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Scenography · set design · interior design

Portfolio

Cairo Modern



Naguib Mahfouz · Set design & scale maquette · 2026

Academic project — Faculty of Fine Arts, Helwan University, Decor Dept.

Four students, one rented room, and a city changing faster than they are.

Mahfouz puts four young men from four different futures inside one cramped apartment. The room has to hold all four of them without belonging to any — a shared space nobody has bothered to make their own. The design starts from that: furniture that arrived with the flat, not with the people in it.

Cairo, the early 1930s. I worked from photographs of downtown apartment blocks of the period: cracked lime plaster, an ironwork door with a glazed panel, a sagging striped sofa, a coat rack by the entrance. Nothing in the room is new, and nothing in it was chosen.

ROLE

Set design · scenic painting · scale maquette · lighting study

Stories in the Corners



Original work · Built maquette & scenic painting · 2026

Not a play — a room, built at scale, to see what a room remembers.

The work is a room rather than a production: a study of how a lived-in space accumulates its own story in the corners, where nobody arranges anything.

A teal-painted wall with the plaster showing through, a wall clock, a handmade bookshelf with mismatched spines, a patterned floor, an iron bed. Everything is built rather than drawn — cardboard, fabric, paper, paint — and photographed in raking daylight so the shadows do the work the paint can't.

ROLE

Model making · scenic painting · dressing · lighting · photography

Les Misérables



Victor Hugo · Set design & scenic painting · 2026

Gilt frames on a wall that has not been washed in twenty years.

The scene asks for wealth and neglect in the same room — the objects say one thing about the family, the walls say another.

The palette is built on two colours doing opposite jobs: a deep red that carries the weight, and a worn green at the window that lets the daylight in. Gold frames hang on plaster that has gone grey.

Diary of a Country Prosecutor

Tawfiq al-Hakim · White-card maquette & lighting study · 2025



A whole village in white card, and the only colour in it is the light.

Al-Hakim's prosecutor moves between a courtroom and a village that does not recognise its authority. The set is the village: an archway, a low wall, a bench, a jar left by a doorway. No interiors — everything happens in the open, in front of people watching.

Rural Egypt. Mudbrick masses, a palm-frond roof, arched openings, a bench and water jars at the threshold. I built the whole thing unpainted, in white card, so the architecture could be judged on mass and shadow alone before any colour was decided.

ROLE

Set design · scale maquette · lighting study

Maquette II — Sci-Fi Arcade

Original work · Full-scale (1:1) set build · 2026

Group project — built by a team of six

A 1:1 arcade set designed and built by a team of six over several weeks: graffiti walls, an arcade cabinet, caution tape and neon lighting. From raw materials and late-night sketches to a walk-in set.



The Tree Climber



Tawfiq al-Hakim · Scene 2, flashback · Painted set design · 2025

A twisting tree grows out of a staircase in a violet void; the flashback space of the play.

Al-Hakim's play refuses ordinary logic: a missing wife, a tree, a conversation that goes in circles. The set cannot be a real garden — it has to be a place where that kind of conversation is possible.



