Lorena del Río is co-founder of RICA* STUDIO based in the New York and Madrid, an architectural practice and a platform for design investigation operating across many scales, reflecting on the redefinition of flexibility and aiming to improve life condition through architecture.

Del Río's academic research addresses an interdisciplinary approach to design where architecture, art and material research meet to investigate architecture's psychological affect and its capacity to promote emotional well-being.

Del Río is an architect educated at Polytechnic University of Madrid, ETSAM (Escuela Técnica Superior de Arquitectura de Madrid), where she graduated in 2008 and where she is also developing her PhD. Prior to founding RICA* STUDIO together with Iñaqui Carnicero she was a senior architect at Selgascano office, based in Madrid, collaborating in projects such as El Batel Auditorium in Cartagena, Plasencia Auditorium and the Factory Youth Center in Merida.

Her profesional work has been recognized with several awards in international competitions; recently in the competition to design new sport facilities at Dalseong, Korea, Europan 11 San Bartolome, Spain, Europan 12 Kagran, Vienna and the competition to design a Primary School, Elementary School And Leisure Center in Pleyel, Paris. She has been part of the design team of the awarded Spanish Pavilion for the 2016 Venice Architecture Biennale. Her work has been widely published in international journals such as GA, Bauwelt, Arquitectura Viva, Detail and AIT Magazine.

Del Río has taught at Cornell University as a Visiting Assistant Professor for four years and California College of the Arts where she also was the co-director of the BuildLab.

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1981	Born in Madrid, Spain
2008	BS and Master degree in Architecture School of Polytechnic University of Madrid
2005-2006	Teacher Assistant in the course "Advanced Urban Projects" at the Architecture School of Polytechnic University of Madrid
2005-2006	Member of the Research Group "MINIMAL HOUSING" of Polytechnic University of Madrid
2008-2012	Project Architect at Selgascano Office. Madrid
2009-2012	Completed courses in Architecture PhD at the Architecture School of Madrid
2011	Currently completing PhD Thesis in Plastic Architecture
2012-2013	Visiting Critic Architecture Department Cornell University
2013-2016	Visiting Assistant Professor Architecture Department Cornell University
2016-2017	Assistant Professor Architecture Division California College of the Arts
2013	Found RICA*Studio, in partnership with Iñaqui Carnicero

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

2005-2006	UPM ETSAM Architecture School of Polytechnic University of Madrid Teacher Assistant in the course "Advanced Urban Projects" at the Member of the Research Group "MINIMAL HOUSING" of Polytechnic University of Madrid CORNELL UNIVERSITY
	AAP. Architecture Art and Planning Department
2012-2013	Visiting Critic
2013-2016	Visiting Assistant Profesor
	UNIVERSIDAD SEVILLA+UNIVERSIDAD LUSIADA OPORTO+ UNIVERSIDAD LUSIADA LISBOA
2014	Fronteiras. Summer Workshop
	CALIFORNIA COLLEGE OF THE ARTS
2016-2017	Assistant Profesor
	CCA BUILD LAB
2016-2017	Co-Director of the Build Lab at California College of the Arts

SCHOLARLY SERVICES AT CORNELL UNIVERSITY

Fall 2015	Member of the BArch Selection Committee. Early Decision. Regular Decision. Architecture Department
2014-2015	Member of the B Arch Curriculum Committee. Architecture Department
2014-2015	Member of the BArch Curriculum Sub-Committee on Visual Representation. Architecture Department
Spring 2015	Member of the BArch Selection Committee. Early Decision. Regular Decision. Architecture Department
Spring 2015	Academic Careers Discussion in Architecture: Sessions for MArch II students. Architecture Department
Spring 2015	Portfolio Workshop: Sessions for Undergraduate and Graduate students. Architecture Department

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

2013	RICA* Studio is founded by partners Lorena del Río and Iñaqui Carnicero
2012-2013	Collaboration with Iñaqui Carnicero Architecture Office
2008-2012	Collaboration with Selgascano Studio
2008	Collaboration with Raul del Valle at New Police's Courts Building Competition in Madrid
2007	Collaboration with Iñaqui Carnicero at VIVA Competition for the creation of 320 Experimental Housing in Madrid
2007	Collaboration with Raul del Valle at Executive Project for 315 Housing in Os Capelos, Galicia
2007	Collaboration with Raul del Valle at Executive Project for 315 Housing in Aguas Vivas Guadalajara
2007	Collaboration with Raul del Valle at Executive Project for the multipurpose room for the "Camilo José Cela School"

