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How Can Architecture Change People's Lives?

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"When I talk about architecture in Africa, I am not referring to the traditional role of architecture: the creation of symbolic objects- or icons- that are the synthesis of a culture going back over several centuries. I am looking at the architecture of habitation, of humanity in general: the city as an inclusive conglomerate. It is a way of looking at architecture in terms of its collective identity, not as a series of free-standing icons."

- Sir David Adjaye (OBE)







































Thabo Mbeki Presidential Centre | Johannesburg, South Africa (In Progress)





"The architecture of the Library taps into the collective memory of the continent through the establishment of a new historical centre for African consciousness in which knowledge, education and sustenance are nurtured in the representation and intelligence of the continent."

- Sir David Adjaye (OBE)

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glance at the preliminary design concept, one might believe this is a traditional museum but, really, what we are proposing is an undoing of the objectification that has happened in the West through full reconstruction."

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Marine Drive | Accra, Ghana (In Progress)







"This new public promenade will be punctuated by three civic anchors, each of which celebrate Ghana's rich history. At the heart of the promenade will be a new centre piece public park honouring the forefathers of Ghanaian independence."

- Sir David Adjaye (OBE)



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3 Books Recommended by Kofi Bio





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