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ABOUT ME:

Rabela Junejo is an Architectural Historian and an academician, affiliated with the Department of Architecture and Planning, NED University of Engineering of Technology, Karachi, as an academic since 2007. As an architectural historian she harbors keen interest in exploring the built heritage of Pakistan. Her research interests are varied remaining within the scope of history of architecture however, she focusses on medieval and later funerary traditions in Sindh. This she furthered by her focused doctoral study on the architecture of Makli Necropolis, Thatta. As an academician she endeavors to fuse her two passions, history and teaching, by refocusing the architectural history pedagogy towards the study of local built heritage.

EDUCATION:

2014-2020 PhD - History of Architecture Program,
Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey

2010-2012 Masters in Architectural History
Middle East Technical University, Ankara, Turkey

2000-2006 Bachelors in Architecture
Mehran University of Engineering & Technology,
Jamshoro.

WORK EXPERIENCE:

June 2013 – Present Assistant Professor, DAP – NEDUET, Karachi.

June 2007 – June 2013 Lecturer, DAP – NEDUET, Karachi.

July 2006 – June 2007 Architect, Mubarak Ali Associates, Karachi.

NON TEACHING EXPERIENCE:

Jan 2021 – Present Assistant Editor JRAP - NEDUET

Aug 2020 – Present Peer/Paper Reviewer, “Sindh-Antiquities”, Bi-annual

June 2007 – Present

Coordinator “The History Group” DAP NEDUET

RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS:

- 2020** Paper titled “*Appropriating Indo-Saracenic Style: Bhai Ram Singh’s Contribution to the Architecture of 19th Century Lahore*” published in international “**Journal of Traditional Building, Architecture and Urbanism – JTBAU**”, INTBAU Spain, vol. 1 Pages 357-368, 2020.
- 2020** PhD dissertation titled “*Architectural Encounters at Makli Necropolis: 14th – 18th Century*”, METU, Ankara, AUG 2020.
- 2018** Paper presented at First International conference on Makli titled, “*Tomb of Isa Khan Tarkhan the II – Place of Converging Architectural Idioms*” held at Makli, Thatta 13th – 14th Jan 2018. Paper published in Sindh Antiquities Quarterly Journal (Special edition on Makli International Conference), Department of Culture, Government of Sindh, vol. 1, no. 4, Pages 29-40.
- 2017** Paper presented at International Conference on Archaeological Heritage of Pakistan: Challenges, Potential and Way forward titled, “*National Museum of Pakistan: Subjective readings into Narrative of Display*”, (co-authored with Nida Jawed Ahmed) co-organized by Higher Education Commission (HEC), National History and Literary Heritage Division, UNESCO, Embassy of France in Pakistan, British Council, and Walled City of Lahore Authority (WCLA), held at Alhmara Lahore, 20th – 22nd Oct 2017.
- 2016** Paper presented at 24th International Conference of International Association of Historians of Asia (IAHA 2016) titled, “*Pluralism of Funerary Monuments: Reading Architectural Encounters at Makli Necropolis*”. Conference theme was “Asian History, Culture and Environment: Vernacular and Oriental Paradigms” held in Islamabad, Pakistan from 5-9 December, 2016.
- 2014** Paper presented titled, “*Makli Necropolis (14th – 18th Century): Investigation into Geometric Ornamentation*” at Nexus Conference on Relationships between Architecture and Mathematics, 9-12 June 2014, Ankara, Turkey
- 2010** Master’s thesis titled “*Architectural Permeability: Stylistic*

Encounters in the Architecture of The Makli Necropolis (14th – 16th Centuries)”, METU, Ankara, DEC. 2010

RESEARCH PROJECTS: _____

2022 -23

INDEPENDENT RESEARCH PROJECT – NEDUET 2022 -23 (ONGOING)

Project title: *“Documentation and Mapping of Stone Carved Graves and Graveyards in Lower Sindh – Building A Data Bank / Repository”*, Funded by: **NED University of Engineering and Technology**, Status: Ongoing.

2022

PK-UK EDUCATIONAL LINKS - JAN to DEC 2022 – (Completed)

Project title: *“Exploring Invisible Diversity in The City of Lights”*, Funded by: **British Council**, Project Partners: **NED University of Engineering and Technology Karachi**, **Cardiff University, UK**, and **British Council**, Time Frame: Jan 2022 – Dec 2023, Status: Completed.