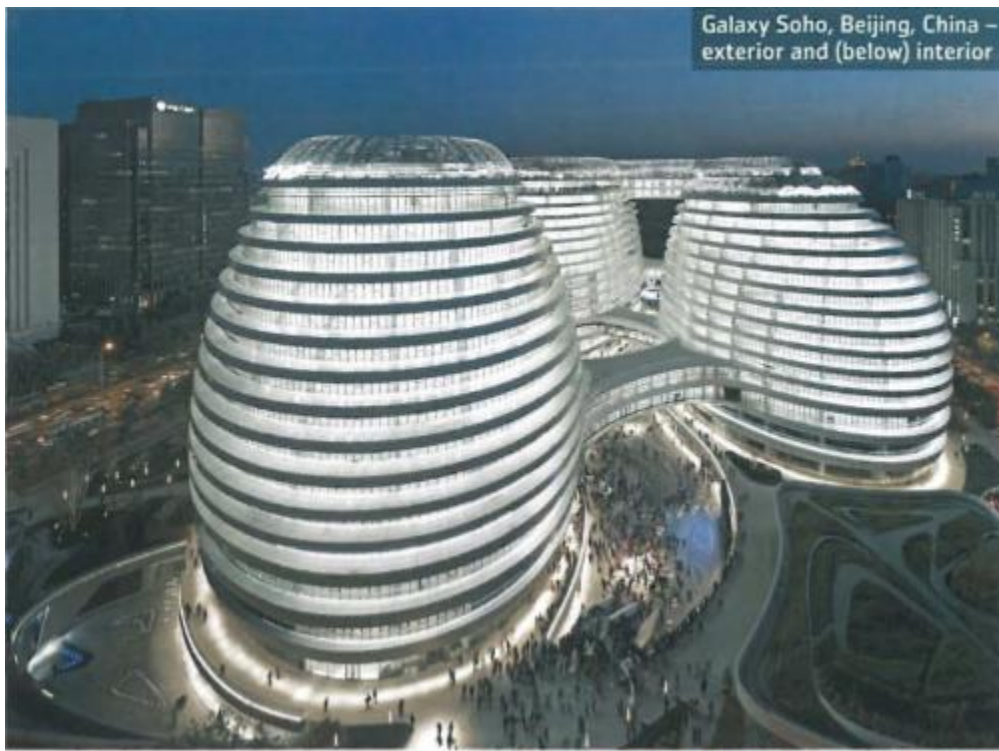


Lec4: Zaha Hadid



- a. Zaha Hadid is a very important modern architect. She was the first woman architect to win the important Pritzker Prize for Architecture.
- b. Hadid was born in Baghdad, Iraq, in 1950. She lives in London now. She came to London as a student in 1972. She has a design practice in London.
- c. She studied mathematics at the University of Beirut. She graduated and she moved to London. She studied architecture. She graduated in 1977. Then she worked in Rotterdam and London.
- d. Hadid became successful in 1994. She won a competition to design Cardiff Bay Opera House. The people said that the building was too modern. The building was never built.
- e. In 2003 Hadid designed the Centre for Contemporary Art in Cincinnati. It was her first big achievement. She has designed buildings all over the world. She designed an Opera House in Dubai. She also designed the Aquatics Centre for the 2012 Olympics in London.
- f. Zaha Hadid is a good modern architect. She designs a lot of nice buildings. Now she is designing her first building in Iraq, where she was born. It is the Central Bank of Iraq. She is also going to work on the main stadium for the Tokyo Olympics in 2020. She won the design competition for it. The competition was between 46 architectural firms.

- g. As one of the most exciting modern architects, Zaha Hadid continues to design extraordinary buildings. At the moment she is designing The Central Bank of Iraq, which is her first project in her native country. She will also be working on the main stadium for the 2020 Tokyo Olympics, having won the design competition between 46 architectural firms.
- h. However, it wasn't until 1994 that her career really took off. She won a competition to design the Cardiff Bay Opera House, but her design was considered too modern and daring for the town. It was never built.







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