RICA STUDIO*

2017	Lense House, Private House in Campo Real, Madrid
2017	Interpretation Center for Montiel Castle. Ciudad Real. Competition Entry. Awarded
2017	Universidad Turismo Málaga. Competition entry for the design of the new Tourism School of the University of Málaga
2017	Addition to Villalba Sports Center. Competition Entry
2016	Competition for the New Elementary and Maternal School in Saint Denis. Paris. Shortlisted
2016	Spanish Pavilion at the 15th Venize Bienale. Design TeamGOLDEN LION
2016	English For Fun Center in Madrid.
2015	Luxury Resort in Nalati, with SW Studio: Andrea Simitch and Val Warke
2015	Museo de la Memoria, Bogotá. Colombia. Competition Entry
2015	Court House. Lorca, Spain. Restricted Competition Entry
2015	Townhall in Sandness. Norway. Competition Entry
2014	"El jardín de mi hospi" Playground in La Fe Hospital,Valencia
2013	Rada House. Private House in La Dehesa de la Villa, Madrid
2014	Miranda House. Private House for a Doctor in Manzanares
2014	Extension for the Lobby of the Museum of Anthropology, Madrid
2014	Housing Dwelling for 74 families. at St Claire Convent. Santander. Competition Entry
2014	Dalseong citizen's Gymnasium. Korea. Competition Entry. Awarded

IN COLLABORATION WITH SELGASCANO

2008	Selgascano Headquarters
2008-2011	Congress Center and Auditorium. Cartagena. Project Architect
2008	Congress Center and Auditorium in Vitoria. Competition Entry. Second Prize
2008-2012	Congress Center and Auditorium. Plasencia. Project Architect
2009-2011	Youth Factory. Skate and Climbing Park. Merida. Leader Architect
2009	Supercomputation Center in Santiago de Compostela. Competition Entry
2009	Exhibition Center Al Adir for the International Horse Fair, Casablanca. Competition Entry. Shortlisted
2011	Secondary School in Bilbao. Competition Entry
2011	Cafe for Artists in Sevilla. Competition Entry
2011	Congress Center and Hotel in the old Aktien and Maisel Brewery in Bayreuth. Competition Entry. Shortlisted
2012	Public Space and Skate Park. Aruba. Project Architect
2012	Yenikapy Transfer Point and Archaelogical Park. Restricted Competition Entry. Shortlisted

AWARDS · SCHOOLARSHIPS

2017 FAD Award. English for Fun Center. Selected	
2016 Competition for the New Elementary and Maternal School in Saint Denis. Paris. Shortlisted	
2014 Honorable Mention International Competition for the Design of the Dalseong citizen's Gymnasium. Korea,	
2013 Runner up. Europan 12 Competition. Housing Kagran, Vienna, with Neeraj Bhatia	
2011 Honorable Mention. Europan 11 Competition. Housing San Bartolome with Iñaqui Carnicero	
2011 Honorable Mention . Sculpture Museum at Leganes Garden. Madrid with Iñaqui Carnicero	
2009 Shortlisted . Guest House Competition in Villafranca de los Barros. Extremadura with Iñaqui Carnicero	

