

# **AKPIA@MIT SPRING 2020 LECTURES**

## FEBRUARY 10

Durability through Verse: Palace Building and Poetry at Abbasid Samarra

#### Matt Saba

Visual Resources Librarian, Aga Khan Documentation Center at MIT

#### **FEBRUARY 24**

Architecture in Dialogue: The Aga Khan Award in its Fourteenth Cycle

#### Farrokh Derakhshani

Director of the Aga Khan Award for Architecture

Lecture to be followed by a panel discussion with Aga Khan Professors: From Harvard, Gülru Necipoğlu; and from MIT, Nasser Rabbat and James Wescoat.

## MARCH 16

On the Urgency of Writing an Accessible History of Egyptian Modernism

#### Mohamed Elshahed

Independent Curator. Author of Cairo Since 1900: An Architectural Guide

#### APRIL 13

Inquiries into the Post-Secular Syrian Public Sphere and Urban Space

#### Ahmad Sukkar

AKPIA@MIT Post-Doctoral Fellow

# MAY 4

The Lives of Religious Endowments: Islam and Neoliberal Reconstruction in Postwar Beirut

#### Nada Moumtaz

AKPIA@MIT Post-Doctoral Fellow

Photograph is of "The Flying Carpet" airplane, aloft over Samarra, Iraq, north of Baghdad, 1931. The image was retouched and the red inscription in the lower left reads: Abd al-Qader 1355 (Higri year)



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