

STUDIO AHEAD

Studio AHEAD is a San Francisco-based art and design collective founded by Homan Rajai and Elena Dendiberia. Our approach is "borderless" in that our roots are far-flung yet deeply embedded in Northern California's history. Drawing from our diasporic experiences, we believe strongly that there is no universal idea of functionality that fits all cultures and people. What remains constant is an appreciation of tradition and craftsmanship.



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Education

Homan Rajai- UC Davis Landscape Architecture and Sustainability

Elena Dendiberia- Samara University of Architecture, Strelka Institute of Media, Architecture and Design, San Francisco Art Institute

Exhibitions Curated by Studio AHEAD

2025 "Same Blue as the Sky II" – San Francisco, CA

2024 Architecture and Design Section – Collectible Fair, New York, NY

2023 "The Lily Too Shall Function" – San Francisco, CA

2023 "Same Blue as the Sky" – San Francisco, CA

2021 WANTED – ICFE, New York, NY

Exhibitions Studio AHEAD has participated in

2024 "Studio AHEAD – The Future Perfect, Los Angeles, CA

2024 "Penumbra" – Mexico City, MX

2024 "Marin MoCA: Opening the Mountain" – Marin County, CA

2024 "Superhouse: Let them Eat Off the Plates" – New York, NY

2024 "Works in Progress" – San Francisco, CA

2023 "Blunk Space: 100 Hooks" – Point Reyes, CA

2021 "Additions" – Berkeley, CA

Awards

2023 1st Dibs 50

2022 CA Home + Design Emerging Designer

2022 Architectural Digest New American Voices

2021 Sight Unseen American Design Hotlist

2020 Dwell 24

Teaching, Lectures, Juries

2024 SF MoMA Architecture + Design Accessions Committee

2024 SF Design Week Interior Design Judges

2024 Untapped Journal Panel at Institute of Contemporary Architecture of San Francisco