2008 2007 2005-2006 2004-2005 2003	Second Prize. Collaboration with Raul del Valle at New Police's Courts Building Competition in Madrid First Prize. Collaboration with Iñaqui Carnicero at VIVA Competition for the creation of 320 Experimental Housing in Madrid Awarded MEC Scholarship from the Spanish Ministry of Education Second Prize Emilio Larrodera Urbanism Awards, C.O.A.M Awarded Scholarship from the EU-exchange program at Roma Tre University
PUBLICATIONS 2017 2017 2016 2015 2015 2015 2014 2014 2014 2014 2014 2014 2014 2014	 Publication IW Design and Detail Magazine. Korea. English for Fun Center. Publication BOB Magazine Korea. English for Fun Center. Publication Campus Ultzama Publication. Build the built. Preliminary texts. Publication Chronologies of an Architectural Pedagogy. (in)forma. University of Puerto Rico. Pg 243 Publication ASSOCIATON Vol. 7 Cornell University. Juegaterapia Playground Publication EUROPAN 12 Austria Awarded. Housing in Kagran Vienne Publication Bauwelt 17-18.4 May 2014 / 09.05. EUROPAN 12 Publication Europan 12 España Publication GA HOUSES N° 130 PROJECT 2014. Editorial A.D.A EDITA Tokio. Revolutionary House Publication GA HOUSES N° 136 PROJECT 2014. Editorial A.D.A EDITA Tokio. Revolutionary House Publication GA HOUSES N° 136 PROJECT 2014. Editorial A.D.A EDITA Tokio. Revolutionary House Publication GA HOUSES N° 120 PROJECT 2014. Editorial A.D.A EDITA Tokio. Revolutionary House Publication GA HOUSES N° 130 PROJECT 2014. Editorial A.D.A EDITA Tokio. Revolutionary House Publication GA HOUSES N° 136 PROJECT 2014. Editorial A.D.A EDITA Tokio. Revolutionary House Publication EUROPAN 11 Awarded. Housing in San Bartolomé Publication EUROPAN 11 Awarded. Housing in San Bartolomé Publication GA DOCUMENT N° 121 (EMERGING FUTURE) Editorial A.D.A EDITA Tokio. Sculpture Museum, Madrid Publication "CIRCO" Tuñon y Mansilla PhD Courses. Architecture School of Polytechnic University of Madrid Contributed to the publication "VR. Vivienda Reducida". ISBN: 84-935571-0-2, derived from the "MINIMAL HOUSING" project and its presentation, during the EURAU CONGRESS at ETSAM Polytechnic Univ. of Madrid
2005 2002	Publication on the students´ yearbook 2004-2005 "CARNE FRESCA". Università degli Studi Roma Tre Publication on the students´ yearbook 2002-2003 of Alberto Campo Baeza at the Architecture School of Polytechnic University of Madrid

EXHIBITIONS	
2017	Ways of Life at Documenta, Kassel. Presentation of the 10 stories House
2017	Exhibition at International GA HOUSES PROJECT 2017 GA Gallery, Tokio. Japan. Lens House
2016	Exhibition The Golden Loop. Sharing Models. Storefront NYC. Manhattanisms
2014	Exhibition EUROPAN 12. THE ADAPTABLE YOUNG URBAN STRATEGIES at "AMSTETTEN. Vienne
2013	Exhibition at International 2013 Emerging Future at GA Gallery, Tokio. Japan. Revolutionary House
2012	Exhibition Awarded Sculpture Museum at Leganes Competittion at the Spanish Association of Architects
2012	Exhibition EUROPAN 11. TERRITORIOS Y MODOS DE VIDA EN RESONANCIA. ARQUITECTURAS PARA LA CIUDAD
	SOSTENIBLE at " Circulo de Bellas Artes de Madrid". National Exhibiton of the Europan II Awarded
2016	Speaker at "Congreso Nacional XXXIV Seminario de Ingeniería Hospitalaria"
2016	Speaker at Unfinished Manifiesto Series. Storefront NYC
2015	Speaker at Campus Internacional Ultzama. Fundación Arquitectura y Sociedad
2014	Speaker at SYMPOSIUM " La evolución de la pedagogía: arquitecture en España" Universidad de Puerto Rico. Panel: Jose María
	Torres Nadal, Antonio Vélez, Iñaqui Carnicero, Julio Salcedo and Rafael Balanzo.
2017	Lecture at Texas Tech University
2016	Lecture at California College of the Arts
2014	Lecture at Architecture School University of Puerto Rico with Iñaqui Carnicero
2013	Lecture at Gerald D. Hines Collage of Architecture, University of Houston
2007	Lecture at Architecture School of Polytechnic University of Madrid, for the Master of Urban Planning with Emilio Ontiveros