

Victoria Diaz Saravia

1975 Born in Tucumán, Argentina.
Since 1998 Lives and works in Switzerland.

Studies

2004 "Master in Architecture", Università della Svizzera italiana, Academy of Architecture, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
2016 "Design for Kids and Toys", Politecnico di Milano, Polidesign, Milan, Italy.

Awards

2008 "Swiss Art Award 2008" for the design and construction of the "Casa para tres" in Tucumán, Argentina. Jury Federal Art Commission 2008 chaired by Hans Rudolf Reust, Basel, Switzerland.
2004 "Premio BDG", for the design of a Multi-Sports Centre in Buenos Aires, Argentina. Jury Mario Botta, Joseph Acebillo and Riccardo Blumer.

Exhibitions and installations

2022 "Christmas show case 2022", collective exhibition, curated by Eugenia Walter and Ezio Walter, Galleria Doppia V, Lugano, Svizzera.
2022 "Rosa Alchemico Miniartextil 2022", design and realisation Nazzarena Bortolazzo and Mimmo Totaro, jury of Mimmo Totaro, Paolo Bolpagni e Serigio Gaddi, Villa Olmo, Como, Italia.
2021 "Christmas show case 2021", collective exhibition, curated by Eugenia Walter and Ezio Walter, Galleria Doppia V, Lugano, Svizzera.
2021 "Nakama", exhibition with Aoi Huber Kono, curated by Eugenia Walter, critical text by Jacques Gubler. Galleria Doppia V, Lugano, Switzerland.
2017 "Io, nei tuoi panni. L'empatia attraverso il gioco", interactive exhibition for children, designed and realised in collaboration with Delia Schneider Rizza, Lugano, Switzerland.
2017 "Family festival", ludic installations, Lugano, Switzerland.
2016 "Family festival", ludic installations, Lugano, Switzerland.
2011 "Segundo salón de diseño del Centro cultural Eugenio Flavio Virla", group exhibition, curated by Silvina Fenik, Tucumán, Argentina.
2008 "Swiss Art Awards exhibition 2008", installation, group exhibition curated by the Federal Art Commission 2008 chaired by Hans Rudolf Reust, Basel, Switzerland.

Architecture and interior design projects

2019 "Atrio d'ingresso RSI", interior design project, with Delia Schneider Rizza, Comano, Switzerland.
2019 "Studio azzurro, Rete Tre, RSI", interior design, with Delia Schneider Rizza, Lugano, Switzerland.
2018 "Spazio We Tube, RSI", interior design, with Delia Schneider Rizza, Lugano, Switzerland.
2018 "Casa di vacanza", renovation, with Martino Pedrozzi, Sambuca di Sicilia, Italy.
2018 "Casa Shi", renovation project, Bellinzona, Switzerland.
2017 "Hape studio", renovation project, Verscio, Switzerland.
2016 "Libreria dei ragazzi", interior design, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
2015 "Casa Keller", renovation, with Martino Pedrozzi, Chiasso, Switzerland.
2013 "Stazione FFS Bellinzona", parallel study mandate, with Martino Pedrozzi, Bellinzona, Switzerland.
2013 "Fondazione Torriani", competition project, with Martino Pedrozzi, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
2013 "Casa Pagliarani", renovation, with Martino Pedrozzi, Vacallo, Switzerland.

- 2012 "House in Mendrisio", renovation, with Martino Pedrozzi, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2011 "Scuola dell'infanzia Molino nuovo", competition project, Lugano, Switzerland.
- 2008 "Casa Cattaneo", renovation project, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2007 "Casa para tres", realisation, Tucumán, Argentina.
- 2007 "Studio in a garage", renovation, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2005 "Casa Rezzonico", project, with Martino Pedrozzi, Mendrisio, Switzerland.

Projects for children

- 2017 Art direction of the Family Festival of the city of Lugano, in collaboration with Tessa Casagrande, Lugano, Switzerland.
- 2015 "Piccoli designer", series of workshops on the life and work of great 20th century designers, Family Festival, Lugano, Switzerland.
- 2015 "Sogni per la nostra città", series of architectural education workshops, project for 'i2a Istituto internazionale di architettura' realised within the framework of the Family Festival, Lugano, Switzerland.
- 2015 "Il mio territorio: lo scopro, lo vivo, lo disegno e lo costruisco", architectural education workshop, in collaboration with Silvia Ducart, Monte Carasso, Switzerland.
- 2013 "Invitare alla scoperta dell'ambiente che ci circonda", series of workshops for pre-school and primary school teachers at the 'Istituto scolastico di Mendrisio', project for 'i2a Istituto internazionale di architettura', Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2013 "Scopriamo la nostra città", architectural education workshop, project for 'i2a Istituto internazionale di architettura' realised within the framework of the Family festival, Lugano, Switzerland.
- 2013 "Costruiamo città verticali", architectural education workshop, in collaboration with Morena Ricci, project for 'i2a Istituto internazionale di architettura', Vico Morcote, Switzerland.
- 2013 "Il suono dello spazio", architectural education workshop, in collaboration with Silvia Ducart and Morena Ricci, project for 'i2a Istituto internazionale di architettura' realised within the framework of MusicNet, Lugano, Switzerland.
- 2011 "Guarda che artisti", series of workshops on the life and work of great 20th century artists, Libreria al ponte, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2006 "Coqi", line of clothing furniture and games for children.

Academic activity

- 2016 Invited critic, Paolo Canevascini design studio, Università della Svizzera italiana, Accademia di architettura, Mendrisio, Switzerland
- 2013-2015 Assistant, Paolo Canevascini design studio, Università della Svizzera italiana, Accademia di architettura, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2012 Invited critic, Valerio Olgiati design studio, Università della Svizzera italiana, Accademia di architettura, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2010-2011 Assistant, Francesco Bardelli design studio, Università della Svizzera italiana, Accademia di architettura, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2009-2010 Assistant, Solano Benítez design studio, Università della Svizzera italiana, Accademia di architettura, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2005-2008 Assistant, Valerio Olgiati design studio, Università della Svizzera italiana, Accademia di architettura, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2005 Assistant, Carme Pinós design studio, Università della Svizzera italiana, Accademia di architettura, Mendrisio, Switzerland.
- 2004 Assistant, Wälchli and Brauen design studio, Università della Svizzera italiana, Accademia di architettura, Mendrisio, Switzerland.