



MAMB – HOUSE OF MARTIAL ARTS AND BOXING

Colomiers, France

A place dedicated to Martial Arts and Boxing, rooted in Zen philosophy and the societal values of sport. An exemplary eco-responsible venue crafted from bio-sourced materials, at the heart of the Grand Val d'Aran urban renewal project.

A landmark building, a catalyst for urban life

Detached from the Rotonde, the simple, sculpted volume of the MAMB becomes a strong architectural marker. It opens widely onto the Val d'Aran square to the south, actively animating the space thanks to the transparency of the hall, the ground-floor conviviality room, and the upper-level terrace. The roof, conceived as a Zen garden, provides a contemplative fifth façade visible from surrounding residences. The rammed-earth base harmonizes with the urban environment through its ochre hue and guides visitors toward the MAMB entrance. Above, a glazed slit separates the upper volume and allows natural light to penetrate the ground-floor rooms. A lightweight, perfectly rectangular white volume floats above Val d'Aran square. Its perforated façade is composed of glazed clay rods. At night, the luminous shimmer emerging from it will make the MAMB a strong and elegant landmark in the neighborhood, complementing the Rotonde.

A legible, functional, and adaptable facility

The single entrance, highlighted by a spacious sheltered forecourt (with bicycle parking), serves the three program areas: parquet-floor rooms and the conviviality room on the ground floor, tatami rooms upstairs. Circulation is rigorously separated between "street shoes" and "sports shoes," with through-changing rooms ensuring smooth and clear (...)

Client
City of Colomiers

Program
Construction of a Martial Arts and Boxing Center housing 5 practice rooms and 7 associations: 3 "parquet" rooms (Taekwondo, Kendo, Karate, Boxing) and 2 "tatami" rooms (Judo, Aikido, Viet Vo Dao).

Surface
3 044

Cost of Work
8 000 000€ excl. TAX

Status
2025 Competition Winner
Ongoing Studies

Environmental Quality
– RE2020 E3C1
– Ultra-performance materials: prefabricated rammed-earth at the ground floor; double-skin perforated glazed terracotta; wood for insulation, upper-level structure, and façades.
– Extensively greened roofs and photovoltaic production via dome (...)

Sport