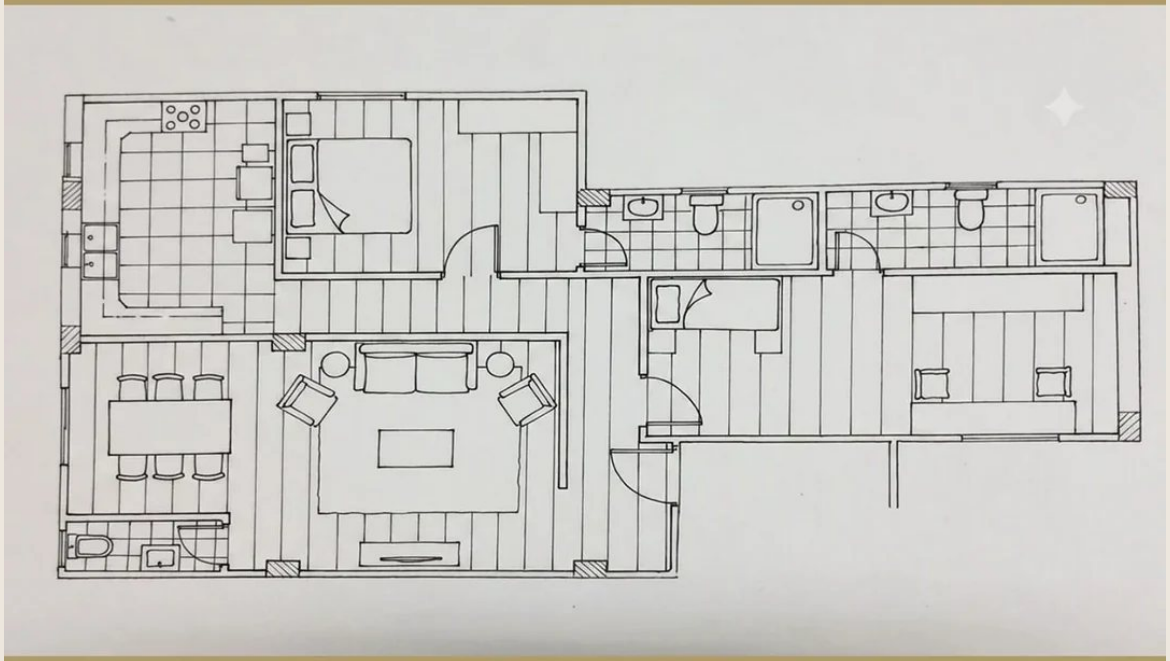
Macbeth

Shakespeare · Scene 1 · Painted set design · 2026

A gothic hall with three stained-glass windows throwing color into a cold stone space.

Apartment Project

Interior design · Furnished plan & layout · 2026



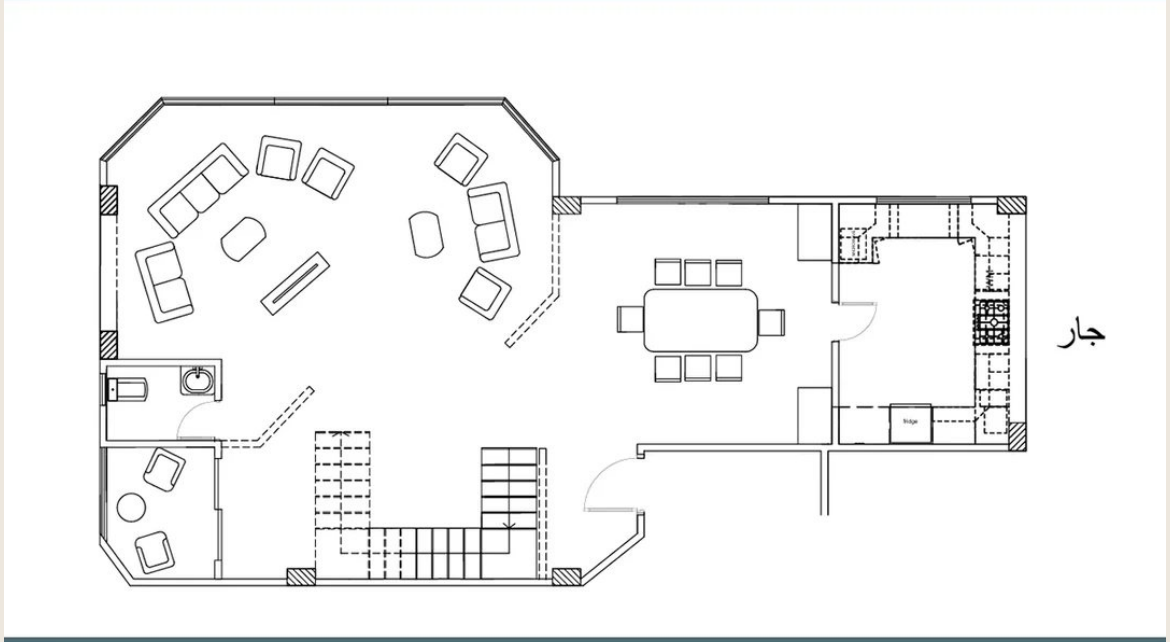
The project focused on designing the interior of a 100 m² apartment.

As the initial space consisted only of external walls and structural columns, the first step was to create the interior walls and organise the layout, followed by developing the interior design of each space.

Villa Project

Interior design · Floor plans · 2026

A modern villa design focused on creating a functional and comfortable interior while maintaining a cohesive and elegant aesthetic.



Kitchen Project

Interior design · Plan & sections · 2026



A simple and functional kitchen design that makes the best use of the available space while maintaining a modern and cohesive look.

Every appliance in the plan is a real one, drawn at its actual dimensions.

Photography

Cairo · Photographs · 2026



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