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research interests

Neo-Historism ■ Architecture Theory ■ Adaptive Re-Use Practices ■ Sustainable City Development ■ Vacant Buildings ■ Temporary Usage in Architecture ■ Late Modernism in Central- and Eastern Europe



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short biography

Rachel Györffy studied Architecture at the Technische Universität München in Munich, Germany and spent her Erasmus scholarship program at the Arts University Bournemouth in the United Kingdom. After working for almost ten years as an architect in Germany and Hungary on various types of projects, ranging from hospitals, research facilities and university buildings to office buildings and gaining an insight also in the field of architectural competitions, she is currently a doctoral researcher at the Doctoral School of the Moholy-Nagy University of Art and Design in Budapest, where she is working on her thesis investigating the impacts of adaptive re-use of buildings and the rejection of (late) modernist building heritage by society in Central- and Eastern Europe in the context of the rising trend of 'reconstructivism' and neo-historism in architecture with regards to collective traumas of society, the feelings of nostalgia and the effects of the tourism-industry and aesthetic capitalism (as defined by G. Böhme) on city development.

She most recently took part in the ad-hoc architectural competition to find a new use for and preserve the modernist building of the Hungarian Power Distribution Centre, located in the historical Castle District in Budapest.

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education history

- **Doctoral Researcher** (Doctor of Liberal Arts in Architecture) /// September 2019 -

Doctoral School, MOME, Moholy-Nagy University of Arts and Design , Budapest, Hungary

- **Rekonstruktivismus - Ein Symptom**, article in the Austrian architecture magazine LAMA - Das lösungsorientierte Architekturmagazin., 3/9, expected publication date: Spring 2021

- **Approaching Research Practice in Architecture**, Doctoral Course, organized by KTH Stockholm, TU Munich, TU Delft, UCL London, ETH Zurich

Module 1: International workshop, 8th - 9th October 2020

Module 2: Reinventing Methodology. Doing Research, 3rd - 4th December 2020

(to be continued, 6 modules all together with final publication)

- **Towards a Potemkin City**, conference speaker at Trend/Lines (Trend/Vonalak) conference, organized by the DOSZ / Hungarian National Assembly of Doctoral Students (Doktoranduszok Országos Szövetsége, Budapest, 14th April 2020 (postponed due to Covid), 24th November 2020 (postponed due to Covid))

- **Industrial Heritage as Source of Social Empowerment and Economic Revitalization**, Summer University Course organized by the Central European University (CEU), Budapest, 6th July 2020 - 10th July 2020

- **Adaptive Re-Use in Architecture**, guest lecture at MOME, for MA students of Design Management, 22nd October 2020

- **Smart City and Speculative Design**, guest lecture at MOME, for BA students of all institutes, 29th September 2020

- **Architecture** (Dipl.-Ing. Univ. / Diploma in Architecture) /// 2006 - 2012

TU Munich, Technische Universität München, Munich, Germany

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- **Architecture** (ERASMUS scholarship) /// 2009 - 2010

AUB, Arts University Bournemouth, Bournemouth, United Kingdom

- **Film Theory & Film History, Scandinavian Studies** /// 2005 - 2006

ELTE, Eötvös Lóránd Science University, Budapest, Hungary

employment history

- **Designer** @ Kinnarps Hungary /// 2019 - 2020 ▪ Interior Design, Office Design
- **Senior Architect** @ DVM Design, Budapest, Hungary /// 2017-2019 ▪ Large Scale Developments, Hospitality Architecture, Executional Planning, Office Design: Citi Headquarters Budapest, InterCity Hotel Budapest, DVM Offices Budapest
- **Designer** @ Kinnarps Hungary /// 2015-2017 ▪ Interior Design, Office Design
- **Architect** @ plan4 architekten, Munich, Germany /// 2012-2015 ▪ Research- and Laboratory Facilities, Hospitals, Feasibility Studies, Competitions, Re-Use & Transformation, Executional Planning: Wettbewerb Nano-Institut LMU München | 3rd and 4th prize, Realisierungswettbewerb Wohnheim für Studierende am Campus Design in Coburg | 4th prize, Wettbewerb Kopfkliniken Würzburg | Mention, Machbarkeitsstudie LWG Veitshöchheim, Wettbewerb Studierendenwohnheim Hof, Wettbewerb Vorklinische Medizin Regensburg | 4th prize, Umbau und Sanierung im Denkmalschutz Infanteriestraße München, Neubau Feuerwache der Freiwilligen Feuerwehr Großhadern, Machbarkeitsstudie Helmholtz Zentrum München
- **Student Trainee** @ Coplan AG, Munich, Germany /// 2010 - 2011 ▪ Educational Buildings, Schools
- **Student Intern** @ allmann sattler wappner architekten, Munich, Germany /// February 2009 - April 2009 ▪ Feasibility Studies, Competitions (Library Building)

spoken languages

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| Hungarian | (native speaker) | ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ |
| German | (native speaker) | ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ |
| English | (proficiency) | ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ |
| Hebrew | (beginner) | ■ ■ |
| Swedish | (beginner) | ■ ■ |

skills

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| Graphisoft ArchiCAD | ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ |
| Nemetschek Allplan | ■ ■ ■ ■ |
| Adobe CC Photoshop | ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ |
| Adobe CC InDesign | ■ ■ ■ ■ ■ |
| MS Office | ■ ■ ■ ■ |