

Biography DORA TOKAI

Founder & creative director

Dora Tokai was born in Hungary in 1984. She grew up in an environment surrounded by fine and performance arts, so it is no surprise that her first art exhibition was as a teenager. Always a lover of travel, she started living and studying abroad in France, Spain and England from the age of 16. After returning to Hungary, she studied Architecture at the Technical University of Budapest and went on to study Interior Design in England. Graduating in 2012, she began her professional life as an interior architect in Asia. Working first for a prestigious Japanese design firm, Dora quickly progressed up its ranks with the help of her keen eye for design and efficient work ethic. Designing and managing projects for exclusive hotels and shopping centres in Singapore and Malaysia increased her interest in design and luxury, so she returned to her studies with an MBA in Luxury Goods and Services in Monaco.

Dora became a fashion designer after having studied architecture, engineering and business. Founding her brand, D'Ora Tokai, in 2011 in Monaco, she has since expanded it to global recognition, participating at events such as London Fashion Week, the Viceroy Grand Prix circuit during the Abu Dhabi F1 and Miss Universe USA, 2014.

She says: "It all comes back to my early love for the arts. I have an urge to create and express myself visually, whether in the form of drawing, architecture or couture. Couture is close to architecture: in both cases I seek an understanding of the client and a balance between aesthetics and function to create designs that withstand time."

Timeline

1984	Born in Hungary
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STUDIES

2000-2001	École Polytechnique, Agen, France
2004	Graduated from ELTE Apaczai Csere Janos High School, Hungary
2004-2006	Architecture, Budapest University of Technology, Hungary
	Architectural Engineering, INSA de Rennes, Rennes, France
2006–2009	BA(Hons) in Interior Architecture, University of Bedfordshire, Luton-London, England
2007–2008	Industrial Engineering, Universidad Politécnica de Valencia, Valencia, Spain
2012-2013	MBA in Luxury Management, International University of Monaco

WORK

2009–2010	Interior Designer at Design Spirits, Tokyo, Japan, Malaysian branch office
2011–2012	Interior Designer at Ministry of Design, Singapore
2013- present	Founder and Creative Director of D'Ora Tokai, Monaco – www.doratokai.com
2014- present	Founder and Art Wrangler of NeoJamal, United Arab Emirates – www.neojamal.com

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