

(DE-)REVOLUTIONISING THE MONUMENTS OF IRAN

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3 CASE STUDIES



PASARGADAE – CYRUS' TOMB 1928



1928 Oriental Institute Visit to
Pasargadae

ORINST. P 31666 PASARGADAE, IRAN.
VIEW OF THE TOMB OF CYRUS THE
GREAT.

PASARGADAE – CYRUS' TOMB 1971



Shah's address in front of the Tomb of Cyrus the Great at the 2500 year anniversary of Persian monarchy

12 Oct 1971

"We are awake"

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=n2BDjTpl7JM>

PASARGADAE – CYRUS' TOMB 2006-7



PASARGADAE – CYRUS' TOMB 2016



TEHRAN – SA'ADABAD PALACE



TEHRAN – SA'ADABAD PALACE 2015

https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/f/f6/Saad_Abad_Palace%2C_Sa%27dAbad%2C_Tehran%2C_Iran.jpg



White Palace

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TEHRAN – SA'ADABAD PALACE



Sa'adabad has 18 palaces many of which have become museums

Nation's/Mellat Palace: Shah Reza's summer villa

Nation Arts Museum (or Africa Museum): Situated in the Nation Museum

Green Museum: Shah Reza Summer Palace

Ethnographic Research/Shams Museum: Display of Iranian customs

Military Museum

Mir Emad Museum: Calligraphic Masterpieces

Abkar Museum: Klara Abkar Paintings

Behzad Museum (miniature): Hossein Behzad Paintings

Fine Art/Siaad Museum: 18th & 19th century European Paintings

Water Museum: Keeping, restoring and revenue operation of water in Iran

Handicrafts and Glasware/Ashraf Museum

Omidvar brothers Museum/Stables: Tribute to the first Iranian explorers



Other buildings

House of Bahman/Building B: former UNESCO training area now a Management Office for the Museum

House of Abdol Reza: Administration centre

House of Ahmad Shah Qajar

Exclusive House: Former museum of natural history now residence for the Iranian President

Presidential buildings: Former Palace of the Queen Mother, now houses Presidential guests

Dafine Museum: Former museum of Treasure now used by the presidency

Building of the Amendment 36: Former house of Gholam Reza now houses a governmental agency

TEHRAN – SHAHYAD TOWER 1971

https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/8/8d/Shahyad_%28Azad%29_Square_Inauguration.jpg

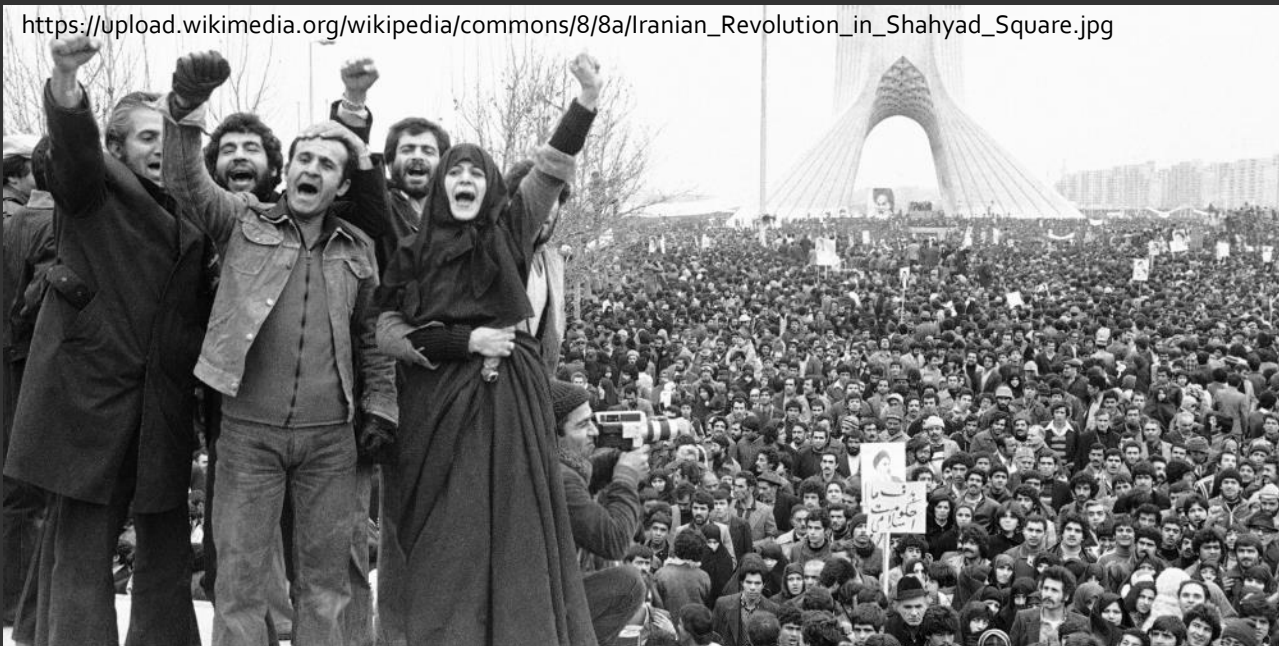


<https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/1/1a/Shahyad.jpg>



Shahyad Tower (برج شهید) or the King's Memorial is constructed in Tehran at a height of 50 m by Hossein Amanat and inaugurated as a museum on the 16th of October 1971 as part of the Shah's celebration of **2500 years of Persian Monarchy**

TEHRAN – SHAHYAD TOWER 1979



Iranian Revolution

Shahyad Tower serves as a site of protest against the Shah

Tower is renamed Azadi or Freedom Tower

TEHRAN – AZADI TOWER 2014

https://upload.wikimedia.org/wikipedia/commons/e/e1/Azadi_-_Mazyar_Asadi.jpg



Anniversary of the 1979 Revolution

- Mazyar Asadi

TEHRAN – AZADI TOWER 2009



3rd Day of the Green Revolution

- Hamed Saber

Green Revolution

Protests against government
under Ahmadinejad

CYRUS' TOMB -- SA'DABAD -- AZADI TOWER

