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Image: Mike Rostock - Somewhere between forgetting and remembering

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**KEVIN SINGH**  
Head of School

## Welcome to the 2021 Manchester School of Architecture on-line catalogue.

Despite the numerous challenges we have all faced during the pandemic it has been a very exciting year at the Manchester School of Architecture, a year where staff and students alike have had to adapt quickly to the circumstances and the uncertainties we have faced, by committing to teaching online all year.

Our incredible students who have been magnificent this year in the way they have accepted the situation, maintained their passion and commitment to the discipline, and produced some fantastic work. This resilient attitude will stand them in good stead in their careers ahead. Within this catalogue is the student work from across the School, including BA and MArch Architecture (and in particular our Ateliers which celebrate difference), Master of Landscape Architecture, as well as a window into the day to day activity of the MSA with features on aspects such as our Provocations debates, MSA Live (formerly Events), our student society MSSA, and staff research.

As the new Head of School, I have also instigated change, focusing on completing initiatives started by new predecessors, putting in place new systems and processes, and bringing some new ideas, all of which is designed to make this wonderful School even better! We have a number of new programmes in the pipeline which predominantly focused on extending and enhancing our post graduate offer, a series of prestigious and exciting international links, and our influence via research and publications continues to grow as you will see elsewhere in this catalogue. We were also joined by eminent Manchester architect, Stephen Hodder who was appointed as a Professor of Architecture alongside his work at Hodder + Partners.

The School has a long-held tradition of engaging with societal issues and accordingly we have responded swiftly and genuinely to two current issues. Firstly, our student body were very animated with the Black Lives Matter movement and together we have focused on decolonising the curriculum which then led to a School-wide EDI code of practice. Secondly, given the urgency in

responding to the climate crisis we have published our statement on how the MSA will address climate change in our teaching and practice which also demonstrates our direction of travel in relation to RIBA's Themes and Values that place climate literacy central to architectural education. This year's quinquennial RIBA Visiting Board will also be an opportunity to showcase these initiatives.

As much as the pandemic has been incredibly challenging and working online rather relentless, we have discovered some new opportunities. We have been joined by critics and guests from around the world for our Provocations, Salons, and Open Reviews who have provided our students with a truly global perspective, our international students have been able to work on sites within their home countries, and the online lecture format has proved to be very accessible and inclusive. We will certainly be reflecting on some of these positives so we can continue to improve the student experience.

I would like to extend our sincere thanks to all of the School staff and Associate Lecturers who have been incredible in their support for the students despite often dealing with the personal challenges that the pandemic has brought to us all.

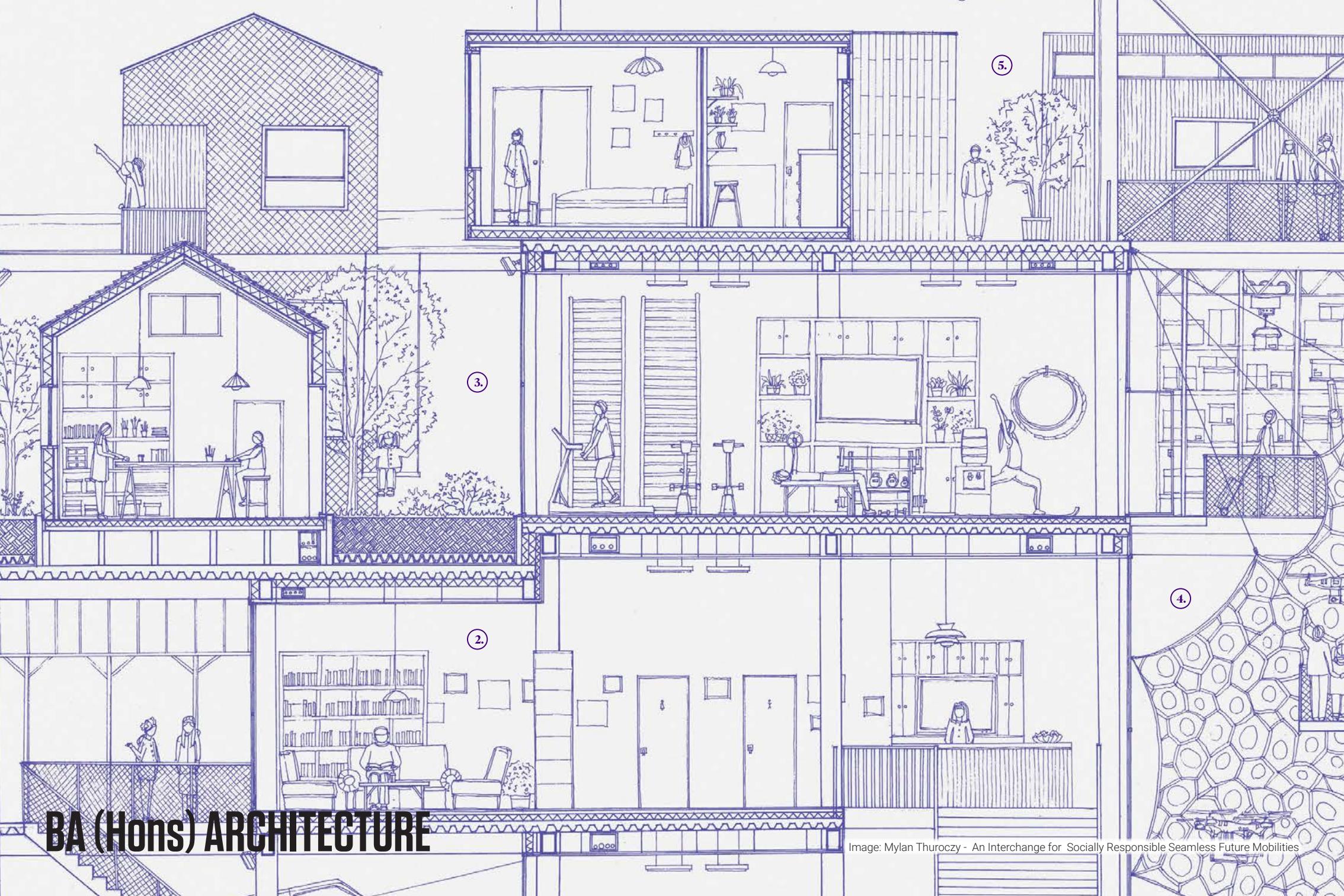
I would also like to thank the numerous practices, organisations, and community groups (especially in MSA Live) who have contributed to our curriculum this year, we are so grateful for your continued support in these difficult times.

We look forward to seeing you in person next year but in the meantime, please enjoy the work of our amazing students online!

**Professor Kevin W Singh**  
Head of Manchester School of Architecture



Image: Grace McGuire - Light House



**BA (Hons) ARCHITECTURE**

Image: Mylan Thuroczy - An Interchange for Socially Responsible Seamless Future Mobilities

# BA (Hons) ARCHITECTURE

## DAN DUBOWITZ

Programme Leader

The BA at Manchester School of Architecture launches with a deeply immersive and energetic programme which integrates Studio, Humanities, and Technologies; so that our students can find out for themselves what becoming an architect might mean for them.

After establishing their skillset in year one, second-year MSA students begin practising independently, learning how to develop and articulate their own positions and to shape their own trajectory. This builds a momentum towards third-year when students select their own programme. There are nine Humanities electives and students choose between one of seven flag ship Ateliers (vertical studios) working alongside postgraduate students from MArch for the year with a team of 4 research-active staff and 4 external practitioners.

What sets the MSA undergraduate programme apart from other schools of architecture is a citizen pedagogy that engages students in live projects and real-world challenges, from mitigating climate change to constructing a more inclusive public realm. Throughout the 3-year BA programme, our students are supported in identifying what their own matters of concern and care are, both as citizens and as emerging professionals. Our teaching centres on research through speculative design and our staff mobilise their research-practice to develop immersive briefs that engage and challenge.

Manchester, since the birth of the industrial revolution, has continually made and remade itself, leading to its identity as a radical city and this is reflected in socially and politically engaged designs across the BA programme. There is no 'school style' at MSA, the student work encompasses an eclectic range of personal and cultural perspectives, is inquisitive, highly creative and truly diverse.

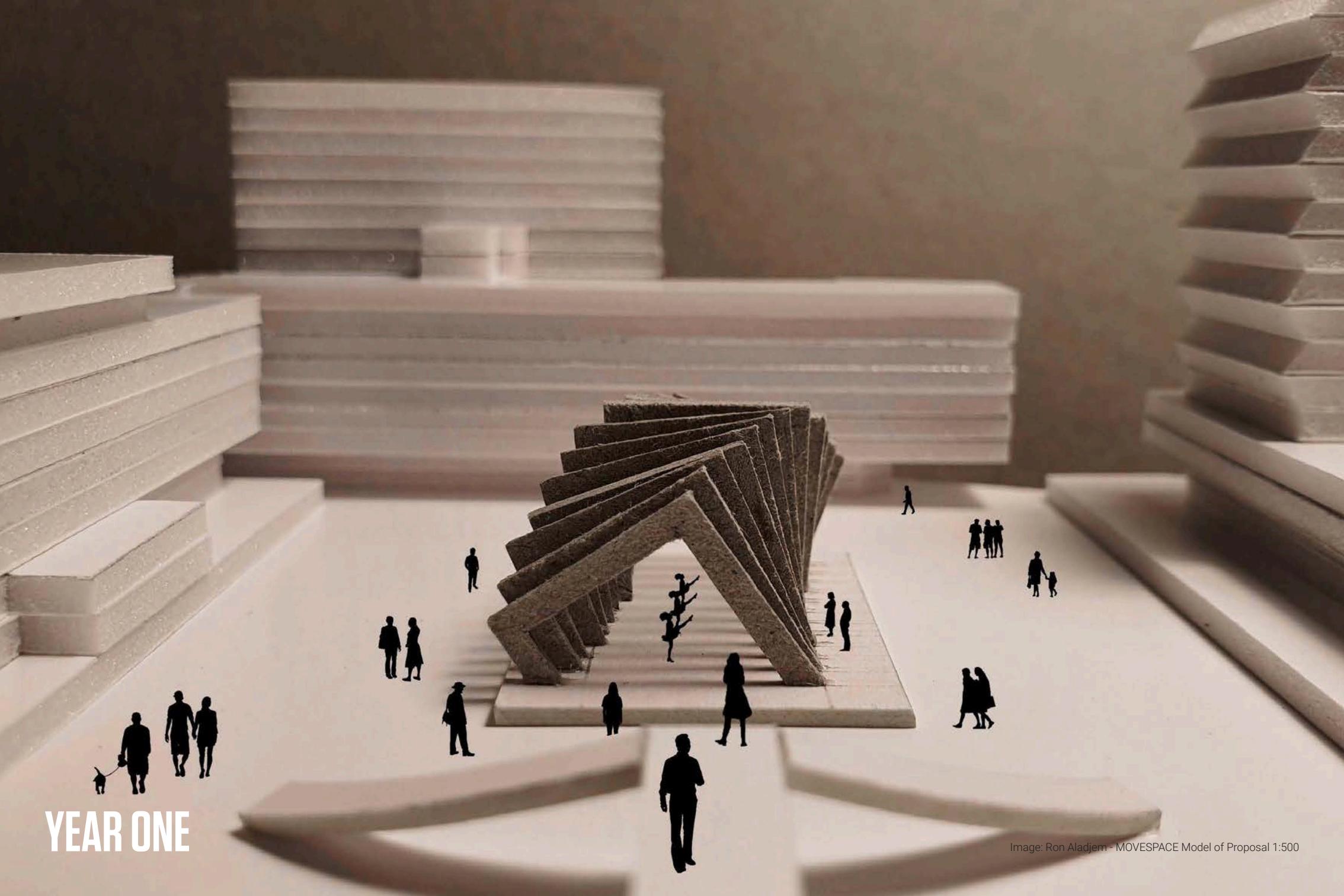
To make tomorrow's cities, architects and urbanists will need a different understanding and new ways of making architecture if they are to engage citizens meaningfully in the transformation of their cities. To achieve this we have made some substantive changes to our programme this year with the establishment of four new roles: a Head of Humanities, Climate Action lead, two Skills leads

(analogue and digital) and the introduction of new lecture series and an additional half day of studio to explore new design methods to the BA programme for both first and second years.

Based on the idea that a site is made and not found, the new Analogue Skills workshops teach improvisational design methods. Students experiment with new ways of developing their designs through doing and making: experimenting with photography, collage and juxtaposition as design tools, learning through redrawing and model-making. Through this programme, testing ideas and positions, students are developing in their Studio, Technology and Humanities projects week by week, leading to a renewed interest and deeper engagement with the design journal as a tool.

The new lecture series 'Writing the City' considers the wider responsibilities of Architecture and Urbanism beyond the bounds of the site and interrogates the ethics of architectural practice for cities across the globe including: Seoul, Accra, Jakarta, Tokyo and Guayaquil. A critical understanding of climate change is comprehensively addressed this year with a new lecture series 'Architecture, Climate and Society'. The focus is on students developing an informed position on climate change, shifting the discussion from resources materials/technological solutions to the ethical, social and political issues in design posed by the climate crisis. Technologies and Humanities have worked together this year to explore how the expanding curriculum on climate change action can be explored in all areas of student work through the programme.

This has been an extraordinary year for us all during the pandemic with enforced lock-downs, losing access to our buildings and the sense of community that affords. It is something we have been through together and felt keenly. In spite of these challenges, it has heightened our students' sense of enquiry. The innovation and imagination in their work in the BA is a testament to the agility and determination of our students and their diverse ambitions to make the world a better place for all. To some extent, this experience has made us all stronger and will stand everyone in good stead in their future careers.



**YEAR ONE**

Image: Ron Aladjem - MOVESPACE Model of Proposal 1:500

# YEAR ONE

## EMILY CROMPTON

BA1 Lead

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 Joe Dempsey  
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 Kasia Nawratek  
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### Special Thanks

Scott Miller (B.15 Model Making Workshop)  
 Saul Backhouse (B.15 Model Making Workshop)  
 Pete Powell (MMU Makers Workshop)  
 Andrew Barnett (Hopkins Architects)  
 Elaine Cooke (MMU Libraries)  
 Angela Connelly  
 Ray Lucas  
 Sigita Zigure.

### SYNTHESIS

First year at Manchester School of Architecture focuses on understanding and developing each individual students' character, skills, aptitude and passion, as part of a vibrant, diverse and inquisitive cohort. We ask students to bring their existing knowledge and be open to experimenting to unlock a new understanding of architecture. Each project begins with an investigation of a variety of elements, and demands a synthesizing and fusing information into unique design proposals. Sites this year were in UMIST's public space, Manchester's Northern Quarter, as well as asking the students to connect one project to a gig venue in their own location, wherever that was in the world!

Our BA1 cohort has shown resilience and maturity throughout the difficulties and challenges provided by the pandemic. Students have developed robust design methodologies and processes as well as an impressive toolkit of skills and expertise. Emphasis was placed on the students' own heritage and culture to create individual connections to each brief. Students were encouraged to experiment, play and refine their designs, along with consideration of the wider issues affecting architectural practice such as the climate emergency and 'otherness'. Studio activities use a series of 'doing' words as titles, (starting, presenting, evaluating, reviewing etc.) to call the students to action each week and cultivate an appreciation that architecture is something we 'do'. This year students have demonstrated their ability to synthesize the context surrounding spatial design including social, economic and political factors responding to complex design briefs with sensitivity and creating accomplished projects.

### STUDIO 1.1

MYSPLACE began the year with an investigation of the room the students found themselves inhabiting for the year (or for that moment). Surveying, understanding scale and an eye for detail were key in this project, and imaginations were challenged to suggest an improvement to the space. From the outlandish to the practical, ideas were communicated through 3D models and 2D drawings.

MOVE SPACE explored the relationship between human movement and space in the design of a pavilion for a specific dance style, selected by the student. The design process started by visualising the movement observed in the dance and designs transformed movement into space by exploring atmosphere, shape and surface and how these elements impacted on the audience's perception of the dance. The pavilions were sited in and around the public space at the old UMIST campus.

EXPLORATION instead of the usual European or UK based study trip, we challenged students to explore their current environments (urban, rural or even internal, in the case of those in quarantine) with newly architect-trained eyes. Surroundings were documented through sketching, photography and diagramming.

STOPOVER explored the notion of 'home' through the design of a micro-home for a musician, which was parasitically attached to an existing gig venue. Students used a musician as protagonist for their project, examining the human form and specific ergonomics and personality of the musician. By locating projects on existing buildings, it gave students the opportunity to consider context in their design solutions.

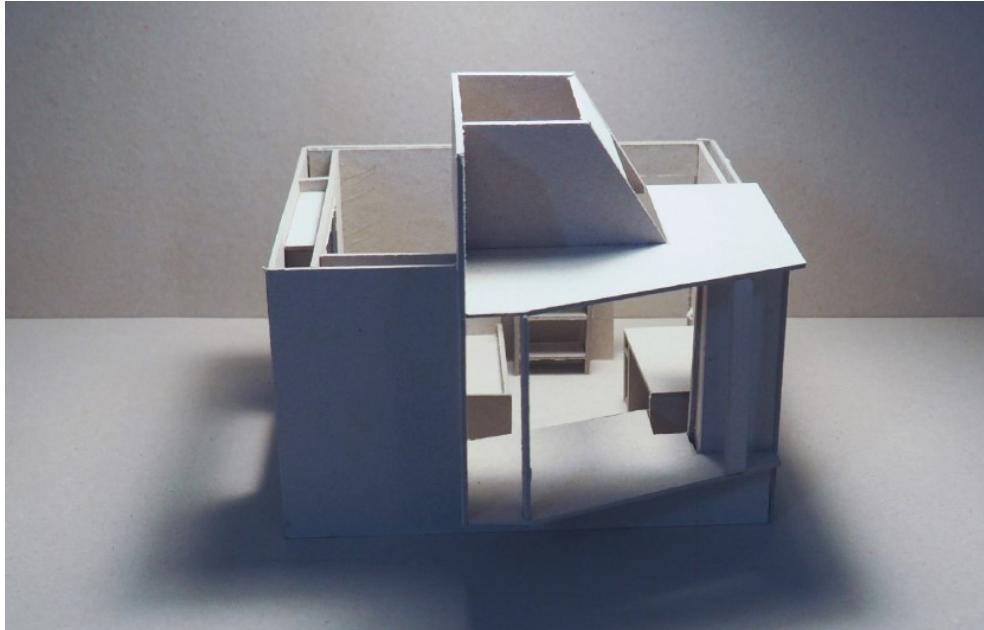
### STUDIO 1.2

MAKER / SPACE began by inviting students to select a product from their home country or town, heritage or culture. The brief asked students to design a new building for the manufacture, sale and exhibition of that specific product. The city centre site was located on Piccadilly and Gore Street.

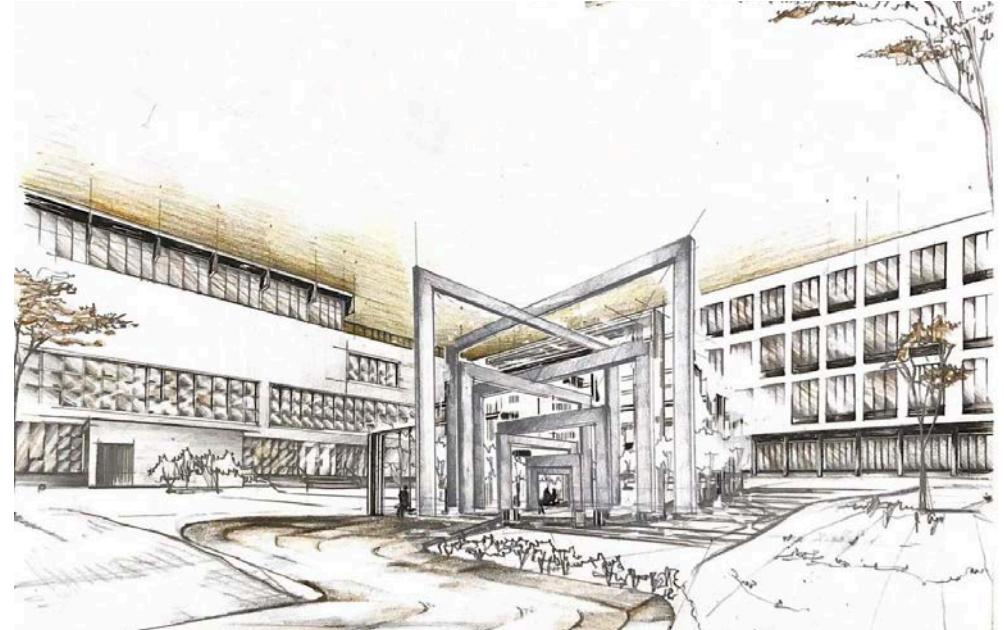
SITE/ PRODUCT/ PROGRAMME asked the students to interrogate the given site using desktop research as well as making site visits where possible. Students researched their product by documenting the manufacturing process, as well as investigating the programmatic challenges of the brief. This project ended with a review of initial designs with invited guests from practice.

RESOLVING saw the culmination of project development and concluded in a final design of a building for the students' imagined clients.

EXHIBIT explored architectural drawing and model making as a method of communication through the creation of one outstanding exhibition piece. Methods and testing were recorded in an experimental sketchbook.



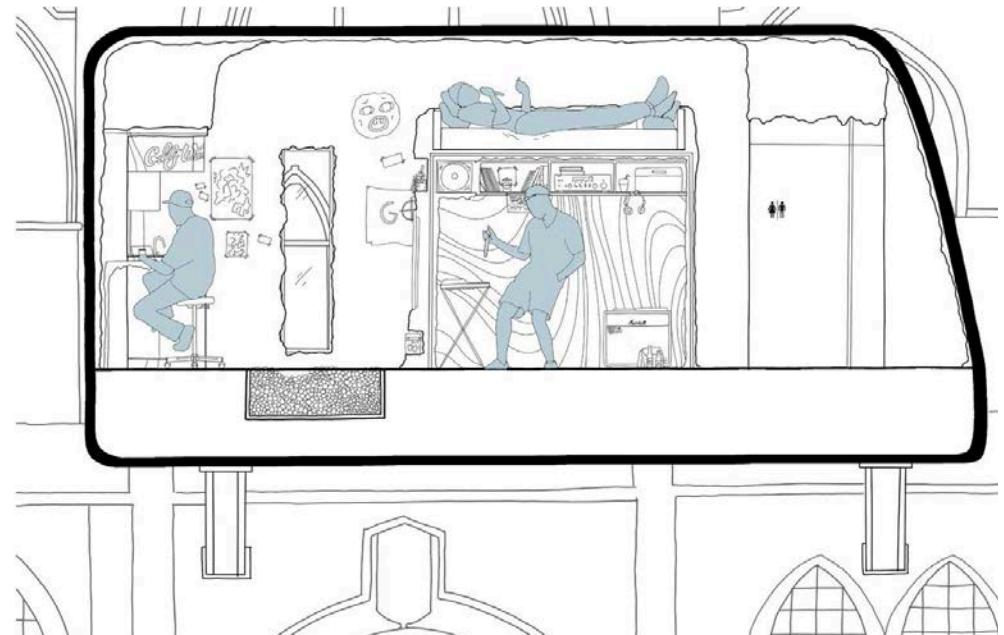
MYSAPCE | Michael Kan – Model 1:20



MOVESPACE | Natasha Nedelcu - Proposed Perspective



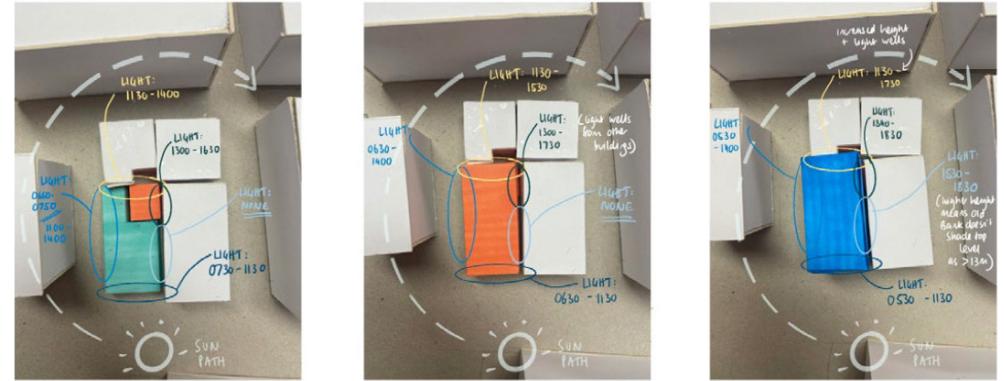
MOVESPACE | Damla Tunc - Pavilion Model 1:100



STOPOVER | Alessandra Baroni - Proposed Section 1:10



STOPOVER | James Baker - Internal Perspectives

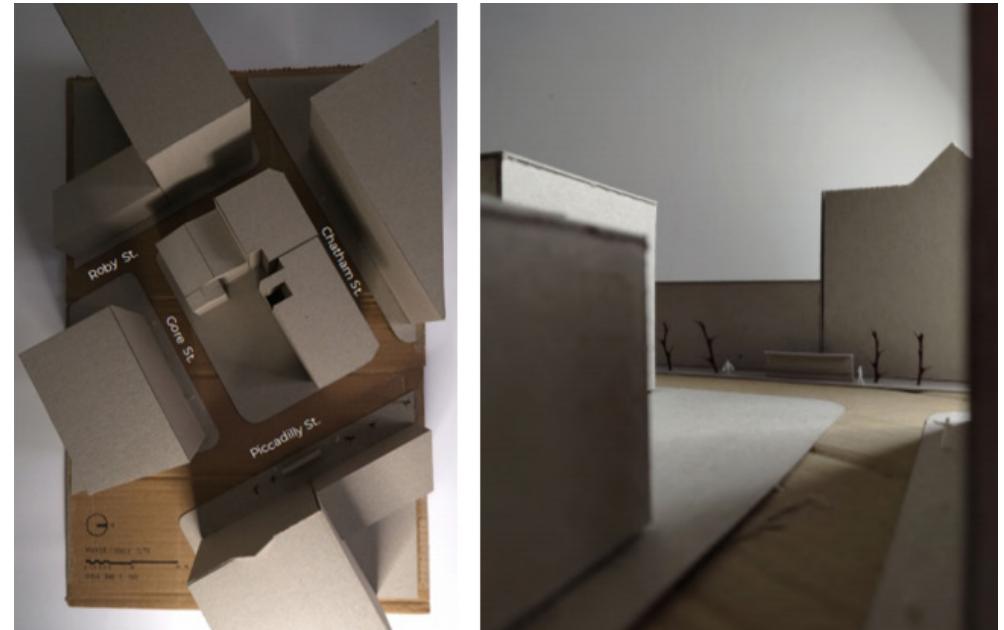


SUN PATH ANALYSIS

MAKER SPACE PROGRAMME | Katie Nancarrow - Programme Development



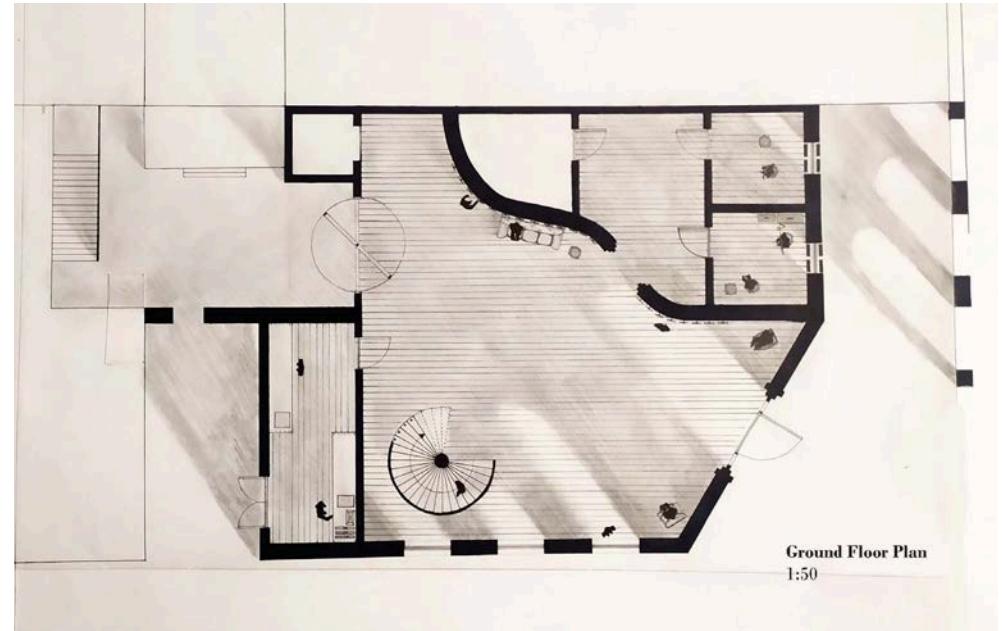
MAKER SPACE PRODUCT | Isabella Mearns - Internal Vignettes



MAKER SPACE SITE | Rana Budiarta - Site Model 1:200



MAKER SPACE RESOLVE | Ewa Sokolowska - Sectional Model 1:50



MAKER SPACE RESOLVE | Myles Cathcart Wootton - Proposed Plan 1:50



MAKER SPACE RESOLVE | Man Hei Siu - Proposed Section 1:50



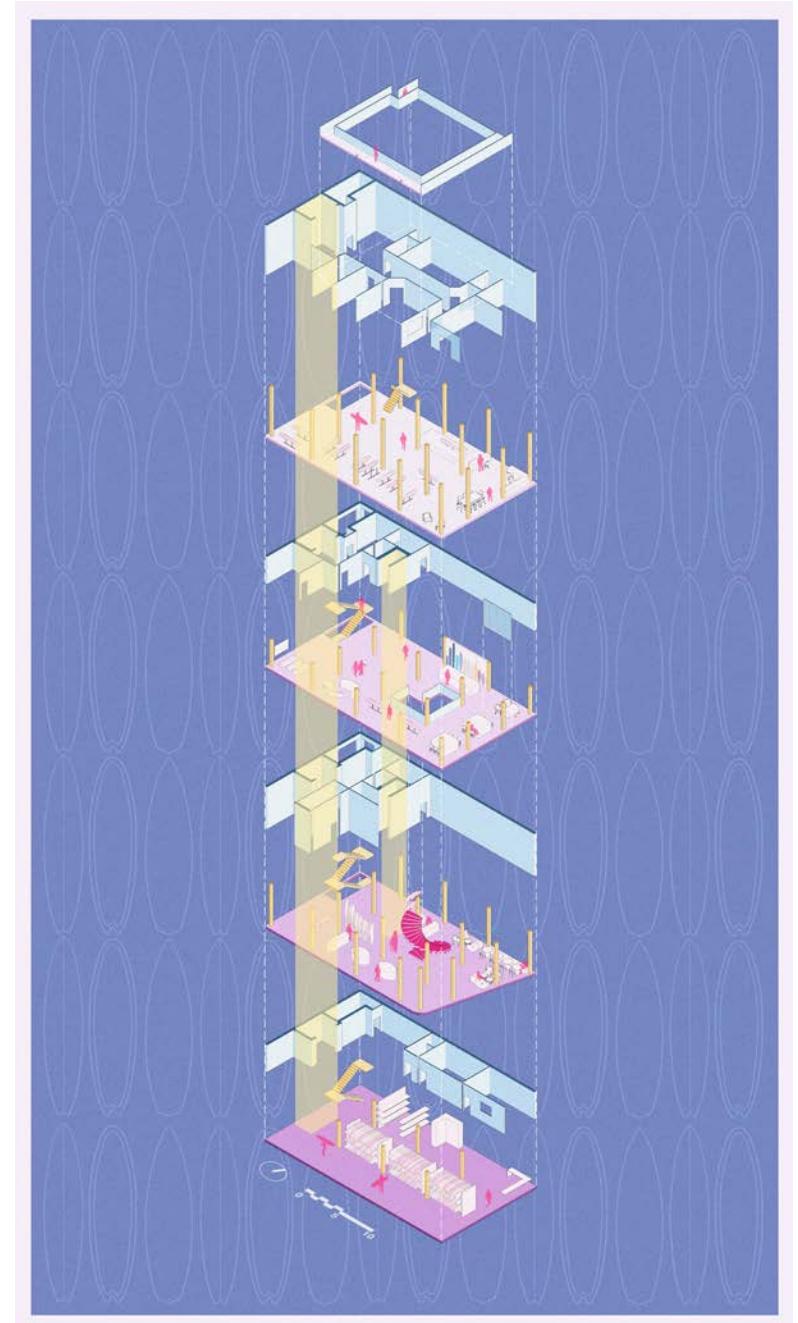
MAKER SPACE EXHIBIT | Adam Hartopp - Sectional Model 1:50



MAKER SPACE EXHIBIT | Alexia Borcoman - Exploded Axonometric



MAKER SPACE EXHIBIT | Rawan Mohammed Mir Abdulla Ahmad Khoori - Visual



MAKER SPACE PROGRAMME | Katie Nancarrow - Programme Development



**YEAR TWO**

Image: Kerryn Peters - Photomontage programme

# YEAR TWO

## JOSÉ ÁNGEL HIDALGO ARELLANO & DRAGANA OPAČIĆ WILKINSON

BA2 Leads

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 Loris Rossi  
 Maryam Osman  
 Neil Allen  
 Rachel Harris  
 Rhiannon Hodgeon  
 Siobhán Barry  
 Stephen Connah  
 Yun Wu

### Teaching Assistant

Laura Toth

### Guest Lecturers

Christian Gänshirt  
 Scott Miller  
 Andrés Perales  
 Jaime Ramos  
 Jorge Ramos  
 Pablo Ramos  
 Ana Santolaria  
 Robert Toon

### Synopsis

The second year of the Bachelor of Architecture aims to foster students' autonomy and it constitutes a crucial step in their critical thinking development. This has been a trying year for the staff and students alike but also a testament to our collective resilience and commitment. All three assessment units in BA2 were delivered entirely remotely due to the Covid pandemic. We introduced a new structure that enabled maximum two units running in parallel at any time. However, students benefitted from a continuous series of Studio lectures designed to inspire, inform and broaden the architectural experience. These were supported by Humanities and Technologies series and the new Studio Skills workshops.

The Studio projects were based on research by design, encouraging students to deliver Position, Proposition and Proposal and consider a matter of concern and the kind of architect they wish to become. Studio briefs have been designed to nurture students' curiosity, stimulating a synthesis between Humanities, Technologies and Design, while raising awareness on current architectural and urban debates.

### 2.1 Food Hall & Street Market.

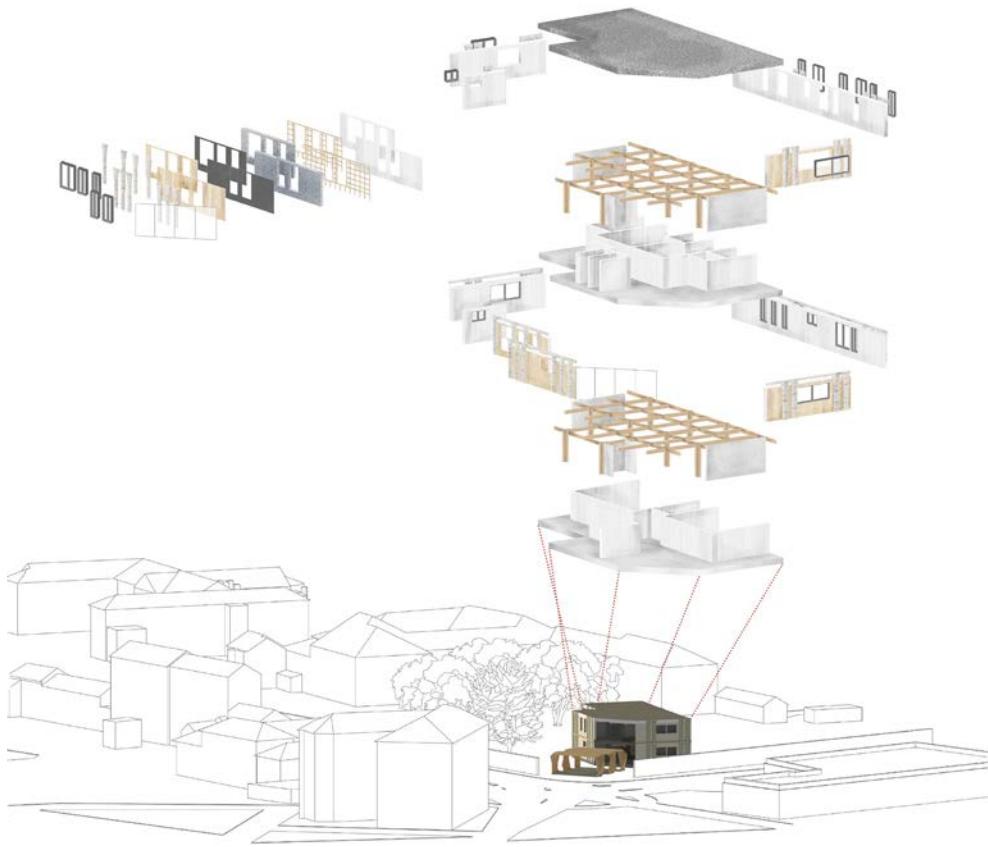
The 2.1 brief centered around environmental / sustainable issues: food consumption, education and the market place. With a large international student body, students were able to choose from four Manchester sites or a local one in their own country, where many of them were based during the year. With a climate emergency as the top priority the projects also celebrate the local food and cultural diversity. Students were asked to design School of Cooking, a Food Hall, and a Market. The outcomes show not just a creative reflection on new ways of consumption and urban regeneration, but a broad range of cultural approaches to the topic.

### 2.2 Urban Acupuncture. Reinventing Housing in Manchester city centre.

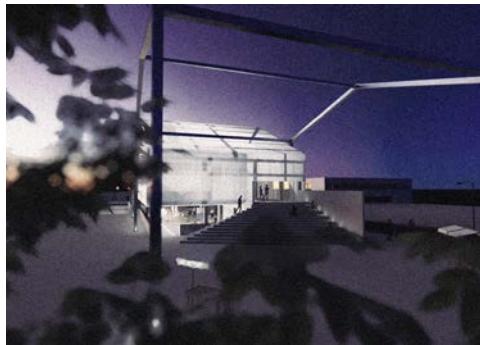
With focus shifting to societal sustainability, 2.2 brief asked the students to consider infill urban sites, providing residential accommodation and corresponding ancillary spaces. Students were able to choose between three sites and three programmes: "Housing for Young Families with Children + Kindergarten", "Housing to be shared by Young and Old People + Day Centre", and "Social Housing + Community Centre and Shelter for Homeless". Students were working in three different locations in Manchester, reflecting on the architectural capacity to revitalize a neighbourhood.



Zeyuan Ren - Exploded Axonometry



Benedetta Rizzo - Exploded Axonometric



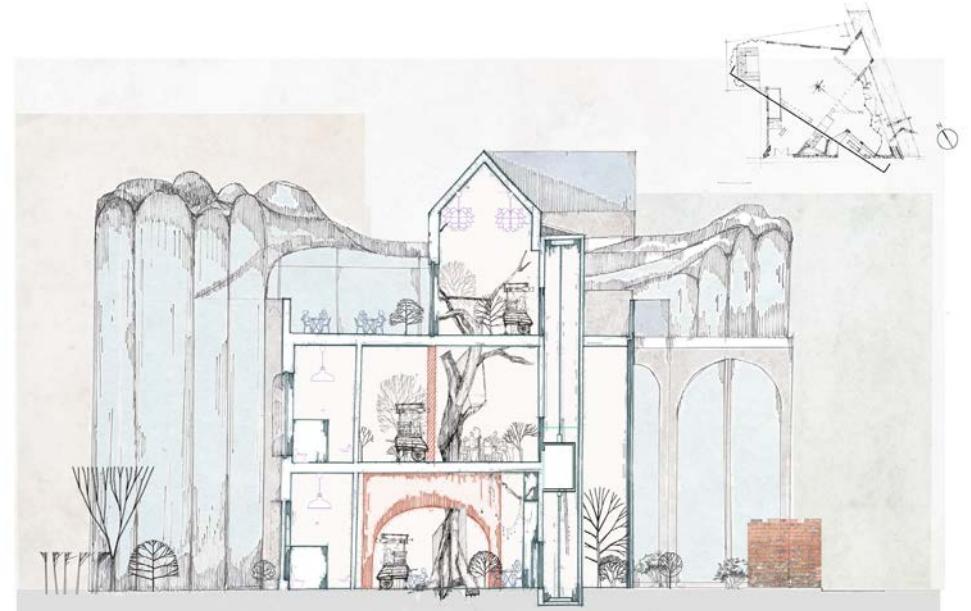
Lai Ying Li - Photo Perspectives



Bradley Lewis Foster - Position Collage



Fraser Matthews - Propositional Collage



Thomas Massey - Section



Elena Ilarionova Grozeva - Elevation



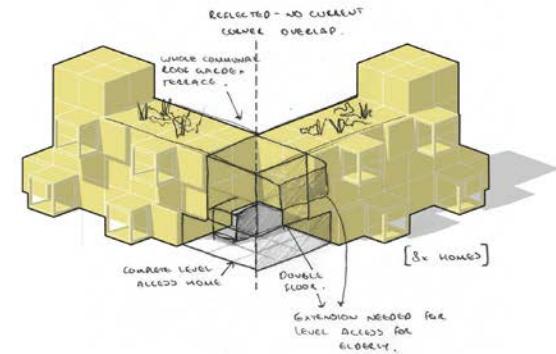
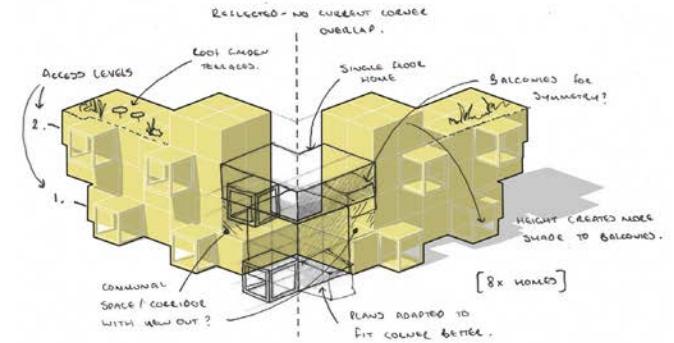
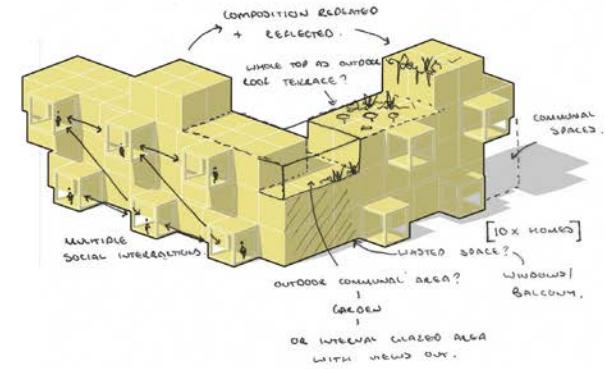
Fraser Matthews - Sectional Perspective



Bradley Lewis Foster - Axonometric Section



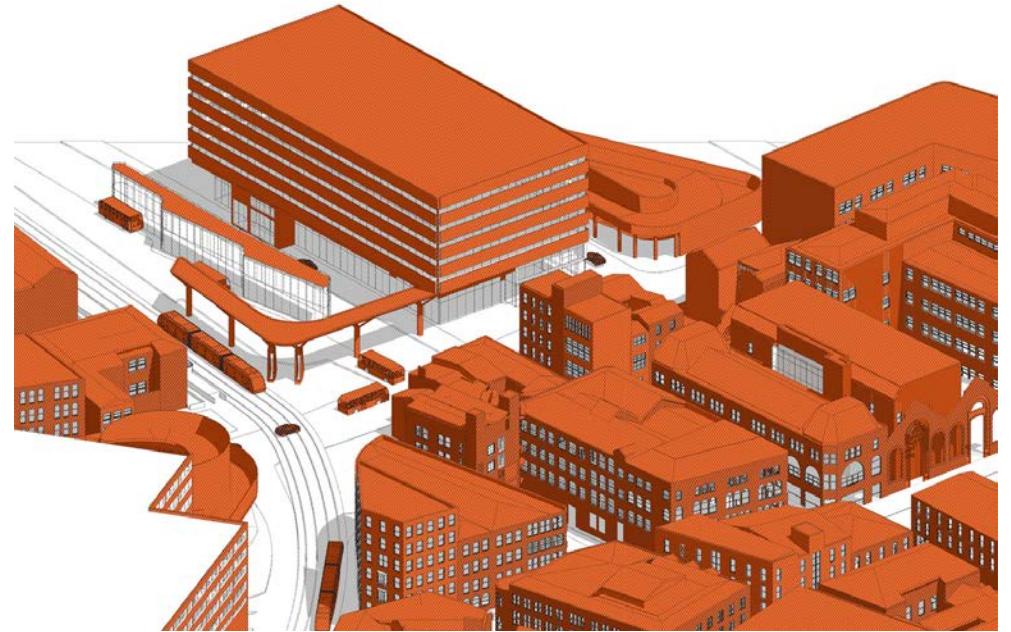
Zahra-Ibrhaim Alsharfa - Position



Bradley Lewis Foster - Process



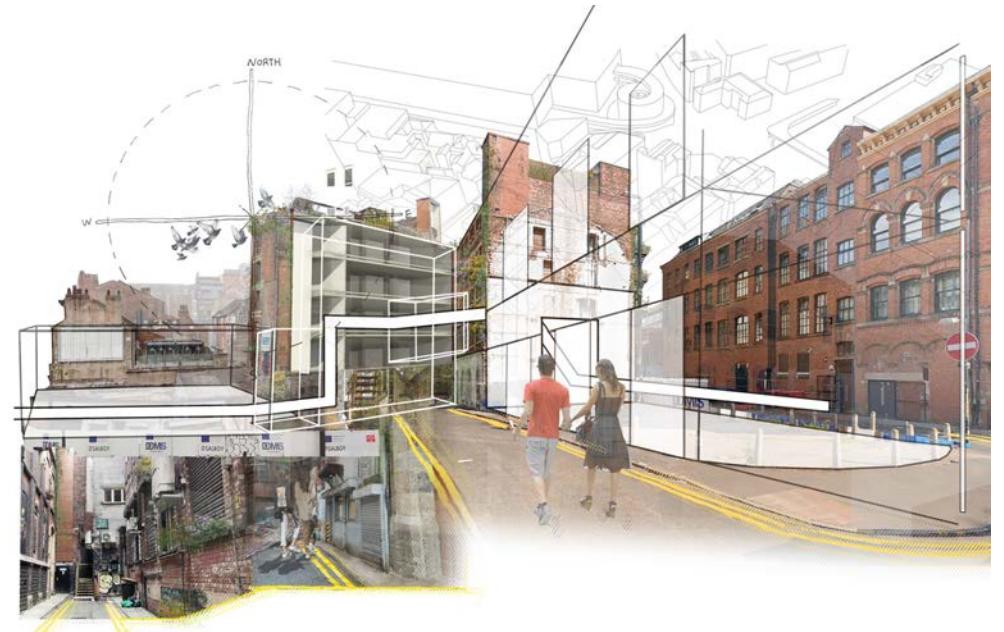
Namon Thongsuwan - Section



Fraser Matthews - site model



Hubert Sokolowski - Proposition model



Fraser Matthews - Propositional collage



**YEAR THREE**

Image: Brandon Wai Hin Chan - Amazon Interchange

# YEAR THREE

## RICHARD MORTON & SARAH RENSHAW

BA3 Leads

### Atelier teaching staff

&rchitecture - Kasia Nawratek & Victoria Jolley  
 AP - Matt Ault & Patrick Drewello  
 CIA - Laura Sanderson & Michael Daniels  
 [CPU]ai - Rob Hyde, Sigita Zigure & Yun Wu/ Dan Newport  
 FLUX Daniel Dubowitz, Carrie Lawrence & Loris Rossi  
 INFRA Richard Morton & Nicholas Nilsen  
 PRAXXIS Emily Crompton & Kate Stott

### Synopsis

This academic year has undoubtedly been unusual and so first of all we would like to give our thanks for the hard work and dedication of students and staff alike. The professionalism of the student body in continuing to drive forward and produce such a high standard of work speaks volumes of the third-year students at MSA.

The BA3 students have once again this year been able to diversify and begin specialising through selecting one of nine Humanities Electives and seven Studio Ateliers, the latter of which have also flavoured the great work students have undertaken as part of their Technologies unit. Throughout the year students have been actively encouraged to take a position which has been informed by both the Studio Atelier and Humanities Electives. These have helped students to respond to wider societal and climate change agendas in their design projects. The students are also exposed to different approaches through year wide events, such as the Atelier Question Time where students can pose questions to Atelier leads, challenging methods, approaches and matters of concern. Students also engage in Cross Atelier Reviews, where they have the opportunity to discuss the work of students in other Ateliers and receive feedback from studio staff from across the year. Students have also been actively supported by a fantastic team of tutors from architecture practice and consultants such as engineers, design managers and technical consultants, all of whom bring a wealth of experience, expertise and knowledge.

BA3 also has a focus towards employability and practice, which sits as part of the Professional Studies Lecture Series. The series asks students to think about the kind of architect or practitioner they may want to be and in what

areas of the industry they may want to work. This series of outward facing dialogues, asks students to reflect on what concerns them as citizens and consider the role the architecture profession has in building a more diverse, conscientious, and equitable society. This lecture series is also supported by a series of employability events such as the Employers Question Time, CV writing events, social media events and the careers readiness week, through which students can network with architects and potential employers.

The end of year show is just a snapshot of the diverse and complex projects that the BA3 students have carried out throughout the year. We wish them all the very best with their future endeavours.

### Special thanks to our Professional Studies and Studio lecture series speakers

Kevin Singh (MSA)  
 Matt Cartwright (Twelve Architects)  
 Luke Butcher (BBA)  
 Jamie Ashmore & Emma Hayward (HTA)  
 Rob Chiltern (Barratt Homes)  
 Rory Hyde (University of Melbourne)  
 Jon Orlek (Studio Polpo)  
 Jee Liu (Wallacellu)  
 Elsie Owusu (Elsie Owusu Architects)  
 Rob Toon (This is Change)  
 Andy McHale (ISG)  
 Ian Pegram (AutoMutatio)  
 Vinesh Pomei (TateHindle)  
 Chris Jaume (Cooper King Distillery)  
 Emily Carr (Kier Construction)  
 Gina Kirby (GK Gallery and Tea Room)  
 Victoria Adegoke (TADW Architects)  
 Rachel Carter-Jones and Jessica Spencer (Urbanistas),  
 Stephen Drew (Architecture Social)



# &RCHITECTURE

## KASIA NAWRATEK & VICKY JOLLEY

Atelier Leads

### Atelier Staff

Kasia Nawratek  
Vicky Jolley  
Curtis Martyn  
Sam Holden

### Collaborators

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Tim Johns (TEP)  
Martin King (Urban Green)  
Phillip Hall-Patch (Heatherwick Studio)

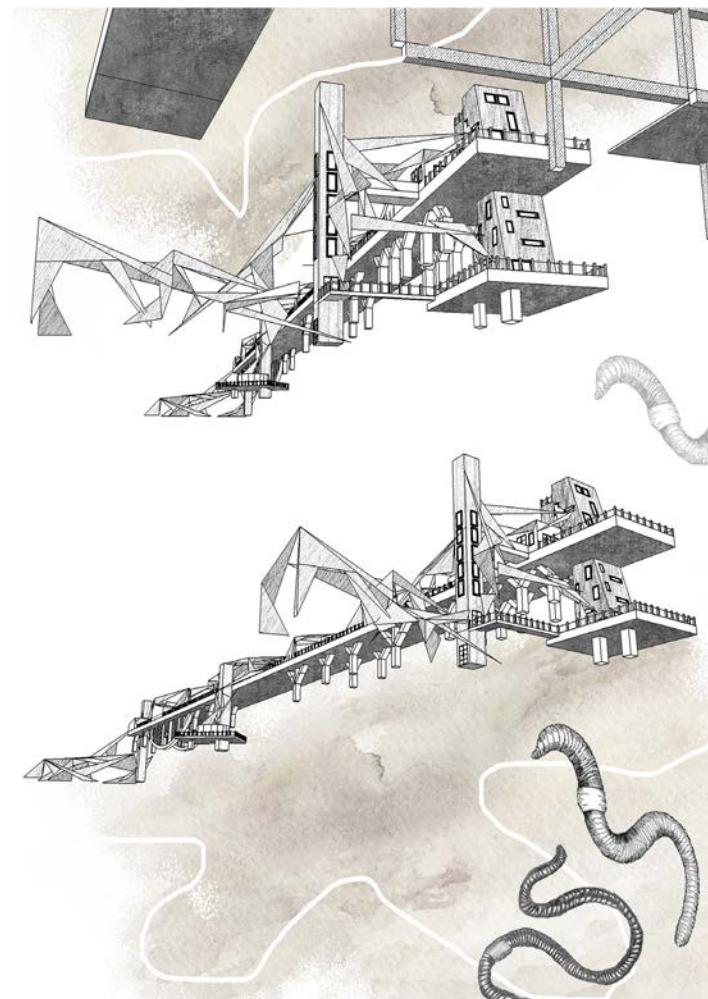
### Students

Nur Serena Hanum Binti Ahmad Faizal  
Maria Brzek  
Roseanna Gabrielle Craggs  
Lidia Danil  
Simona Drabuzinskaite  
Katerina Miranda Dubov  
Michelle Fernandez  
Carolina Gross  
Pauline Iweins D'eeckhoutte  
Jamie Jia Min Loh  
Megan Maciver  
Joseph Makhoul  
Robert Anthony Mccarthy  
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Matt O'rouke  
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David Sokoya  
Zhenhui Yang

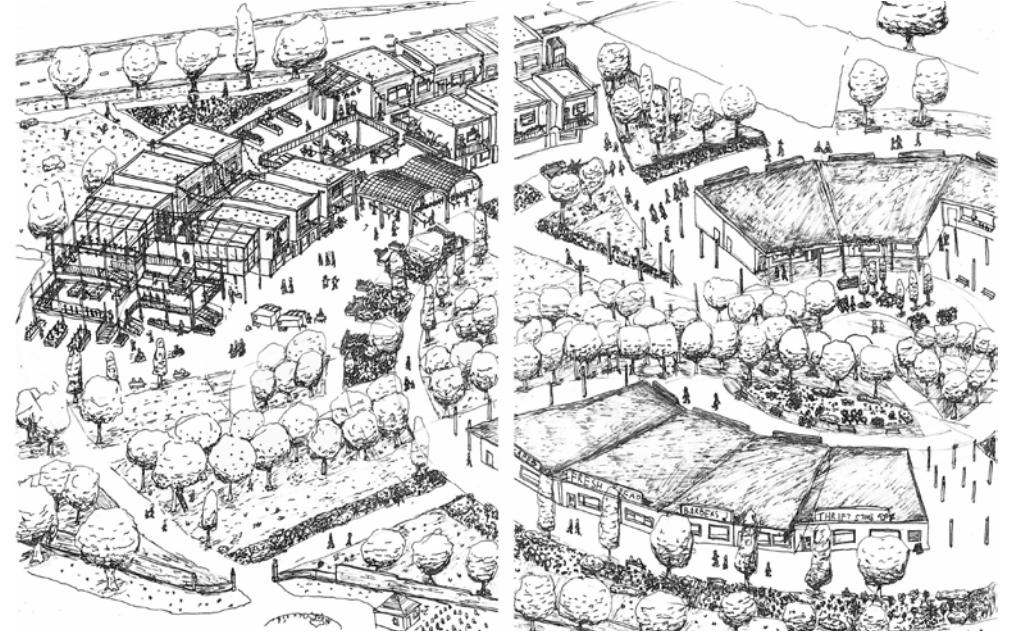
### Synopsis

In &rchitecture, we use design-led research to investigate the potential for architects to affect positive change through inclusive and engaged practices. This year, we questioned how we can reimagine former sites of production in the city for sustainable future, considering ideas such as the Anthropocene, Capitalocene, degrowth and posthumanism. Our site was Manchester Abattoir, designed by Sydney George Besant-Roberts and opened in 1968. It was a council-built complex aiming to bring together the city's network of abattoirs into one 'comprehensive' site for the storing and slaughtering of livestock and the storing and sale of meat.

The central idea for & design studio is Mikhail Bakhtin's polyphony, which we use to read the site as multi-voiced narratives in constant dialogue and never existing in isolation. This allows us to value contrasting viewpoints and, in doing so, explore the potential for architects to address issues of social, spatial and ecological justice. Before we consider this, we examine ourselves as citizens and humans first, and only then our identities as 'Architects'. Our work this year also questioned the hegemony of human position in the design process and we included non-humans in our investigations.



Matt Norris - The Wilded Sentry: A Non-human Led Re-wilding Observatory



Matt O'Rourke - In the Shadow of the City: A story of Neglect, 'Friche' and Future Urban Centres.



Rob McCarthy - East Manchester Community Centre: Reconnecting Biodiversity and the Working Class

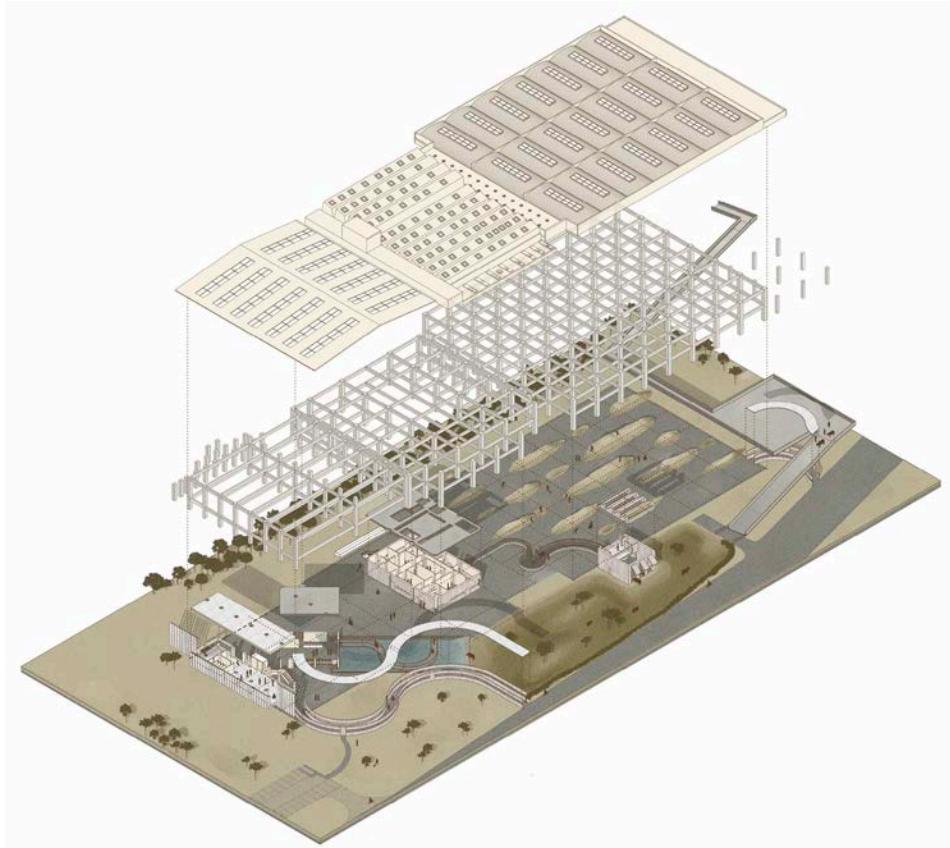


Matt Norris - The Wilded Sentry: A Non-human Led Re-wilding Observatory



Michal Romaniuk - De-alienating Through Architecture: New Cultural Centre for East Manchester

Simona Drabuzinskaite - Posthumus: Sustainable Funeral Home and Cemetery for Embracing Decay



Victoria Sisk - Building the sense of community: Reanimating lost fragments of the Manchester Abattoir



Serena Faizal - The Transparent Abattoir: A New Model for Meat Production  
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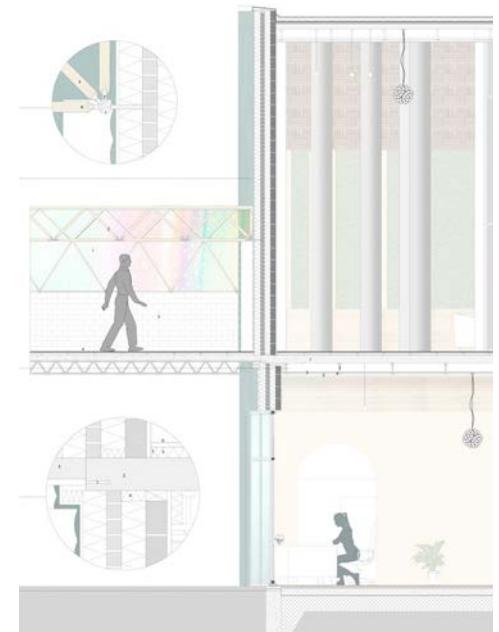
Michelle Fernandez - Enchanted Forest Community Centre: Reconnecting Communities with Nature and Each Other  
Yearbook 2020/21



Lidia Danil - Odesza Dance School



Carolina Gross - The new health awareness community



Katerina Dubov - Alive University



Roseanna Craggs - Outdoor Learning: The Wellbeing Curriculum



Thady Smyth - Site plan



**ADVANCED PRACTICE**

Image: Irina Coraga - Performative Morphologies - Street Level Podium View

# ADVANCED PRACTICE

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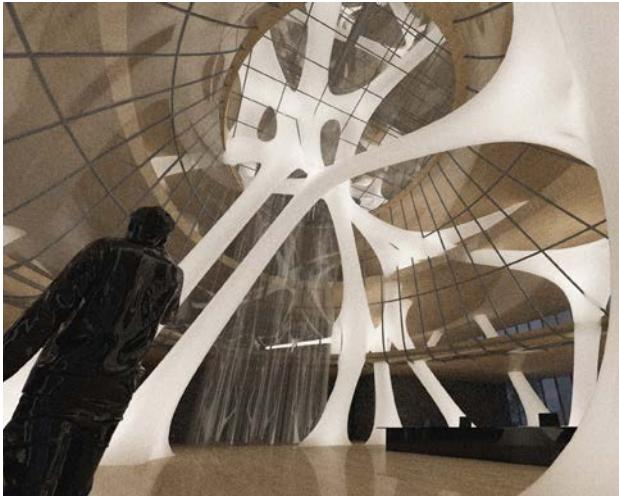
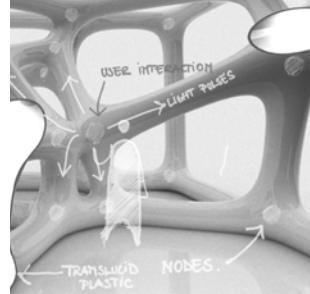
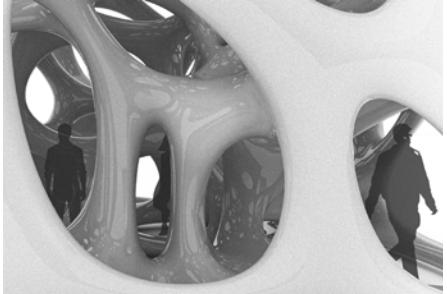
### Synopsis

The atelier is conceived as a think tank and test bed - a platform for research and experimentation in architectural design and is concerned with holistic understandings of design and sustainability.

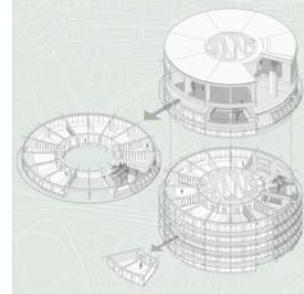
Within the evolving context of advanced architectural practice our interest lies in the interaction between technology and people, in the design and delivery of environments that support the needs and activities of contemporary and future society, in a creative, positive and equitable way.

All projects explore contemporary and novel design methods and material performances in tectonic and spatial propositions. Testing of these occurs in application to a specific programmatic brief and this year's themes were 'high-rise' and interpretations of the notion of 'performative morphologies'.

In BA3, Projects began with experimentation in digital modelling techniques to uncover opportunities for pavilion and installation scale architectural designs. These ideas were then developed further, applying design techniques and understandings of material and environmental performance to the high-rise typology exploring possibilities for the post-pandemic, city-centre workplace.



Muhammad Chowdhury & Irina Coraga - Spatial Experimentation  
Manchester School of Architecture



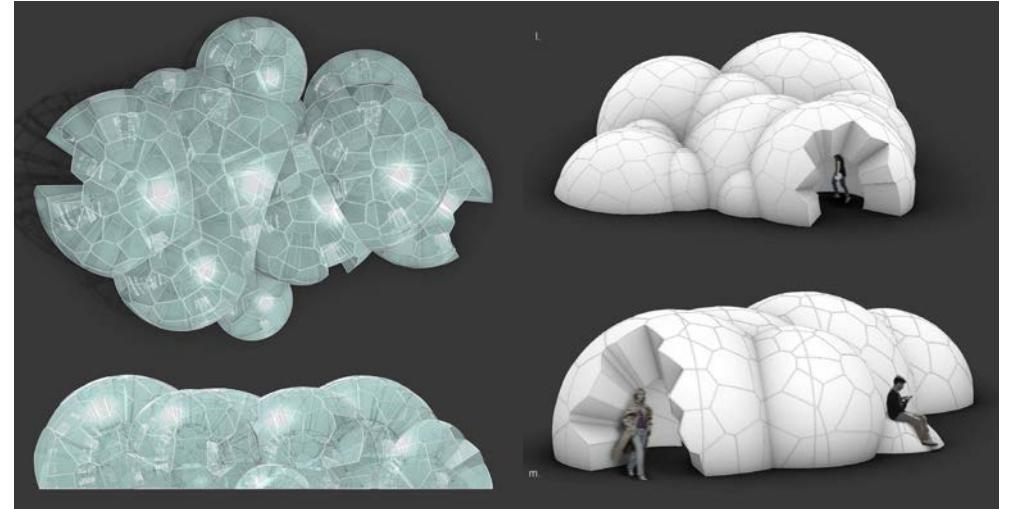
Christian Oskar George Brook Barnes - Tall Timber - Post-Covid Workplace And Education Centre



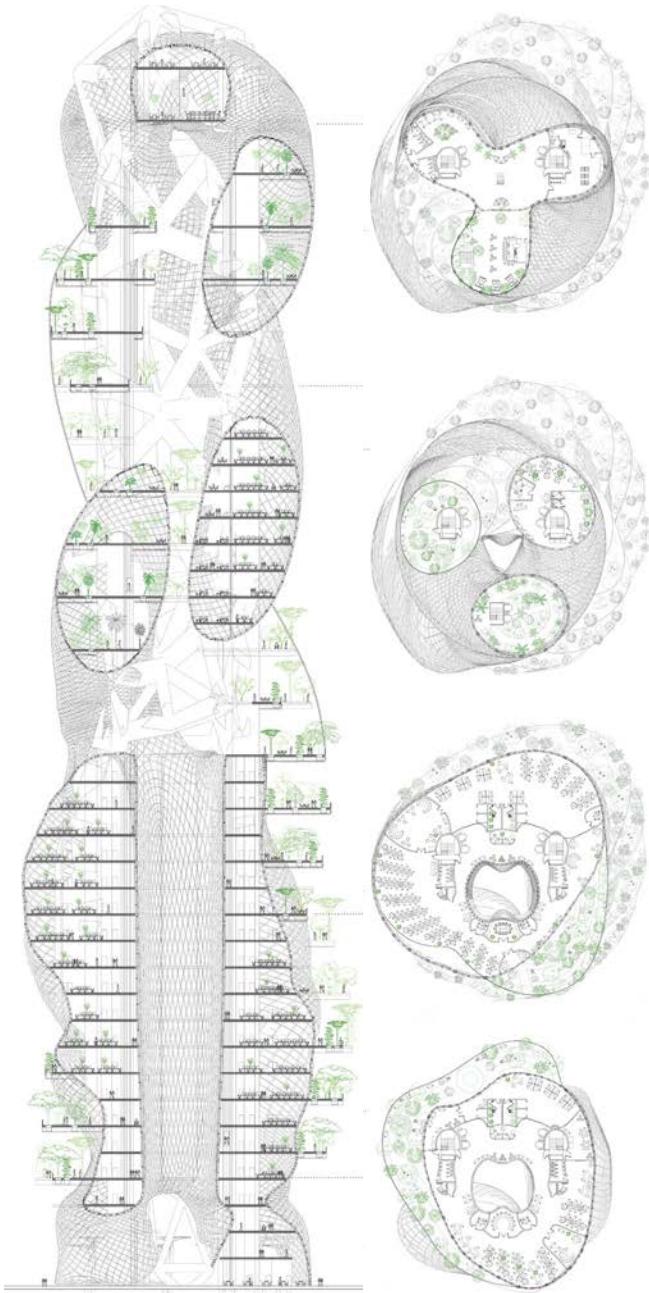
Lukas Somodi - Lightning Installation



Ivan Petrov - Pavilion Study - Component Aggregations



Diana-Marina Paune - Pavilion Study - Material Computation And Digital Form-Finding

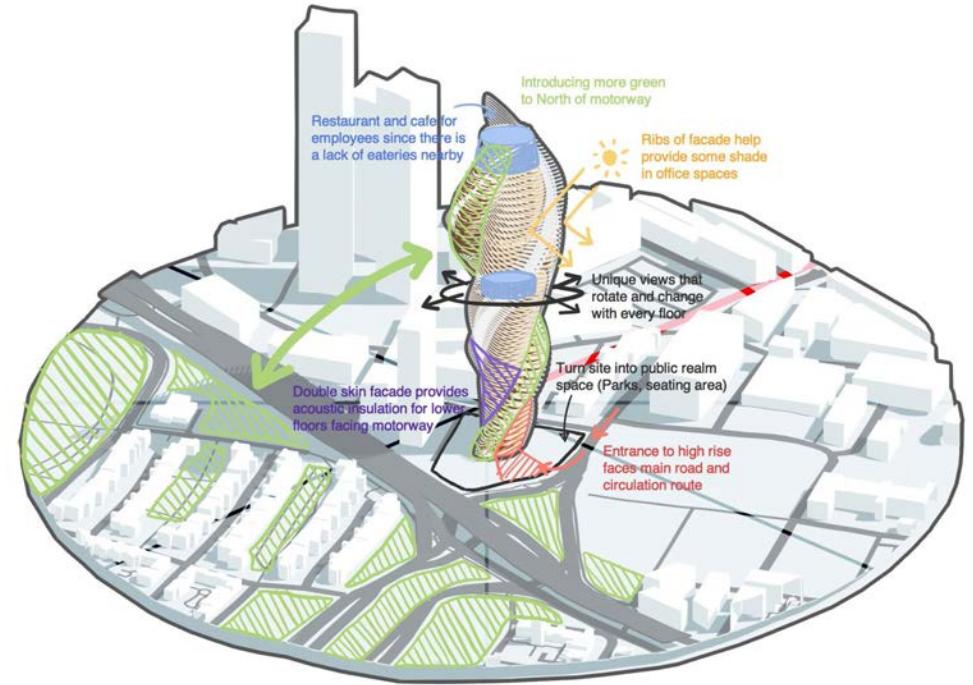
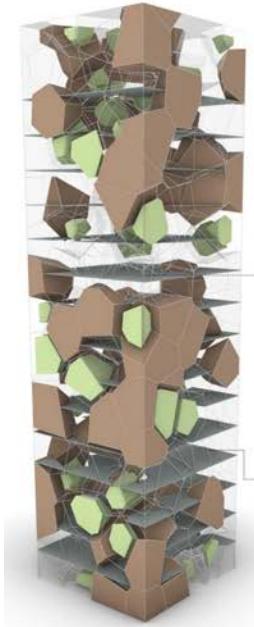
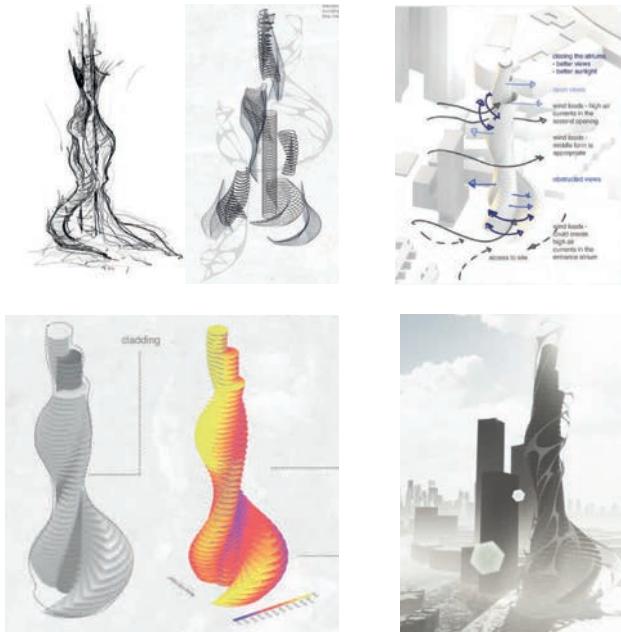


Bianca Budis - Voronoi Cellular Tower

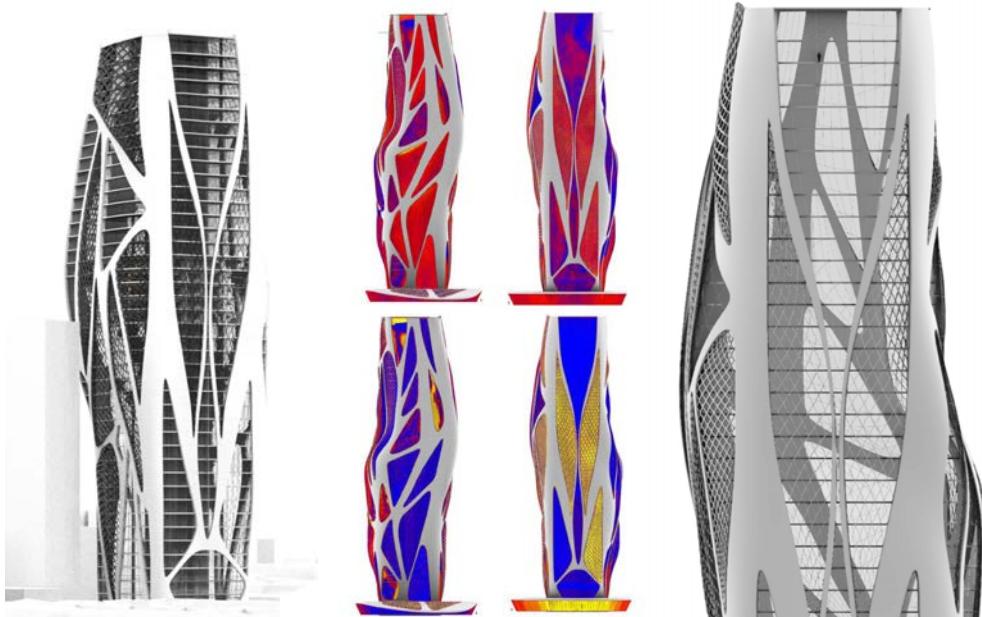


Radu Neagoe - Envelope Study, Sonali Mathur - Data Research, Communication + Observation Tower

Anastasiia Dynko - Bio-Science Research Centre



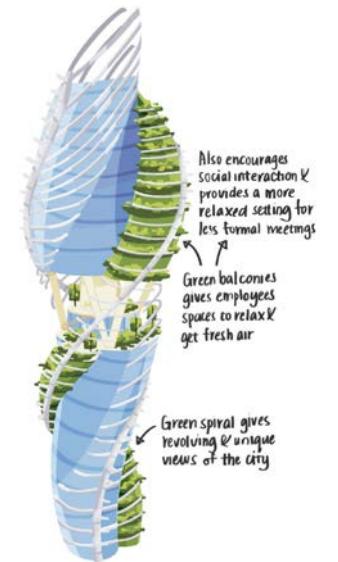
Ana-Maria Mitrica & Bianca Budis - Massing And Development Studies

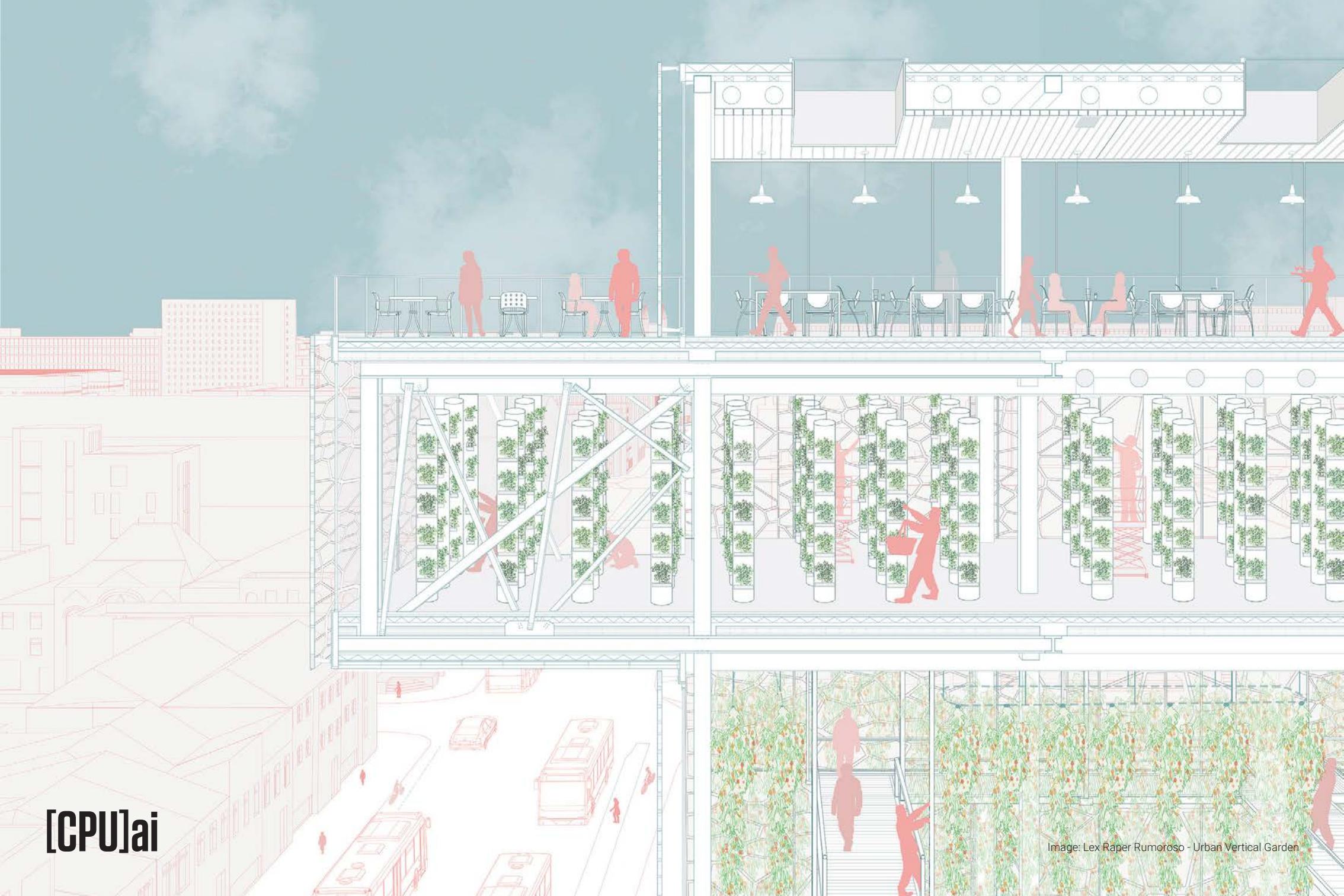


Muhammad Chowdhury - Tectonic Studies



Amanda Lim - Biophilic High-Rise





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Image: Lex Raper Rumoroso - Urban Vertical Garden

# [CPU]ai

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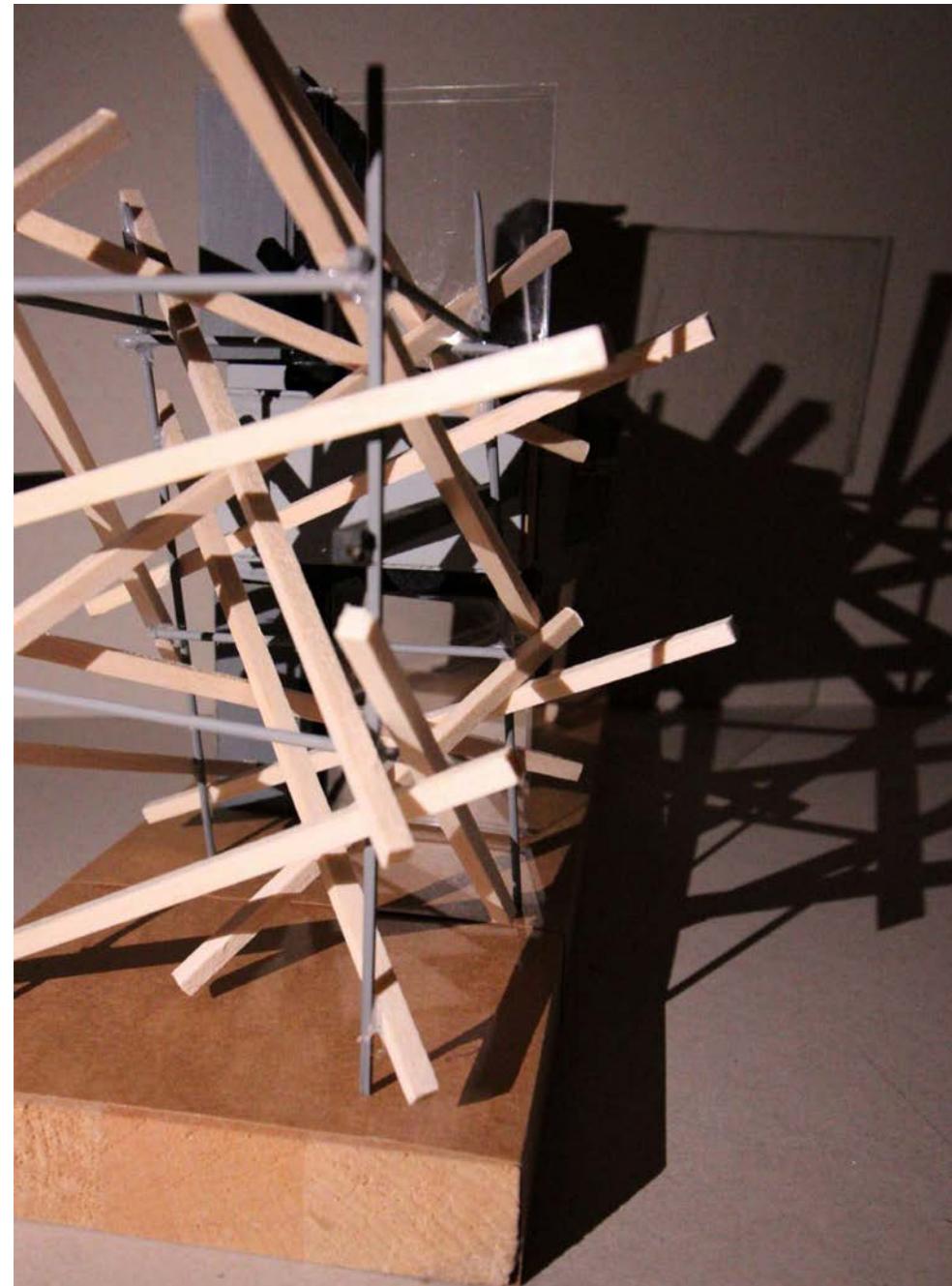
Operating as an Atelier for many years at Masters level, this is the first year of [CPU]ai having presence in 3rd Year. Students were introduced to the Atelier ethos through exposure to theoretical approaches and computational tools via initiatives such as [CPU]breakfast where staff, students and Alumni presented key readings, projects and case studies of their own undertaking to facilitate diverse knowledge exchange, and collaboration as a vertical atelier.

This year's theme was 'Resilient Urban Futures' with all projects based on the University Campus, with its relationship to wider urban systems and its possible short, medium and long-term futures. All projects also relate to food programmatically - be it fast (technology-enabled + optimised) or slow (grown on site, local, seasonal) - and spatially (growing, selling, sharing, collaborating, researching). Domain knowledge within these areas was developed through research and structured engagement with international academics through to local charities which enabled an understanding of systems and flows within the supply chains in areas such as ethics, climate crisis, traditional vs novel technologies, economics, and beyond. This was then used to understand projects at an urban and building scale with regards to materials, construction, environmental and structural strategies.

Students were also encouraged to see creatively through the opportunity and limitations of materiality and constraints of the regulatory contexts in which we operate. A key component of this was engagement with real world stakeholders including clients, users and specialist consultants in areas such as Asbestos, Access, Equality + Diversity, Fire, Building Regulations, Structures, M+E, Sustainability et al.

### Socials

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Cambow Yue Tam – Tasty Minds



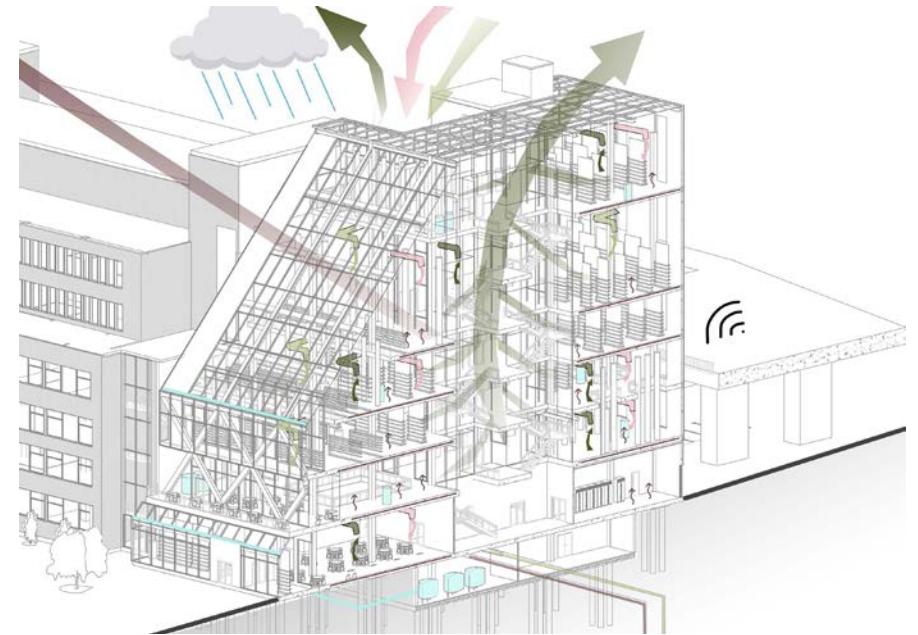
Henry Hengrui Liu - Asian Dumpling Street Market



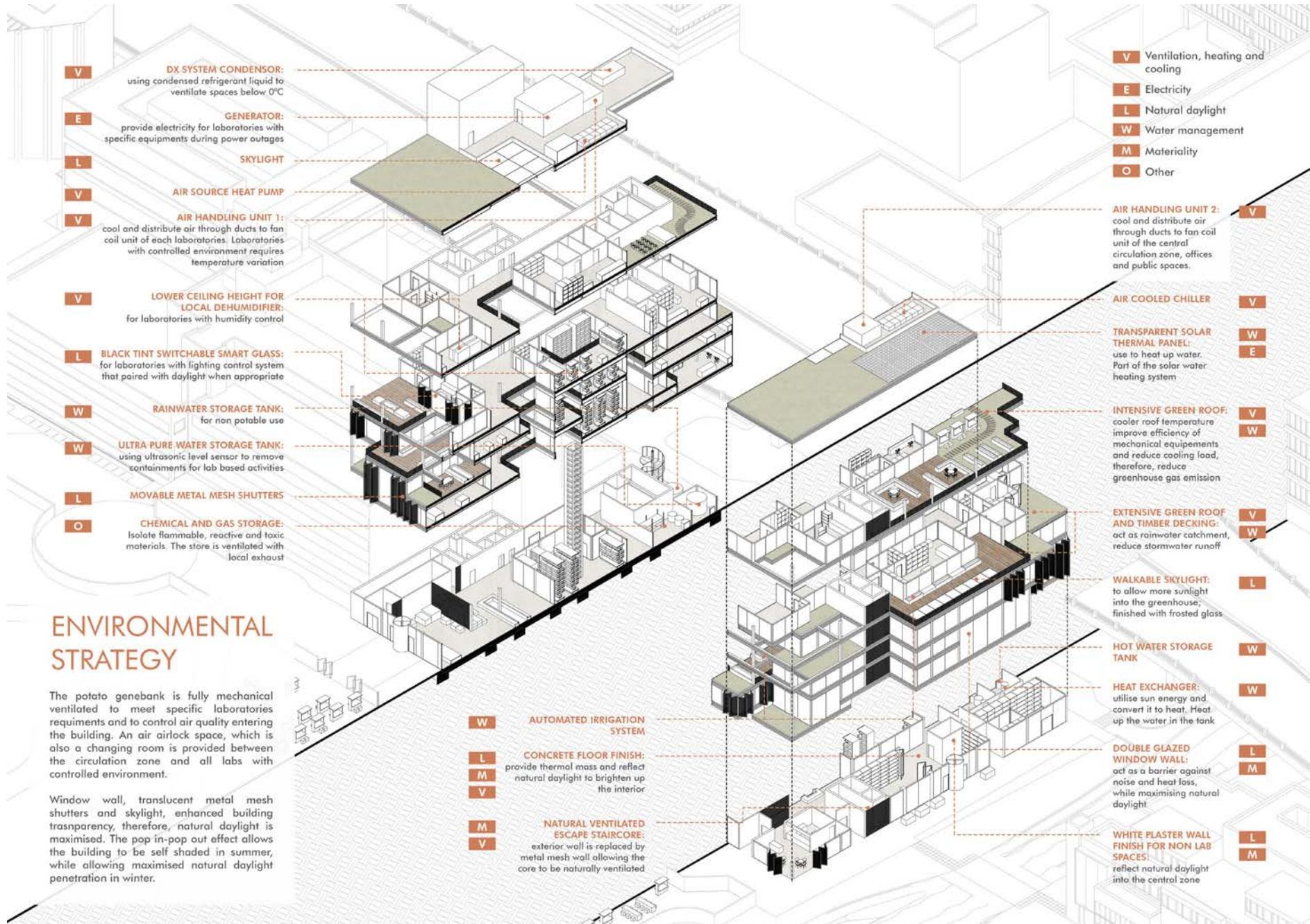
Xii Don Lim - Plan B – the Harvest



Cameron Mayo - Manchester Industrial Revolution 2020



Lois Sykes - Urban Farm Project



## ENVIRONMENTAL STRATEGY

The potato genebank is fully mechanical ventilated to meet specific laboratories requirements and to control air quality entering the building. An air airtight space, which is also a changing room is provided between the circulation zone and all labs with controlled environment.

Window wall, translucent metal mesh shutters and skylight, enhanced building transparency, therefore, natural daylight is maximised. The pop in-pop out effect allows the building to be self shaded in summer, while allowing maximised natural daylight penetration in winter.



Natasha Ganotaki - Sleepless in Silo-City

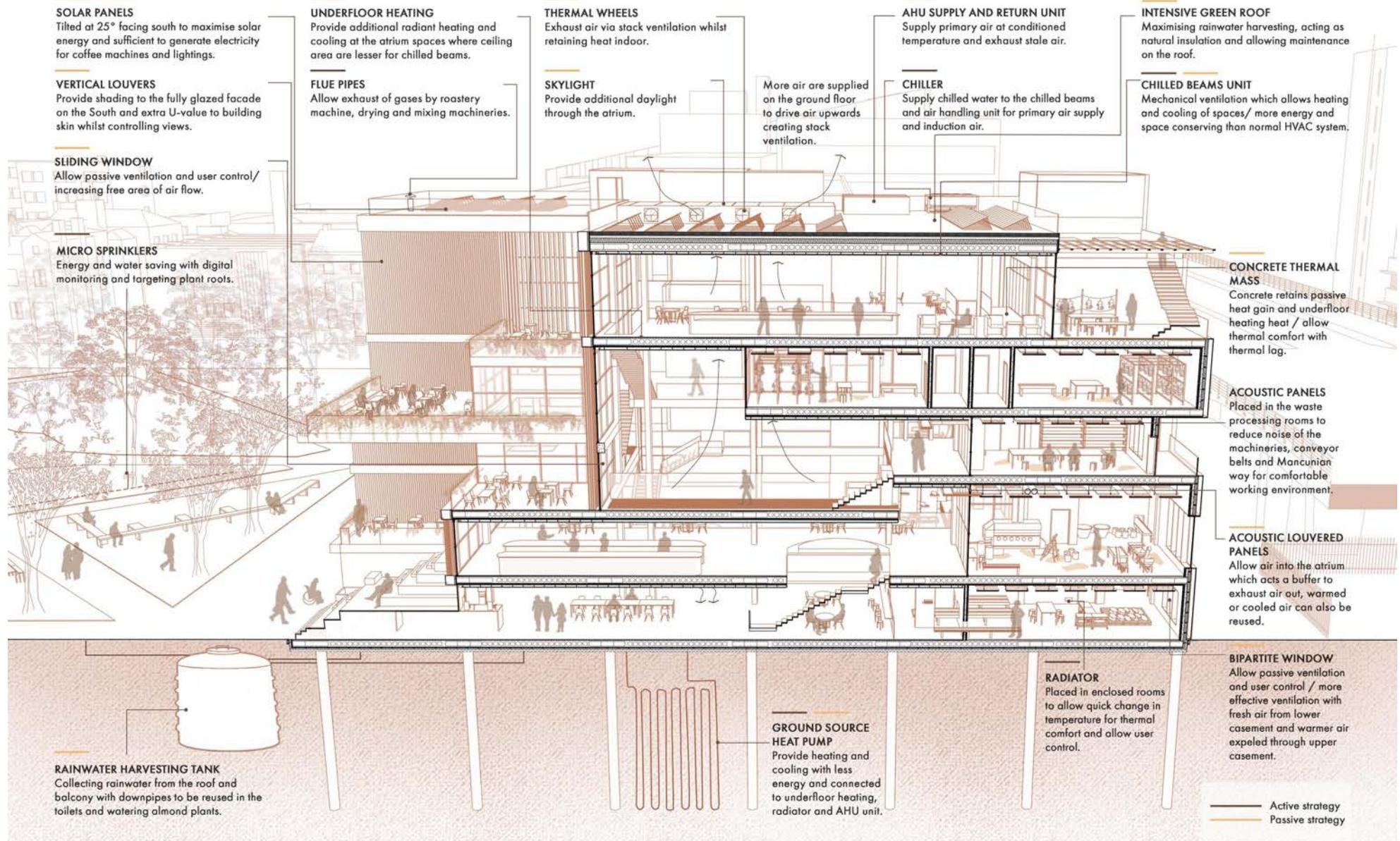


David Thanh Long Hguyen - Bananology



Rosie Clowes - MMU Edumarket

# ENVIRONMENTAL SECTIONAL PERSPECTIVE





# CONTINUITY IN ARCHITECTURE

Image: William Smith - An Integrated Urban Topography, Bradford

# CONTINUITY IN ARCHITECTURE

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Martyn Johnston (The Bread and Roses)  
Yousaf Hussain (Civic Engineers)  
Lisa Mallaghan (Bradford Producing Hub)  
Frances Northrop (New Economics Foundation)  
Bernard Stricker (Watt Energy & Consulting Engineers)  
Kieran Thompson (Bradford Civic Society)  
Richard Middleton (Bradford Townscape Heritage Scheme)

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Sarah Casey (Lancaster University)  
Gary Colleran (Turner)  
John Lee (MSA)  
Troy Hodgson (Darcstudio)  
Ray Lucas (MSA)  
Andrew Knight (Hargreaves Foundry)  
Bie Plevoets (U Hasselt)  
Dominic Roberts (Francis Roberts Architects)  
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Damian Woolscroft (Purcell)  
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### Synopsis

Continuity in Architecture are interested in the cultural heritage of the city, not only in the city as a collection of historical artefacts but also in the way people have and will use these buildings and spaces. The Atelier considers buildings not as solitary objects, but as integral and related pieces of the city that encourage a convivial coming together of people. We believe that it is important to understand the intangible and tangible aspects of historic fabric in order to engage with it in a meaningful and dynamic way. Bryony Roberts in her discussion of 'Tabula Plena', suggests that the examination and interpretation of site can be stretched to describe a board game or even the table after a dinner party – 'with the complex arrangements of plates, glasses and silverware positioned by a series of social negotiations' (2017).

This year the Atelier has continued to work on funded projects that examine the future of the Historic High Street. John Lloyd in his seminal article 'The Closing of the High Street Theatres' stated that these smaller shopping areas '... were - and still are - theatres of human interaction' (2020). In collaboration with Bradford Civic Society and the Bradford Townscape Heritage Scheme, the Atelier have worked in the 'Top of Town', where students have made theoretical contextual additions to the High Street for three 'live clients': Assembly, who provide co-working spaces, FUSE Art Space, a volunteer-led art gallery and Bradford Civic Society, an organisation who champion Bradford's heritage.

Projects from the Atelier will be exhibited in a 'High Street Takeover' exhibition in Bradford this summer.

### Socials

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Benjamin Faure - Journeying Amidst the Prairies, Bradford



Pranjali Deshpande - Reimagining Rawson Square, Bradford

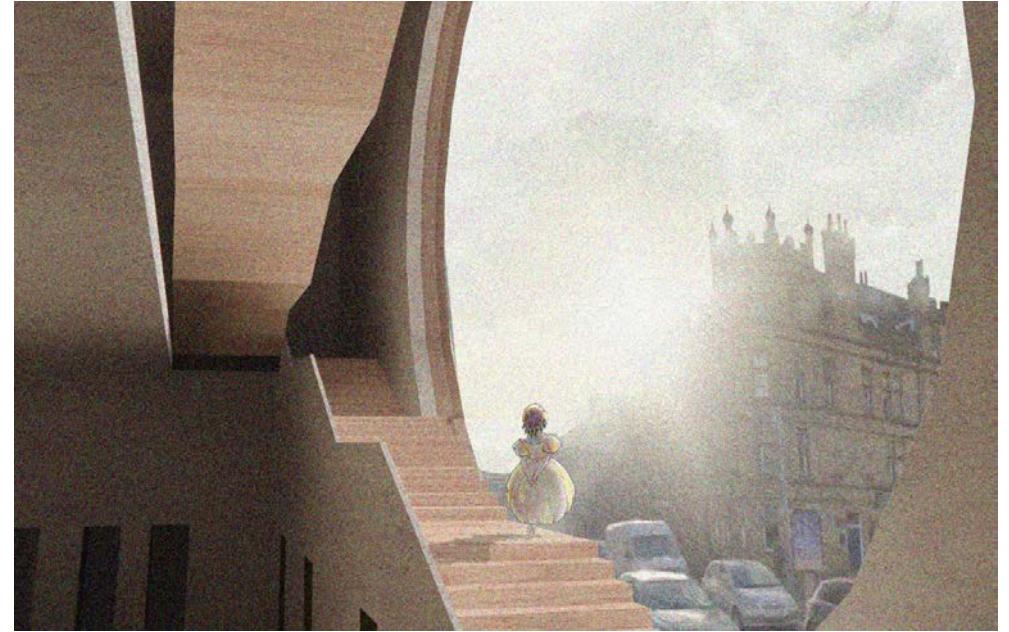


Barbara Witczak - Past and Present Corner Model, Bradford





Kēta Elizabete Siliņa - Theatre Performance in the Green Atrium, Bradford



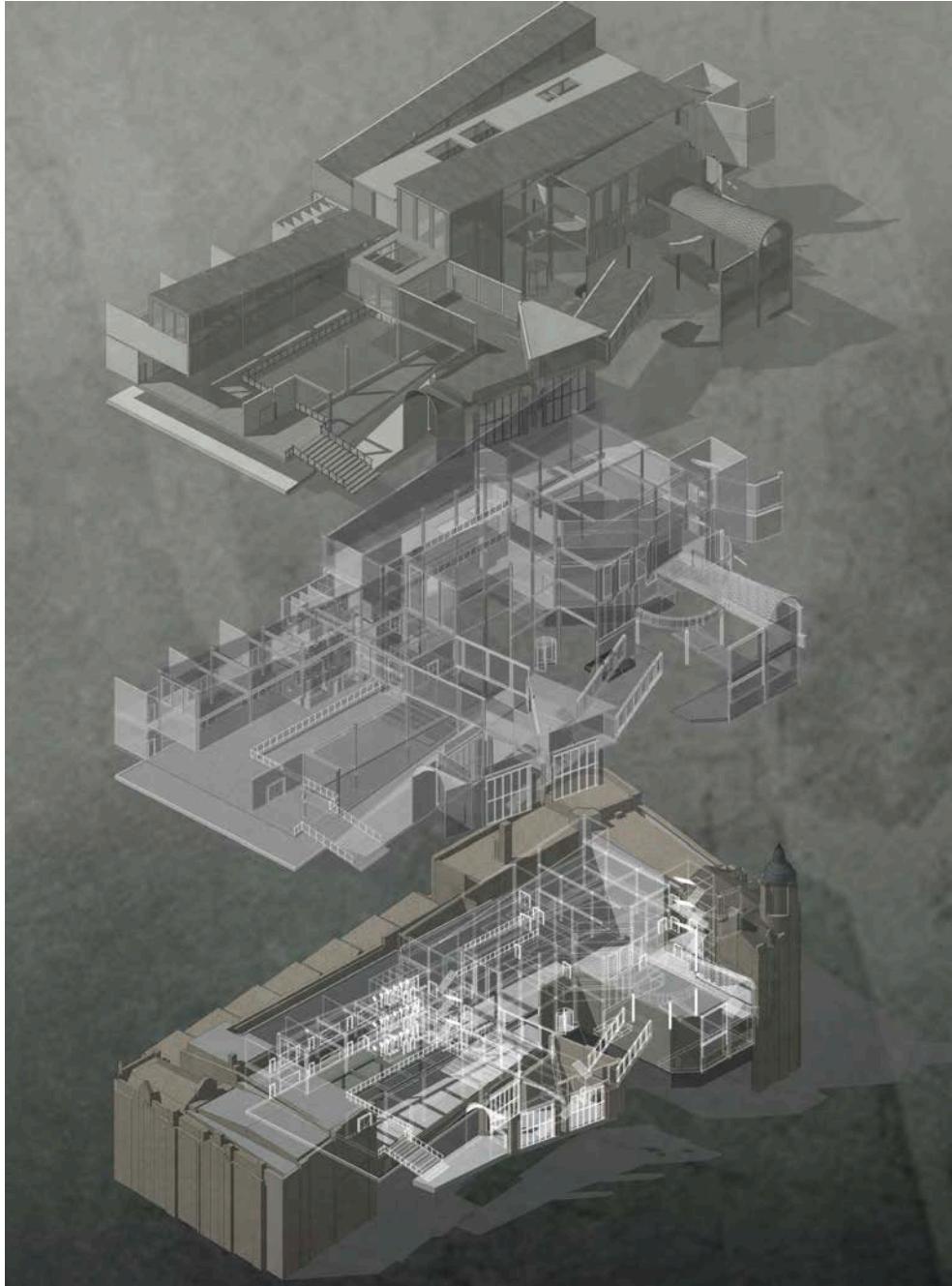
Tasnim Kadrishah - Through the Window, Bradford



Hafsa Adamu - Birdseye, Bradford



Jithamanyu Mitta - View from Rawson Place, Bradford



Margaret Hows - The Atrium as Artifact, Bradford



Milo Heywood - The Tower in Context, Bradford

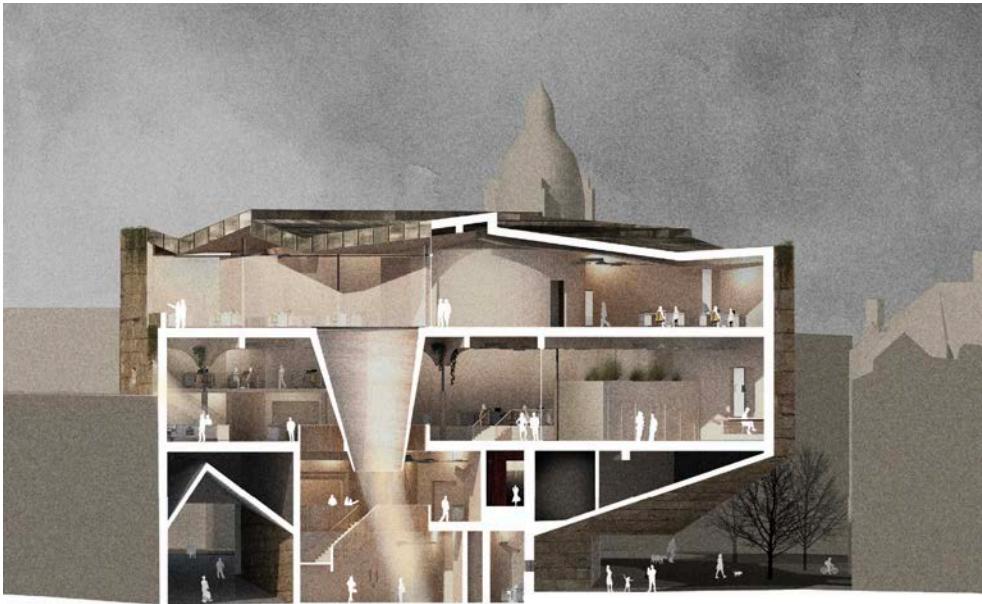


Jacqueline Lau - 'A Broken Gem', Bradford



Andrea Moanta - New Perspectives of the Rawson Hotel, Bradford

Omar Noia-Rodriguez - Anticipation. And a Capture Memory. Above Oastler Square, Bradford



William Smith - An Integrated Urban Topography, Bradford



Jana Senberga - The Building in 'Serial Vision', Bradford



FLUX

Image: El Hadi Boudouch - The Rabbit Hole

# FLUX

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### RE-IMAGINING THE MANCUNIAN WAY

How can this epic 3km of monolith that divides Manchester in two be repurposed from a 1960's super highway exclusively for cars to become part of everyday life and reconnect the city?

### COLLABORATIVE URBANISM: NEW METHODS FOR MAKING TOMORROW'S CITIES

'Object-building' and 'top-down' master planning have characterised the architecture and urbanism of the recent climate emergency era. The FLUX atelier centres on a series of speculative practices which offer practical alternatives to top-down design and a fresh approach to time (slow urbanism), space (urban acupuncture) and engaging people (peripatetic architecture and performance).

The FLUX Atelier sets out to equip emerging designers with new methods to meaningfully engage citizens in the transformation of their city.

### A CITY WITHOUT CARS

As google earth satellites passed over Manchester this winter, they documented a Mancunian way without cars. What started the year as a hypothetical possibility in the brief became, as a result of a national lock-down the tangible reality of the site for a prolonged moment. Some students had the opportunity to walk up on to the motorway deck and experience the highway as a site for everyday life for a fleeting moment.

### PUBLIC REALM

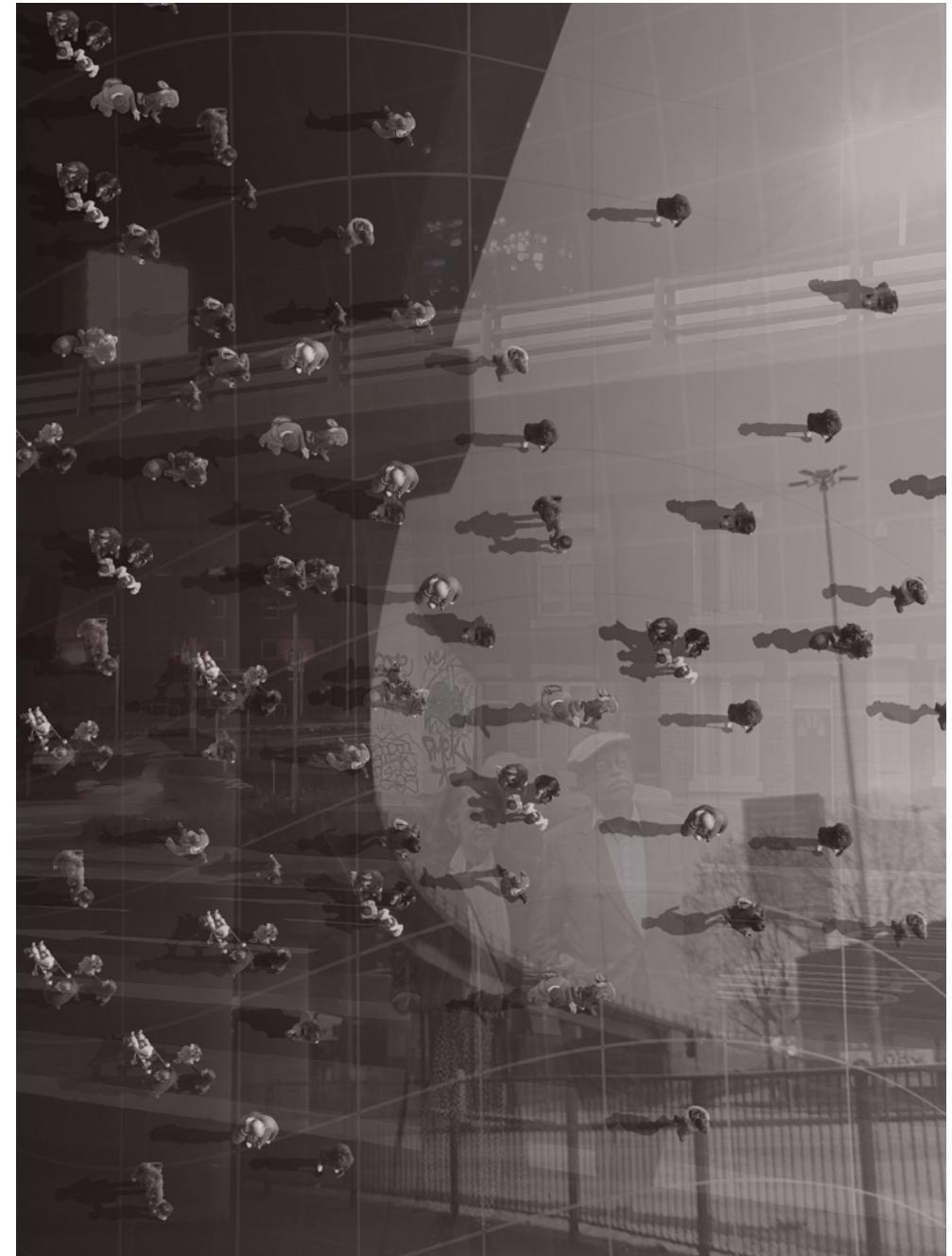
The Covid-19 global pandemic laid bare a number of inequalities in society, not least the disparity in access to and poverty of public realm globally and in the city of Manchester. Each of the manifestos, programmes and design projects were deeply socially and politically engaged, delving deeper into matters of care for a different public realm for society because of the context in which they were conceived. The work in the atelier is a testament to the agility resourcefulness and resilience of our students.

### TEMPORALITY

In semester one the atelier focuses on the transformation of the city through temporal and peripatetic architectures. Each student was tasked with devising a series of temporary interventions (c. 2-10 years), urban acupuncture that could transform the Mancunian way as a whole.

### Who is the city for?

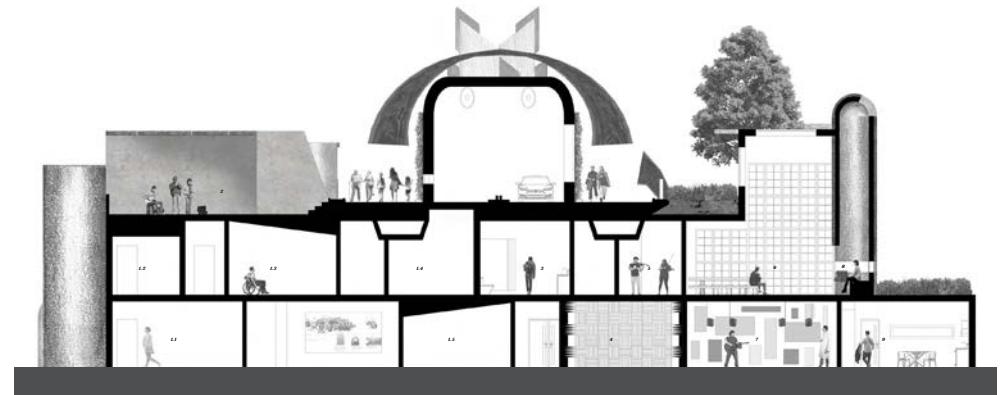
What can a speculative design offer to establish a state of change?



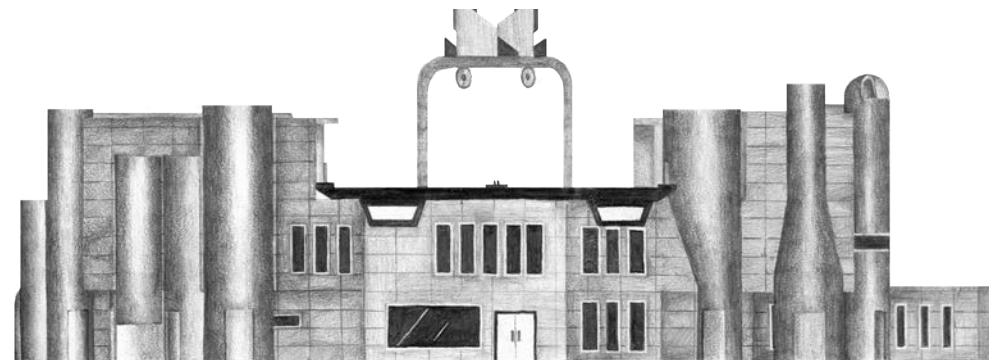
Estee Vanhoonacker & Kristupas Kadys - The Mancunian Way

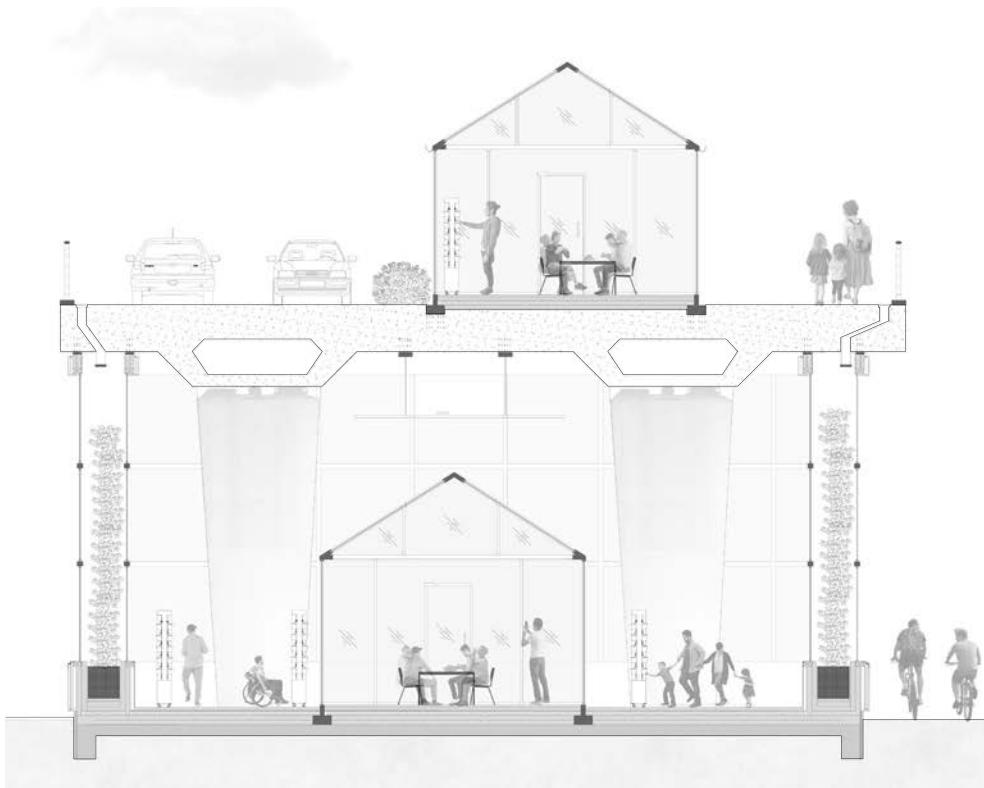


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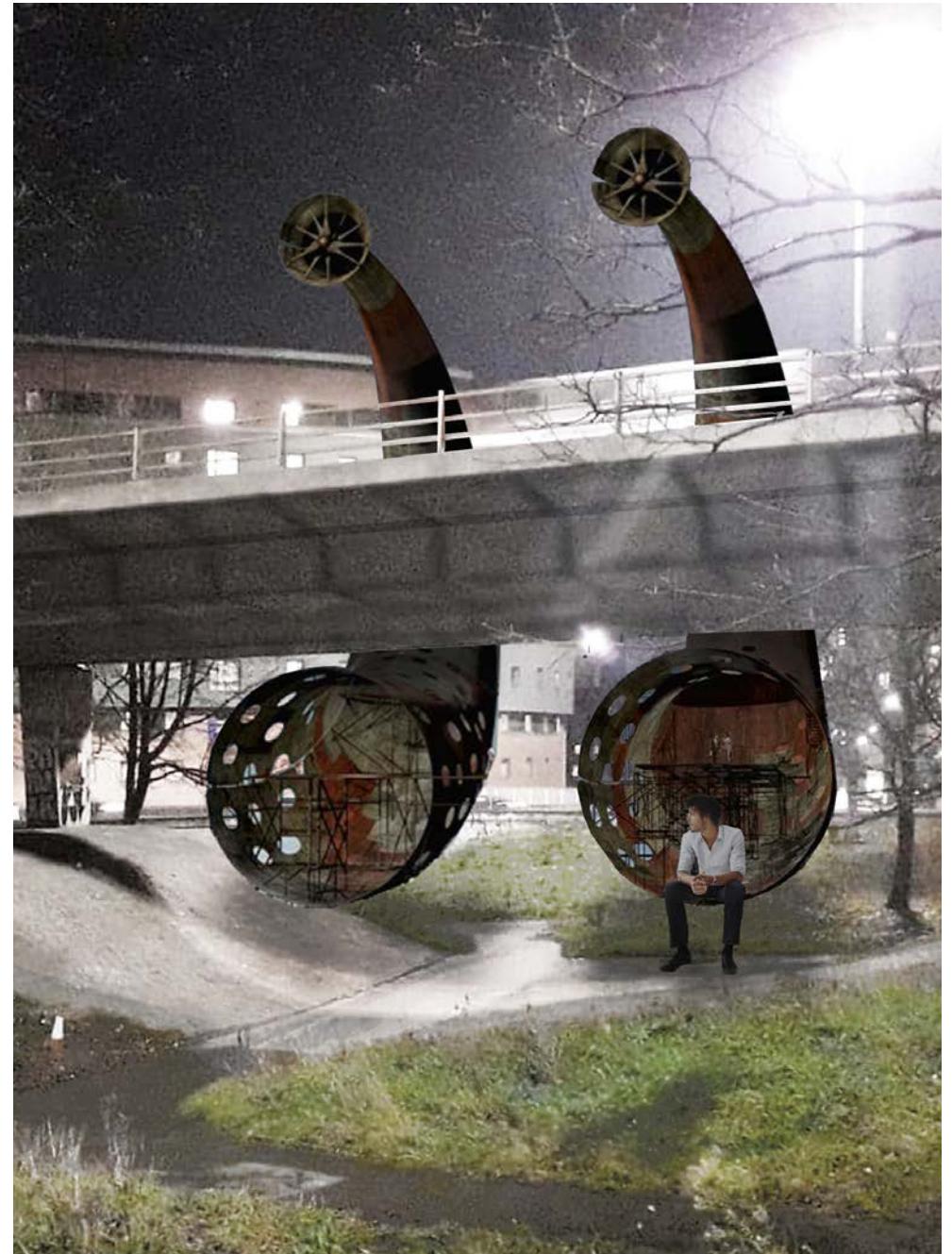


Haresh Gardner - Amplifier

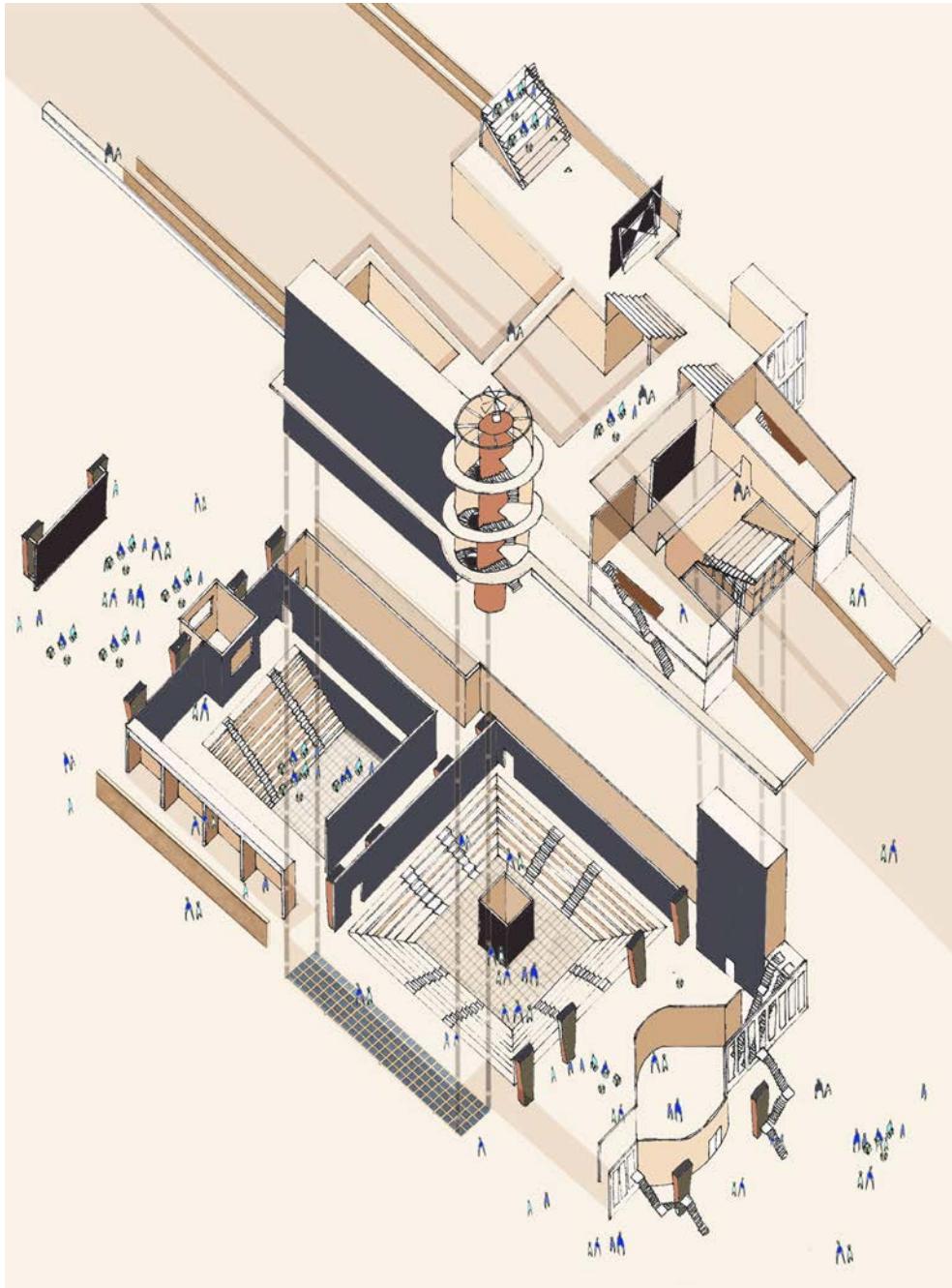




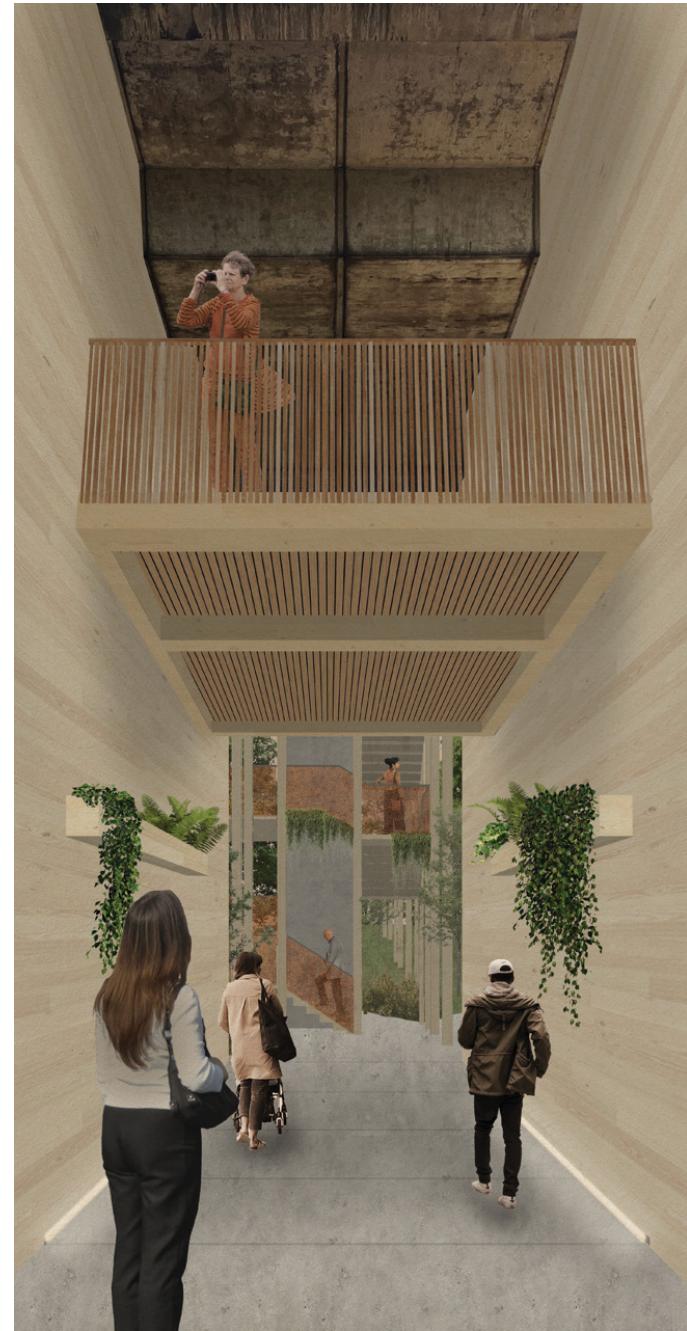
Izzy Gibson - Dining on the Mancunian Way



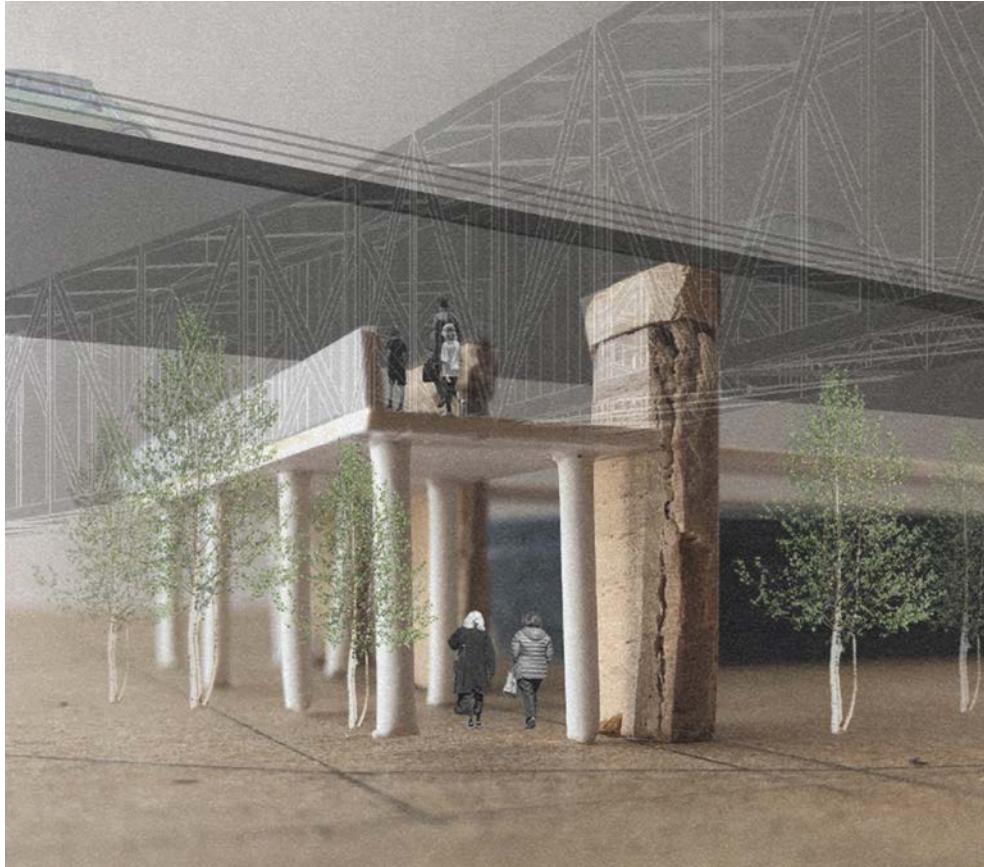
Kristupas Kadys - Sound Lab



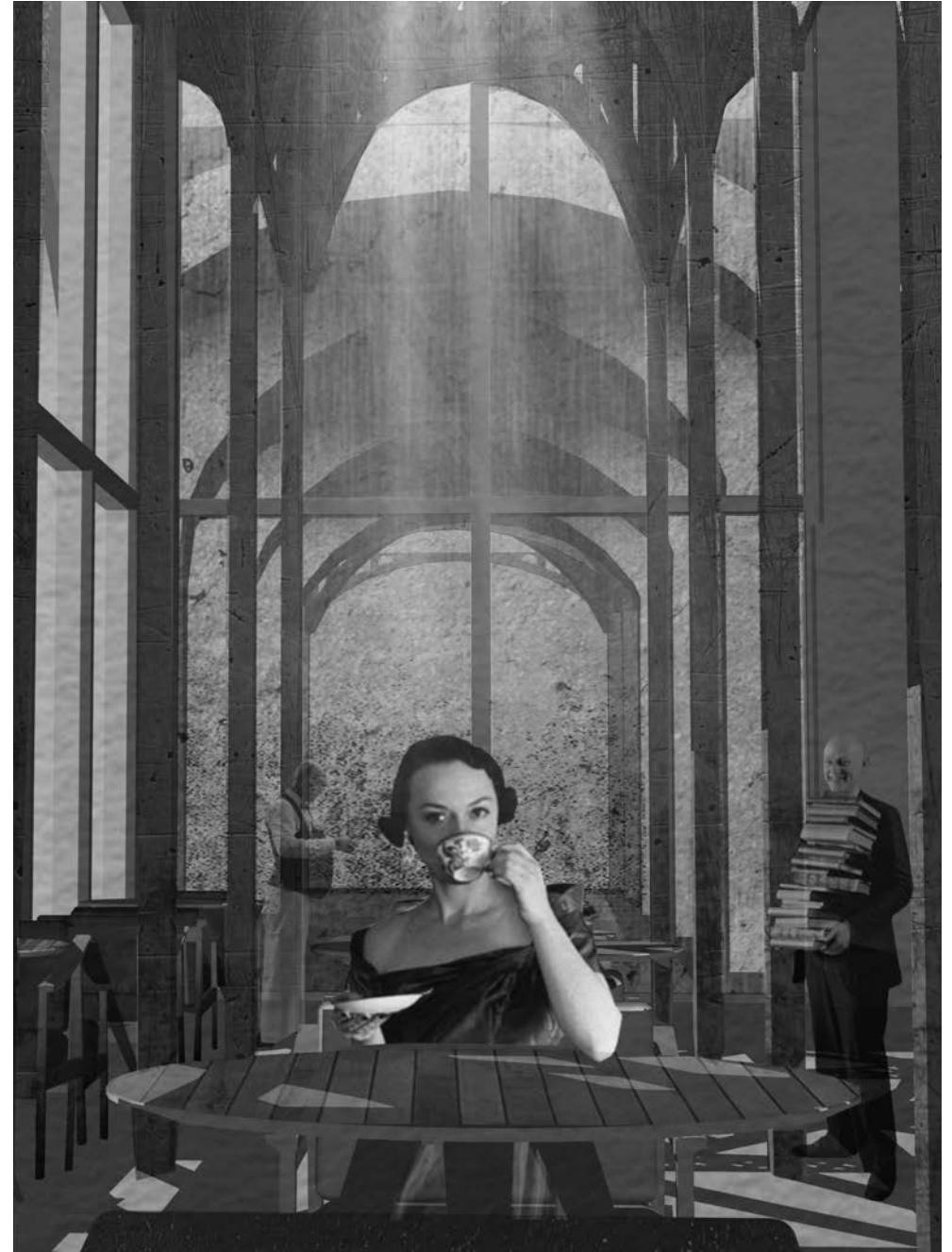
Grace McGuire - Light House



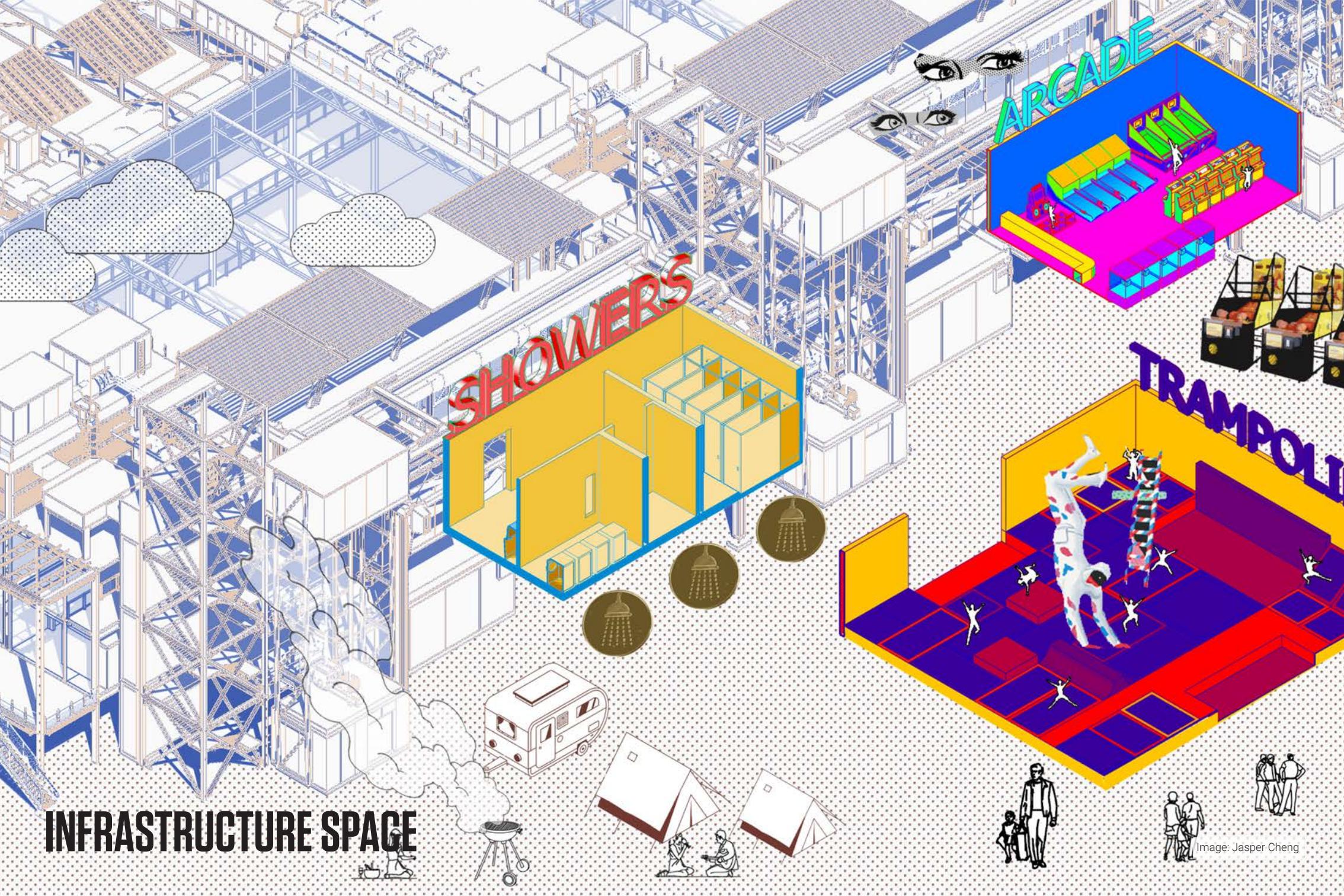
Jake Grady - Gardens of Mancunia



Julia Svendsen - Fibre Gallery & 'Leaving a mark, not a footprint'  
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El Hadi Boudouch - Aruarian Library



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INFRASTRUCTURE SPACE

Image: Jasper Cheng

# INFRASTRUCTURE SPACE

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### Synopsis

Infrastructure Space uses large territories and novel mapping techniques to explore them, to reveal latent environmental, social and cultural conditions. We approach space with neutrality to form objective views of the ways in which space is produced and used. Expanding on theories of landscape urbanism, we recognise that it is difficult to separate urban scale from global scale. Thus, infrastructure as a methodological lens enables critical discourse that addresses global issues of exchange, mobility and justice. This year we asked all of our students to consider the following:

**COMMONS.** By this we mean a shared space that enables a citizen led agency, sometimes to fill what has been referred to as an 'infrastructural gap'.

**ECO-SYSTEMS.** We deliberately hyphenate this term to accentuate its constituency - ecological / systems - we are interested in systems that can enable ecological diversity and sustainability.

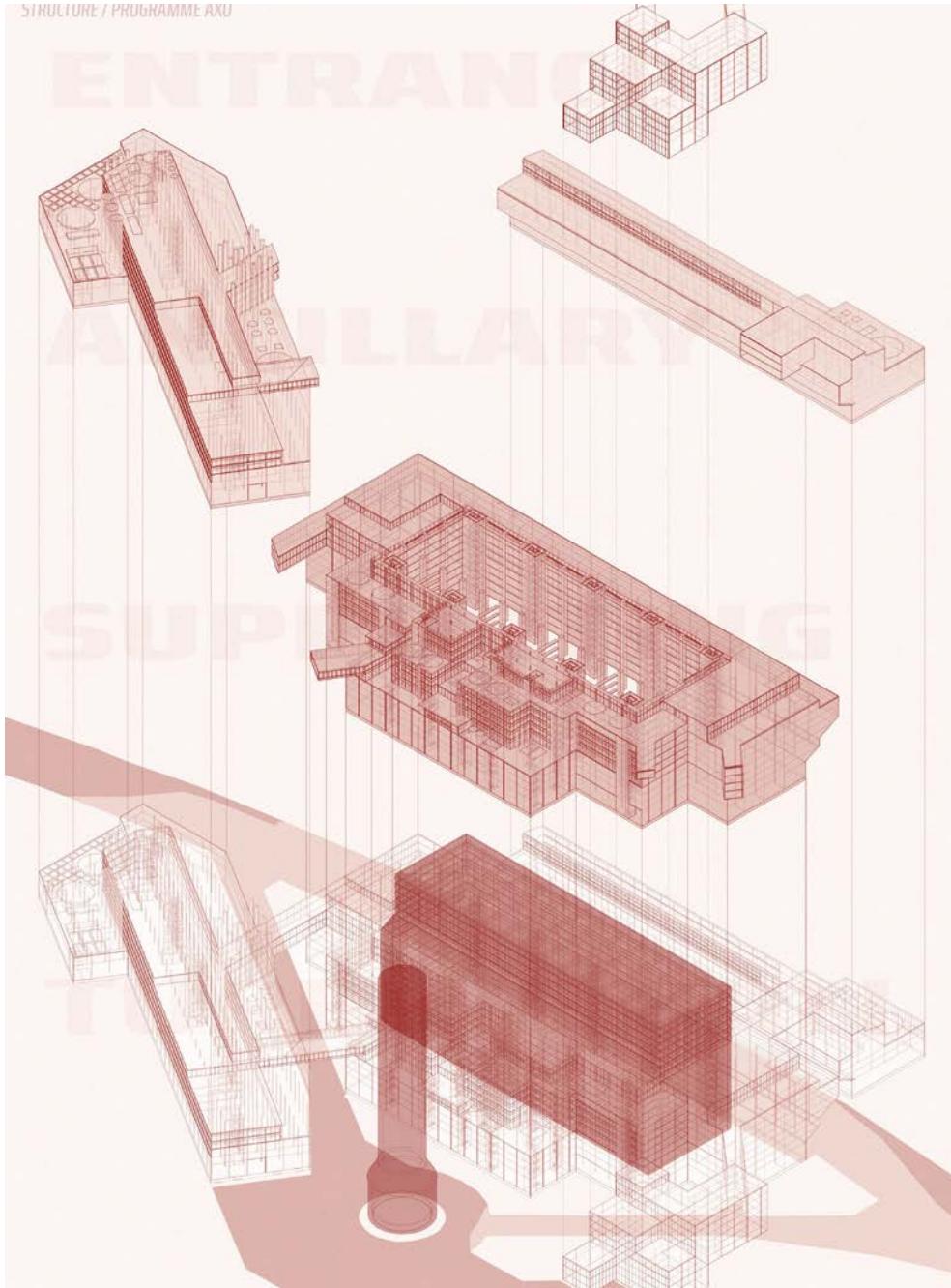
**SOCIETY.** Society has manifold interpretations. Here we refer to groups of people with common values, territory and cultural expectations and the positive effects of such arrangements.

BA3 were charged with developing ideas for a future service station and asked to consider carbon reduction, electric vehicles, minimisation of travel, material cultures and social sustainability. In so doing, projects from multimodal transport hubs, to power generation centres, explored how service stations are pivotal to achieving significant carbon reduction; revealing that services need to be more than an amenity to humans, but should be considered as part of wider social, sustainable and ecological systems.



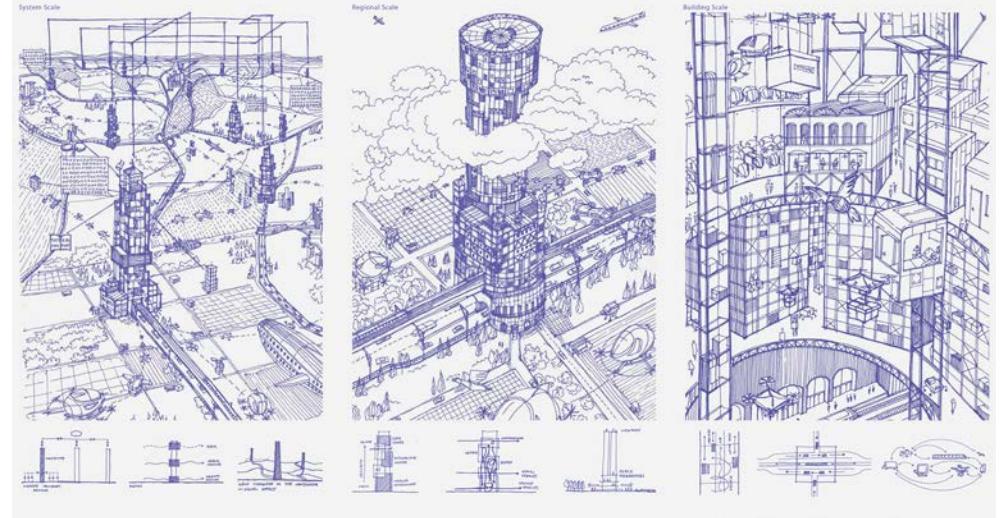
Saul Bunyan – Hydrogen Driven Futures

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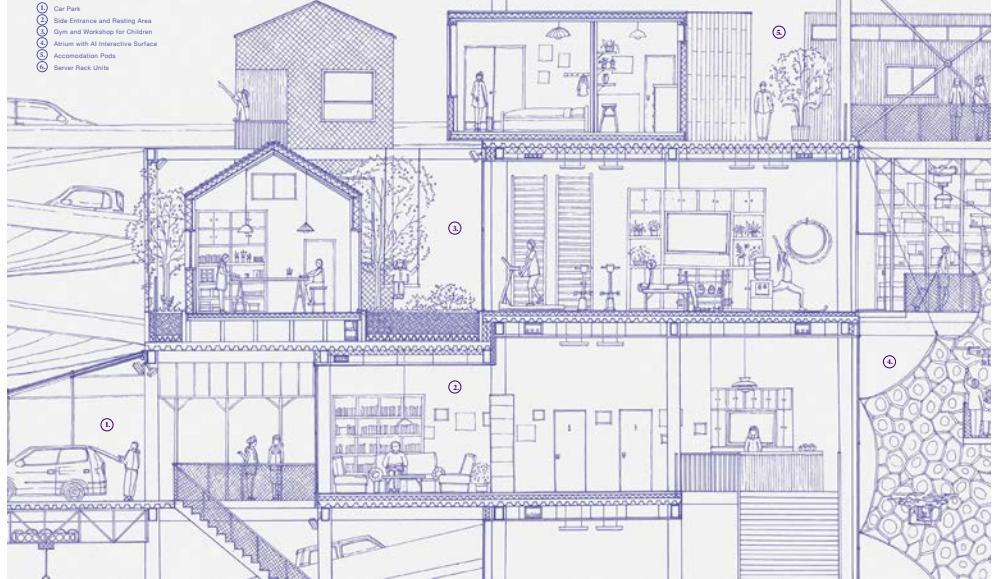
Exploring the Transport Interchange through Drawing



**1:50 Section - Structure and Spatial Quality**

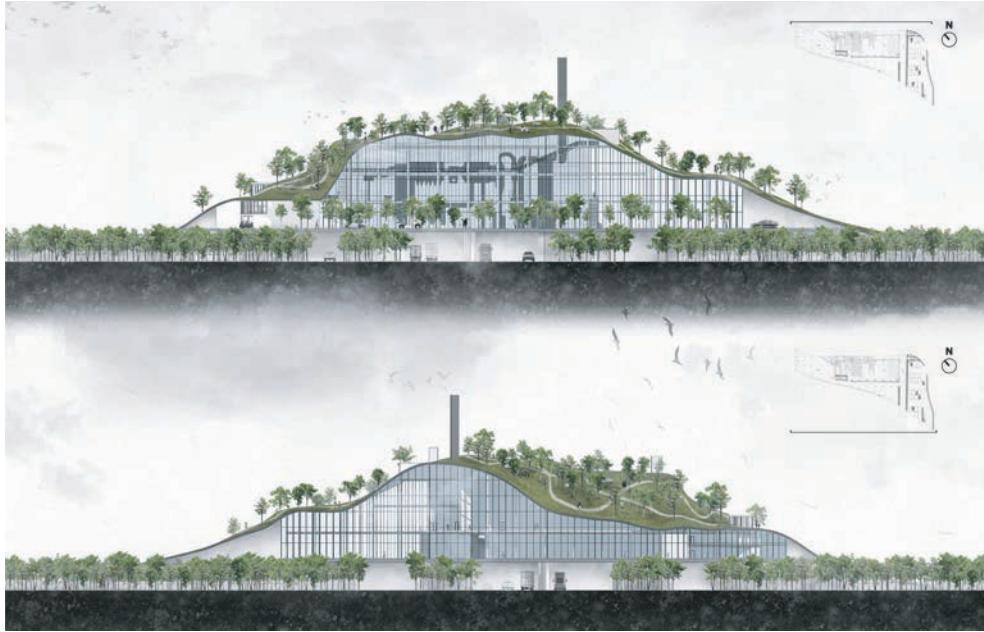


The section zooms in to a small part of the building showing the area where car parking, interior spaces and accommodation and server moduls can be seen.

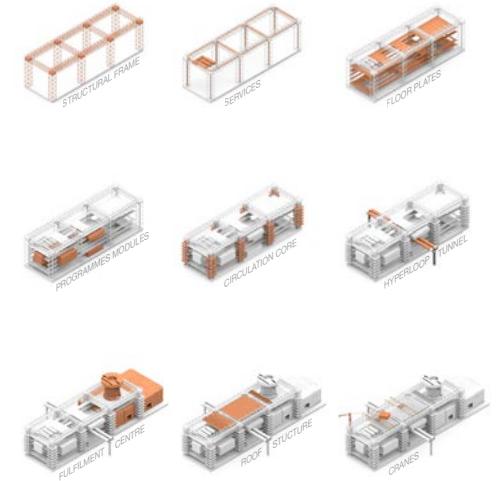


- Ⓐ Car Park
- Ⓑ Side Entrance and Resting Area
- Ⓒ Gym and Workshop for Children
- Ⓓ Server with AI Interactive Surface
- Ⓔ Accomodation Pods
- Ⓕ Server Rack Units

Mylan Thuroczy - An Interchange for Socially Responsible Seamless Future Mobilities



Enrica Agus Klumper – The Hill



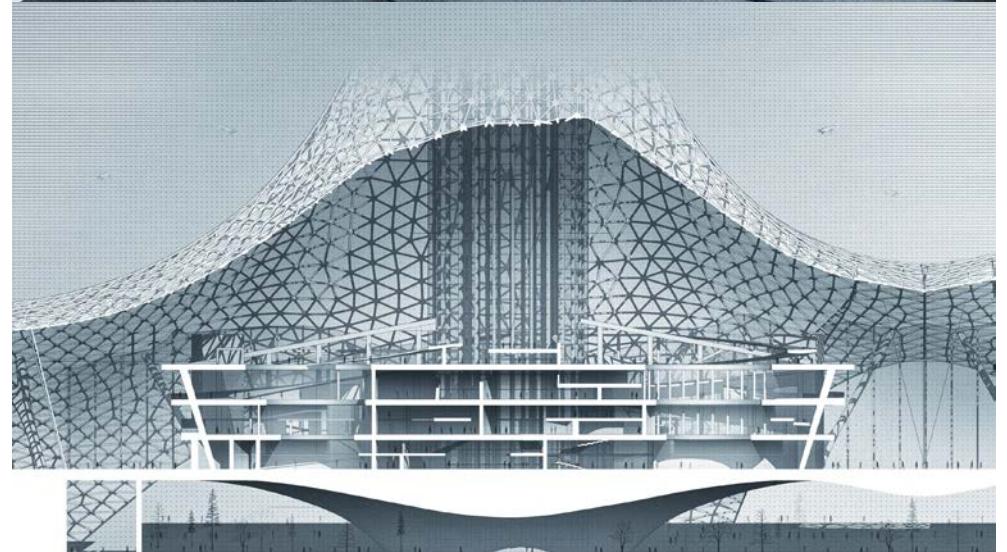
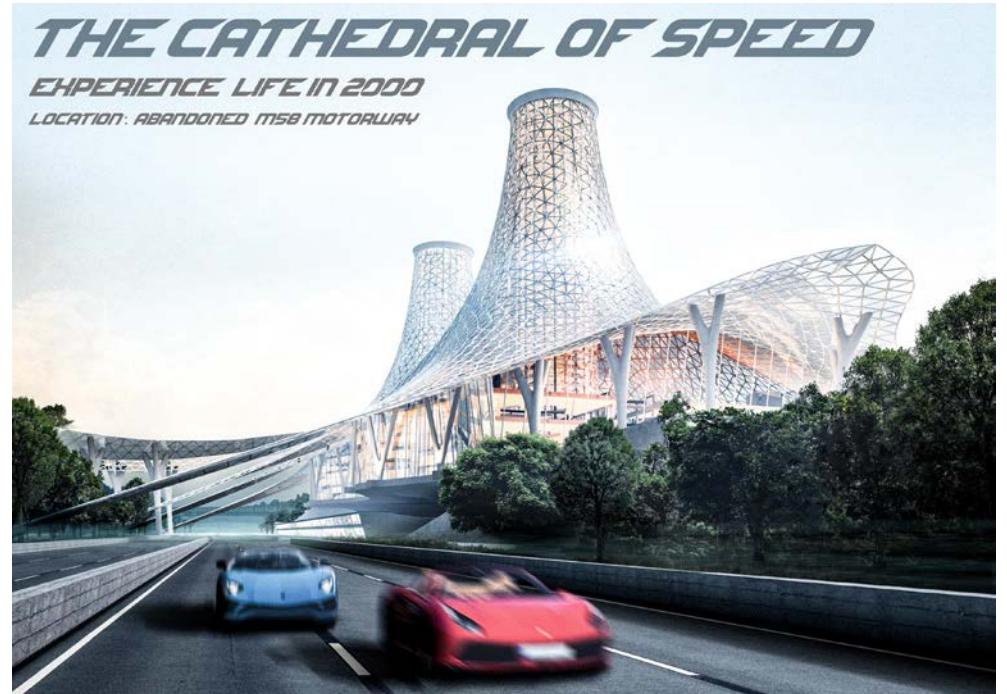
Brandon Wai Hin Chan – Amazon Interchange



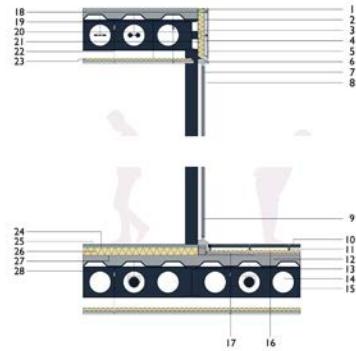
Sophie Seccombe – Satellite Station



Will Whitaker – Humanising Amazon in the Face of Automation

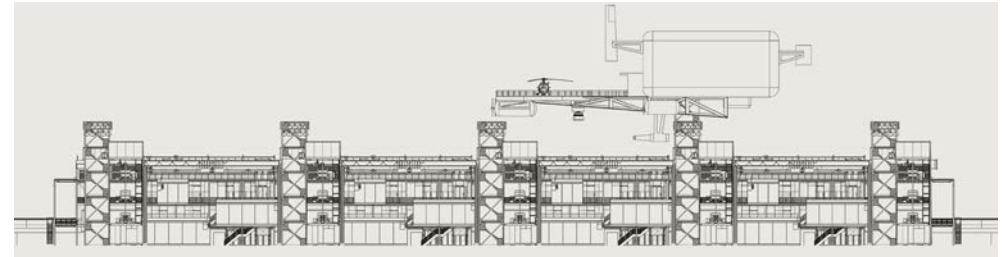
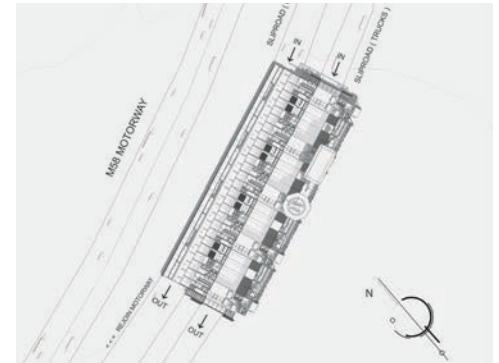


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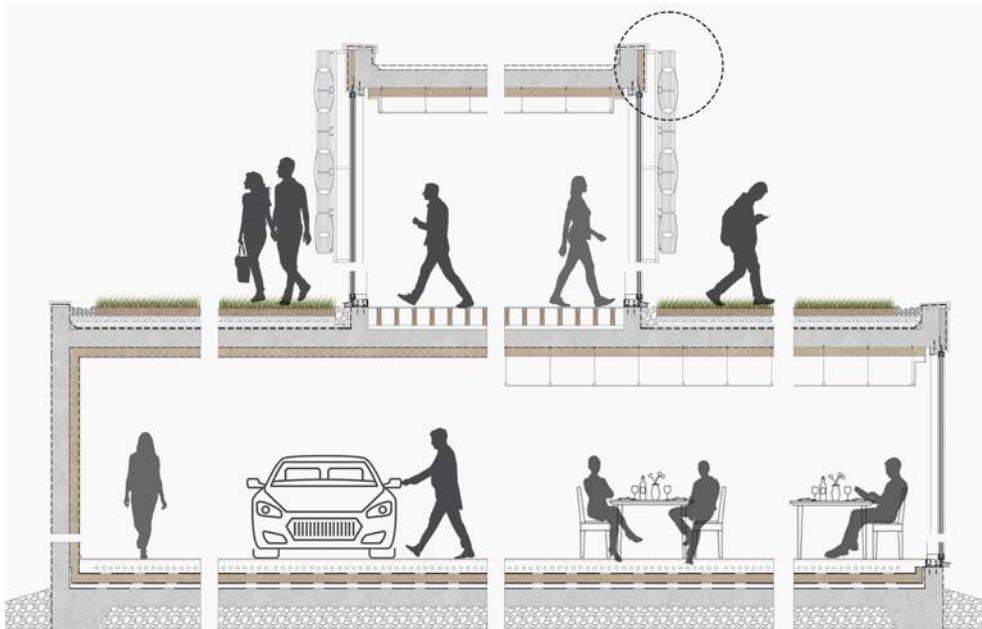


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Yat Kiu Jasper Cheng – M58 Service Station



Kulsoon Qazi – Service Village



Chun Ching Chan – Service Station: A New Lifestyle



**PRAXXIS**

Image: Eleanor Jones – An Active Archive of Feminist Figures

# PRAXXIS

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### Synopsis

Wow what a year we have had! I want to take my hat off and say thank you to all our students and the staff team for their determination, strength and resilience. Well done!

PRAXXIS is a feminist teaching atelier and research collective in both BA3 and M. Arch pursuing pedagogy and research within, and through, feminist architectural theory and practice. We have asked the students to explore feminist strategies and tactics to move our discipline towards a fairer and more equal society. This year we have challenged the students to construct their own agenda and develop forms of practice whose aim is not just a building but a tool to transform the social, political and economic conditions of a place by exploring Archives and Feminisms.

At the beginning of the year the BA3 PRAXXIS students came together with the M.Arch students to partake in our Feminisms Conversations series. These act as a supportive and discursive platform to explore non-binary approaches to practice, education and our profession. Ranging from preconceptions on the feminist agendas to feminist technologies and from privilege to equity the discussions challenge our current knowledges and allow to think about what may have to unlearn and relearn. The BA3 students have shared the same pedagogic approaches across the atelier and the same site and agenda with our M.Arch 1 students.

In response to a site next to the Pankhurst Centre in Manchester City Centre we have used Feminist Design Tools such as Feminist Theories, Dialogues, Interruptions, Interventions and Participatory Tools to enable our students to design an Archive of Feminisms plus other key feminist agendas. Each archive/library was driven by an exploration of the four key waves of feminisms as well as an issue identified by each individual student. Projects this year are socially motivated and respond to huge range of social (and spatial) issues including challenging gender stereotypes, increasing aspirations, decolonizing war archives, celebrating the vagina, as well as inspiring protest movements, critiquing the refugee and asylum systems, exploring gender through performance, supporting survivors of sexual violence

and remembering victims of violent crime. Students were asked to look at the human relationships within their proposals by considering the interconnected list of protected characteristics to enable a full exploration of the spatial potential of the complex issues of sharing internal or external archives and learning or social spaces across different groups of people.

### Socials

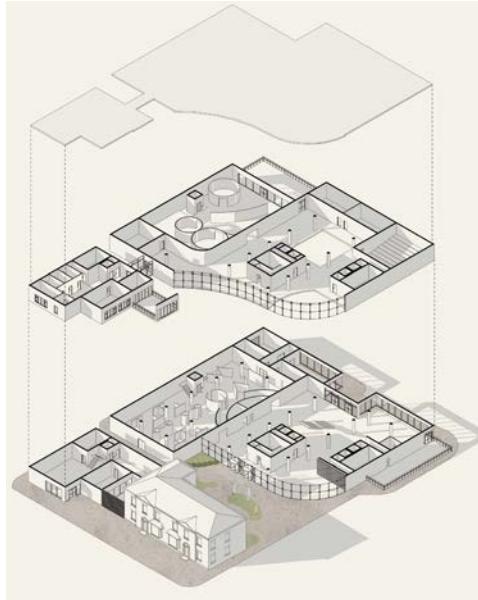
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PRAXXIS continually encourages robust and open discussions, and we are interested in projects which are both personal and political. Our overall aim is to create places shared between people of all ages, abilities, attitudes and occupations.



Ruoqi Ding – The Pankhurst Archive: Challenging Gender Stereotypes



Alice Wright – Archiving Pedagogy to Challenge Stereotypes and Improve Aspirations

Jasmine Jia Lyn Loo – Manchester Vagina Archive



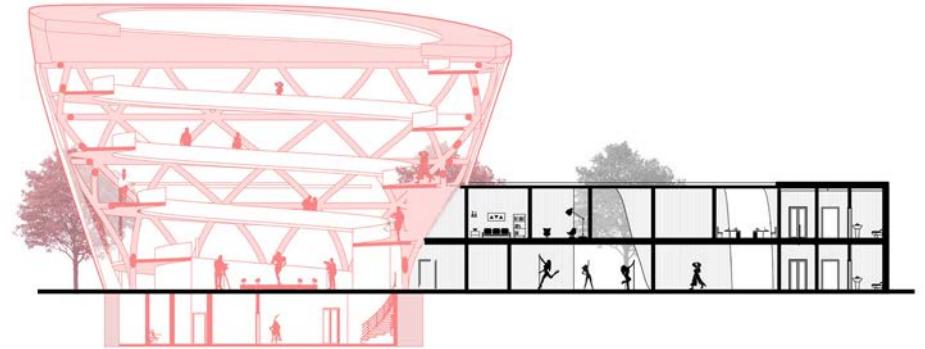
Elsa Berzigotti-Williams – Archiving and Activating Protest Movements



Amelia Bartlett – Addressing Gender Inequalities of Climate Change



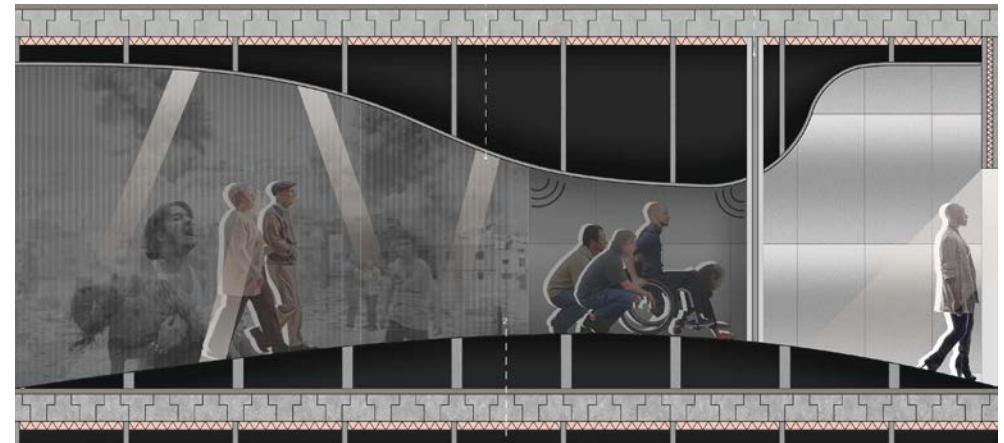
Hana Wajihah Ahmad Baihaki – The Women Asylum Seekers' Archive & Support



Weiyi Wang – Archiving Gender Performance and Drag Culture



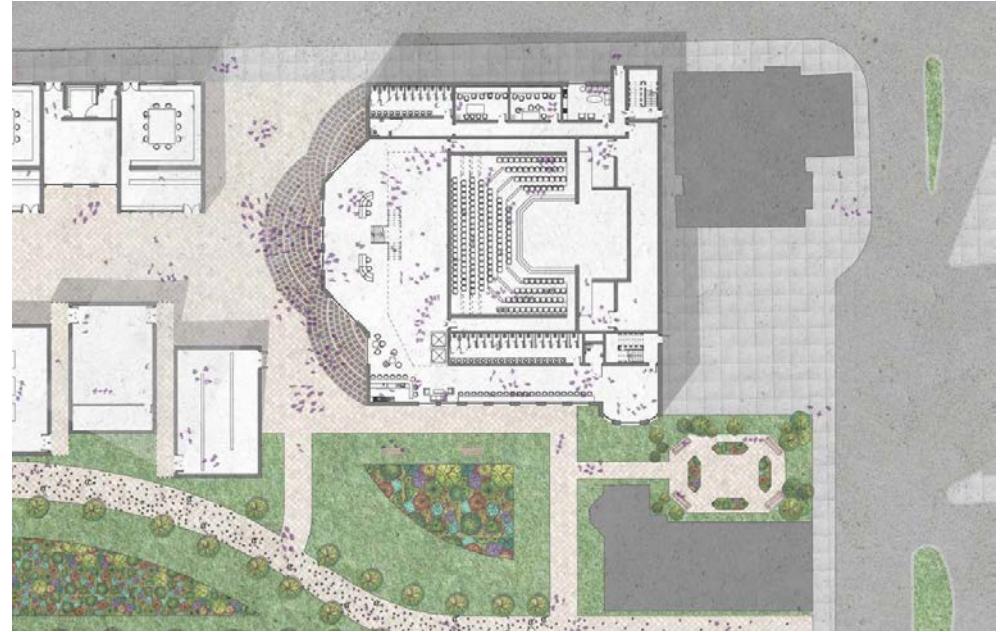
Alice Allen – Her-story of Housing: Archiving Space Standards and Gender Stereotypes



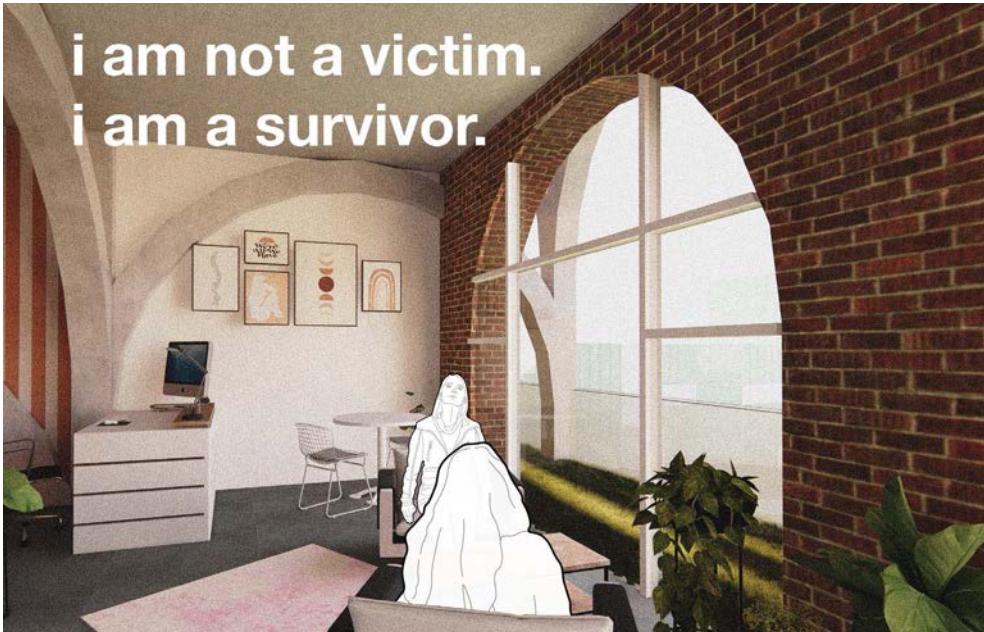
Bronwyn Lane – Archiving the Stories of Womxn & Children Refugees



Seyed Aryan Mirhosseini – Hearing the Unheard, Seeing the Unseen: Refugee Support Centre and Archive



Amy Ryman – Archiving Feminisms: Making Feminism Accessible Using Performing Arts

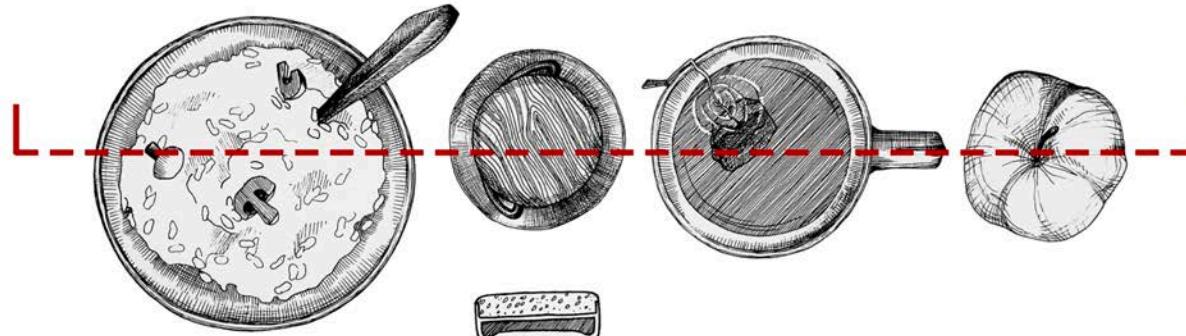


Ria Jasmine Wee – Archiving and Supporting Survivors of Sexual Assault

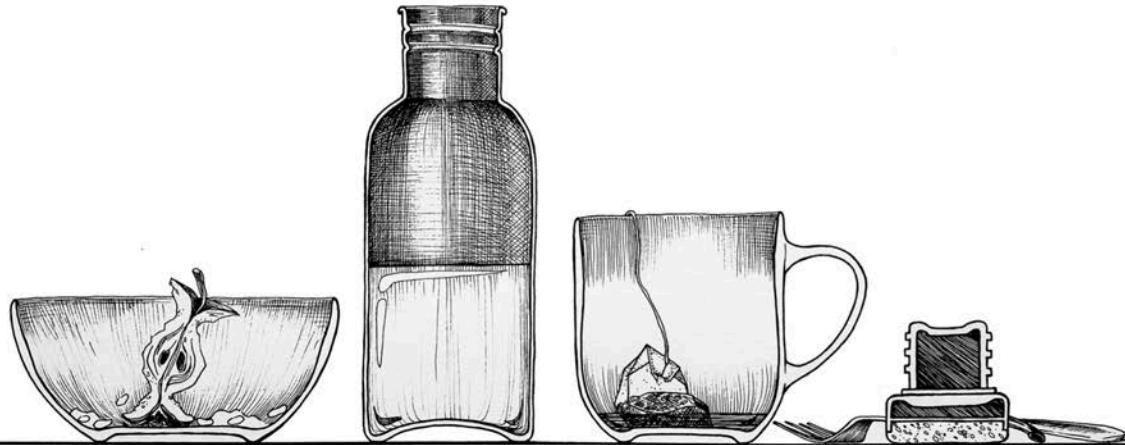


On Chi Chan – Archiving the Waves of Feminism





SECTION 1



SECTION 2

**HUMANITIES**

# HUMANITIES YEAR 1

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### Humanities 1.1

Histories of Architecture

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We begin in Humanities 1 with the discussion of architectural history. The histories of architecture are plural and, rather than presenting a singular narrative, we show the diversity of approaches to this topic drawing on expertise from staff from across the school. No history of architecture can be completely comprehensive, so we aim to equip students with the skills and questions to conduct their own research. Each lecture consisted of a survey of architectural history in its own right, dedicated to the following topics: the vernacular; architectural history; metaphor; the (human) body; materials; class; health; spirituality; schools; trade; labour; authority; and towers.

### Humanities 1.2

Thinking Through Drawing

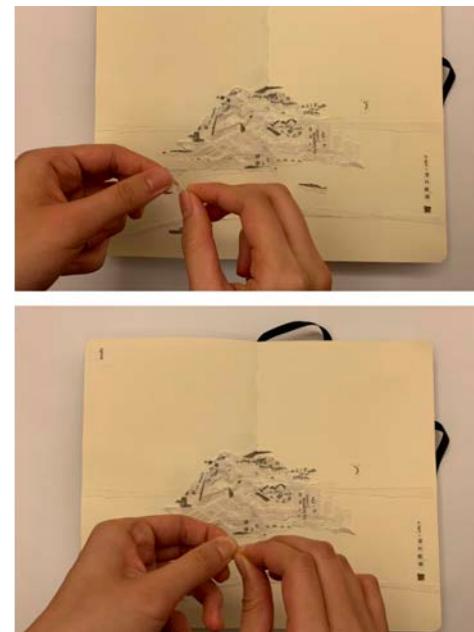
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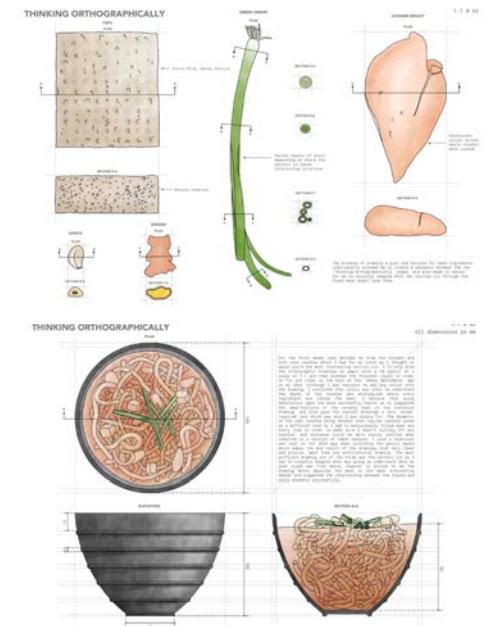
Humanities 2 continues with a study of architectural drawing. The lectures were each framed by a certain convention and considering how they allow us to think thinking orthographically, thinking in parallel; thinking in perspective; thinking in gesture. The lecture series is partly a history of drawing, but is also a theory of why we continue to draw according to the organising principles of orthographic projection and other conventions. Students produced portfolios of drawings exploring the qualities of copying and tracing, sequences and layers, translations and analyses of drawing, all accompanied by reflective text on the processes involved.



Adriana Sokolova - Thinking Through Drawing



Si Xing Audrey Ma - Thinking Through Drawing



Damla Tunc - Thinking Through Drawing

# HUMANITIES YEAR 2

## RAY LUCAS

Humanities Lead

### Humanities 2.1

Writing the City

### Course Leaders

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In BA2, Humanities expands its focus to more contemporary concerns, looking at the wider responsibilities of architecture. We do this by considering the place of architecture in the city: the complexity introduced by an urban context. We will look at a wide range of global cities in this lecture series as a way of discussing the appropriate architectural and other theories. Humanities 2 addresses the professions of architecture and urban design and how it can have an impact beyond the bounds of its own sites; architecture in the city can have unexpected political and social implications, questioning the ethics of architectural practice. Lecture topics included: Revisiting the Retroactive Manifesto; Redrawing the City; Cities and Nature; Cities and Technology; Taking a Line for a Walk; How Sanja Matsuri Makes Asakusa; Spontaneous Urbanism; Cities and Culture; Prefigurative Urbanism and African Urbanism. The lectures approached cities including Seoul, Jakarta, Tokyo, Guayaquil and Accra.

### Humanities 2.2

Architecture, Climate and Society

### Course Leader

Angela Connolly

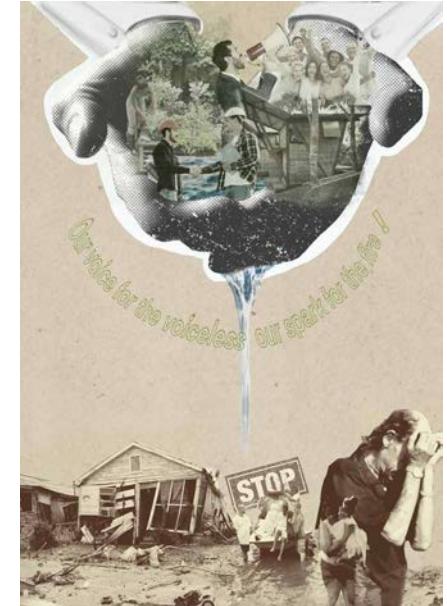
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The BA2 unit on Architecture, Climate, and Society takes a key contemporary thematic that is at the forefront of academic and professional activities in architecture: critically understanding the climate emergency. Architects are well positioned to creatively engage with the demands that climate change places on the profession, but it can be too easy to concentrate on materials and technology without reference to the social, political and ethical issues posed by the climate crisis. This unit helps students to understand the importance of developing a theoretically informed position when addressing the climate emergency.



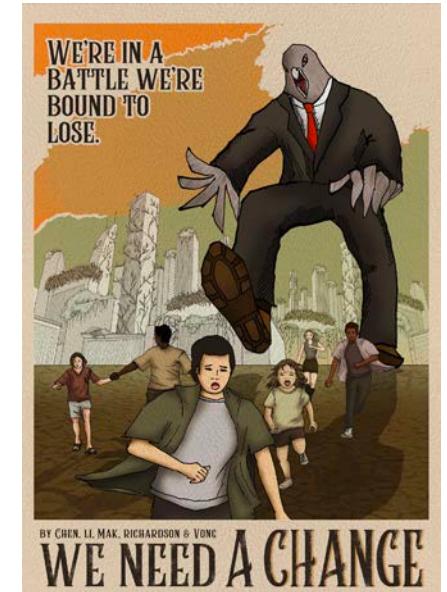
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# HUMANITIES YEAR 3

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BA3 Humanities is a taught programme offering the third-year bachelor students a range of electives of in-depth specification on topics in architecture humanities. The subjects of the different electives reflect architectural history and theory as they inform design practice. The BA3 Humanities electives thus allow for a thematic study within individual specialisms to be placed within a robust understanding of architecture as a discipline and profession. Conceived as research-led teaching, the electives are developed through a series of weekly meetings and tutorial sessions on essay writing. Humanities is here understood as a broad umbrella within the discipline of architecture and is approached through a set of readings, presentations, and other tasks, introducing fundamental tools and apparatuses for inquiry. Each BA3 Humanities elective is assessed by the submission of a portfolio of both an essay and an appendix, that can take different forms and include both group and individual work.

## Environmental Histories of Architecture

Kim Förster

This elective in a transdisciplinary humanities perspective frames architectural thought and practice through notions of environment, i.e. nature used, abused or impacted upon. Revisiting transformation in modern history up to the present, the course looks into aspects of environment, as fossil-fueled, polluted, climatized, controlled, toxic and posthuman, providing students

with a historical and environmental consciousness. Each topic, connected to different locales—starting from Manchester, via Europe and North America to the Global South, African and the Middle East, South-East Asia, and Latin America—presents specific political and social contexts, in which new strategies of architecture and the environment could emerge.



### Global South's Global: Mobility of Architecture in the 20th Century

Lukasz Stanek  
Teaching Assistant: Demetra Kourri

This course traces the world-wide mobility of architecture in the 20th century from the perspective of the Global South. We will study the emergence of architecture as disciplinary and professional practices in West and North Africa, and the Middle East in the course of decolonization, the Cold War, and globalization. We will discuss world-wide trajectories of architects,

designs, concepts, and technologies that intersected in Accra, Lagos, Rabat, Algiers, Tripoli, Damascus, Aleppo, Baghdad, Abu Dhabi and Kuwait City, and study how, in the course of this circulation, the principles of modernist architecture and functionalist urbanism were modified, questioned, revised, and challenged.

### Architecture in the Age of Acceleration

Léa-Catherine Szacka

This course considers the systemic challenges posed by the continued climate crisis, rapid urbanization and globalization, and the threat of collapsing ecosystems as the starting point for theoretical reflection on architectural design today. The course proposes to investigate six strategies—Territoriality, Regionalism, Participation, Transformation, Commoning, and

Autonomy—looking at their historical roots in the postmodern period and projecting their applicability into our contemporary era, allowing students to uncover both historical continuities and new possible directions. Each strategy will also testify to the political and social contexts in which architects have challenged their role under the conditions of modernity.

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	2. SPATIAL INVESTIGATION							
	3. DESIGN OF BASIC SETTLEMENT							
2	1. FUNCTIONAL UNITS OF BUILDINGS		70	160		60	80	
	2. EXPRESSION DESIGN							
	3. WORKING DRAWINGS							
3	1. RURAL STUDY		70	120	38	30	30	
	2. BUILDING DESIGN							

Curriculum of the School of Architecture, Kumasi, Ghana, 1960s, Avery Library, Columbia University, New York



## Exploring Tropical Educational Space: Climate, Construction and User Cultures

Ola Uduku

This elective option involved students reading and exploring texts related to environmental design strategies in the tropics, with a specific focus on educational design history in tropical Africa. The elective was further supported by lectures by the architects Anupama Kundoo, Jacopo Galli, (UAV) the engineer Neil Thomas (Atelier One) and Professor Iain Jackson (Liverpool University) both of whom have first-hand experience with designing in tropical climates. All students had to produce essays with reflective reports as a conclusion to

the elective. A small group of students from the project worked further with Ola Uduku to develop exhibition materials focusing on the physical 3-modelling of two different tropical school buildings in Tema, Ghana and Ibadan, Nigeria and their environmental analysis. The Education Shock Exhibition is taking place, post-German lockdown in Berlin this summer.

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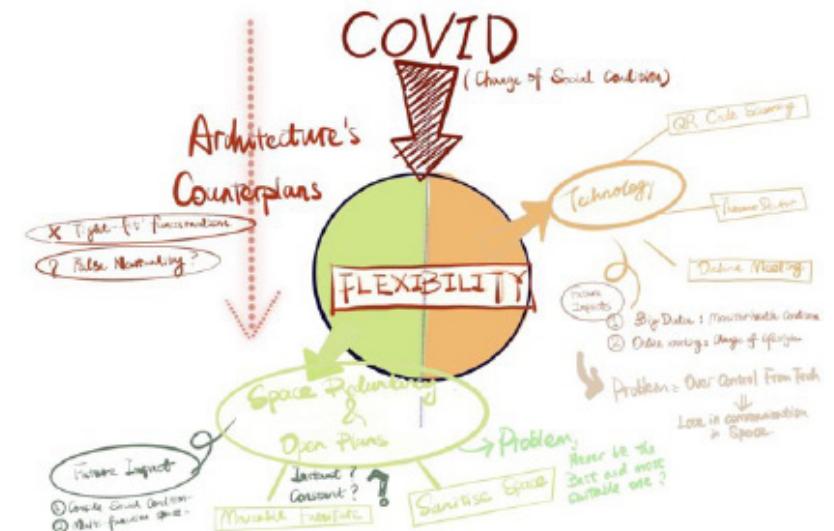
International School Ibadan. Image: Ola Uduku

## Architecture and Crisis: Covid19 and the Changing Formats of Design Practice

Albena Yaneva

The elective explored how the global pandemic has affected the day-to-day reality of architectural practices around the world and generated new reflexivity on the profession. Reflecting on the implications of this crisis, the students investigated the new material, spatial and technological settings of practice (creative routines, formats of teamwork, ways of 'meeting' the clients or

anticipating the users). They conducted an ethnographic study with a practice based on zoom interviews. This allowed them to reflect on how the move to online working and social distancing affected the process and outcome of architectural practice and modified the culture of designing architects.

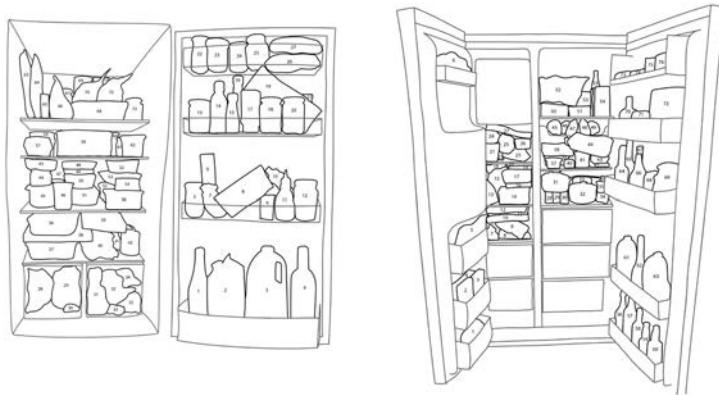


## Anthropology of Home

Ray Lucas

This elective challenges the assumptions we carry with us about the world around us. It is not enough as architects to simply presume we know a place and how it is used: we need to ask better questions. This course alternates between anthropological theories of importance to architecture with alternative practices, ways of producing knowledge: maps, diagrams, notations and drawings, supplementing the conventional processes of site analysis with more of a social aspect,

the aims of graphic anthropology are to accurately observe the social life of a space in order to make more informed and appropriate interventions. Each week involved fieldwork tasks to be carried out at home. Normally fieldwork is conducted outdoors and away from home, but this year's unique circumstances give us an opportunity to really interrogate the meanings of home.



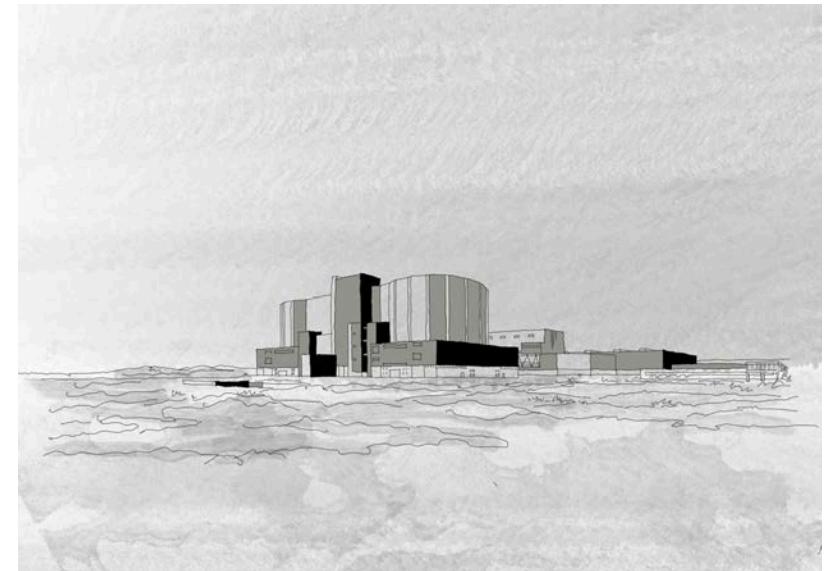
Illustrations of Fridge/Freezer Contents. Image: Rosemary Clowes

## Landscapes of Post-War Infrastructure

Richard Brook and Luca Csepely-Knorr

This elective is associated with a research project directed by Dr Brook and Dr Csepely-Knorr, funded by the AHRC and focused on the value and significance of architecture and landscape of post-war British infrastructure. Students learned about the historic and contemporary settings for design professionals working alongside engineers in the delivery of infrastructural schemes, between 1945 and 1980. At this time huge public investment in new motorways, power stations, reservoirs and telecoms signalled the modernisation

of Britain. Landscape architecture was transformed immeasurably by such change. Landscape architects moved from designing enclosed spaces to being in control of entire fields of view. Designers worked collaboratively, often with the landscape architect as lead consultant. Students explored the post-war period, the nationalisation of industry, the planning and legislative contexts and how design was advanced and informed by these conditions.



Drawing of Wylfa nuclear power station, designed by Farmer & Dark architects, 1962-71. Drawing by Robert McCarthy



**TECHNOLOGY**

# TECHNOLOGY

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Allan Haines (EDICCT - Engaging Designers in Creative Construction Today)  
Kevin Flanagan (PLP Architects)  
Jeremy Kim (Foster + Partners)  
Tim Gibbons (Fieldwork Architects)  
Claudio Molina Camacho

### Synopsis

The Technologies unit is undertaken as a 30 credit unit with a common structure in each year. Generic learning in the Technologies unit via lectures, case studies and design projects is usefully aligned and complementary to specific propositional applications in design projects in Studio contexts.

Technologies acts to create an independent academic discourse of architectural technology. This is structured to enable students to contextualise, inform, inspire and justify their design propositions on the basis of their experience and expertise of the architectural discipline and its correlates. This discourse sequentially builds a catalogue of concepts, experiences, analyses, applications and experiments focused on answering the question: How do I do this?

The Technologies unit provides students with skills to critically dissect and deconstruct the structural, material and environmental performance of architectural precedents in an operative manner, seeing the built history of architecture as a 'realisation library' to draw from. Assignments develop the material realisation skills and understanding of students through increasing levels of sophistication and authorship in their design projects.

### Project Summaries

In year one, existing applications and techniques are examined through a series of lectures and analysis exercises which support a subsequent holistic analyses of small scale (but often structurally or environmentally complex) case studies. Design projects explore digital modelling and fabrication through iterative qualitative testing.

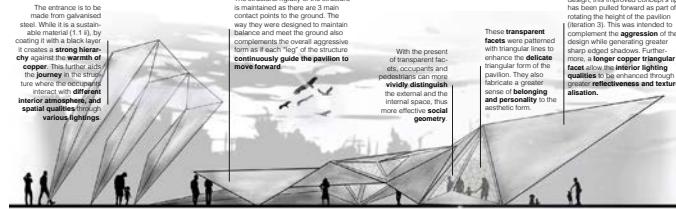
Year two builds on first year, exploring certain issues in more detail, e.g. introducing industry leading environmental analysis software as a learning tool for analysing case studies and in application to qualitative iterative testing in design projects.

Year three develops a discourse of contemporary technological design technique, introducing students to rigour in building academic arguments for the development and resolution of their own technological

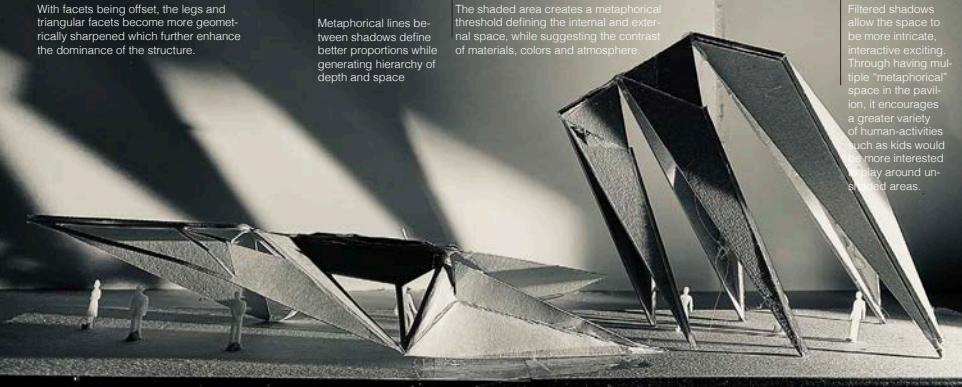
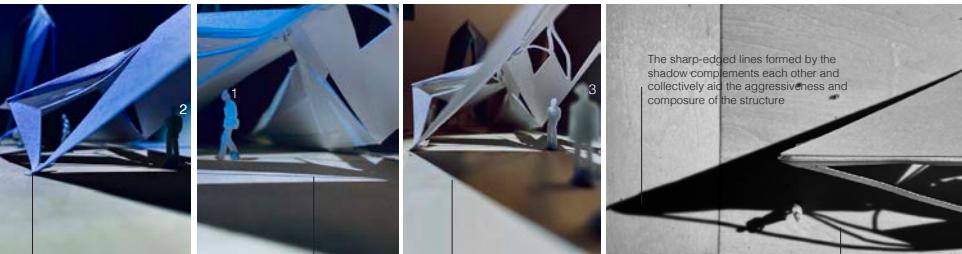
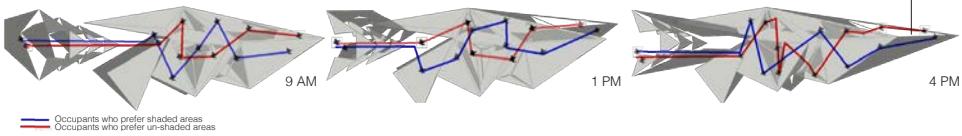
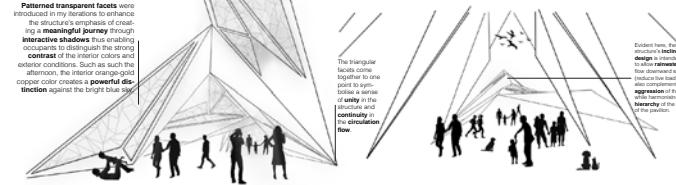
design propositions. The initial precedent analysis frames the level of technological resolution sought for final year Technologies design projects that align with the themes and focus of the respective ateliers.

Across the three years, the Technologies Design Project is systematic using a framework of appraisals, analyses and iterative design testing to guide students in identifying key performance parameters for their projects and linking them to the opportunities they offer for creative, integrated, architectural design. Technologies design projects are intentionally distinct from others undertaken on the course, with different starting points, methods and outputs, enriching students' portfolios and preparing them for scenarios in professional architectural design practice.

**ELEVATION DRAWING**



**PERSPECTIVE OF INTERIOR**



The structural rigidity of the structure is maintained as there are 3 main contact points to the ground. The way they were designed to maintain balance and meet the ground also complements the overall aggressive form as if each 'leg' of the structure continuously guide the pavilion to move forward.

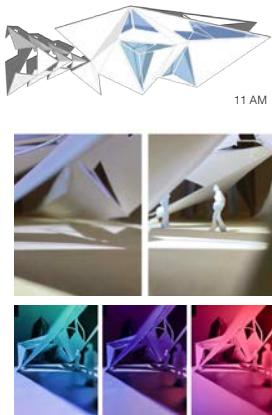
With the present of transparent faceted areas, occupants and pedestrians can more vividly distinguish the external and the internal space, thus more effective social geometry.

In comparison to the weak '1's design, the improved concept's tip has been pulled forward as part of raising the height of the pavilion (Iteration 3). This was intended to complement the aggressiveness of the design while generating greater space volume. Further, more a longer copper triangular facet allow the interior lighting qualities to be enhanced through greater reflectiveness and texturalisation.

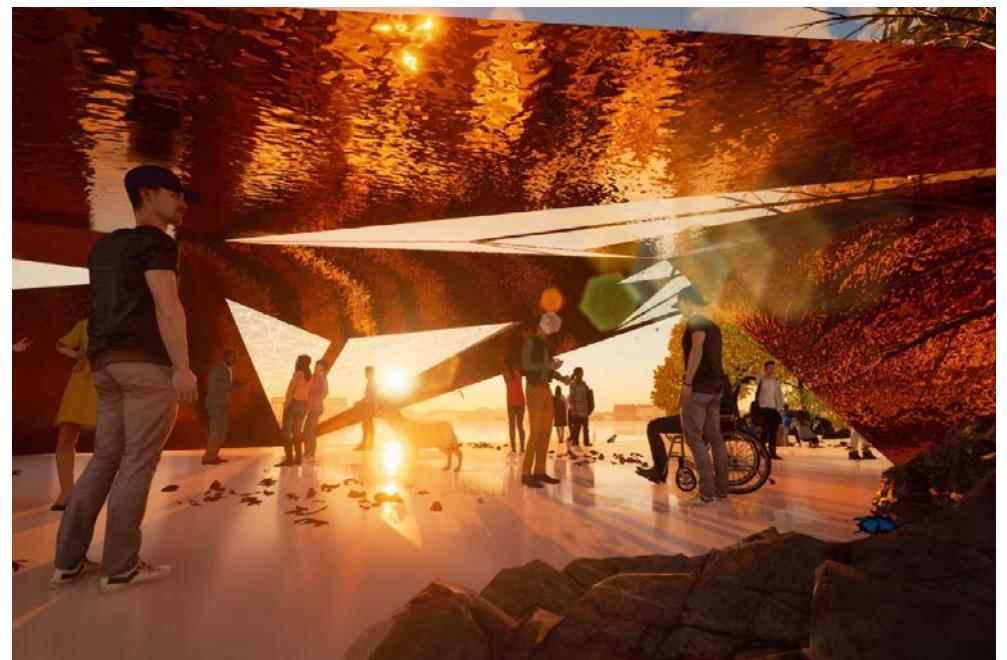
Patterned transparent facets were introduced in many iterations to enhance the structure's emphasis of creating a meaningful journey through interactive shadows thus enabling occupants to distinguish the strong contrast of the interior colors and exterior conditions. Such as such the afternoon, the interior orange-gold copper color creates a powerful distinction against the bright blue sky.

The triangular facets come together to one point to generate a sense of unity in the structure and continuity in the circulation flow.

Indeed here, the structure is intended to allow rainwater to flow downwards through the copper triangle and also complements the aggressiveness of the form while transforming the experience of the time spent in the pavilion.



11 AM



The sharp-edged lines formed by the shadow complements each other and collectively aid the aggressiveness and composure of the structure.

With facets being offset, the legs and triangular facets become more geometrically sharpened which further enhance the dominance of the structure.

Metaphorical lines between shadows define better proportions while generating hierarchy of depth and space.

The shaded area creates a metaphorical threshold defining the internal and external space, while suggesting the contrast of materials, colors and atmosphere.

Filtered shadows allow the space to be more intricate, interactive exciting. Through having multiple 'metaphorical' space in the pavilion, it encourages a greater variety of human-activities such as kids would be more interested to play around un-shaded areas.



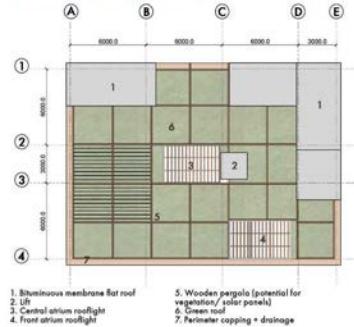
**GROUND FLOOR PLAN (1:200)**



**TYPICAL OFFICE FLOOR PLAN (1:200)**



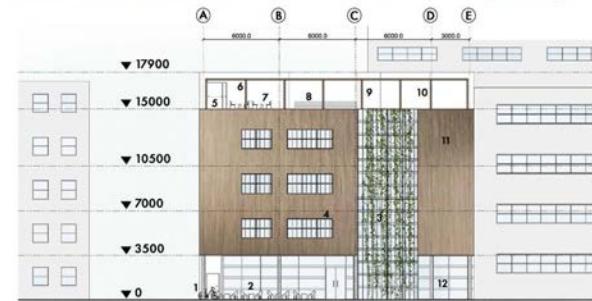
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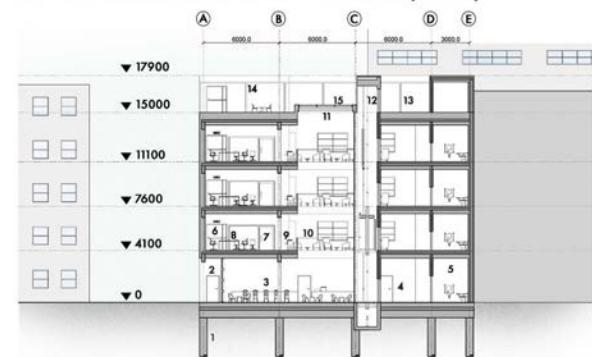
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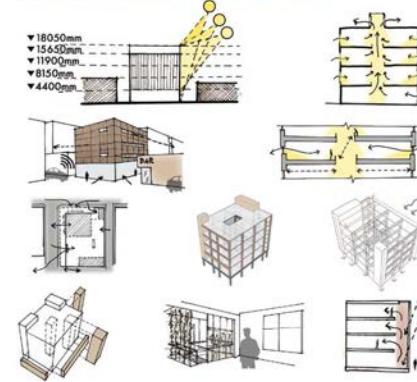
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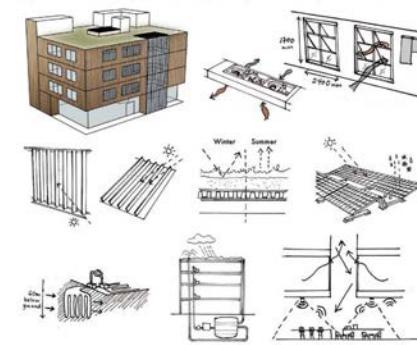
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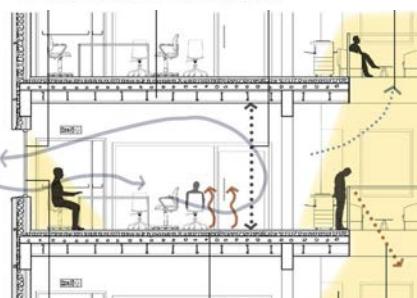
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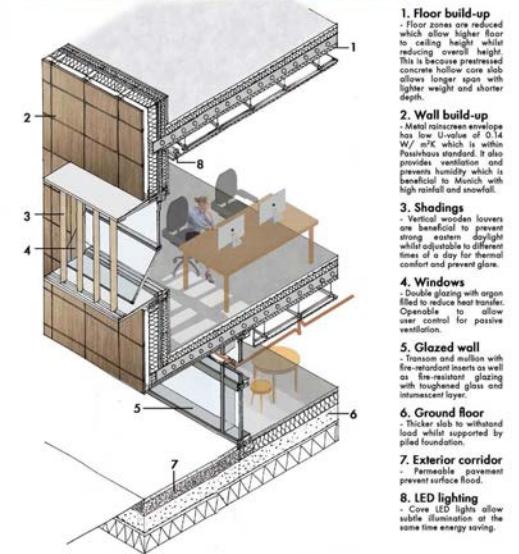
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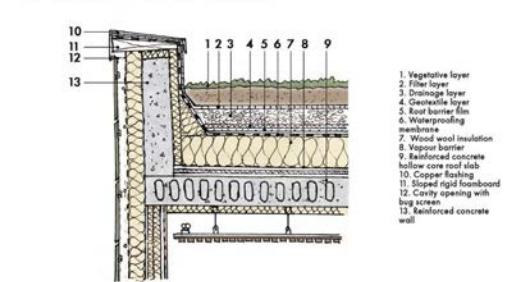
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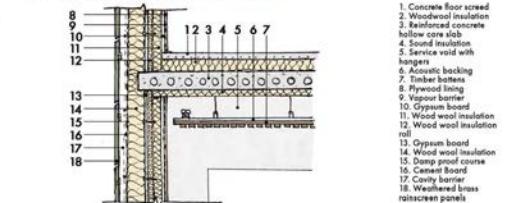
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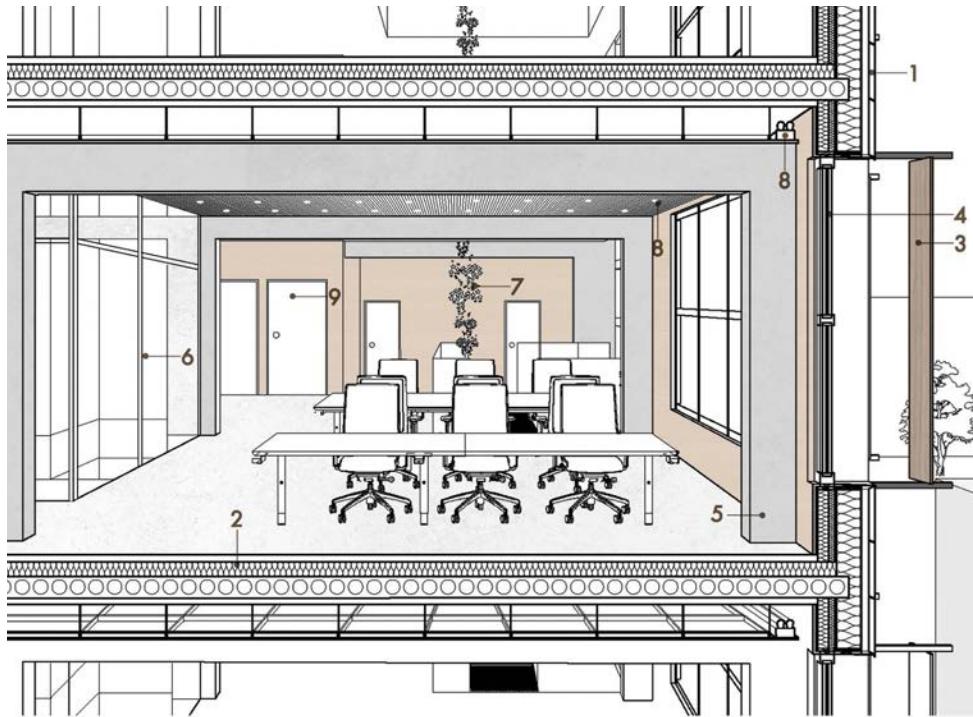


**JUNCTION/ INTERFACE DETAILS**  
1. WALL TO ROOF DETAIL



2. FLOOR TO WALL DETAIL



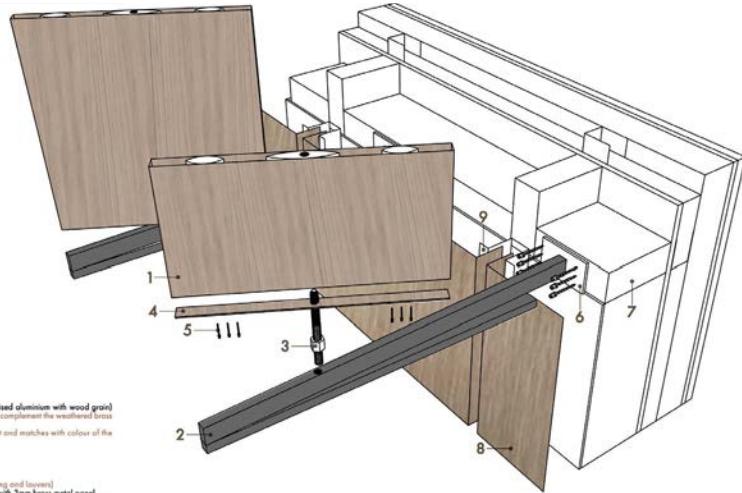


- 1. Wall build-up**
- 40mm Nordic Weathered Brass Rainscreen Panel cassette with 3mm semi-rigid panel (to match red oak wood texture and colour) + 30mm Cavity Insulation (to prevent condensation) + 2mm Cement board (interior moisture backing)
  - Damp proof course (prevents water infiltration into structure or cavity)
  - 120mm Woodwool thermal insulation with horizontal steel channel in between (500 centres) (steel channel is secondary structure to support cladding)
  - 12mm Gyproc Board (for fire)
  - 42mm Woodwool insulation with horizontal and vertical steel studs in between (500 centres)
  - 12.5 Gyproc Board
  - Vapour barrier (prevents condensation when warmer air meets studs)
  - 20mm Plywood wall lining (interior warm back)

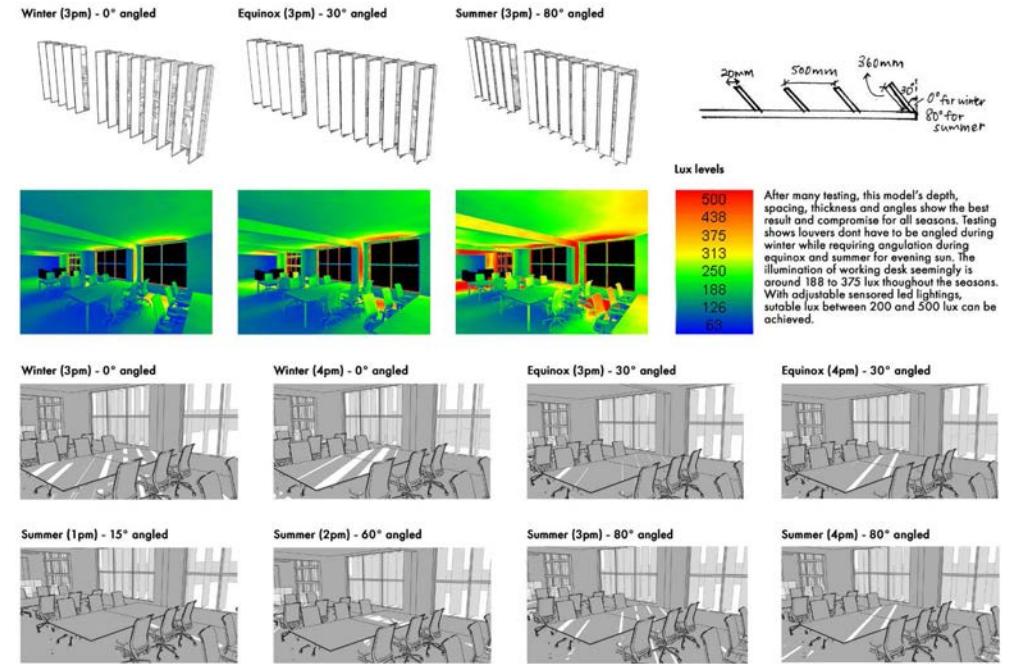
- 2. Floor build-up**
- 100mm Concrete floor screed with underfloor heating (under floor)
  - 100mm Woodwool thermal insulation (low thermal resistance) (to prevent condensation between floors)
  - 100mm Reinforced and precast concrete hollow core slab (thinner slab)
  - 200mm ceiling void (for placement of services)
  - 32mm ceiling void (for placement of services)
  - 32mm end grain
  - Acoustic backing (reduce sound transmission)
  - 22mm timber battens suspended ceiling with hangers spaced at 500mm intervals (to be connected to ceiling structure)

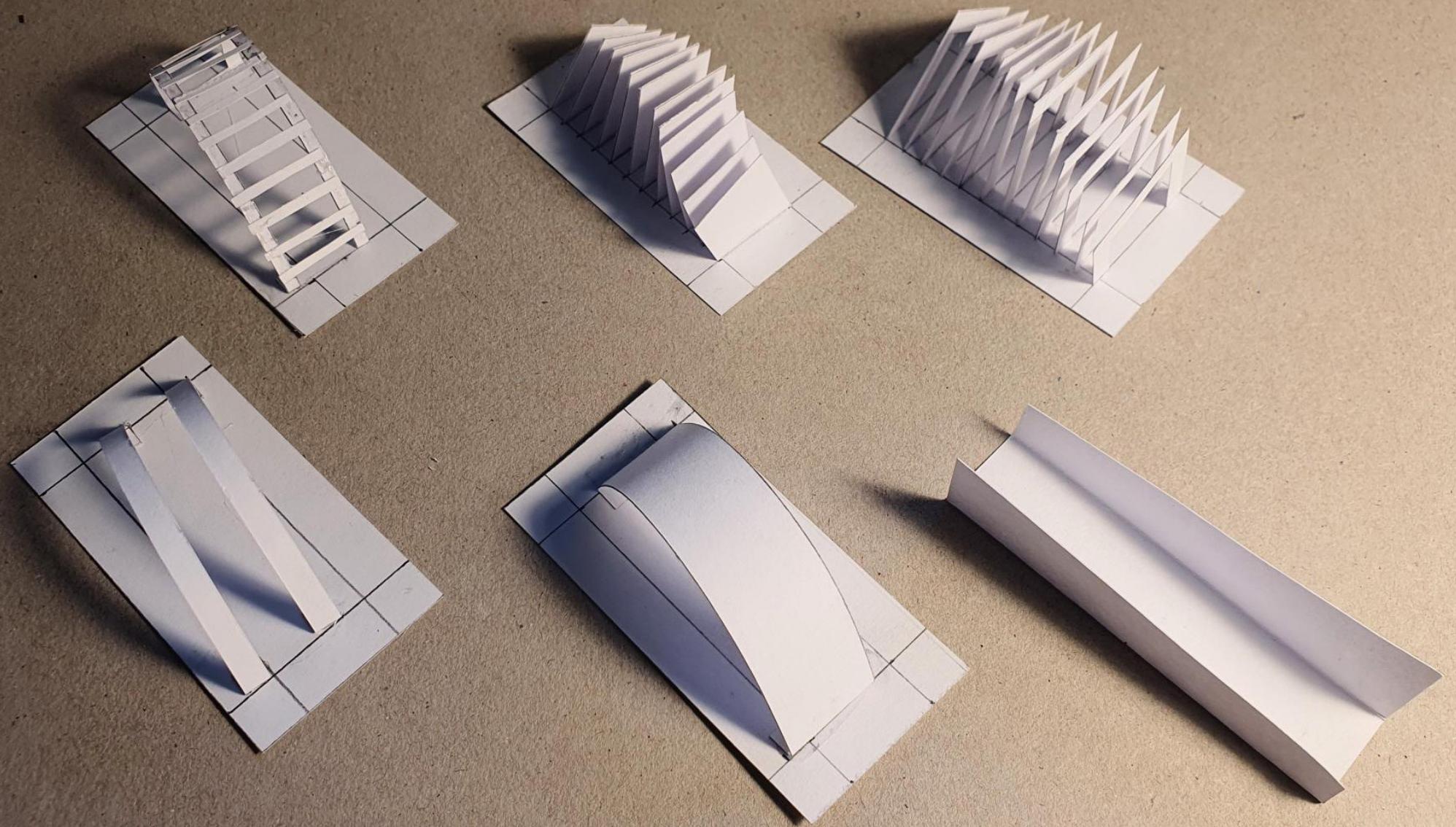
- 3. Shadings**
- 350mm rectangular box louvers (anodised aluminium with wood grain)
  - Aluminium louvers support/frame

- 4. Windows**
- 1700mm tall windows with double glazing (8mm float glass + 16mm cavity with argon gas + 8mm float glass) + 22mm laminated safety glass (prevents shattering)
  - Top hung cassette



1. 350mm depth / 20mm thick rectangular box louvers (anodised aluminium with wood grain) (lightweight whilst allowing red oak wood texture and colour to complement the weathered brass louvers)
2. Anodised aluminium louvers support/frame (prevents rust and matches with colour of the window frame)
3. Draw bar scroll (allow adjustable louvers)
4. End cap (prevents water infiltration)
5. Screws/ fixings
6. Screw plate (to attach metal support to box steel channel)
7. Horizontal box steel channel (secondary support for cladding and louvers)
8. 40mm Nordic Weathered Brass Rainscreen Panel cassette with 3mm brass metal panel
9. Hot profiles fitting (to support rainscreen cladding whilst allowing tolerance to expansion and contraction)





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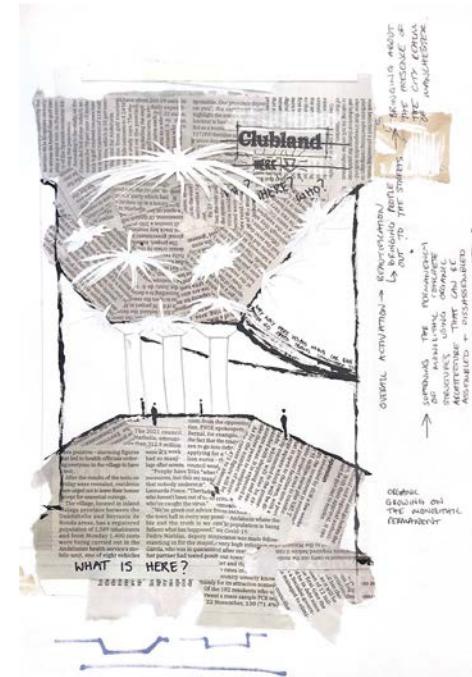
The Studio Skills sessions are an exciting platform where students experiment with a variety of techniques in order to produce work at a fast pace, whilst improving their design skills. This year, the Studio Skills sessions were organised to generate creative inputs from analogue experiences and collect a series of design tools pertinent to the BA Studio projects. The main objective was to develop a way of thinking whereby the Skills workshop is conceived as a continuation of the typical Design Studio experience.

'Developing by making' has been the critical approach adopted in the Studio Skills by transforming the students' act of mere drawing /making into an iterative design process. As if they were in an architectural office, the students had the opportunity to enrich their Design Journal by collecting several instruments from a range of expertise and tutors. Students were engaged in various Skills activities, such as: exploring the photo collage technique, analysing a site, working with city fragments, learning by redrawing, modelmaking and photographing and most importantly testing their ideas and approach. Initially devised as a BA2 Studio support, it quickly became a comprehensive platform for all three BA years.

### Socials

BA Studio Skills Instagram page:  
@msa\_skills

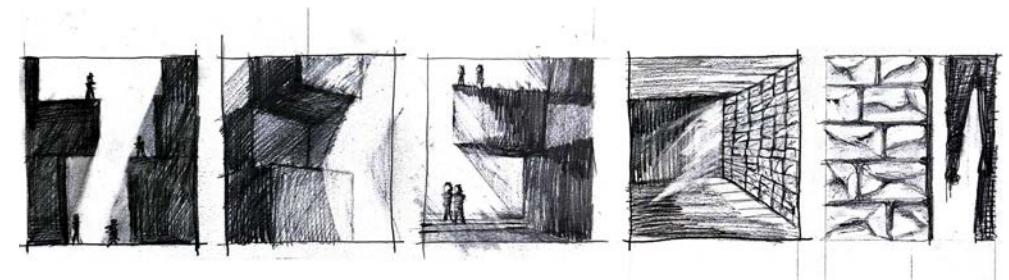
BA2 Studio Skills playlist:  
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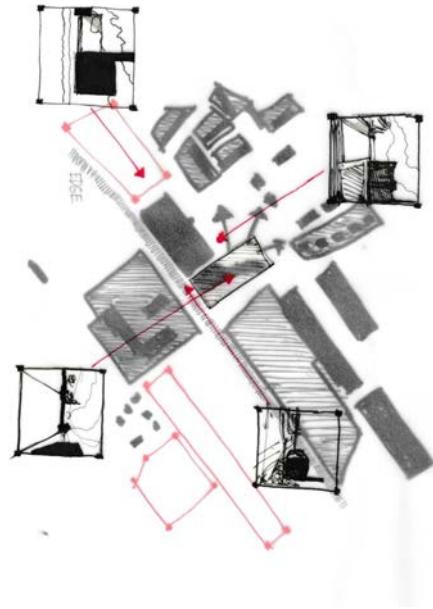
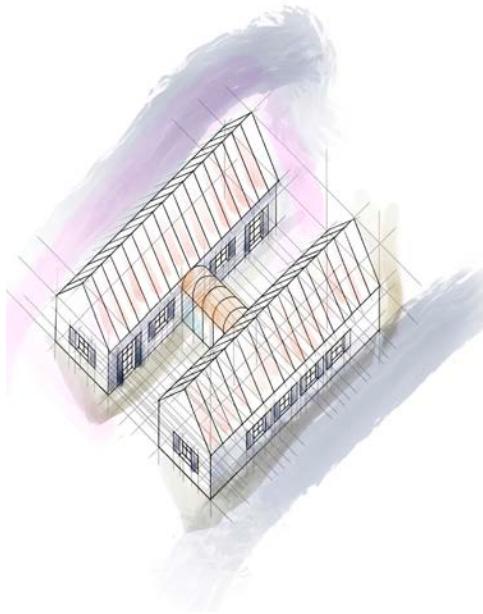
Julia Svendsen (BA3 Flux) - Design Journal



Rowdah Charbak (BA3 Flux) - Design Journal

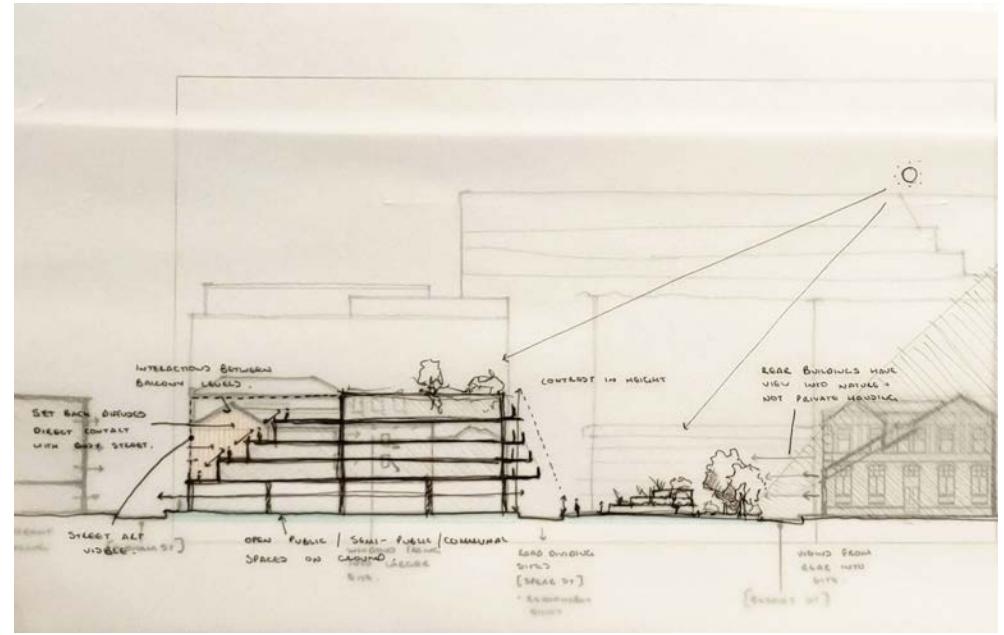


Virginia Italia (BA2 Student) - Play with brilliant

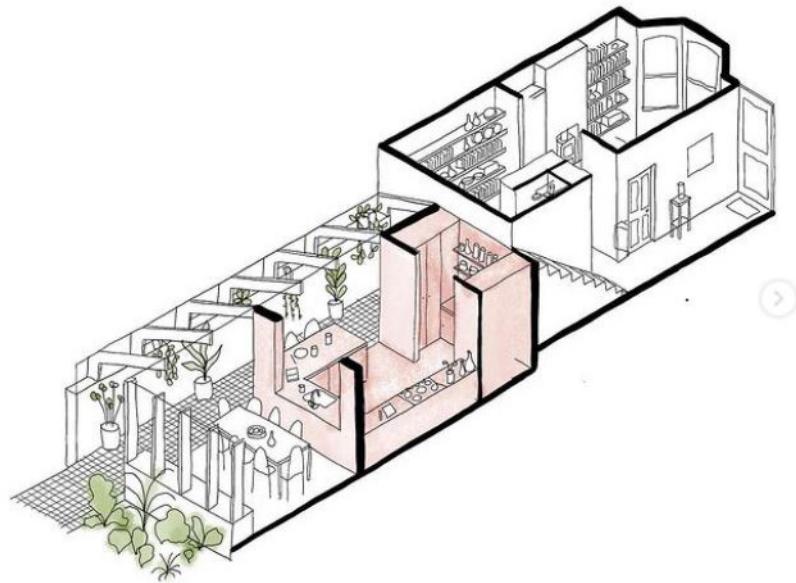


Nur Hanim Binti Norman (BA1 Student) - Drawing by Hand

Jack Prowse (BA2 Student) - City as domestic space



Bradley Foster (BA2 Student) - The City Section Study



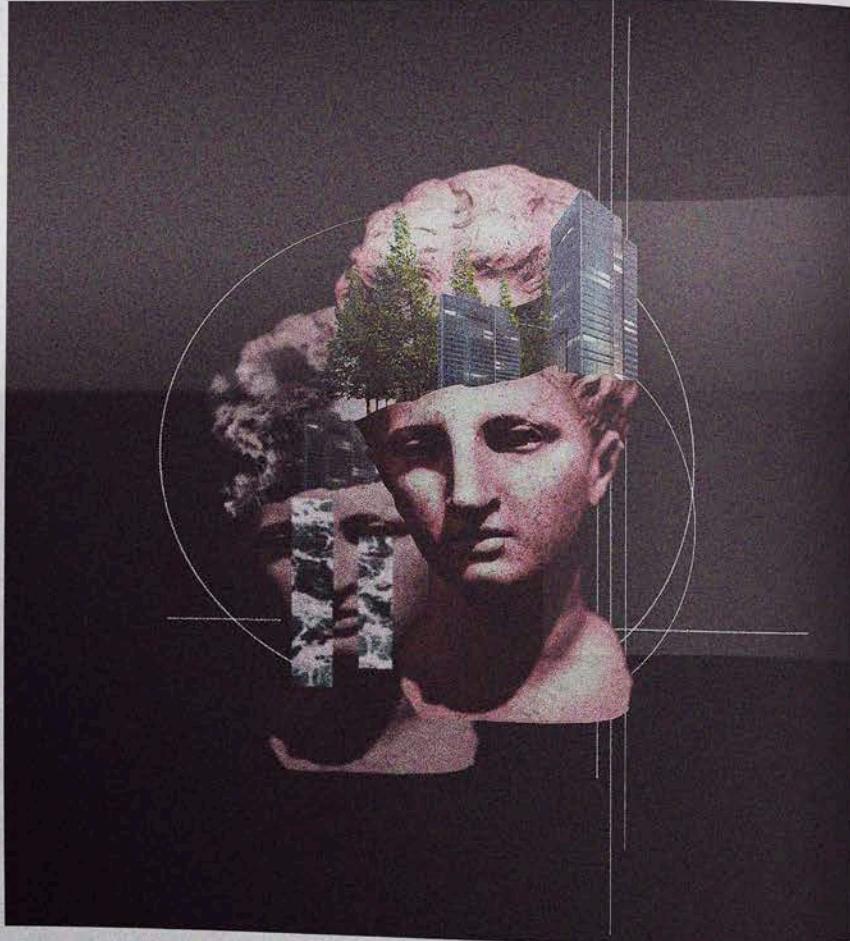
Kelvin Changroup (BA1 Student) - Starting from difference. Precedent drawing by Nimtim architects.



Ella Wheatley (BA2 Student) - Making the site

# HUMANITY

## THE SOURCE & SOLUTION TO ECOLOGICAL CRISIS



Andreea Maria Antoche  
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Namon Thongsuwan

*Cities are the epicentre of human activity, shaped by their politico-economic structure. They are also the essence of the perpetual environmental and social crisis which resulted from years of city governance rooted in capitalist urbanization.*

The recent worsening public health threat brought forward the need to discuss political and social ecology within Architecture. As issues of systemic racism and social injustice rise, the most deprived communities always suffer the consequences of an underrepresented policy-making system and an overlooked built environment. To bridge this gap, the future generation of Architects needs to address the intersection between political and social ecology in the debate for climate change and confront struggles of social justice and equity across the urban continuum. Our legacy should depend on our ability to reduce divides through the power of design instead of reinforcing race, gender and class differences. **The choice we make today, to discuss the lack of demographic diversity created by humans and resulting in climate change, should be the first step to coordinate design with policy solutions.**

Scientists have proved that human activity considerably accentuates the decaying of our environment, but one must ask **where and how have these issues originated?**

Urban Political Ecology is a concept that considers the intertwined socio-economical, political and ecological factors that have an impact on the urban environment, as well as its contribution to the current ecological crisis (Heynen, 2014). The study of urban metabolism contributes to understanding the parasitic relationship between urban environment and nature while evaluating the impact of the resources that the city consumes, what it produces and what results in growth and waste. Its uneven configurations across the globe convinced scientists to consider both natural and social factors as a creation of gentrification, food and air pollution (Heynen, 2014). Their impact on our society demonstrates what the author Bookchin argued in his publication: the ecological problems that humanity faces originated from well-established social disparities (2006).

**The urbanization of cities, occupied by more than half of the world population, produces 70% of the greenhouse gas emissions. As future architects, it is crucial to mention that this pollution is partially caused by manufactured products used in the building industry.**

**Why is there a need to produce such materials if they have a high embodied energy?** The answer lies in the relationship between rooted social exclusion of lower-income population and the need to produce rapid and inexpensive construction. New design strategies that require materials with lower-embodied energy and less thermal conductivity are valuable solutions to this problem and they have a significant impact if considered in the incipient stage of the design process. These methods could adapt to the ever-changing climate with non-mechanical shading systems and passive ventilation in case of extreme temperature variations. At best, these can be supplemental solutions, if given adequate support from multiple sources, but they should not be the only reactions from architects.

Considering the intersectionality between social issues and climate change, one must recognize how social issues such as racism, sexism and economic disparities, have a direct impact on our environment. **Countries with the highest level of carbon dioxide emissions are the least affected by climate change, but usually, prosper economically.** This points to a step back to racial, social and gender balance in decision-making. How can we expect decision-makers in a wealthy Western country to not base their policymaking and programming on money and profit? Megacities represent the unfitting conflation and the failure of collective initiatives to engage with the public, resulting in a big change in the public architecture of the city. Inner-city has created the barrier and become alienated into the three distinct sectors with unfair relations: lives of private cells where circulation replaces community for the majority, skyscrapers for the privileged, and slum or shanty town for the minorities (Schismenos, 2020). Green spaces are mostly occupied by car park space. **The spirit of local street and community shrivelled away, meaning the mutual connection among nature and society is also broken.** In this case, private contributions and assigning development areas could possibly address this issue by providing concessions in environmental regulations, as well as imposing restrictions for those future constructions and developments for the common good.

**This is a call to action!** We must acknowledge that the greenhouse gas emissions from the built environment have consequences beyond climate change that present a higher risk for socially excluded communities. Architects and not just students, need substantive knowledge of science to adapt the performance of buildings to the changing programmes and environmental conditions. We must aim to develop housing schemes that are affordable for socially excluded communities, construct safer houses in areas with a high environmental vulnerability, and bring security into unsafe neighbourhoods. In light of the current health threat, it is essential that stakeholders decide upon policies that satisfy the needs of the most vulnerable now, without hindering those of the future.

Bookchin, M. (2006). *The Ecology of Freedom: Gender, Air, Race*.  
Heynen, H. (2014). *Urban Political Ecology: The Urban Metabolism Program in Action*. *Black Box*.  
Schismenos, A. (2020). *Dwind Democracy: Social Ecology and Public Policy: The Right to the City and Social Ecology*. *Black Box*.

# CLIMATE EMERGENCY STATEMENT

## ANGELA CONNELLY

Climate Emergency Statement Lead

We are facing a climate and biodiversity emergency which architects, landscape architects, and urban designers have a moral and ethical duty to address. At the MSA, we already have innovative teaching and practice that addresses the climate crisis but we need to go further to address the gravity of the situation and to ensure that any responses to it do not exacerbate existing social and ecological injustices.

The academic year 2020/21 saw the MSA publish its position on the climate and biodiversity emergency which signals the way that we are radically restructuring our teaching delivery to ensure that the issue is embedded throughout our programmes. The Manchester Student Society of Architects also established its Climate Action group which is affiliated with Architects Climate Action Network (ACAN) who are pushing for curriculum change. We have also contributed to industry guidance and campaign groups to ensure that climate literacy becomes embedded throughout architectural education.

Next year, we will begin the process of transitioning to RIBA's new education Themes and Values on climate literacy and ARB's guidelines on sustainability for the profession. We will continue to weave in activities that place the climate and ecological emergency at the heart of our teaching and practice. And we will do so in a collaborative, just and pluralistic manner.



BA2 Manifesto - Ella Wheatley, Abid Farhan, Fraser Matthews and Iwan Toft



**MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE**

Image: Shaw Labrianidis-Kenny - Reimagining The Aqueduct

# MASTER OF ARCHITECTURE

## SALLY STONE

Programme Leader

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Sally Stone

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Laura Sanderson

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Vicky Jolley

The end of the academic calendar is always the opportune moment to reflect upon what has been achieved over the last twelve months. And what a year it has been! Enforced lockdown, working from home, and digital interaction with worldwide communication across many time zones have all been endured and enjoyed. The programme has refused to be assaulted by the global pandemic, the students have not been daunted by such circumstances and the staff have risen to the challenge. The MArch has adapted methods of teaching and learning to accommodate this extraordinary situation, we have creatively responded to the pandemic and developed strategies that encourage endeavour, promote wellbeing, and support scholarship.

Students have been reassured and emboldened to embrace the situation, not to mourn the lack of physical interaction but to enjoy the nearness that virtual interaction can provide.

We have conducted group projects from different continents, have collaborated through the Internet, and resolved problems across oceans. We have always encouraged group working and collaboration, and this year, as always, we have welcomed visitors from many countries and different time zones, and actively enjoyed the diverse attitudes brought by distinct cultures.

The MArch programme is proud of its northern roots, to be situated in the heart of Manchester and part of the ever more influential Northern Powerhouse. The links that the course has with the city through the profession, through the council and other organisations and of course through the local people are something to be immensely pleased with. But given these local connections, the programme also has an international outlook; over 40% of the MArch students are from

overseas. We have students from China, Hong Kong, Japan, Malaysia, Singapore, India, Pakistan, Bangladesh, Nepal, the Middle East, the USA, Nigeria, and of course, across Europe from Finland to Greece.

Our annual Open Review was truly international this year with visitors making constructive and critical comments from the USA, China, and South America as well as from across Europe, the whole of Britain and of course, lots of interested and interesting professionals from Manchester. Equally the participating students were similarly scattered – some are based in Manchester, but many more have been learning remotely all year.

The Ateliers have international connections, whether these are collaborations with remote universities, competitions in foreign climates, and projects focussed upon different cultures. The research informed outward facing atelier system has excelled in the closeness of the digital environment. It has allowed many more visitors to virtually interact with the programme, visitors who may not otherwise be in a position to travel. The seven ateliers allow students to develop their own trajectory through the programme. The system supports the focussed development of the individual student. Thus the suite of ateliers provides richness and diversity combined with an ethos of transparency, openness and sharing.

The research-through-design projects that all students complete in their first year underpin the programme. This fundamental reinforcement allows the students to pursue their own interests in the second year, thus graduating with an agenda for their future professional life. The agenda that all students develop is supported and reinforced through the dissertation and research methods units. These research-informed projects definitely encourage deep enquiry and develop skills. While the overriding concern of the MSA Live project is to create social impact. It is student-led and unites the first year Master's students with first and second year undergraduates in a festival of design and outward facing interaction. This year this programme was completely virtual, and so from the safety of their own homes, approximately 600 students worked with over 40 different partners to create two weeks of intense boundary pushing and beneficial projects.

Climate change has always been a driving element and is certainly embedded within the academic curriculum of the MArch programme. Not always through overt biometrics, but often much more subtly. Adaptive reuse of existing structures is inherently sustainable – less resources are needed, communities are retained, skills are preserved and the buildings updated for the needs of a 21st century population. Every single MArch student engages with the remodelling of existing buildings, all grapple with the fundamental problem of the relationship between old and new, and each develops an individual strategy for adaptive reuse. Housing and the requirements of changing populations are also tackled by all students during their first year on the programme. Differences in climate, locations, and needs are explored. The necessity to address climate change is a fundamental part of the programme; it is something that all students need to embrace, to fight for, and to develop creative methods for addressing.

The Programme has hosted a number of symposia. Invited speakers discussed subjects ranging from innovations within the adaptation of existing buildings, differing attitudes towards climate change, and creating atmosphere within architectural drawings. The teaching of Advanced Digital Design also moved entirely online. Informative recorded instructional sessions were supplemented with bookable one-to-one discussions with tutors. Thus the intensity that virtual interaction brings to all conversations has been fully exploited this academic year.

It was lovely to be able to invite recent graduates straight into the MArch programme. These students would normally expect to spend at least a year in practice between their undergraduate and post-graduate degrees, but given the understandable slowdown in the profession many chose to immediately continue with their education. To accommodate the lack of experience created by the want of professional practice, the programme has developed the Preparation for Practice (PREP) collection of activities. This includes an intensive week of meetings and talks with architects, summer-study sessions with professionals, and opportunities for practice observation. Given the on-going world-wide situation, we will offer the same opportunity to this year's

graduates. This supplements the regular professional networking and engagement events that the programme always stages.

The MArch programme has been gradually accommodating a vast increase in the number of students. To put this into context, just six years ago 80 students were recruited into the first year of the MArch, this year we welcomed over 260. Again the need to conduct tutorials and lectures virtually meant that it was quite straightforward to accommodate the increase. As we start to look forward to next year and the probable return to campus, it is good to know how successful this year has been, how we have worked so very hard to accommodate the situation, and how despite the circumstances it has been thoroughly enjoyable. What is important is to retain the good bits, build on the successes of enforced lockdown, and embrace the easy connections it has afforded. But saying this, it will be a great joy to be able to converse naturally within a crowded studio, serendipitously bump into people in the café, and actually physically pick up a well crafted model of a building.

This is my last year as the Programme Leader. After seven wonderful years I will step down at the end of this term. It has been an eventful journey. The programme has been transformed from an already thriving course into a highly successful, oversubscribed, outward facing, internationally relevant programme with a streamlined organisational system, contented academic staff and highly ambitious students. This was achieved through innovations in teaching, a radical overhaul of the structure, and the encouragement and trust that I place in my academic team. This successful approach has directly informed the elevated position that the school has recently occupied in the QS rankings. It has been a blast, but I know that the ambition, success, and thorough intellectual aspiration will continue, albeit in their own direction, with the Leaders elect: Vicky Jolley and Laura Sanderson

Sally Stone May 2021



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Image: Harry Westwood - Phygital Manchester: An 'Escape' for the Mind

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### Masters

"... while we are all floating on the same sea, it is clear that some are in superyachts while others are clinging to floating debris" - Antonio Guterres, UN Secretary-General, 2020

Covid-19 has amplified long-standing inequalities across the globe, bringing the multi-faceted exclusion that many people face into sharp focus. &rchitecture seeks to understand the potential for architects to affect positive change through inclusive and engaged practices. In doing this, we attempt to reconcile who we are as people with what we do as architects, rather than fall into habitual norms and practices that perpetuate many of the inequalities that are evident in society.

In M.Arch1 we undertake interpret 'professional studies' not as the simulation of an architect-client relationship, but the use of professional processes, skills and techniques to justify new forms of practice. In MArch 2, students develop individual thesis projects based on an issue, cause or consequence of social exclusion that interests them. They explore these questions through the development of non-linear, productive and iterative design research methodologies, ranging from physical prototyping to augmented reality games. These intuitive design methods engage with and clarify research questions as a technique to support routine challenging of biases and presumptions.

### PS1

Professional Studies 1 and 2 will explore the potentials for new models and typologies that better address the conditions of exclusion and inequality that Covid-19 has made unavoidable, but which have existed for years.

We are not designing responses for the short-term (i.e. for social distancing), but instead will look at social, economic, environmental propositions which respond to the structural inequalities in society, both in the UK and across the globe.

In PS1 students were asked to identify a group of people in their hometown who are disproportionately impacted by Covid-19, and to design a housing community that addresses the specific experiences of exclusion that they face. The students explored the role of housing as a central component of inequality, and developed different models of collaborative, interdependent housing in response. The international focus of PS1 allowed students to share the social, spatial and architectural challenges local to them, learning from each other's experiences as a means of understanding and tackling the perpetual global housing crisis.

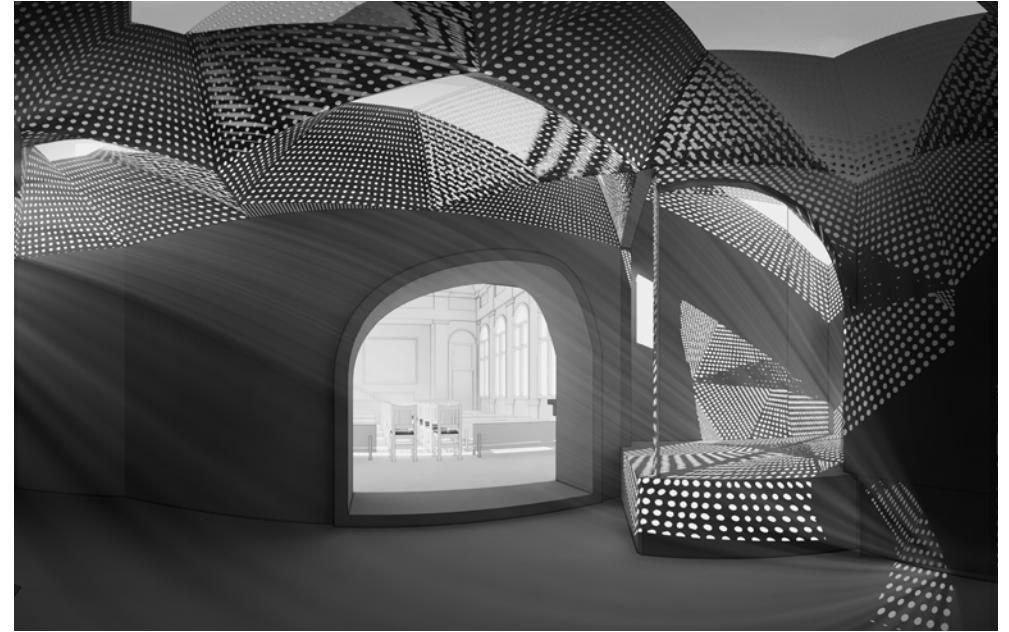
### PS2

In PS2, we questioned whether an increasingly exclusionary society be challenged without first addressing the notion that inequality can be solved simply by producing 'more' stuff – the unconvincing orthodoxy that in a world of excess, everyone will get enough. On the contrary, recent history has shown that the constant push for GDP growth above all else has led to natural destruction and human (and animal) exploitation, and an unequal distribution of the benefit. In PS2, we will explore the architecture of degrowth – a possible future driven not by accumulation, but by new collective relationships. In groups, students explored one of six themes; rights, production, family, technology, play and distribution. Each group will develop their own programme for the site, proposing a series of non-residential spaces and associated public realm.

Our site is Manchester Abattoir in Openshaw, Manchester - a series of 1960s concrete buildings that were once the most technologically advanced abattoir in Europe when opened but quickly proved to be unfit for modern commercial environment. In keeping with the degrowth agenda, students were challenged to reuse the existing structure and develop technical and environmental strategies that addressed issues of waste, reuse and carbon cycles (as well as human behaviour).



Cezara Misca - Generating magic in the city



Ariel Chesley - Radical Incubator: A virtual reality exhibition to generate historic empathy with radical movements



Binyu Binev - Stimulating an inclusive Architecture Practice and Education using Entrepreneurship Approach



Amanda Chua - Reframing Junkspace: A new typology for student accommodation



Abigail Colder - Reclaiming Urban Territory: Rewriting the Narrative of Gendered Urban Experience



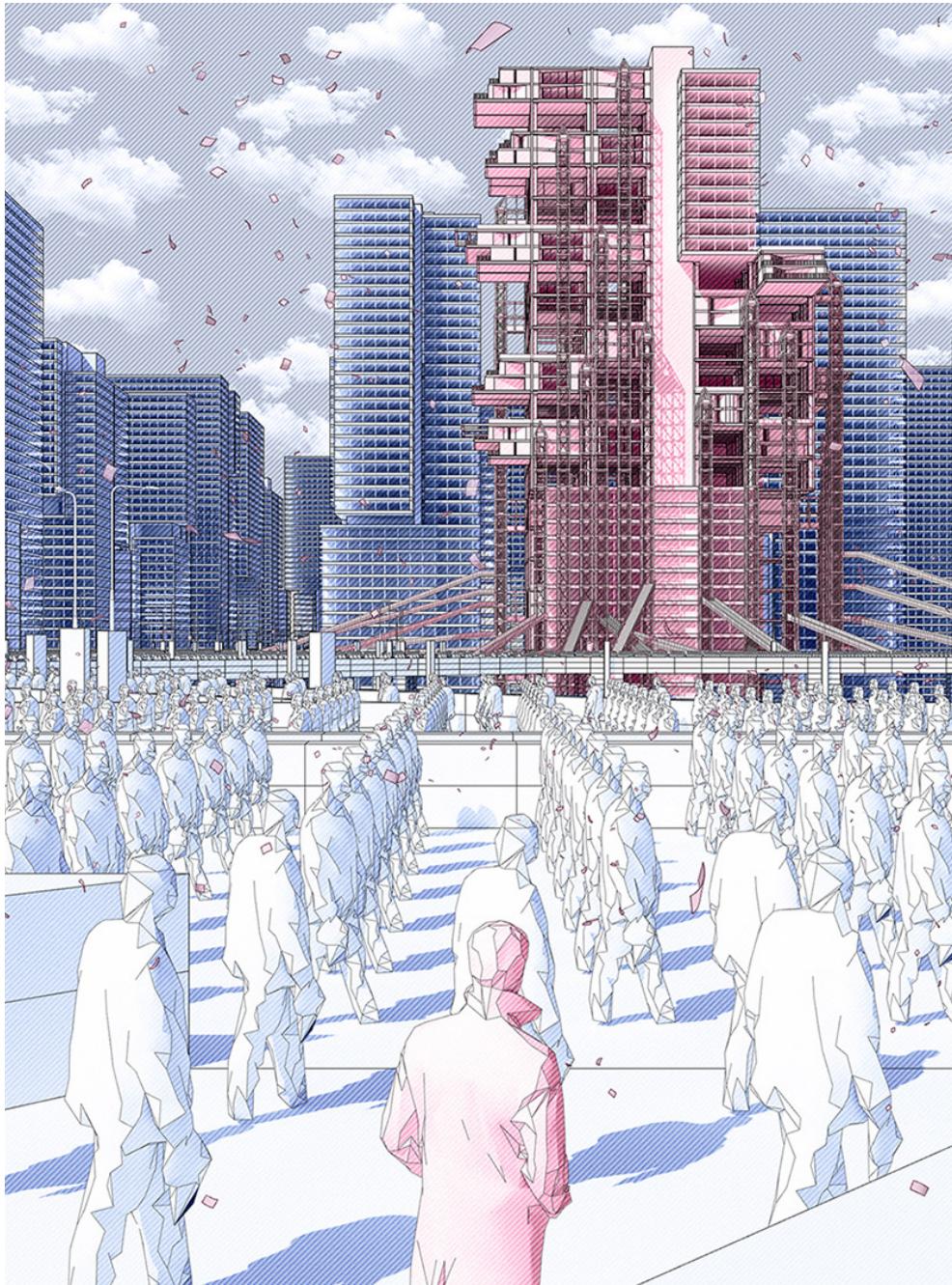
Emily Hagger - From Crisis To Community: Using polyphony to address stigma and funding within mental health



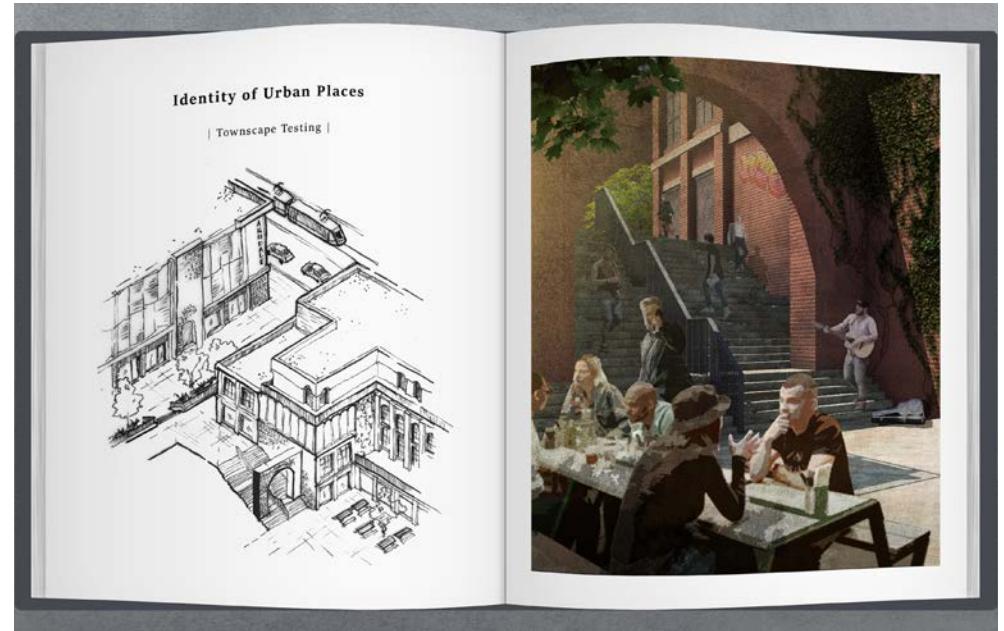
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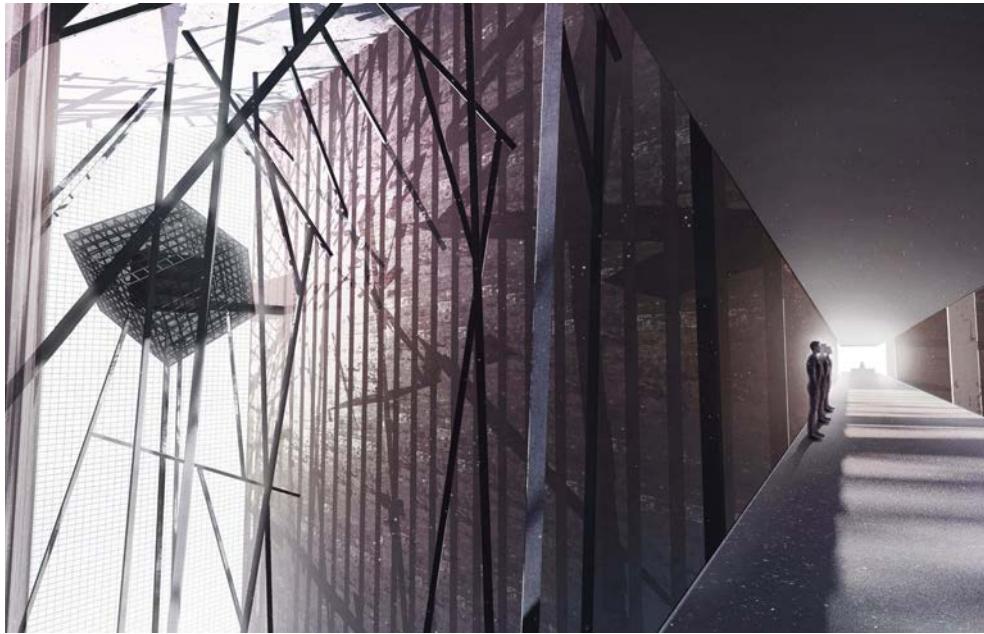
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Crystal Poon - PlayHouse: The breathing room for cage dwellers in Hong Kong



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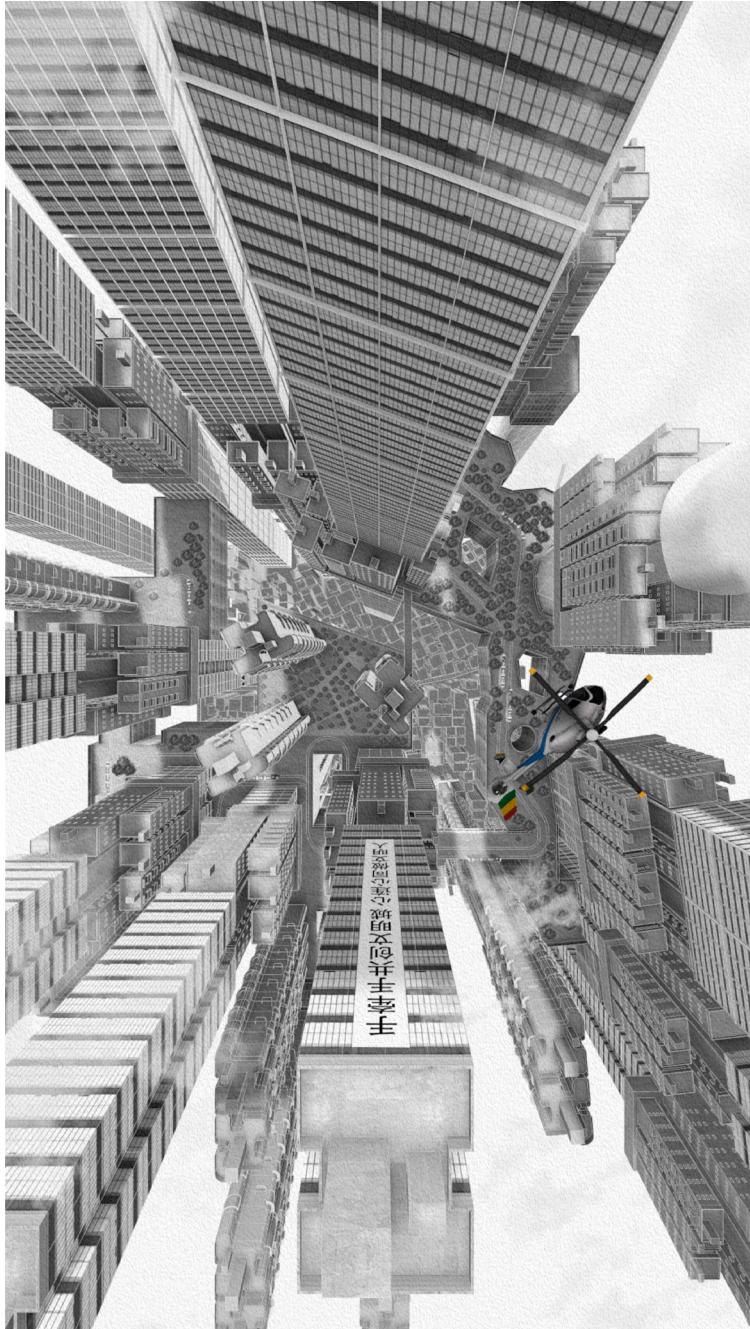
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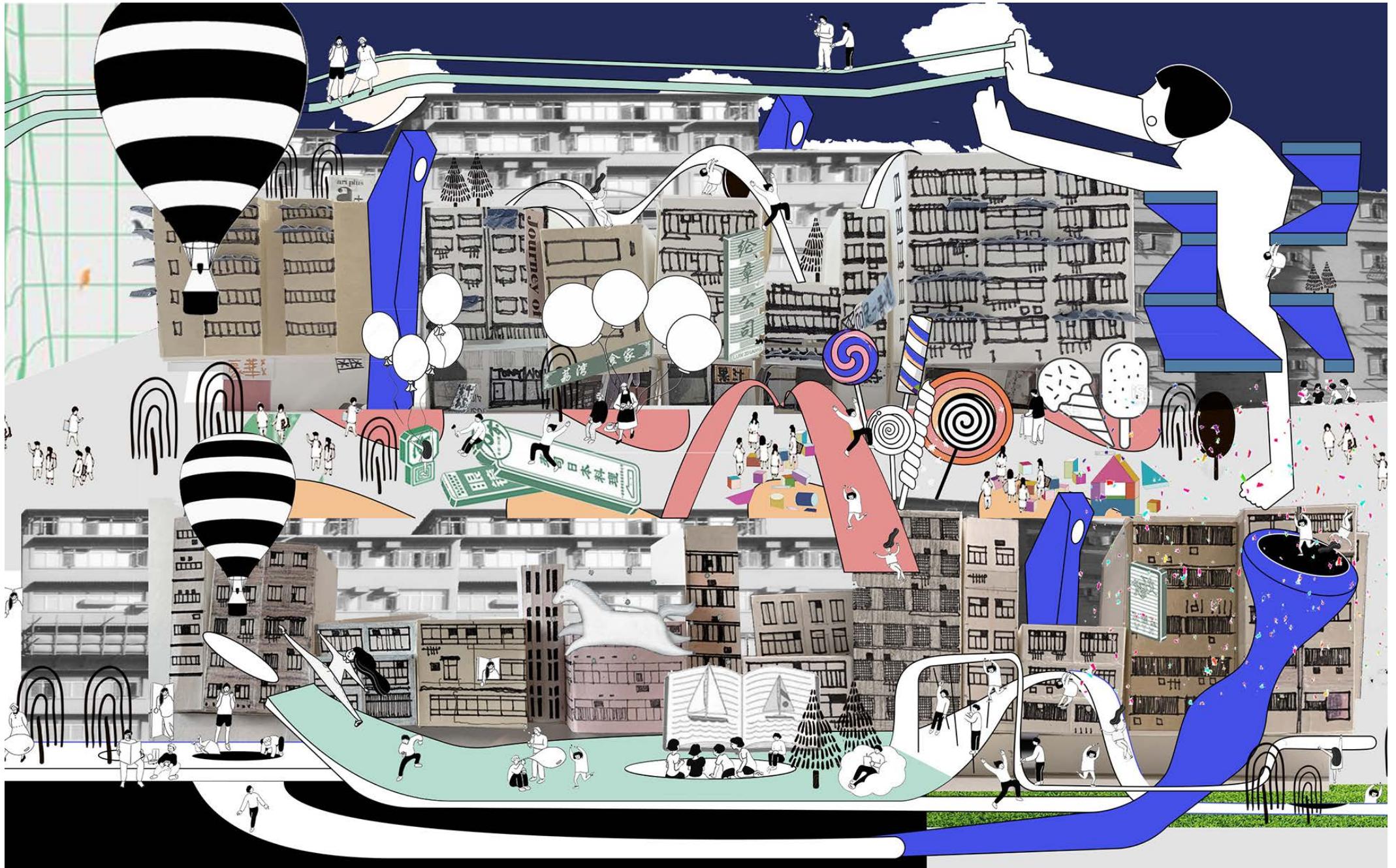
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Lok Kan Katie Au - City of Odds: When Unequal Territories are Narrated in Immediate Juxtaposition



Nestor J Ruiz Medina - Migration Is Not a Crisis Revisiting liminal typologies inhabited by sub-Saharan migrants



Veronica Wong - Urban Space for Urban Childhood



**ADVANCED PRACTICE**

Image: Zakaria Islam - Cymatic Ornament

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### Advanced Practice

The atelier is conceived as a think tank and test bed - a platform for research and experimentation in architectural design and is concerned with holistic understandings of design and sustainability in light of the significant challenges of climate emergency.

Within the evolving context of advanced architectural practice our interest lies in the interaction between technology and people, in the design and delivery of environments that support the needs and activities of contemporary and future society, in a creative, positive and equitable way.

We engage and collaborate with specialist consultants and local community groups in response to live briefs as well as international competitions. All projects explore contemporary and novel design methods and material performances in tectonic and spatial propositions. Testing occurs in application to a specific programmatic brief and this year's projects explored dimensions of sustainability and change over time.

PS1 projects considered the future of sustainable residential typologies through the Solar Decathlon competition for the US Department of Energy with two teams selected as finalists. PS2 projects explored health and well-being, social and environmental sustainability via proposals for a health campus in North Manchester.

Studio thesis projects begin with collaboration with a live client in Mexico, exploring sustainable design principles and ecologies. Thesis projects then developed these ideas, applying techniques and understandings of material performance to a range of scales, typologies and international contexts. Projects ranged from detailed technical studies of facades and construction to masterplans and urban scale interventions. All projects adopt and integrative and holistic definitions of sustainability.

### PS1

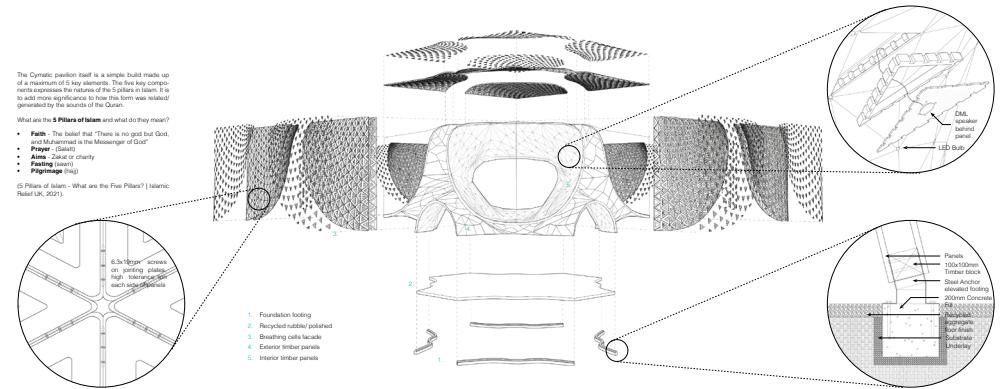
PS1 projects considered the future of sustainable residential typologies through the Solar Decathlon competition for the US Department of Energy, with two teams selected as finalists. The project tested the efficacy of prototype designs. Each student team identified replicable design strategies that could significantly improve UK, Malaysian & Australian housing for both existing and new builds. A trend towards post-pandemic home working raised questions about what a sustainable home can be. Lively weekly seminars and discussions alongside in-depth tutorials define our studio culture to support independent thinking and open inquiry.

### PS2

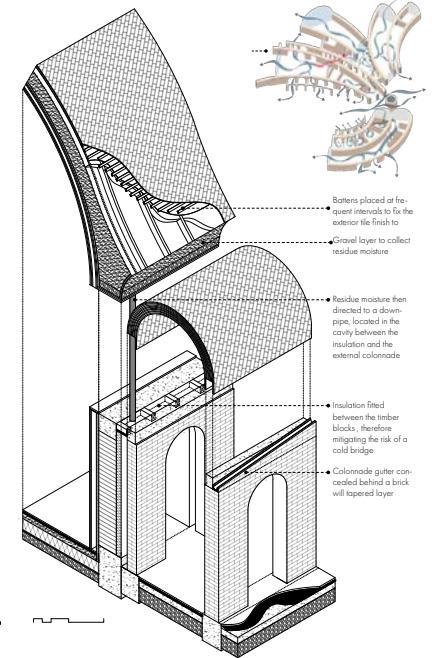
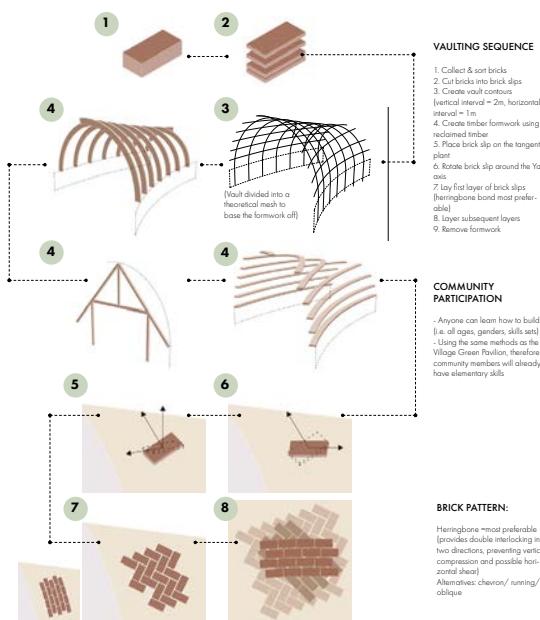
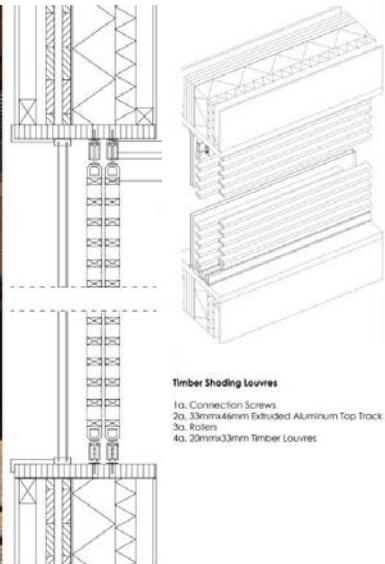
PS2 projects explored health and well-being, social and environmental sustainability through the creative exploration of the Net Zero Carbon North Manchester Health Campus; a live project focused on transforming health outcomes for residents of North Manchester. Advanced Practice had weekly studio sessions with the NHS design team, which provided unique insight into the dynamics of a live project from the architects, engineers, project manager and cost engineers involved. An outcome of the student's engagement has been the creative inspiration into a live project. The Masterplans illustrated the programmatic and physical links that architecture can help make between acute healthcare and well-being in the city. Many of the projects explored the reuse of bricks from the demolished buildings on-site to reduce waste and explore the possibilities of this versatile construction material.



Zakaria Islam - Architecture, Sound, and the search for a 'Spiritual Revival'  
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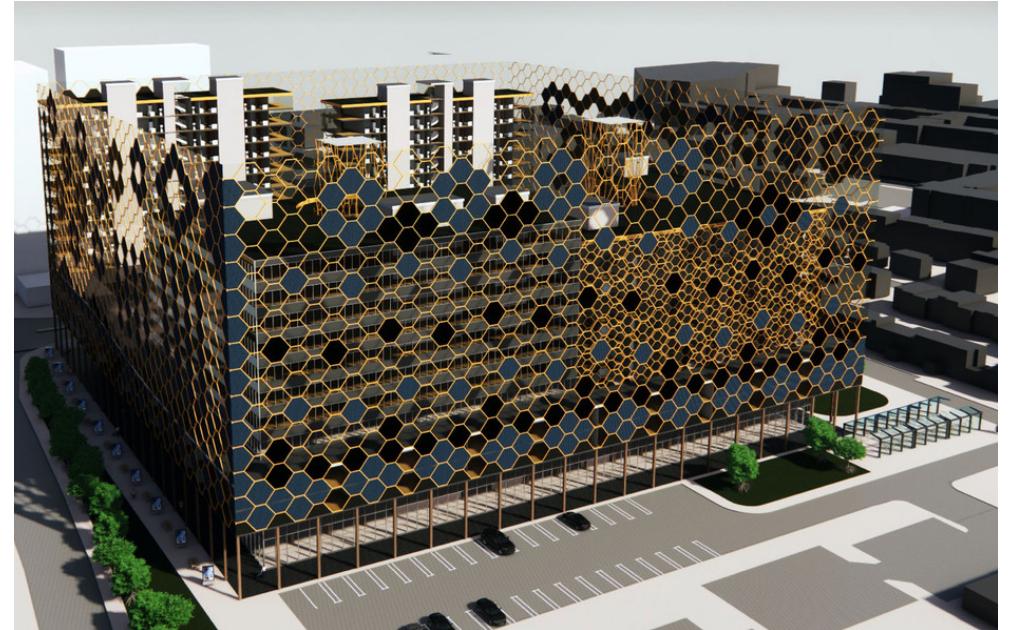
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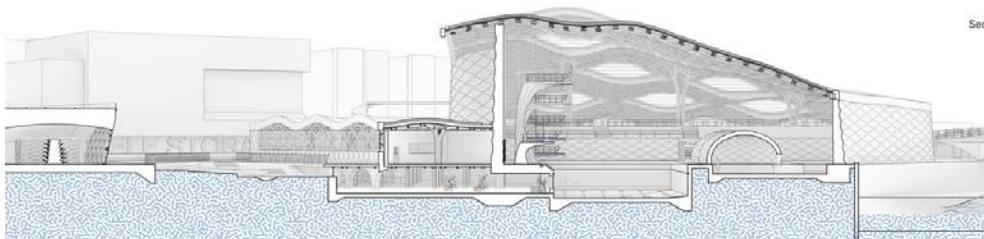
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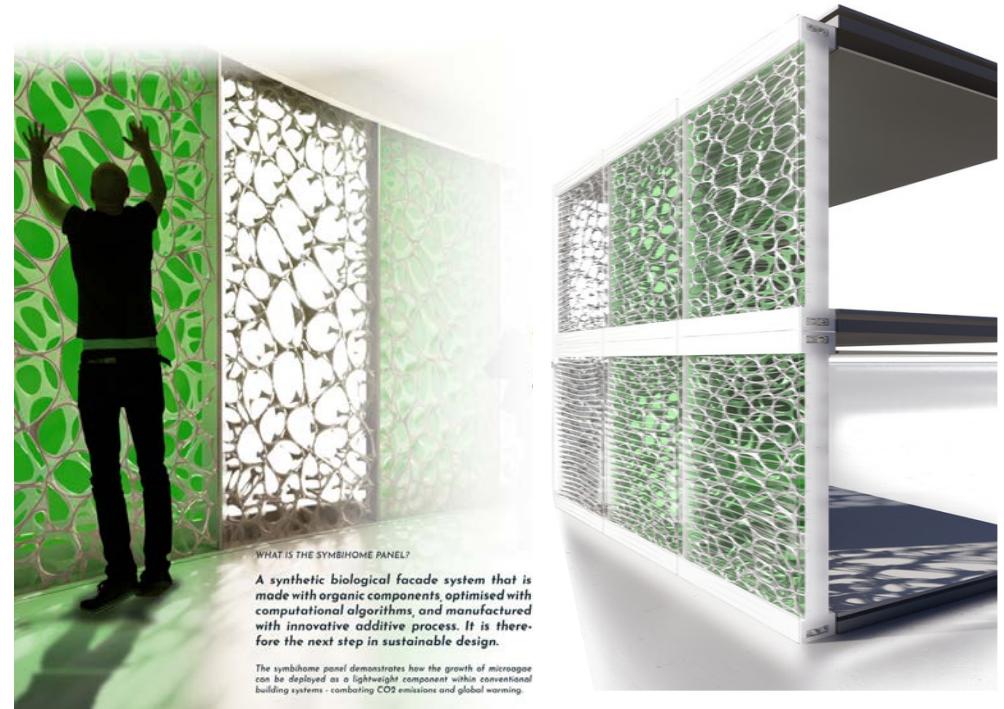
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Heston Harris - Modular Re-use of the UMIST Campus



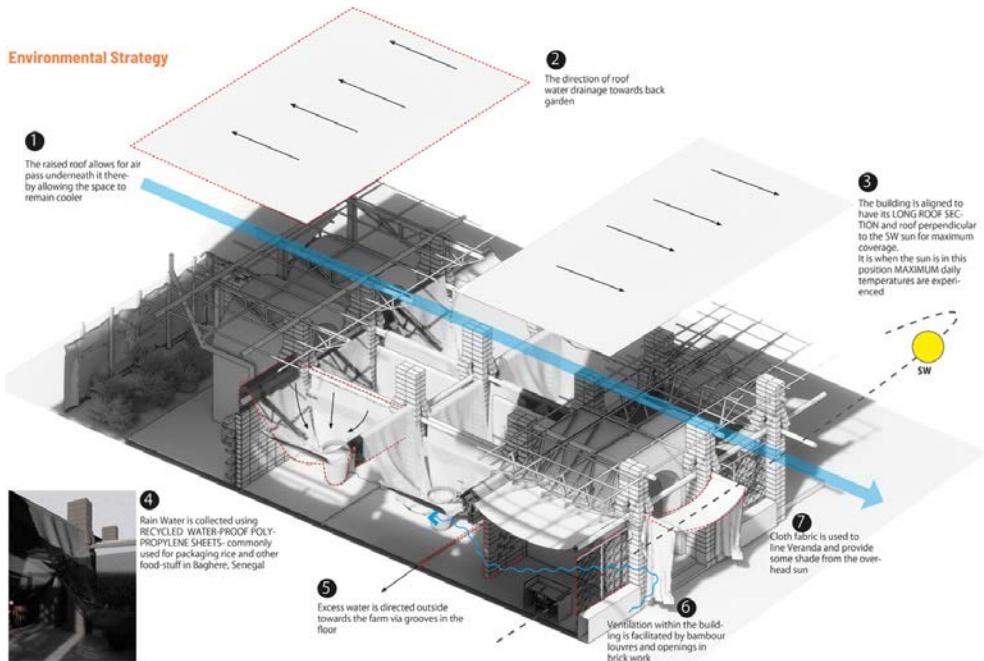
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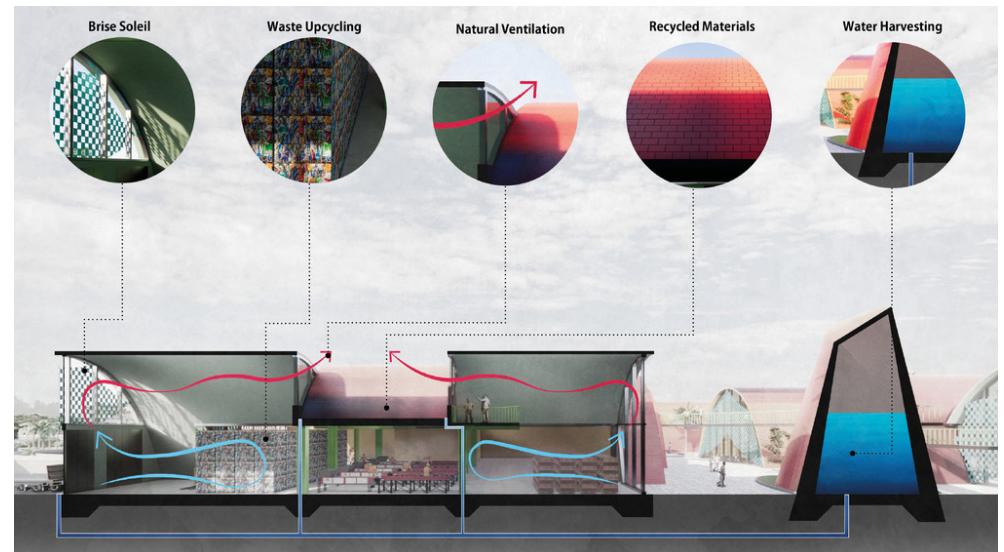
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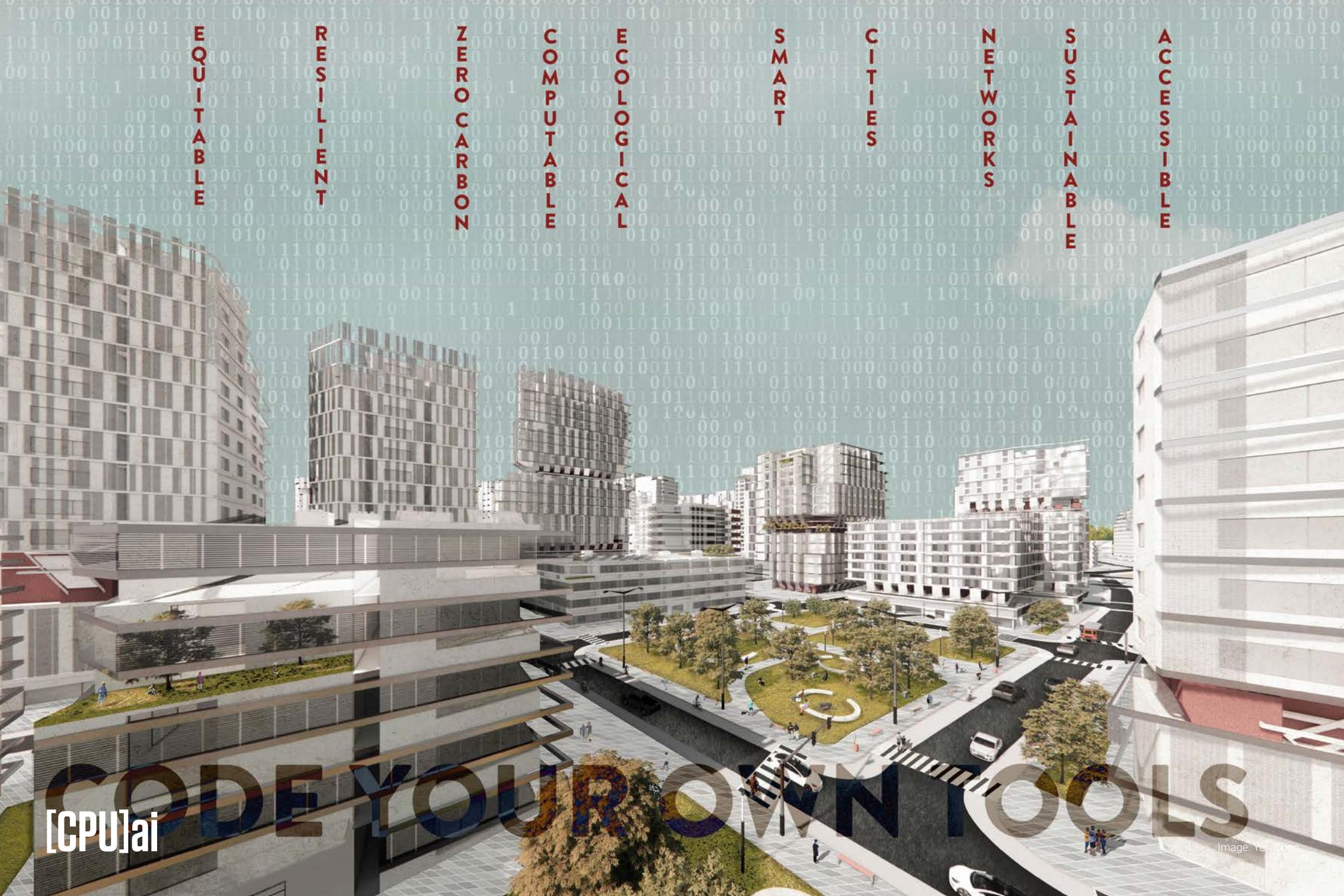
**Environmental Strategy**



Samuel Okoh - Mothers' Embrace



Szymon Konrad Milczarek - Waste-to-Architecture Factory



ACCESSIBLE

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SMART

ECOLOGICAL

COMPUTABLE

ZERO CARBON

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[CPU]ai is a master's atelier at the MSA using a complexity framework to progress a new Design Science approach referencing systemic forms of design (R. Buckminster Fuller) and the study of design/the artificial (Herbert Simon). Students translate methods from the [CPU]lab – an externally funded research laboratory – into experimental design approaches through the development of new digital techniques/tools, computational thinking/information systems and applied urban theory addressing social-sustainable-technological transitions and spatio-temporal urban transformations. The work expands the frontier of design studies by addressing shortcomings in the ability to usefully comprehend the implications of design contributions within the complex, multiscale, temporal and emergent phenomena that constitute the contemporary urban process. This year [CPU]ai explores 'Resilient Urban Futures' from multiple sustainability perspectives in the MArch (and BA3).

In MArch5, [CPU]ai engages directly with MMU estates as a stakeholder while interpreting the theme as conceptual and theoretical application. PS1 focuses on Design for Manufacturing (DfMA) for student housing as a technology led approach engaging with BIM and future manufacturing, to explore new opportunities within this design space. PS2 focuses on digital design strategies, knowledge-based design and the role of precedent study and analysis in adaptive reuse in architecture.

In MArch6, [CPU]ai engages directly with Manchester City Council and the Far East Consortium on the Northern Gateway regeneration project. The project is one of the largest regeneration projects in the UK (15,000 new residential units for 35,000 people). The fifteen year strategic development planned as an extension to the city centre needs to achieve commercial viability/high density, while addressing multiple sustainable development agendas, including the UN-SDGs and

Net-Zero. Design projects were based on: Student led research into the complex (relational, overlapping and contradictory) drivers and trajectories of change in this major redevelopment project; A contextual understanding of theories and expansion of new skills for computational urban design processes/approaches; Development of students own computational constructs/tools/applications to generate temporal and value-based design outcomes; Analysis of generated design outcomes using performance indicators in consultation with the project stakeholders to identify sustainability principles and approaches for best practice.

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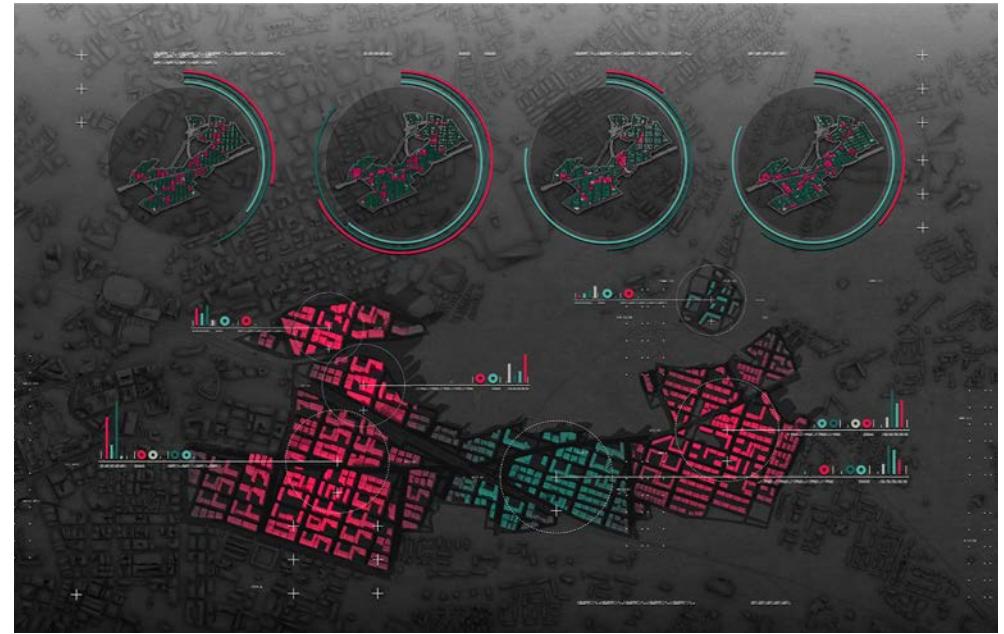
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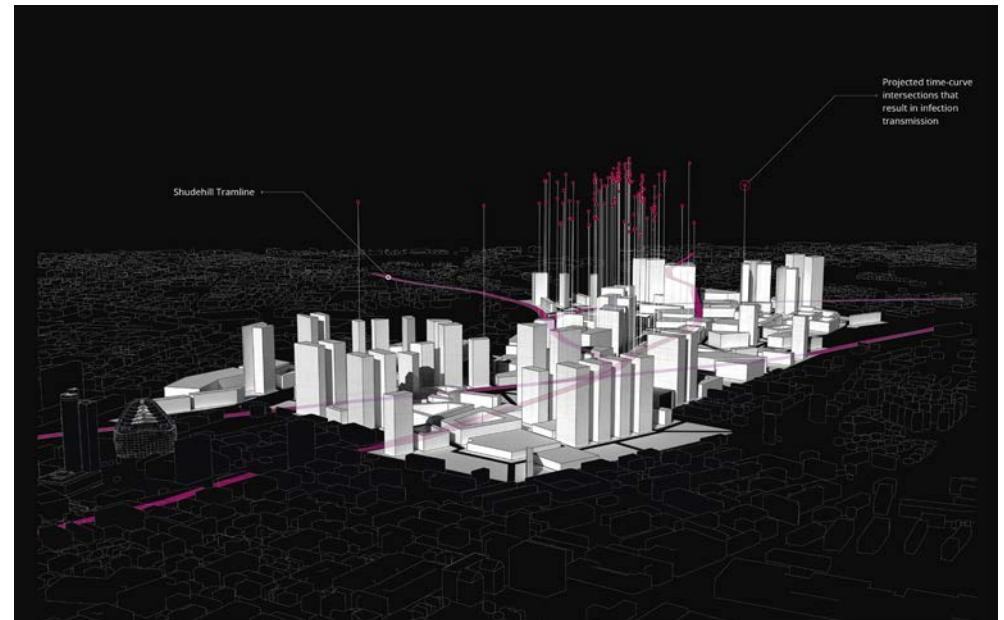


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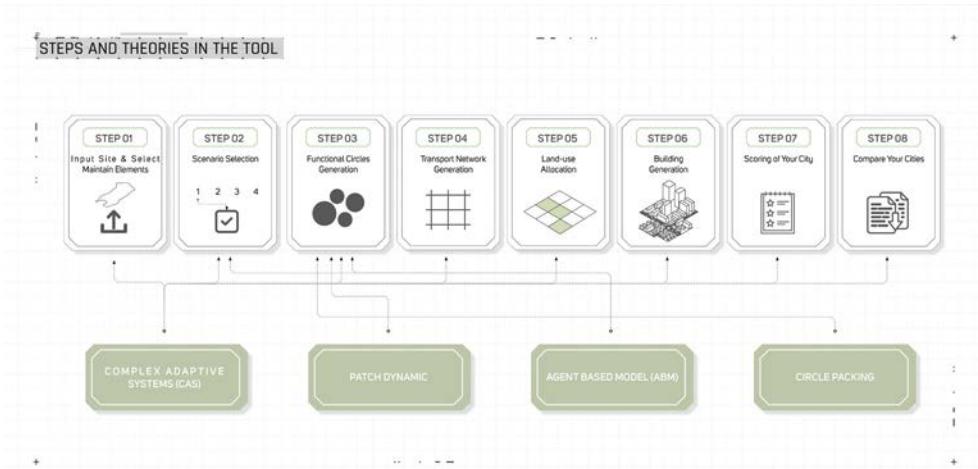
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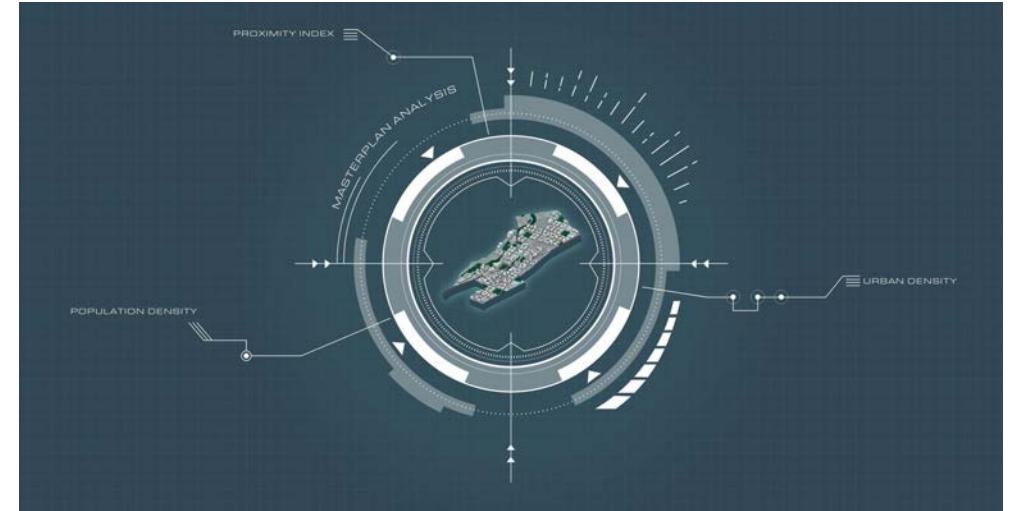
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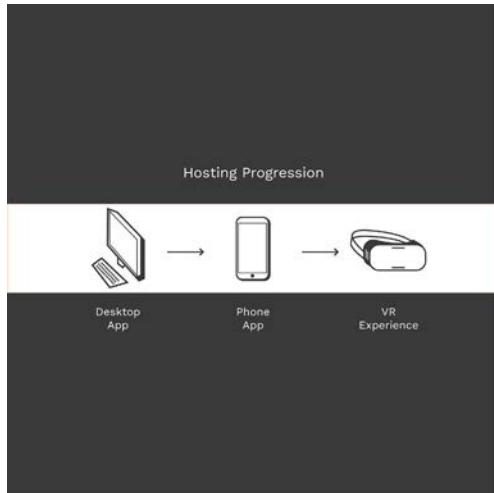
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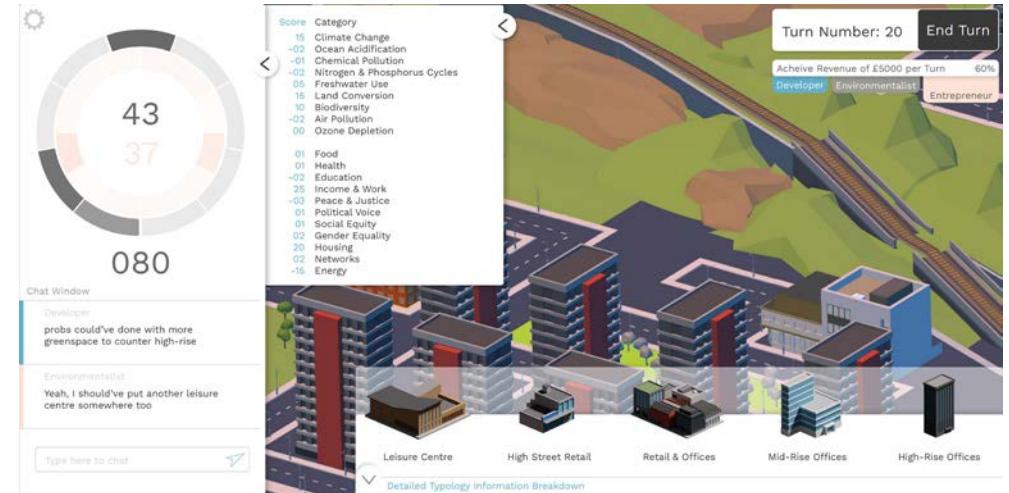
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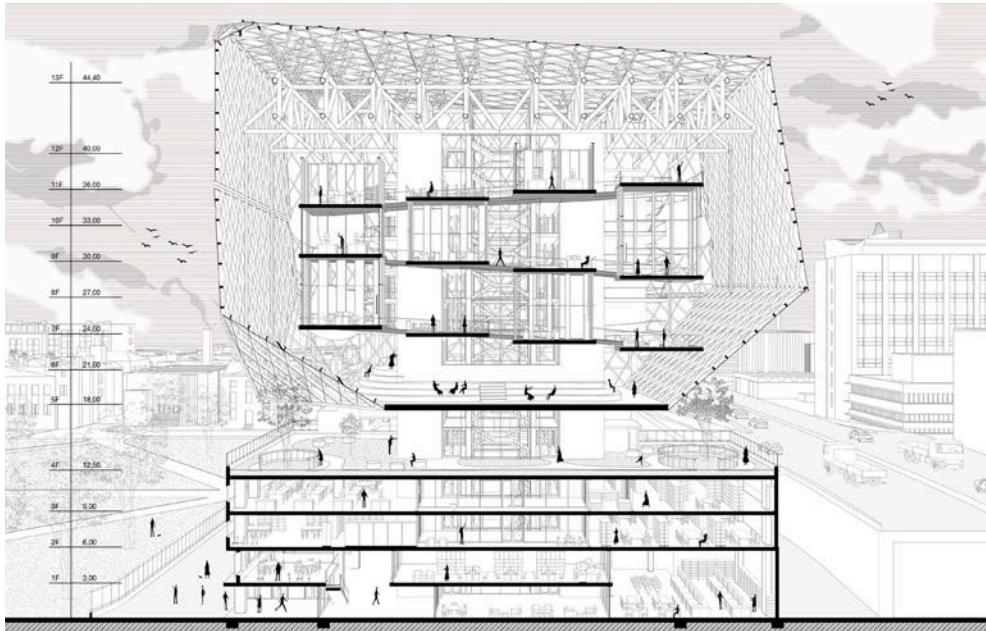
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Nagaoka, R. - A multiplayer online game to engage multiple stakeholders in balancing urban development with Doughnut Economics



Kareem Alsaady & Marco Nesi - Stacking DfMA Prefabricated Prefinished Volumetric Construction



Giorgos Porakos & Effimia Athanasakopoulou - Computational design - facade design driven by internal and external conditions using grasshopper 3D



H. Byrom H. Millburn T. Cooper & Y.Salimi - integrating nature for improves learning conditions and health



Chen Botao & Yao Wei - External Render





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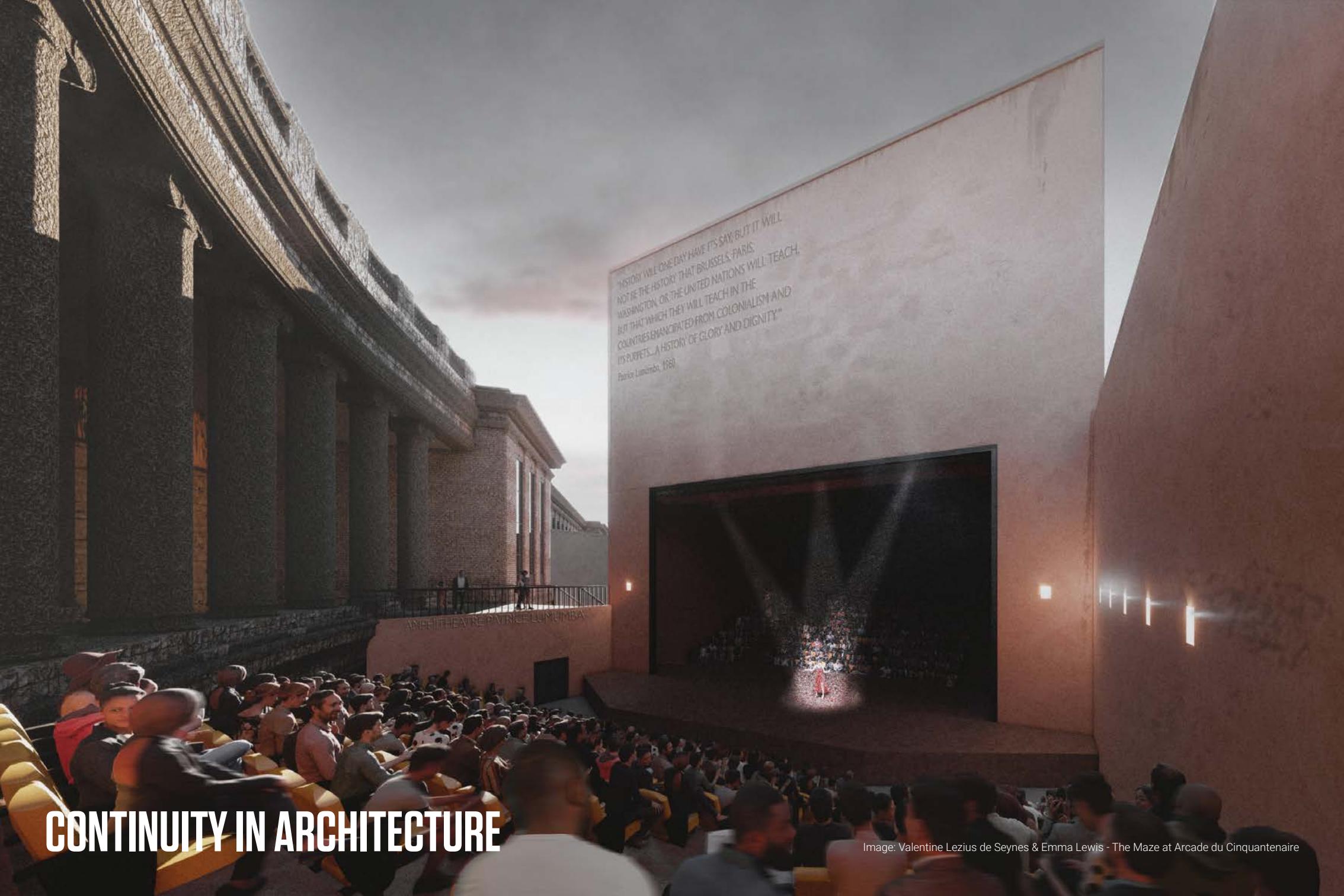
Nayeem Zuhair Hussain Shaik & Panayiotis Ioakim - A new hybrid living/learning design for MMU



A. Jawdatt B. Kimathi B. Stewart & S. Akhtar - Internal View



J. Andruszkiewicz J. Baker & P.Malakouti - External Render



"HISTORY WILL ONE DAY HAVE ITS SAY, BUT IT WILL NOT BE THE HISTORY THAT BRUSSELS, PARIS, WASHINGTON, OR THE UNITED NATIONS WILL TEACH, BUT THAT WHICH THEY WILL TEACH IN THE COUNTRIES EMANCIPATED FROM COLONIALISM AND ITS PUPPETS... A HISTORY OF GLORY AND DIGNITY"  
Patrice Lumumba, 1960

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# CONTINUITY IN ARCHITECTURE

Image: Valentine Lezius de Seynes & Emma Lewis - The Maze at Arcade du Cinquantenaire

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### Continuity in Architecture

Continuity in Architecture believes that the city is an exciting, complex, and crowded place, full of contrast, juxtaposition, discord and incongruity. Colin Rowe and Fred Koetter describe it as a 'didactic instrument', that is, a place in which a desirable discourse can be formulated. We believe that the constructed environment is charged with narrative content, that it is a place in which certain elements come to the fore, while others are more modest, more unassuming, but no less important or carefully considered. The built environment is created from the collective endeavours of many generations; each of which has its own priorities, focus, or agenda, and it is the interpretation of these priorities that proves to be the impetus for further evolution or change.

This year the MArch Atelier worked across three live research strands:

Contentious Heritage examined the reuse of buildings and structures that contained a difficult past in collaboration with University Hasselt. Thesis themes included the legacy of Leopold II, the walled city of Kowloon, the industrial past of Manchester and the future of the 'Gallery of Degenerate Art'.

Encounter and Exchange questioned the future of the Historic High Street (in collaboration with Bradford Civic Society and the Townscape Heritage Scheme). Projects included the reuse of Bradford Church Institute, a new housing quarter and the Corridor of Lost Artefacts.

Settlement Chronologies drew upon previous investigations into the particular qualities of small settlements in England. The project questioned whether the exploration of these places can be conducted in a similar manner to that of urban areas, or, whether they need an individual set of parameters and guidelines.

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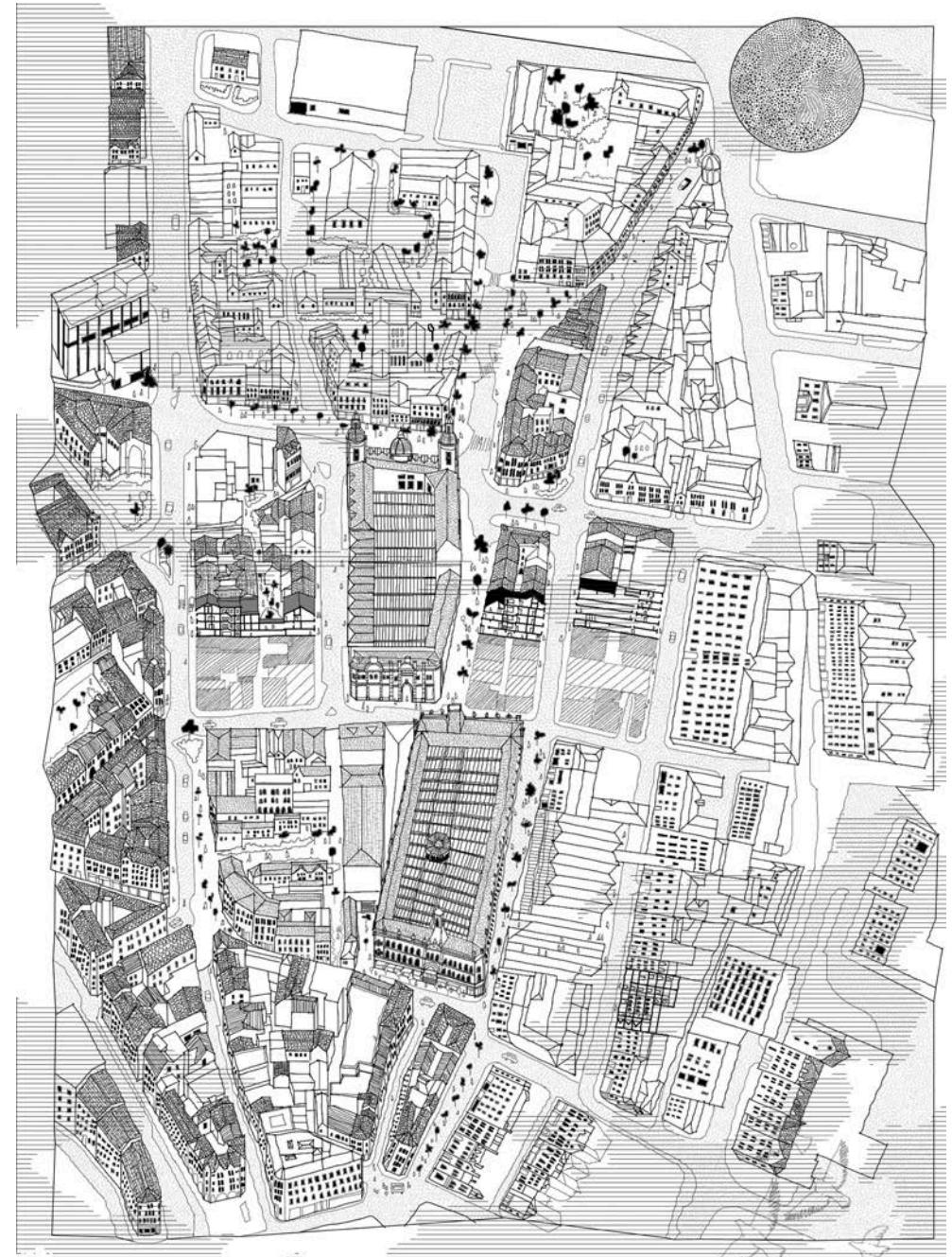
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Tahreem Amjad - Design as a Process, New Compositions. Contentious Heritage.



Natasha Blows - Morning at the Neues Haus Der Kunst. Contentious Heritage.



Sonia Balaguru & JoLynn Tan - The Imaginary Bradford. Encounter + Exchange.



Niall Coleman & Ifan Jones - From Rawson Place to the Square. Encounter + Exchange.



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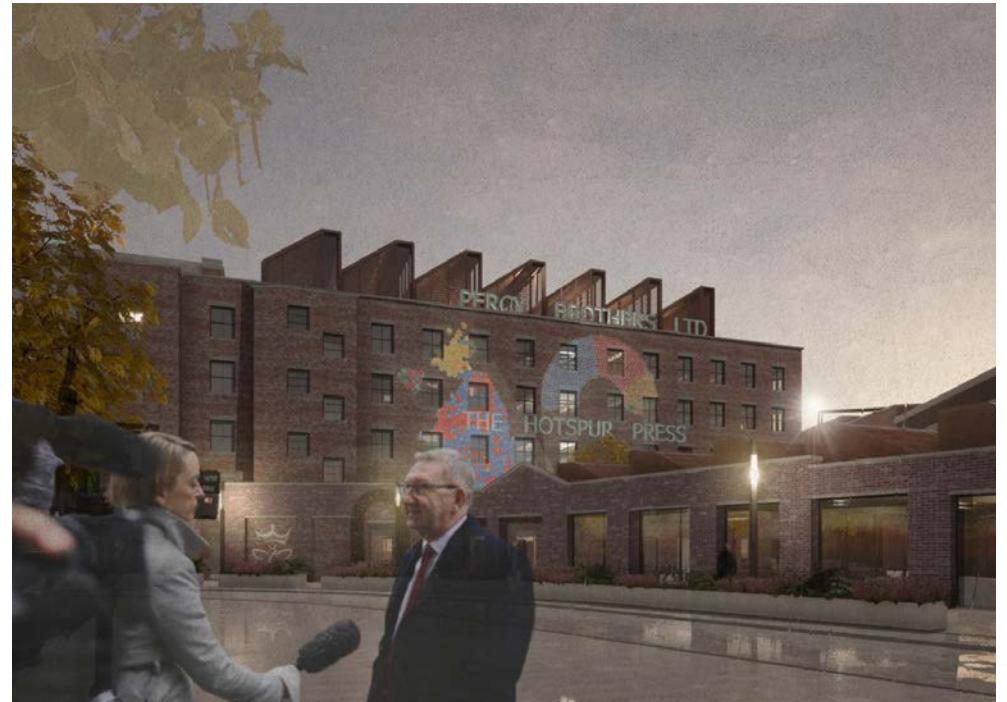
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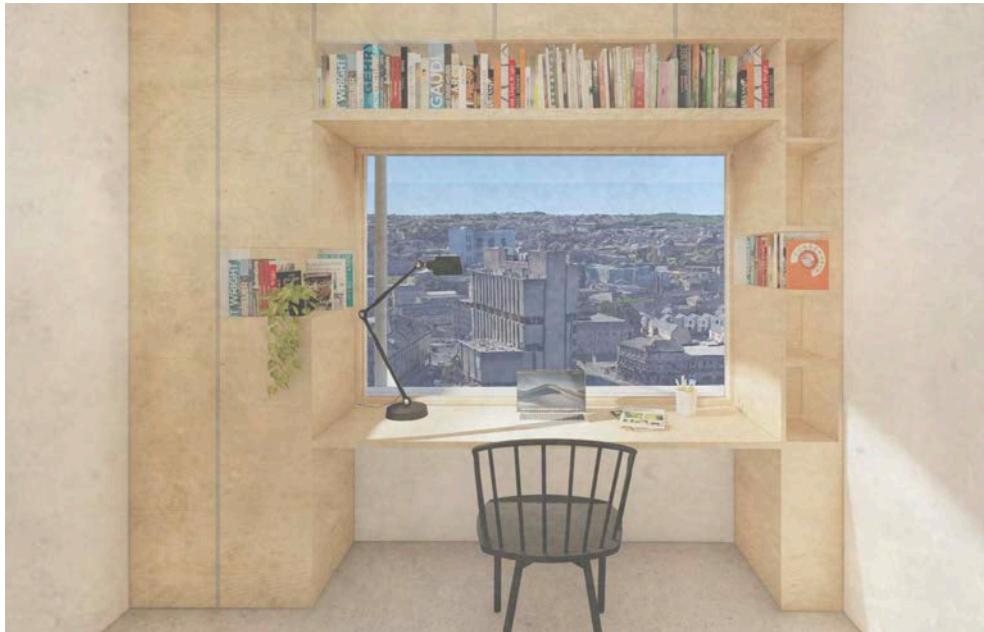
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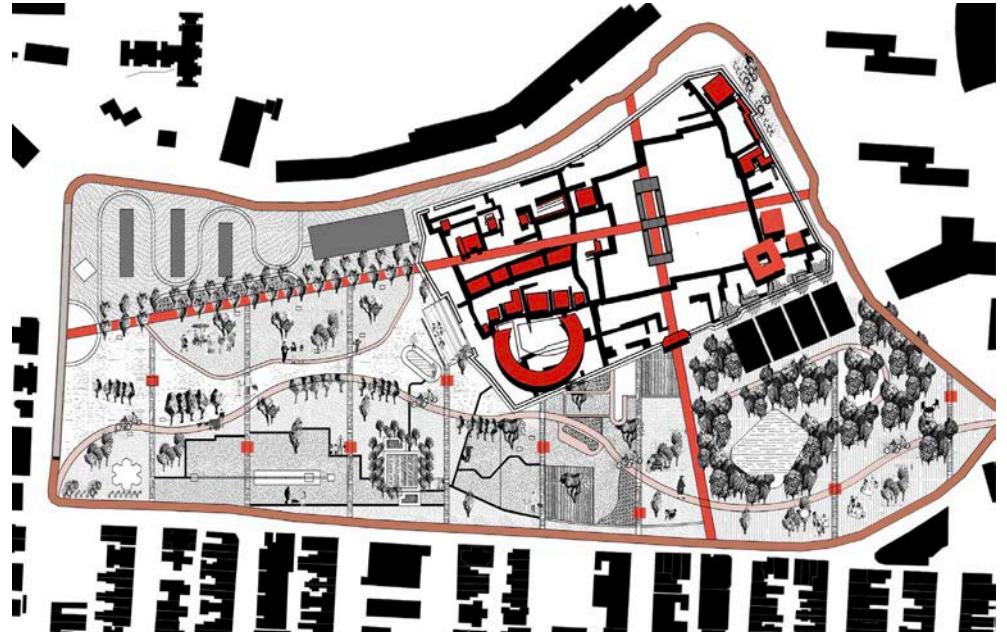
Jumana Tarazi - The Faculty of Ceramics. Contentious Heritage.



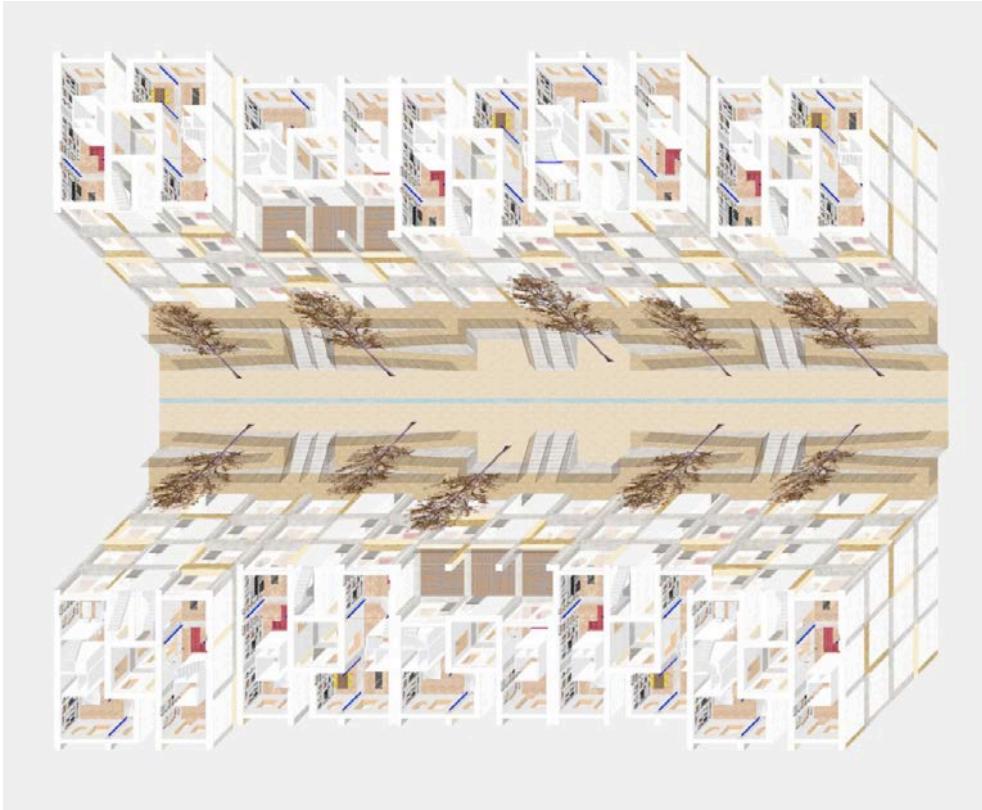
Hayden Webster & Lucy Woodward - Across the Vista. Settlement Chronologies.



Millie Barrow & Robert Crutchley-Macleay - Working from Home



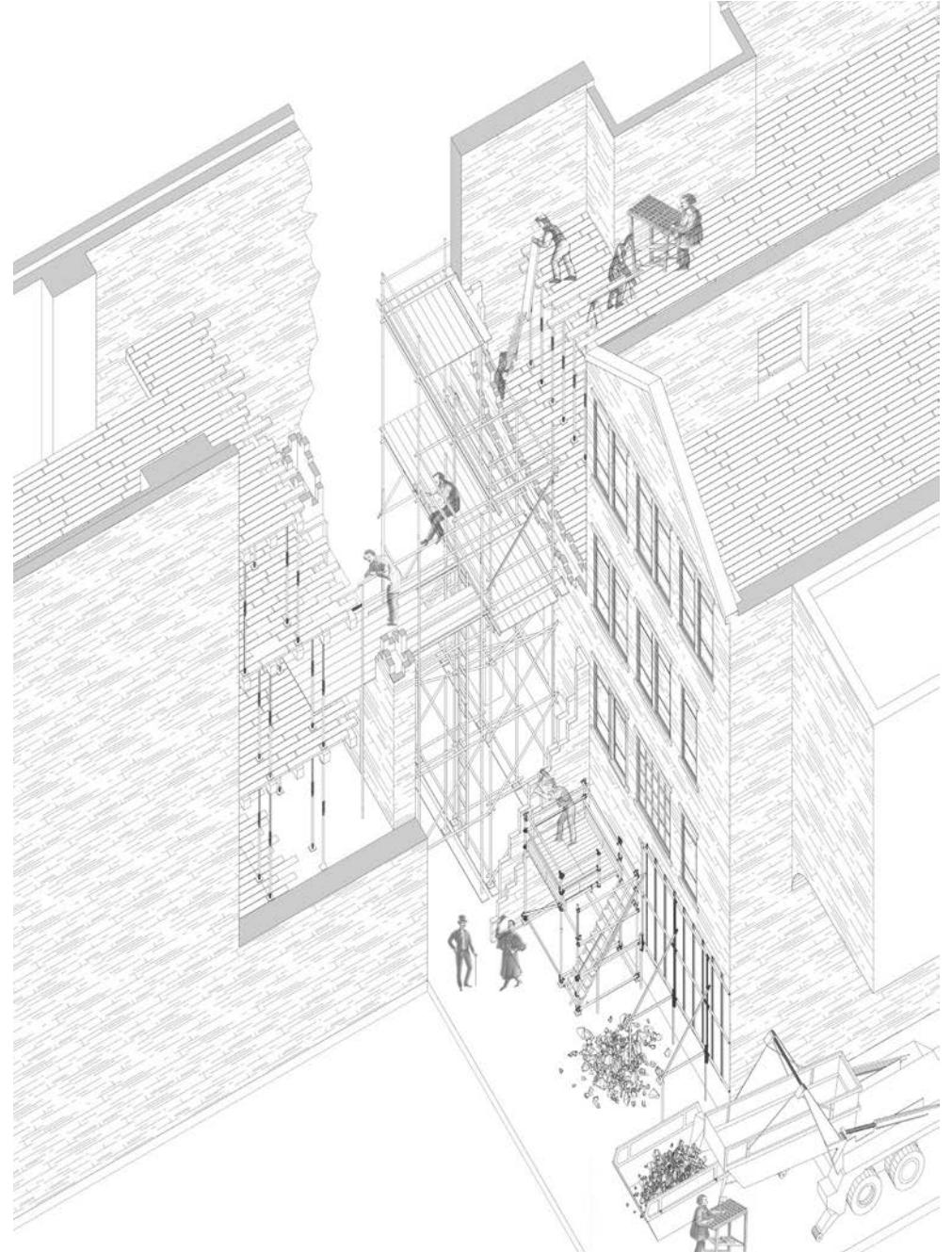
Gei Ga Wong - Events, Movements, Objects in the Kowloon Walled City. Contentious Heritage.



Jamie Reed & Danito Oledan - PS1



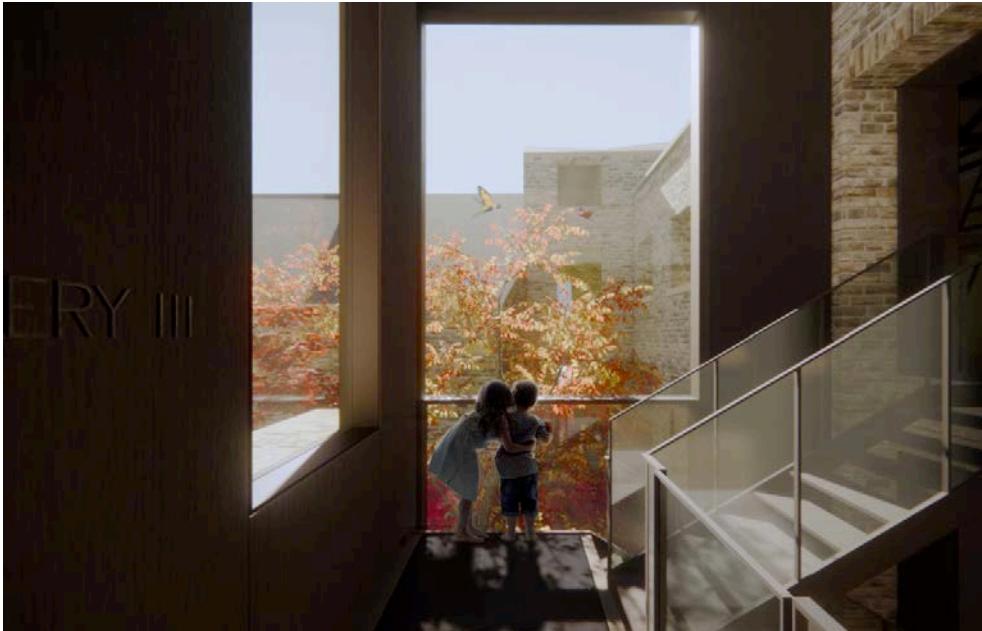
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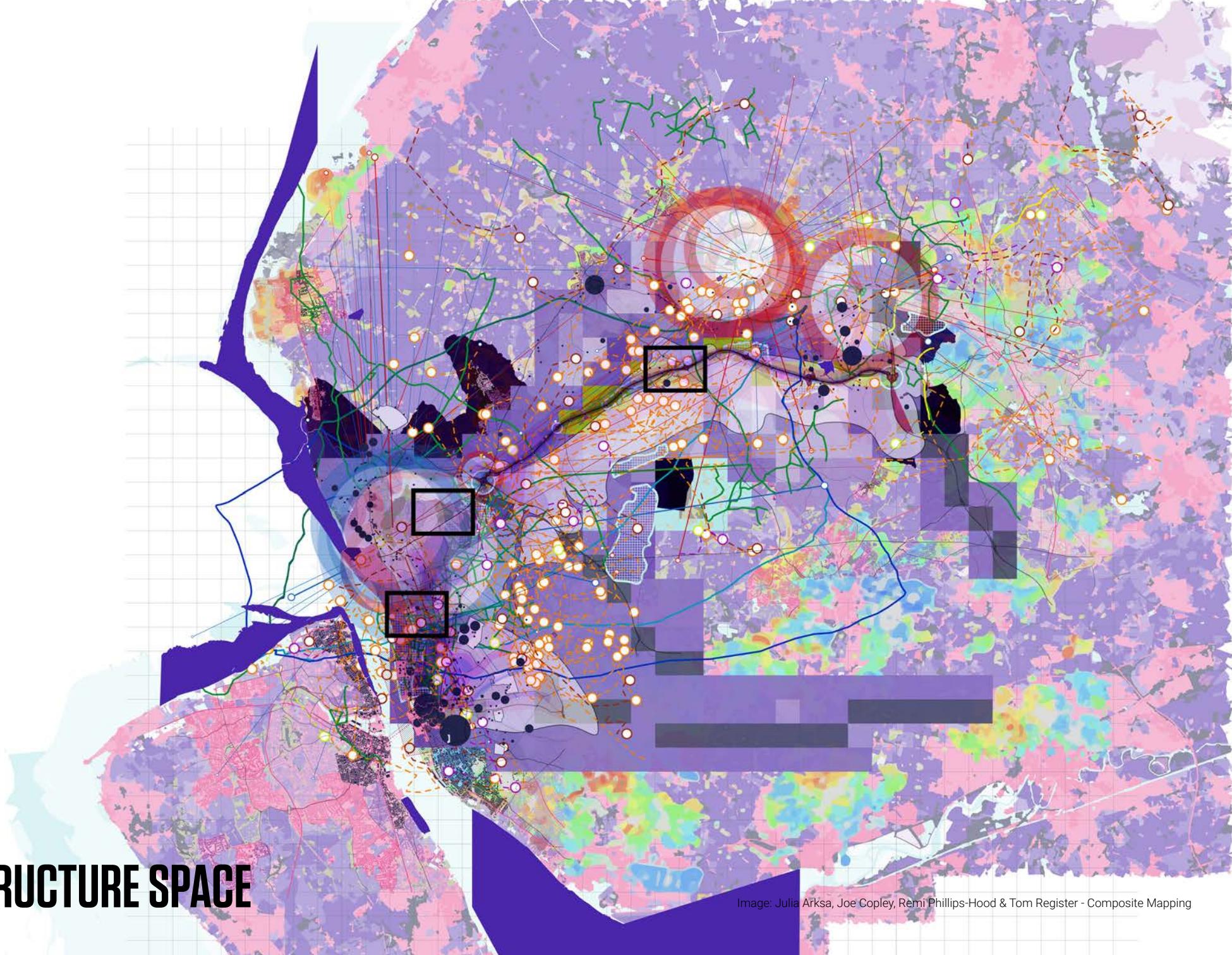


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### Infrastructure Space

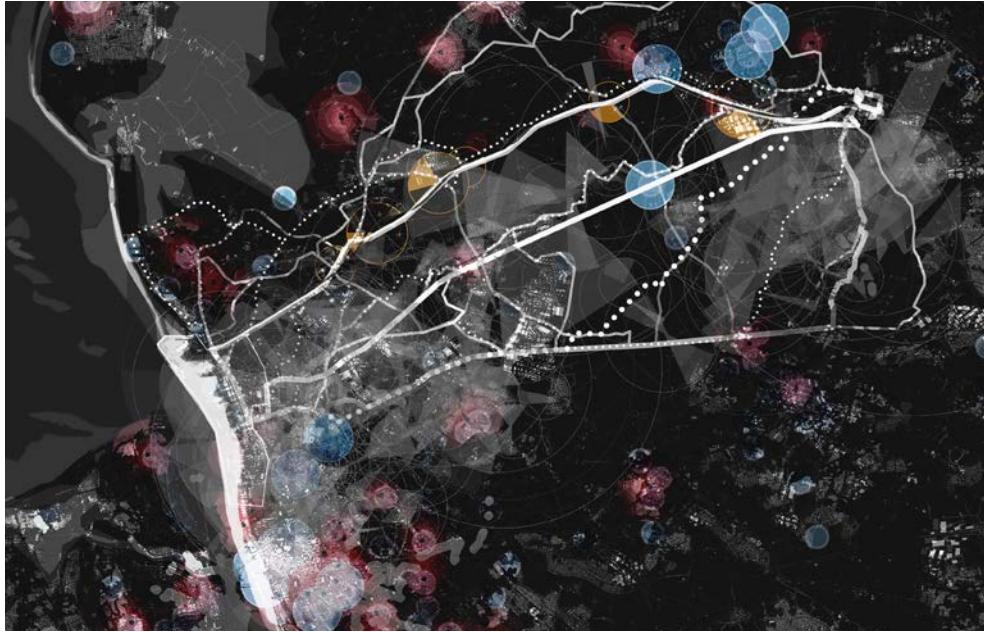
Infrastructure Space uses large territories and novel mapping techniques to explore them, to reveal latent environmental, social and cultural conditions. We approach space with neutrality to form objective views of the ways in which space is produced and used. Expanding on theories of landscape urbanism, we recognise that it is difficult to separate urban scale from global scale. Thus, infrastructure as a methodological lens enables critical discourse that addresses global issues of exchange, mobility and justice. This year the territory under investigation was the M58 motorway corridor that connects the M6 with the docks at Liverpool. We asked all of our students to consider the following:

**COMMONS.** By this we mean a shared space that enables a citizen led agency, sometimes to fill what has been referred to as an 'infrastructural gap'.

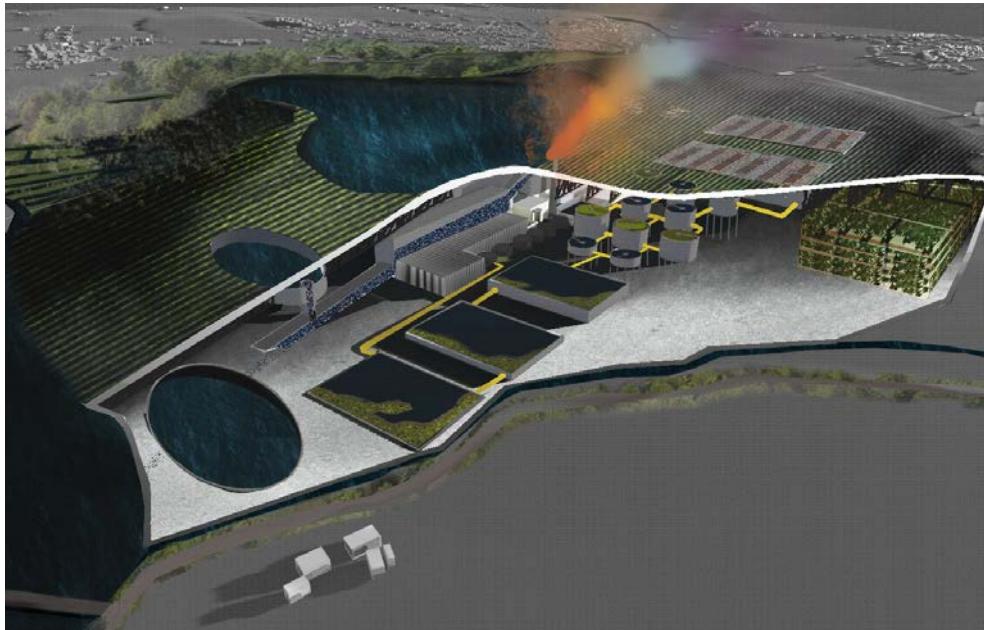
**ECO-SYSTEMS.** We deliberately hyphenate this term to accentuate its constituency - ecological / systems - we are interested in systems that can enable ecological diversity and sustainability.

**SOCIETY.** Society has manifold interpretations. Here we refer to groups of people with common values, territory and cultural expectations and the positive effects of such arrangements.

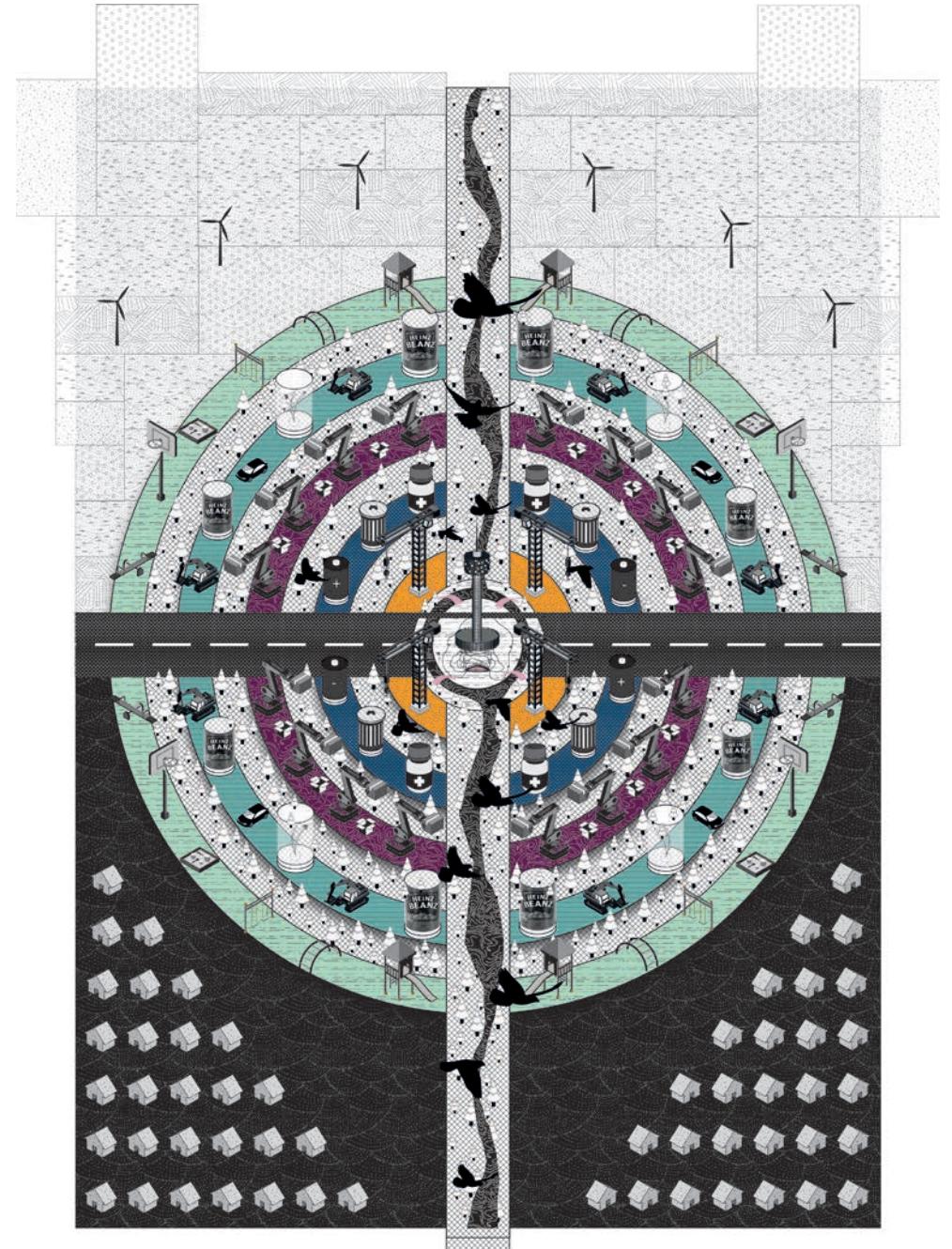
MArch2 developed research questions based on preliminary group studies that considered digital connectivity, urban-rural dynamics, planning policy and complexity, flooding and water scarcity, density and dispersion, and infrastructural economies. Thesis projects typically explored conditions such as these and then speculated on the potential spatial and material outcomes. Schemes for floating cities, motorway heritage, networked cities, future farming, reforestation, digital distribution hubs, agglomerated urbanism and new rural states, have examined the possibilities and potentials enabled by technology and policy and are responsive to pending environmental collapse.



Karl Leung, Yitian Liao, Jerry Xinchun Yang & Grace Jing Yuan Yu - Composite mapping



Kelly Ward - A Rural Landform. Industrial 'glomeration



Jad Choucair - The Rural Federation. Mandala Diagram: agglomeration #003



Daniel Steel - Reclaiming Rural Heritage



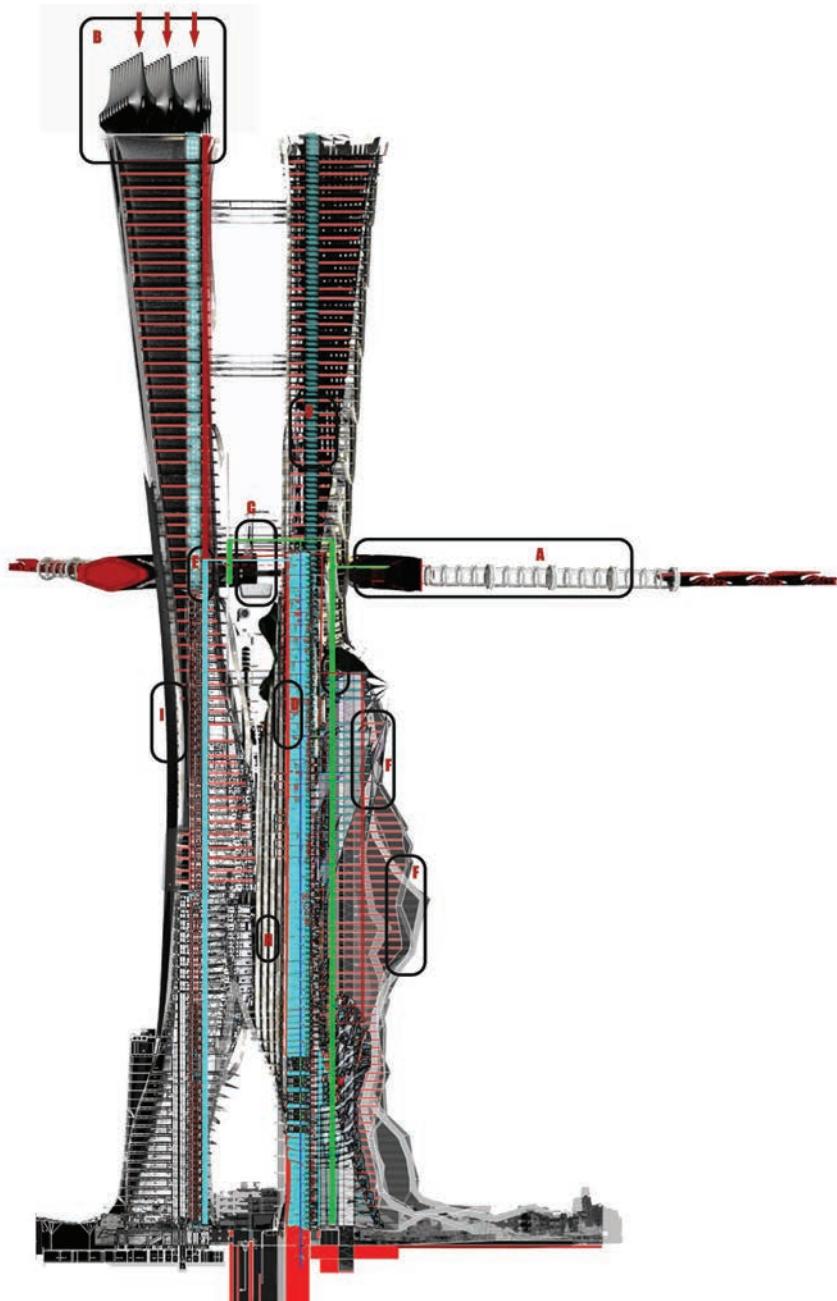
Jackie Ma - Wagyu Lab



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Natalie Chan - Revolution Meats



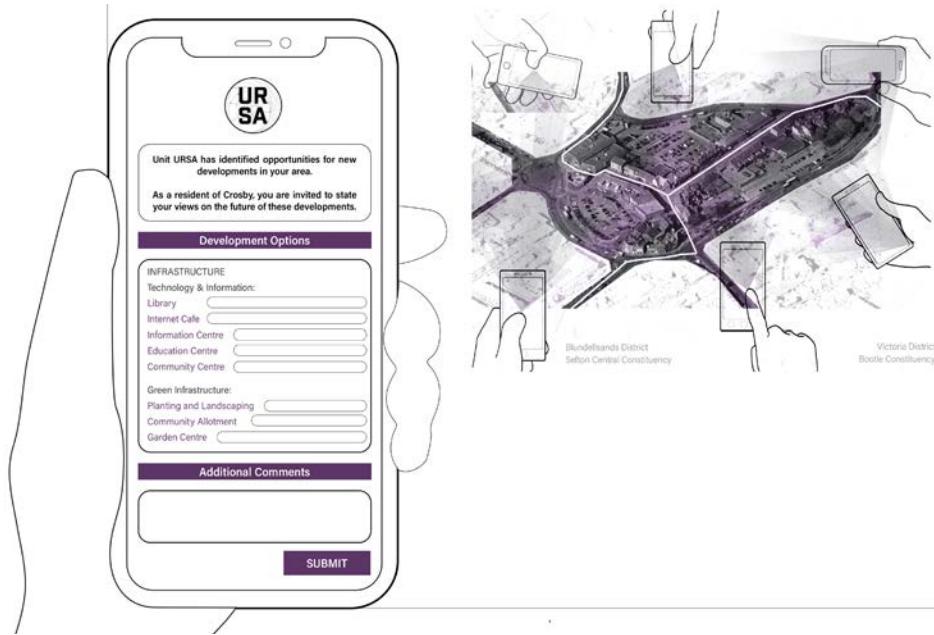
Seenam Seenam - Archipelago: Future Building Concept



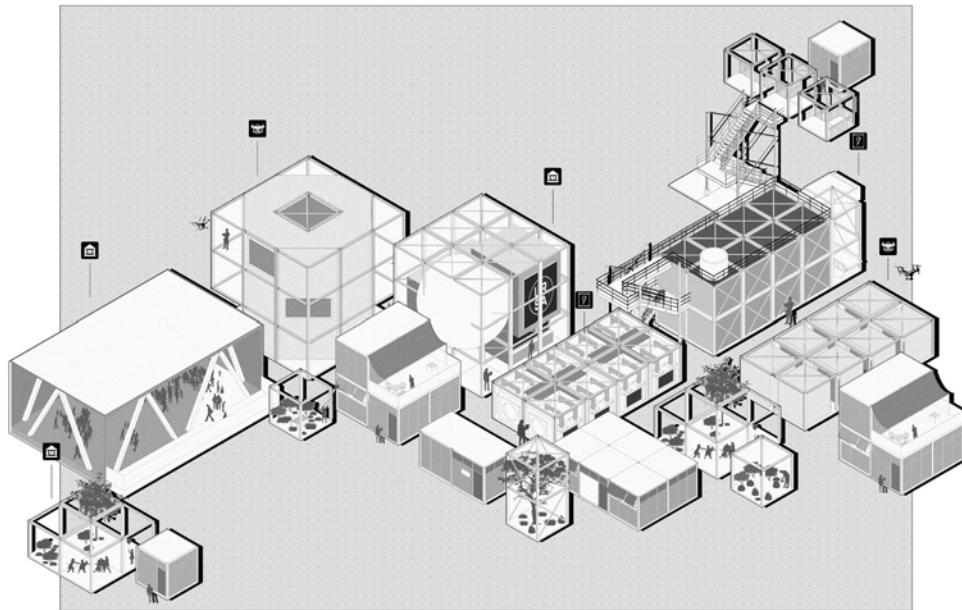
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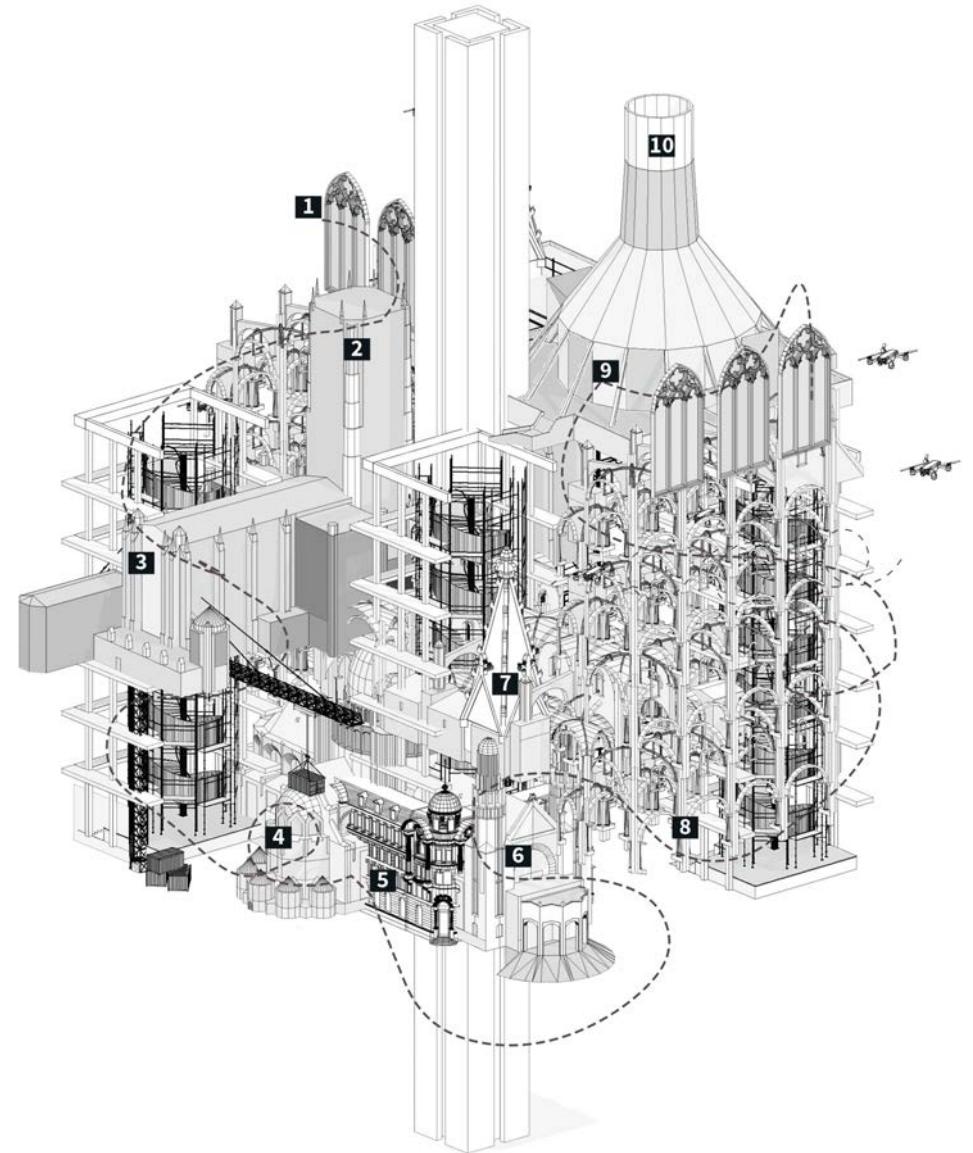
Joe Copley - Intra-Intra City



Grace Jing Yuan Yu - The Application of Urban Resilience Scoring Algorithm



Jerry Xinchun Yang - The Spatialisation of Urban Resilience Scoring Algorithm



Julia Arksa & Remi Phillips-Hood - Disp\_Spec-1. Redefining Dispersion and Growth



Brent Haynes - The Water Machine



Tom Register - Dispersing the Civic



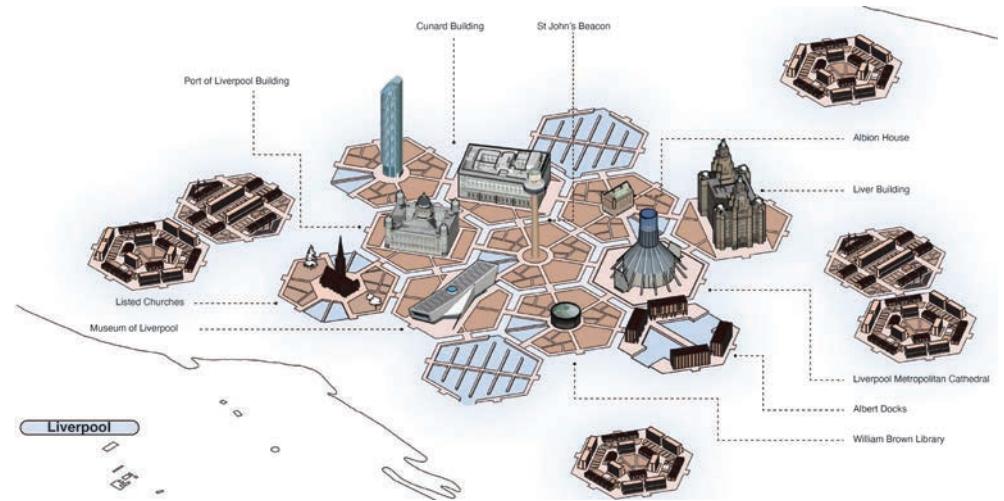
Yitian Liao - Alcohol Planning with Libertarian Paternalism



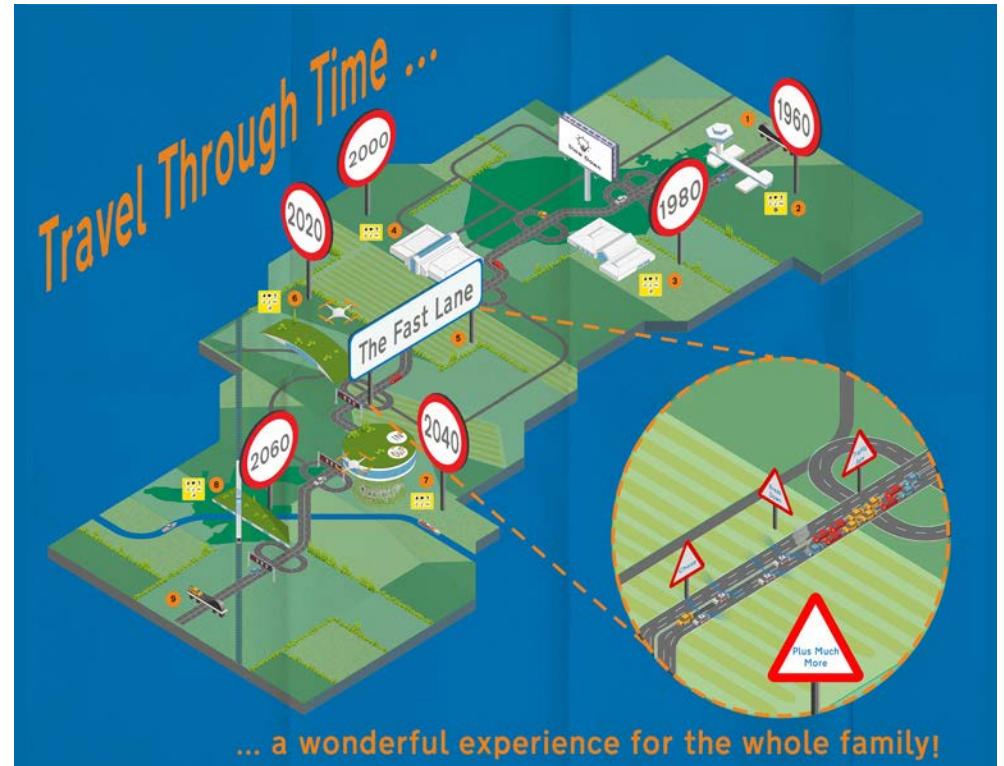
Vickie Tang - Project Overalls



Laura Toth - No Hunger No Waste



Jamie Boardman - Liverpool Archipelago



Sophie Chappel - National Motorway Museum



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Image: Martha Hiles - Finding Herland, a Marxist-Feminist approach to post-capitalist housing

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### Praxis

Wow what a year we have had. I want to hold my hat off and say thank you to all our students and the staff team for their determination, strength and resilience. Well done!

PRAXXIS is an all female-led feminist studio atelier and research collective at the MSA in BA3 and the M. Arch years 1&2 with roughly a 75/25 gender split of students. We take an explicitly feminist approach, in particular intersectional feminism to explore the inequalities in society and what that may mean for the built environment. Intersectionality acknowledges that the various layers of what we see as social and human characteristics—class, race, sexual identity, religion, age, disability, marriage status and gender identity do not exist separately from each other but are interwoven as a complex matrix. Studio for us is a platform where theoretical transdisciplinary practices are set up, a studio space of exchanges and dialogues where you can ask the questions that are not comfortable in other ateliers. And we are not afraid to use the F word! And by this we mean Feminist. To bring us together as an atelier we hold Feminisms Conversations which act as a supportive and discursive platform to explore non-binary approaches to practice, education and our profession. Ranging from preconceptions on the feminist agendas to feminist technologies and from privilege to equity the discussions challenge our current knowledges and allow to think about what may have to unlearn and relearn.

For the year-long thesis project our MArch 2 students use feminist tools as a way of constructing project briefs that always respond to the personal and the political each individual projects explores inclusive understandings of how our identity affects our life and our work. By defining a project from a personal position (an experience or simply a passion) and placing it within a political context, project work often results in the re-definition of systems—a key tenant of feminism with the objective to alter the existing system for the inclusion of women, or equality of women and inclusion of others. The personal subjects are vast in their range.

In MArch 1 students were challenged to design Intersectional Housing on a site next door to the

Pankhurst Centre in Manchester City Centre (PS1). We then asked the students to consider the immediate space to north of the Pankhurst Centre part of the site to create an Archive to Feminisms (PS2). It has been important for the students to explore feminist technologies this year – none-traditional technocentric solutions by discussing technologies which are collaborative, are gender equitable or driven by need rather than just technological advances. Additionally, this results in a new or alternative Building Regulation, the XX approved document.

Finally, using feminist pedagogy we require our students to create project road maps. Through this we ensure that these various key reflective processes are constantly discussed throughout the year. This is something we see as a crucial part of any successful feminist project. Each road map involves the navigation and communication of how and what the students have had to unlearn, learn, then had to re-learn, whilst constantly reflecting and finally re-evaluating.

Praxis asks our students frequently what kind of Feminist Architect do you want to be? We ask our students how they want to practice, not where and not for who... And what form of practice that might be.

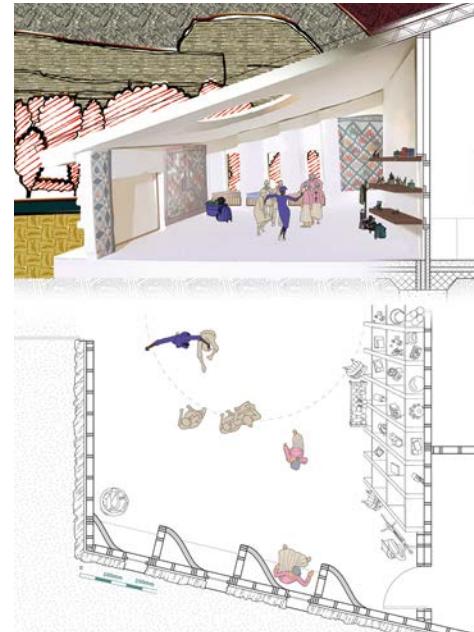
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Eleanor Strange - Black Brixton Masterplan and the redevelopment of Geoffrey Close Estate. London.



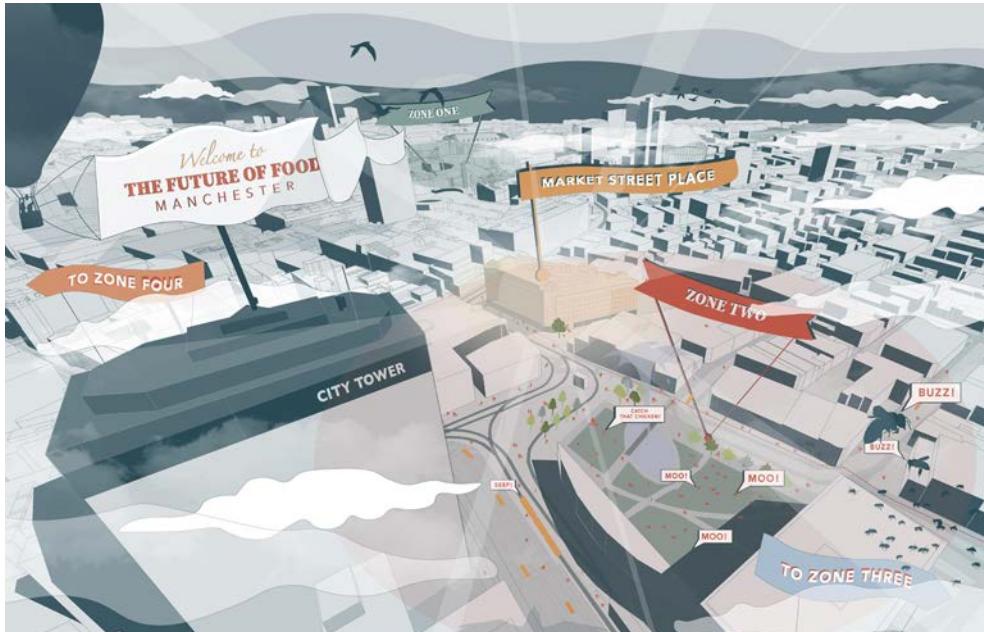
Alice Bell - Community networks and empowered learning spaces. West Cumbria.



Quadri Shogunle-Aregbesola - Making Brixton Black Again. London.



Martha Hiles - Finding Herland, a Marxist Feminist approach to post-capitalist housing. Manchester.



Aniela Migasiuk - The Future Food Network, 2050. Manchester.



Megha Paudyal - Rethink Gupsi Pakha, a gender inclusive post disaster recovery process. Nepal.



Flora Teng- Reshaping Architectural Education. Manchester.



Felcity Pettit - I left my heart in Songdo City, inclusive feminist community spaces. South Korea.



Sarah Day - Designing out loneliness. Huddersfield.



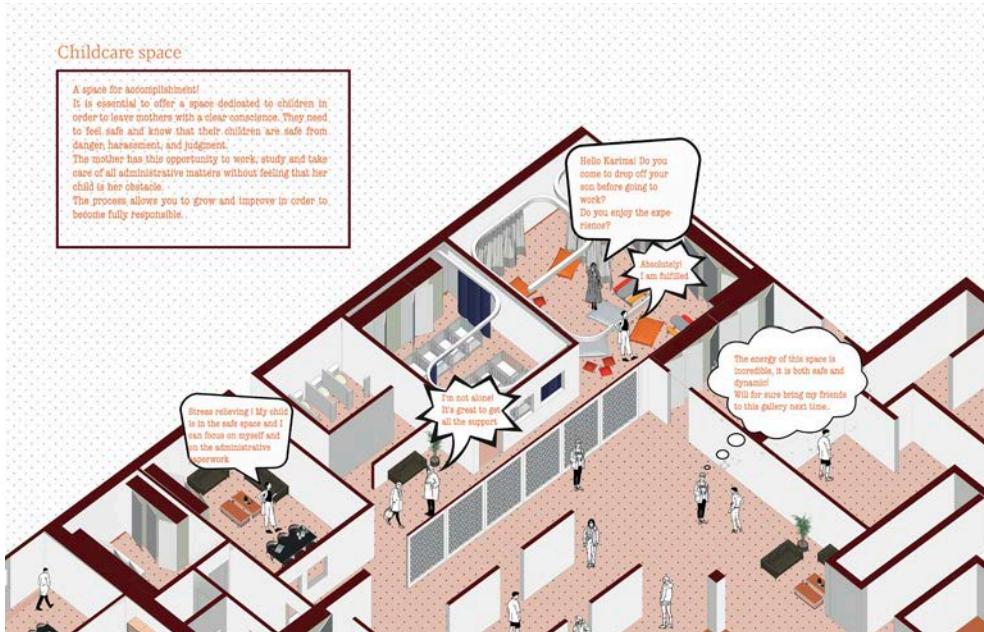
Jessica Ward - Designing Social Infrastructure to support a diverse and growing city. Manchester.



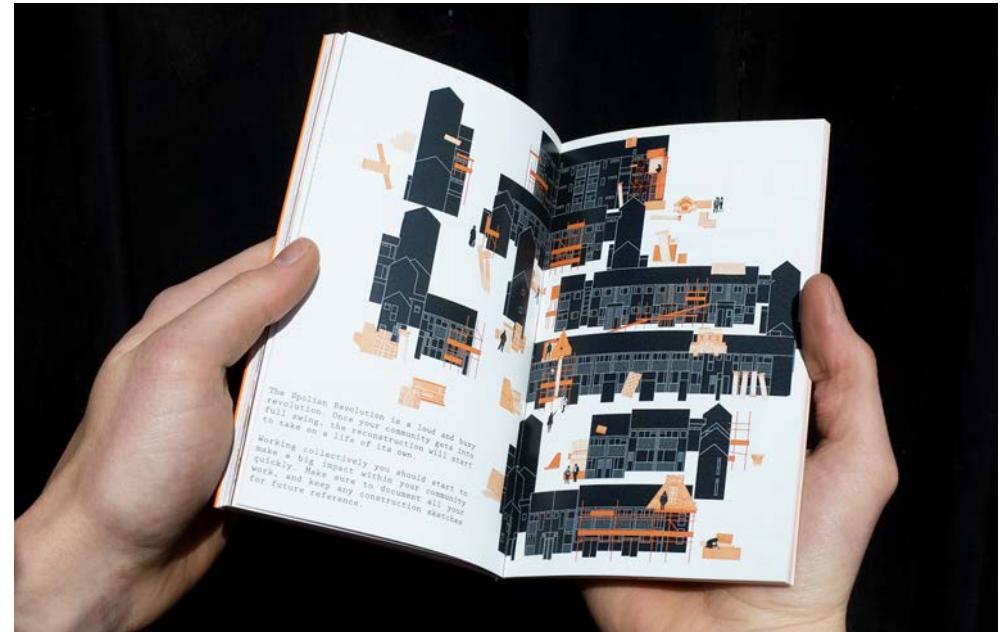
Freya Cooper-Williams - WIP: The Womens Inclusive Project. Manchester.



Jasmine Ratcliffe - Herstory. It's time to tp out women back into history. Lyme Regis.



Sara Hakkou - I will not be silenced... Safe and brave spaces for single mothers. Morocco.



Angus Riddell - Speculations on a New Materialism



Sandra Rotarescu - Death Stranding. Romania.



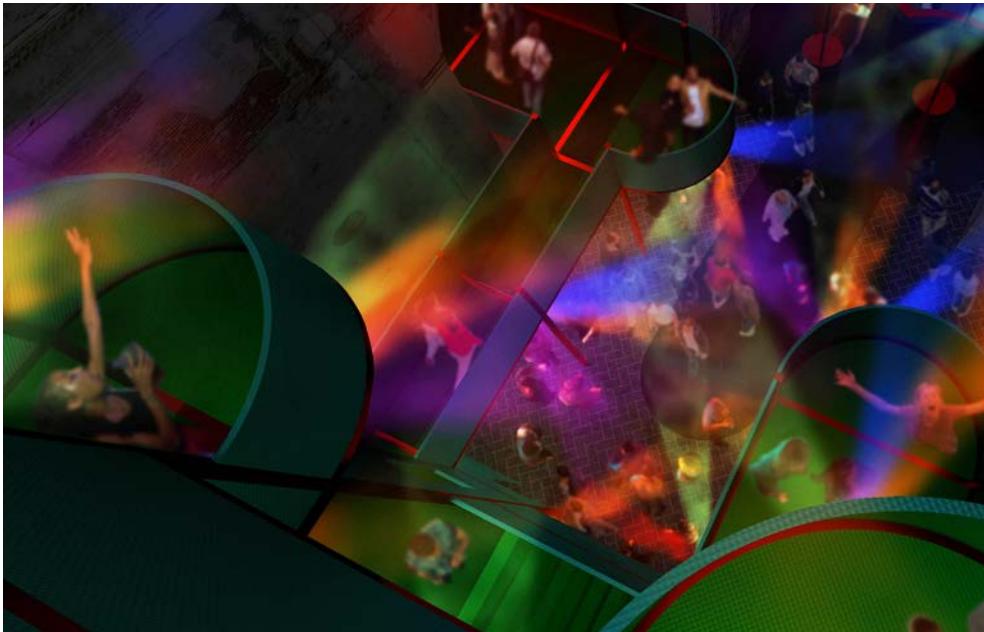
Pek Kwan Soo - Kintsugi Food Festival. Malaysia.



Rachael Aylward Jones - A Feminist City from my dreams. Dreamspace.



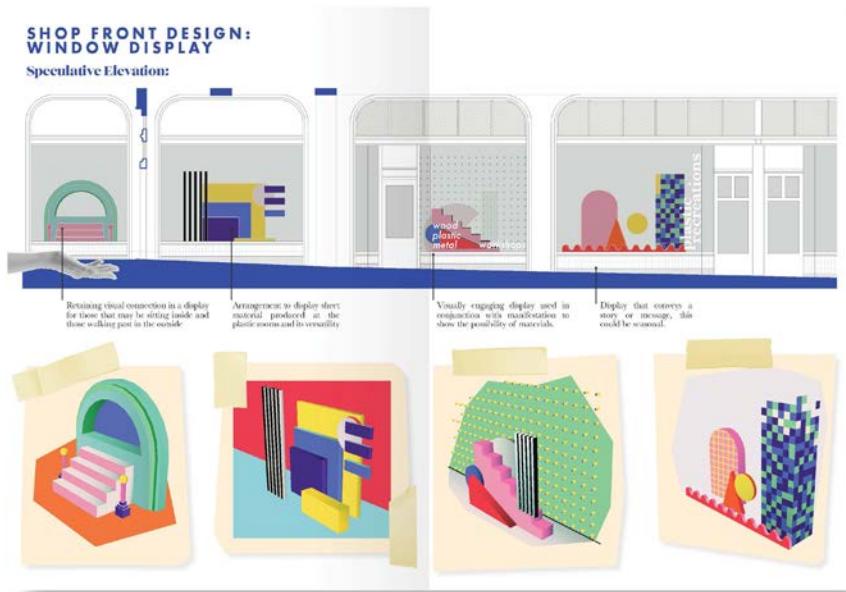
Raluca Sisu - Through the Looking Glass, the Vanity Fair of Morecombe



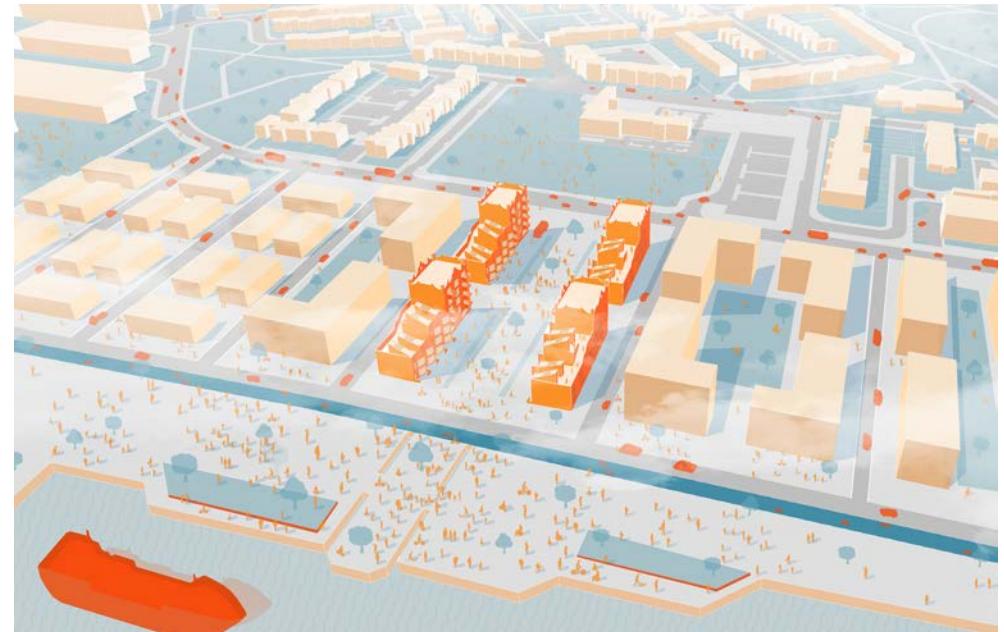
Lorenzo La Magna Zimmermann - Shameless Genoa. Does the Pope know? Italy



Callum Plumb - Propaganda Housing CLT. Manchester.



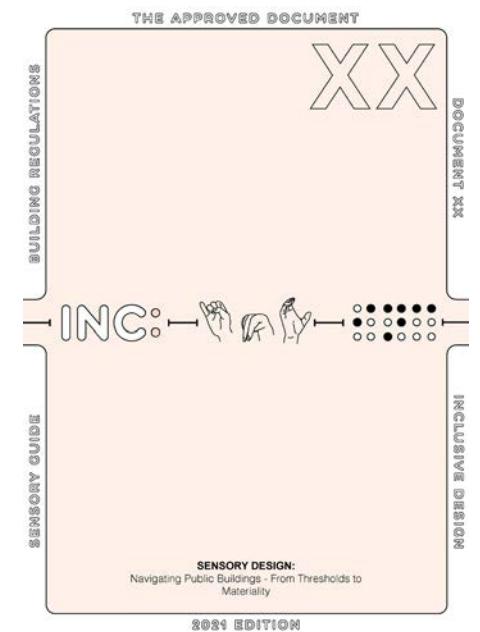
Sally Lofthouse - The Shambles Collective, Plastic Recreations. Preston.



Katayha Gould - An interrogation of classicism in the gentrification of Odsall Riverside. Salford.



XX document thinking differently about Approved Building Regulations, 1. EQLAB, 2. FACE, 3. FUN, 4. INC





# URBAN SPATIAL EXPERIMENTATION

Image: Patrick Millar - SURFACE, the (re)planned obsolescence of a theoretical mining facility on the Moon

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### Atelier description

In USE each student is encouraged to form an individual concept based on a thorough site analysis. The projects follow a (personal) narrative that is born out of the site's history and its inherent potential which is developed through all design stages. The Atelier explores the boundaries of architectural practice and utilizes the techniques and working methods of other creative disciplines in particular fine art. The topic for this year was to develop projects and spatial strategies that explored Resistance. This theme ran throughout the atelier in all cohorts.

The initial spatial context for the exploration of the topic was centred along and beside the Fallowfield Loophole (The Fallowfield Loop or Floop). Built upon the remnants of a decommissioned railway line, the Floop now forms part of the National Cycle Network running the breadth of Manchester. Multiple eras of housing, industrial and natural elements exist along the eastern part of the Floop including the ancient Nico Ditch, the secret lake, and infrastructure in the form of Thirlmere Aqueduct and several reservoirs.

### PS1 Brief

For PS1, USE developed housing strategies on an site adjacent to the Fallowfield Loophole near to the informally named Secret Lake. The task was to develop a new type of home that explored the potentials of this diverse site which has been subject to the forces of economic flux resulting in the current context of small industrial sites, 20th century housing estates, sports grounds, brownfield sites and places of indeterminate ownership and function, such as the ex-industrial Secret Lake itself.

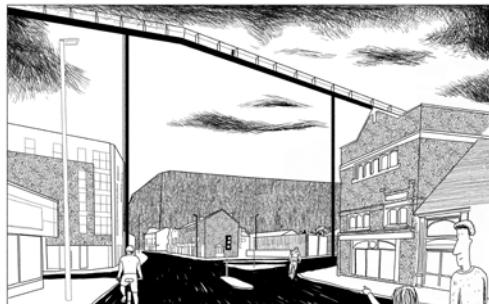
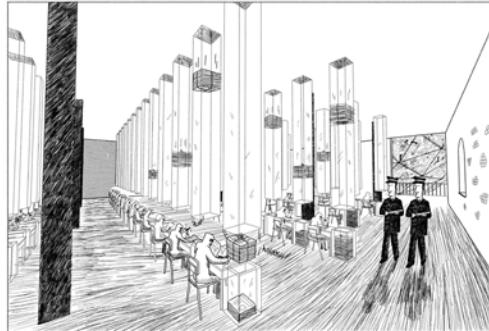
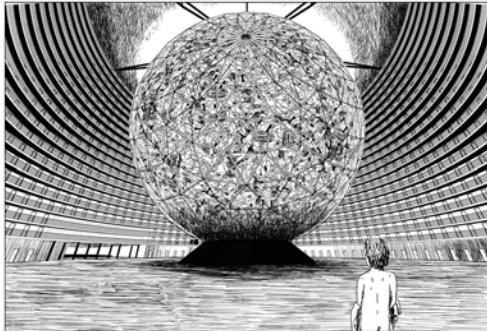
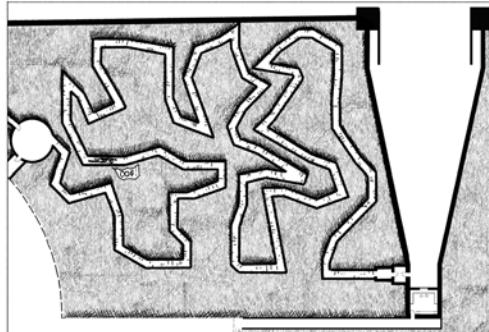
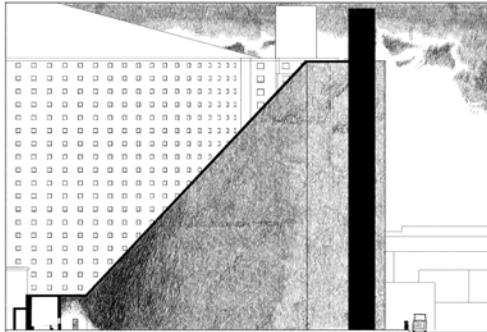
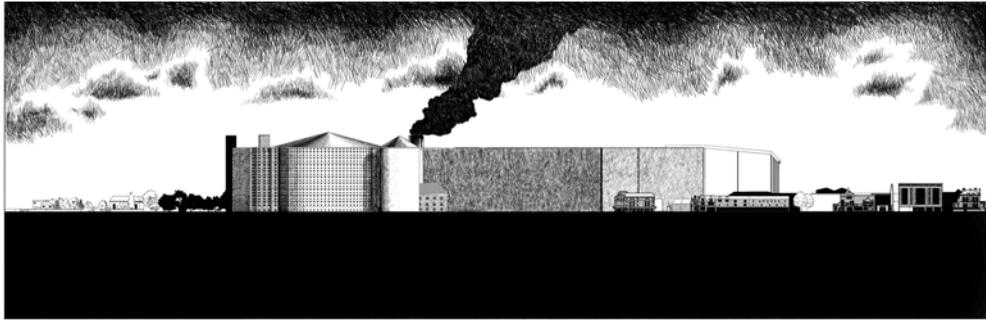
Students developed new types of communal living that responded to our current political, and economic climate, as well as environmental issues and the pandemic crisis of COVID 19. Proposals ranged from multiple houses, to high density flats that explored opportunities in line with

the overall topic of "Resistance". All proposals aimed to implement a symbiosis between the industrial nature of the site and a new form of residential development. True to the ateliers approach, buildings expressed a poetic quality that enhanced the eclectic nature of the area.

### PS2 Brief

This year, the USE PS2 brief asked the students to explore the potential reuse of Gorton House, a Grade II listed building in Greater Manchester. Students were tasked with questioning the value and relevance of the structure by considering its historic, environmental, and social context. Situated near the Fallowfield Loop, Gorton House stands at the southern end of Gorton Lower Reservoir. Built by an early Manchester industrialist, it was once an important social landmark but now exists in a dilapidated and perilous state with its future in doubt.

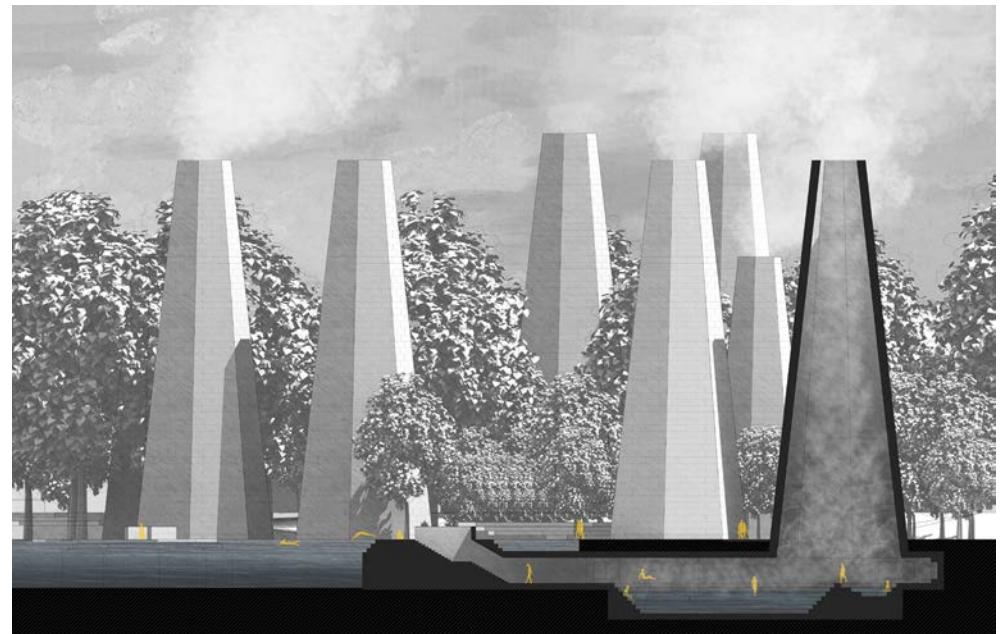
Led by thorough research, student proposals included bird sanctuaries, workshops, bathhouses, and art galleries. All solutions were encouraged to adopt sustainable technologies whilst maintaining a poetic and artistic approach within their narrative. Each project used experimental methodologies to create solutions to their developed brief and sought to enhance the landscape of the reservoir setting, whilst furthering USE atelier values.



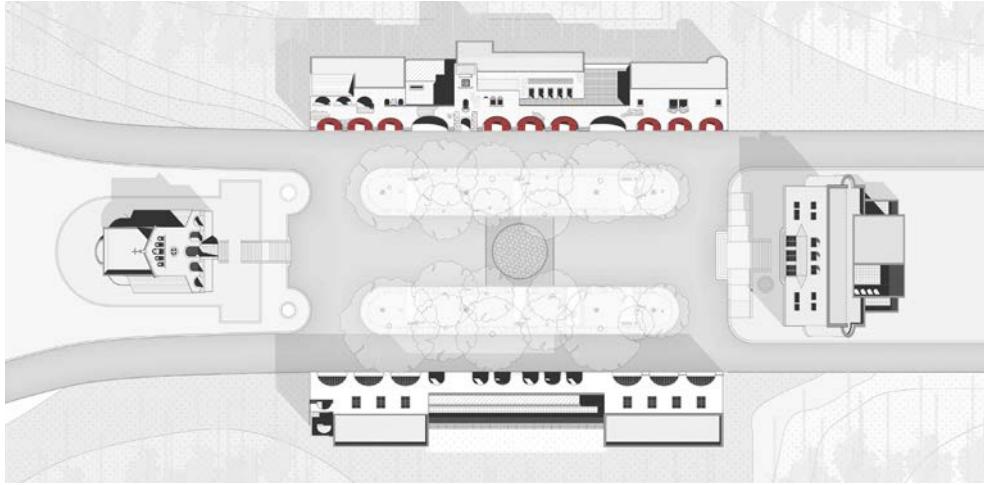
Joseph Kelleher - Owens Park Correctional Facility for the Uncooperative Citizen



Shaw Labrianidis-Kenny - Reimagining The Aqueduct



Aron Lewer - Levenshulme Rumour Mill



Mike Rostock - Somewhere between forgetting and remembering



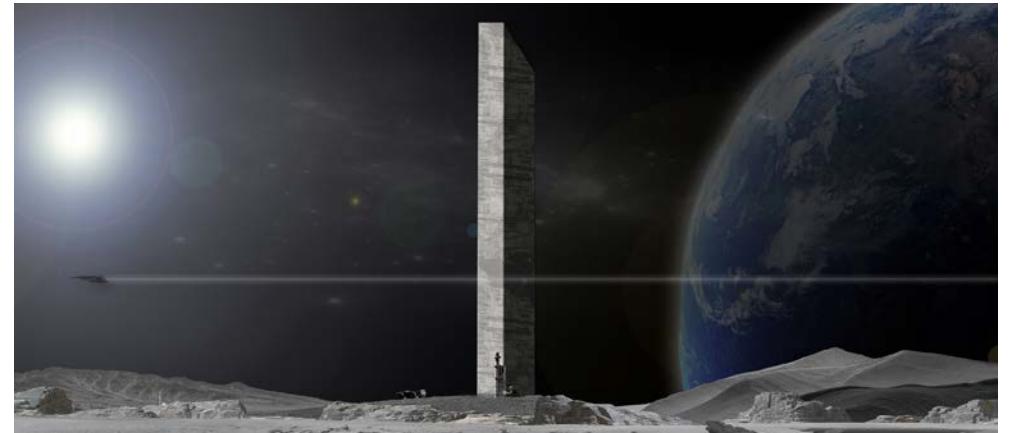
Jemima Osborne - The Court of Innocence



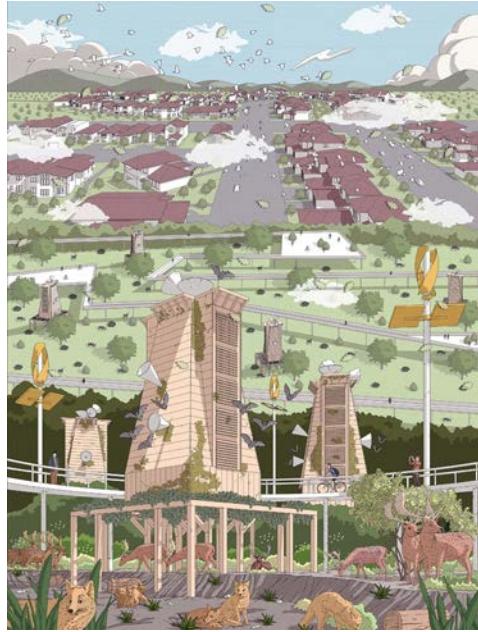
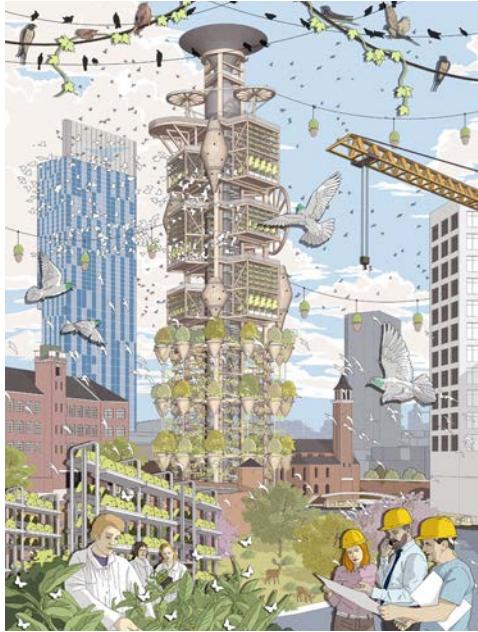
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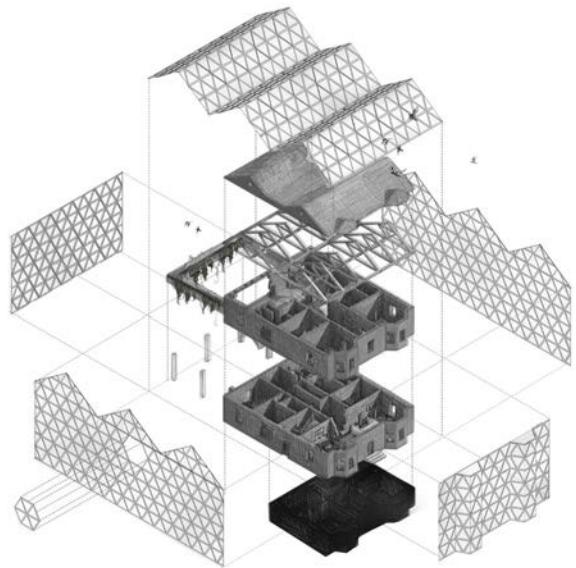
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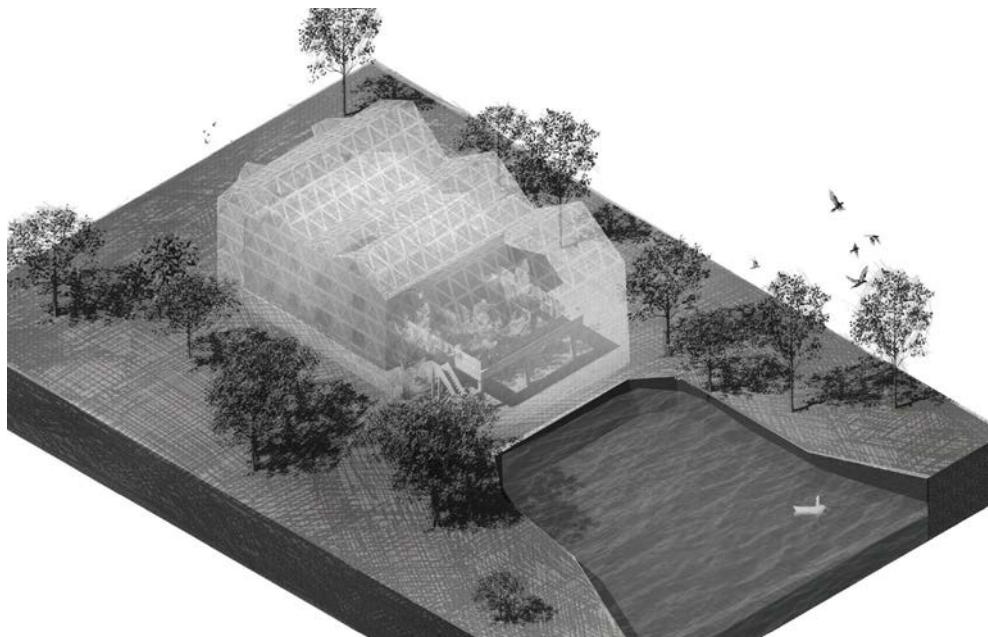
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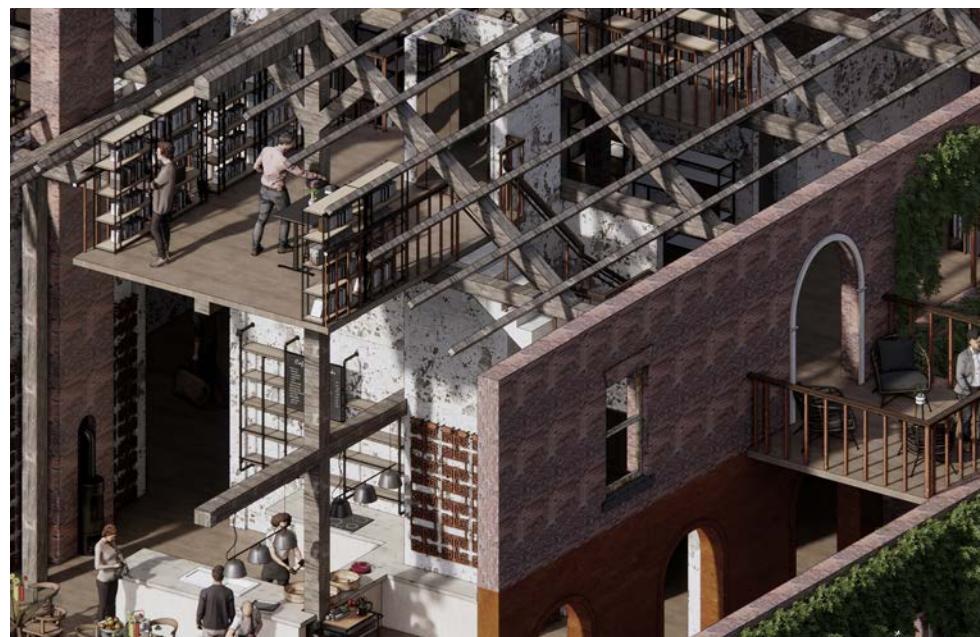
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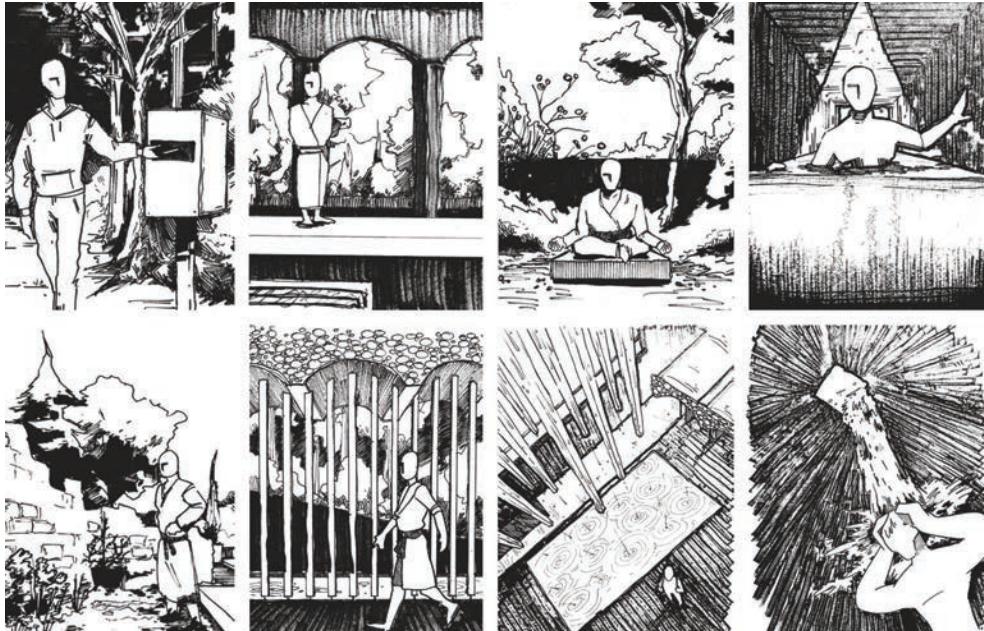
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Kyra Jennings & Anya Lock - Gorton Baths



Elliot Flynn & Rebecca Beer - St. Peter's Sensory Seminar



George Cosbuc & Sofia Pamilo - Children's carehome with horse therapy



**MARCH RESEARCH**

Image: Aadil Nagdawala - How the crypto art movement challenges the roles of centralized institutions in Art World

# RESEARCH 1: METHODS

## LEA-CATHERINE SZACKA

Research Methods Coordinator

### Introduction

The Research 1: Methods workshop is a taught programme introducing first year master students to research in architecture, developing methodological and conceptual capabilities that are applicable to the disciplines of architecture. The subject of the different workshops will reflect the symbiosis between design practice and history and theory, and allow for scholarship within individual specialisms to be placed within a deeper understanding of architecture as a whole. The workshops will be developed through a series of weekly meetings and intensive working sessions. Research is here understood as a broad umbrella within the discipline of architecture and can be conducted through a set of knowledge and a series of tools and apparatuses for inquiry – from diagramming and mapping to model making and from archival research to critical reading and oral history. Each Research 1: Methods workshop will be assessed by the submission of a portfolio of words and images that includes both group and individual work.

## Hard & Disagreeable Labour

Ray Lucas

Named after a quotation from John Ruskin's Elements of Drawing, this additional workshop was run for students whose intended Erasmus exchanges had been disrupted by restrictions around Covid and revived one of the original workshops. Based on workshop leader Ray Lucas' ongoing research into architectural drawing and other inscriptive practices, this workshop contends that drawing is a valid research method, a way of knowing the

world equivalent to the academic text and other forms of knowledge production. Participants in the workshop would produce a drawn biography or catalogue, discussing their workflows and what the meanings of the drawings are.



Figure 16: Colour Film Photograph 35mm



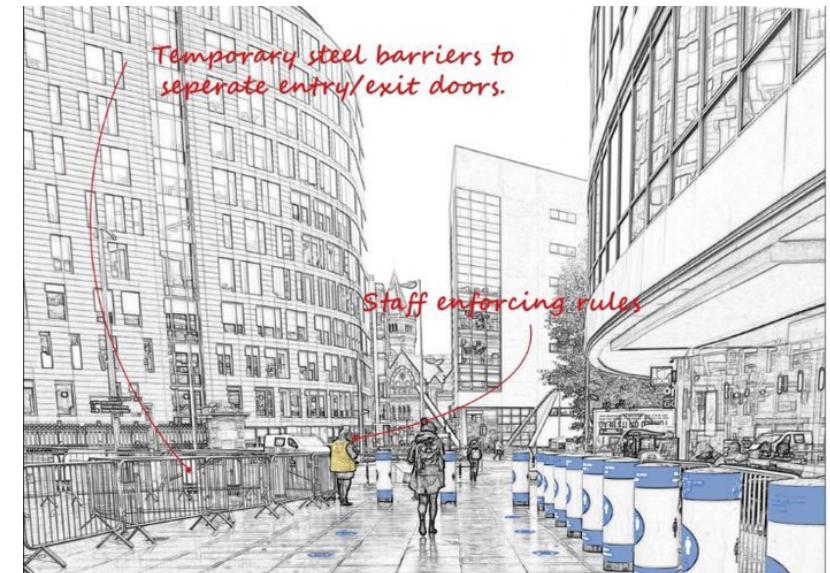
Figure 17: Watercolour Painting

## New Choreographies for the Laborized City

Albena Yaneva

This course invited students to reflect on the unprecedented laborization of urban space witnessed during the Covid-19 global pandemic. They gained methodological skills to trace and scrutinize the transformations of pandemic cities and architectural typologies, as well as the changes in the traditional spatial conventions of urban life. Studying closely a typology of their choice for 3 months (the library, the

market, the public square, etc.), they produced an Ethnographic-Sketch-Folio based on observation and secondary materials. Examining the new technologies, pictorial language, citizens' behaviour and politics allowed them to speculate on the role of the architect in a post-Covid era.



## The Gift of Architecture

Lukasz Stanek  
TA: Ksenia Litvinenko

This course focused on gifted buildings, from 19th century philanthropic donations, through the 20th century welfare states, colonial and postcolonial developmentalism, buildings that circulated in state-socialist gift economies, and the ways in which secular and religious gift-giving shapes urbanisation today. By discussing the politics, economy, and aesthetics of gift-giving, we studied their impact on the designs, programs,

materialities, construction, and uses of buildings across the world, including Europe, North America, Africa, the Middle East, and Asia. The course resulted in an online database of gifted buildings, with the use of which students curated four virtual exhibitions.

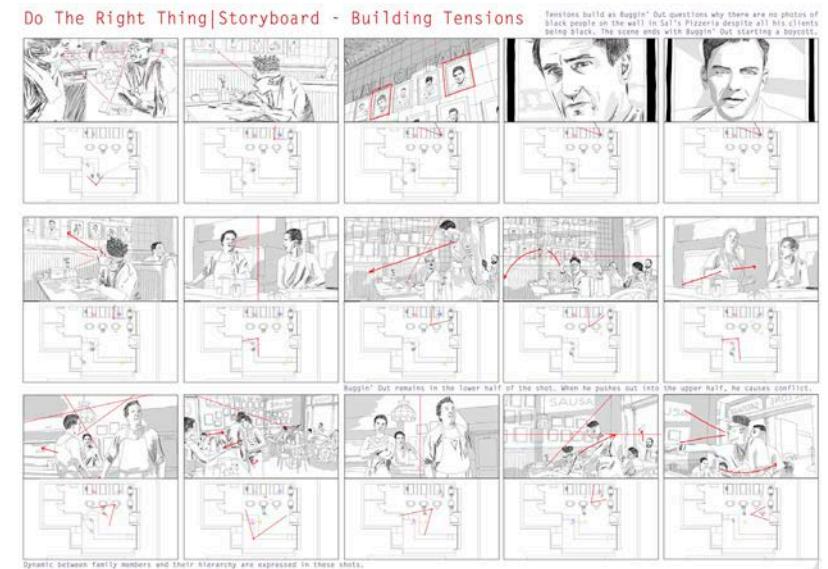


## Filmic Architecture: Hapticity and Embodiment

Ray Lucas

Filmic Architecture returns for its sixth iteration in 2020-21. Students are asked to select a director/film-maker and to conduct a series of graphic experiments with the work. A series of tasks are set: reverse-engineer a storyboard from a selection of scenes; draw the plans of key locations; diagrams of montage and movement within the film, examinations of soundscape and narrative structure, questions of spectatorship and the

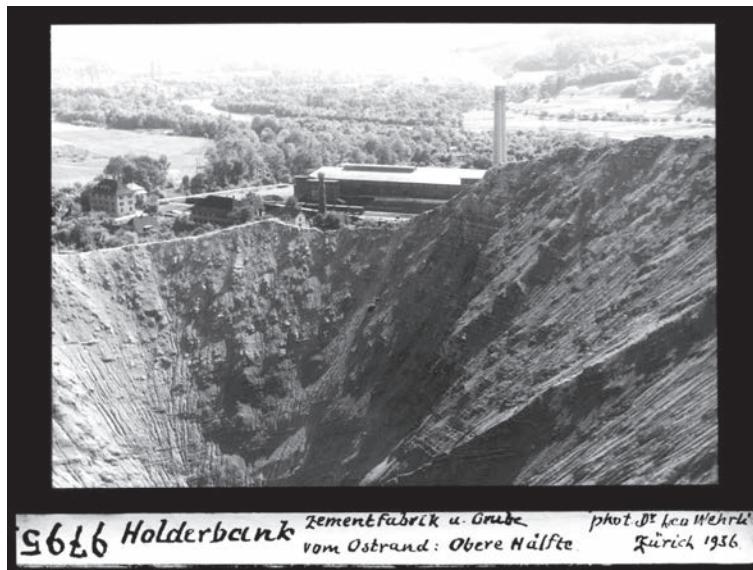
pro-filmic event. Students are introduced to a wide range of film theories and practices, discussing the potential of narrative and characterisation in architecture as well as the overlaps between cinematic and architectural theories. Students are then asked to design a house for their chosen director, build a model, and to make a short film of this house.



### Material Histories of Architecture

Kim Förster  
 TA: Benjamin Blackwell, Brett Mommersteeg & Adam Przywara

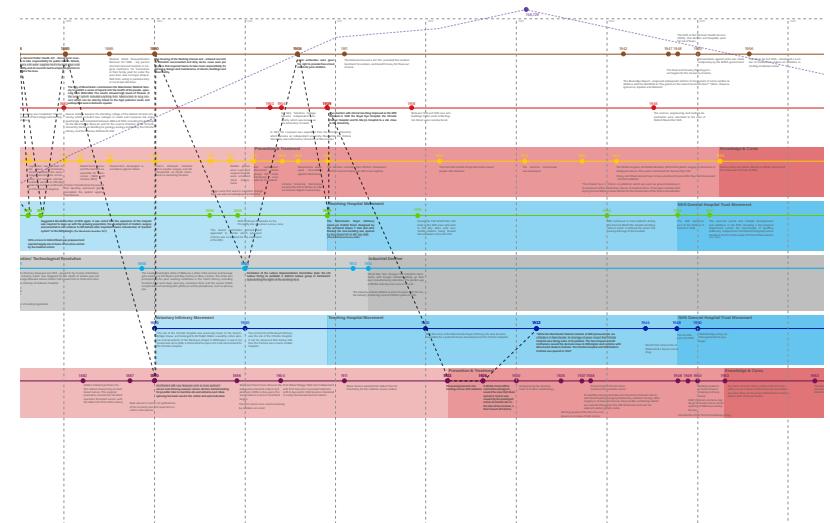
RM4 "Material Histories of Architecture" studied building materials in a transdisciplinary perspective, since the Anthropocene, a challenge to the humanities and to practice, requires rethinking our relationship to energy regimes and the material world. A material perspective, by linking construction site to extraction site and production site, makes commodity chains a topic, opening up architecture's focus to broader political geological aspects, and related issues such as social and environmental justice.



### Control and Display (Test and Trace): