Union of Architects of Azerbaijan Republic
2013 - Present Initiator of the Baku International Architectural Award
2016 - Present Head of Baku Academic Center of the Moscow branch of the International Academy of Architecture
2017- 2021 Member of the Board of the International Union of Architects
2019 Co-Organizer of the First International Architecture Forum of the UIA
2021- Present Co-Director of the UIA Work Program Intermediate Cities: Architecture, Cities, Territories.

He is the author of over 150 projects, more than 100 of which have been implemented. Among them: master plans for several cities, towns and rural settlements in Azerbaijan; Baku Metro stations.

Author of the "Eternal Flame" memorial on the Alley of Martyrs (the burial place of the victims of the tragic events of January 20, 1990), as well as several projects in collaboration with well-known architects and engineers, including the residence "Clock Tower in Baku" together with the "Atkins Group" company, "Hilton" Hotel in Baku together with the "Morrison Construction" company; the headquarters of the Azerbaijan National Water Supply and Sewerage Company, together with the South Korean company "Heerim Architects".

Publications

Author of over 100 scientific articles in periodicals, 14 published books in Azerbaijani, Russian and English.

Head of the national project for the publication of 25 books (multi-volumes) on architecture, including the first published 5- volume "History of Architecture of Azerbaijan".

Prizes and awards

- Holder of the highest national award - the Order "Şöhrət" (Order of Glory)
- Cavalier of the Order "Şərəf" (Order of Honor)
- Honored Architect of Azerbaijan
- Laureate of national awards, the most significant of which:
"For Success" ("Uğur") in achieving high quality in the profession - three times
"Humay" (for contribution to national architecture) - three times
Azerbaijan Business Award - twice
- Winner of many international awards and three awards for the best project/construction, including 37 diplomas and a IAAU gold medal (for the project of the Baku metro station "Azadlıq Prospekti" - "Freedom Avenue"), a IAAU gold medal (administrative building of the Azerbaijan National Water Supply and Sewerage Company).
- Jubilee medal "100th Anniversary (1919-2019) of the Diplomatic Service of the Republic of Azerbaijan"
- Jubilee medal "100th Anniversary (1918-2018) of the Azerbaijan People's Republic"
- Gold Medal of the Bulgarian Union of Architects
- Gold Medal of the Union of Architects of Georgia
- Gold medal of the Union of Architects of Kazakhstan
- Gold Medal of the Egyptian Architects Union
- Honorary Member and Gold Medal Winner of the Korean Institute of Architecture
- Francis II Gold Medal
- Jubilee Medal of the International Association of Unions of Architects
- "Shusha" Medal of the Ministry of Culture of the Republic of Azerbaijan

Language skills

Azerbaijani, Russian, Turkish

Hobby

Classical music, reading, Sudoku and crossword puzzles

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "J. H. M. S." with a large flourish at the beginning and a vertical line at the end.