

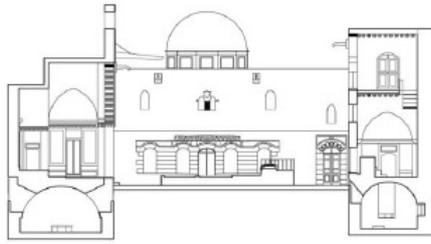
## BEIT GHAZALEH RESEARCH PROJECT



main elevation



courtyard & iwan



section on courtyard (Th. Grandin)

plan (Th. Grandin)

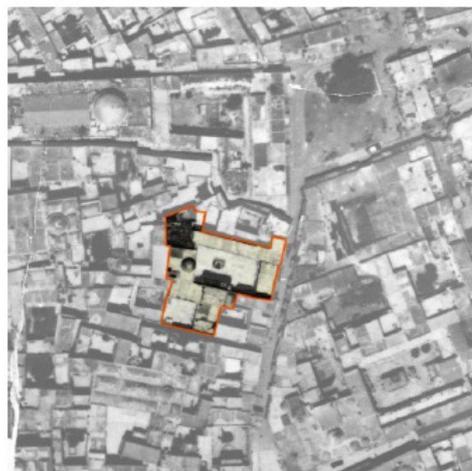
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decorative stone-work



wooden closet



The Ghazaleh House is one of the foremost examples of 17<sup>th</sup> century Ottoman architecture in Aleppo. It is located just outside the old city of Aleppo in one of the most prestigious and touristic areas of the city, the Jdeideh neighbourhood. Beside traditional elements, like the beautiful courtyard, the fountain and the carved decorative stones, it boasts well-preserved and high-quality wooden panels and — unique feature in Ottoman Aleppo — a large private hammam. The house has been described in several publications about the old city of Aleppo and was used as a school in the 1970s. This state-owned mansion has been recently restored and transformed into a museum of the City of Aleppo by the DGAM (Directorate General of Antiquities and Museums) and the Municipality of Aleppo. In July 2013, Heritage for Peace and Blue Shield, in conjunction with Syrian experts, included the Ghazaleh House on a ‘no strike list’ of the 20 most important archaeological sites in Aleppo.<sup>1</sup>

The project includes work on the following areas:

- Architectural and archaeological survey of the Ghazaleh House.
- Description of house’s location, the Jdeideh district of Aleppo
- Historical outline of the city including of the role of the Ghazaleh<sup>2</sup> and other major Christian families

For further information please see the RC Heritage Project Page<sup>3</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Heritage for Peace and UK National Committee of the Blue Shield, ‘No Strike’ list of archaeological sites in Aleppo released, 4 July, 2013, available on <http://www.ancbs.org/>, accessed 14 July 2013

<sup>2</sup> Due to various languages transcriptions there are different spellings of Ghazaleh: *Ghazaleh, Ghazalah, Gazaleh, Gazalé...*

<sup>3</sup> The Project page is available on [http://www.rcheritage.com/RC\\_HERITAGE/P7\\_ghazaleh.html](http://www.rcheritage.com/RC_HERITAGE/P7_ghazaleh.html), accessed 14 July 2013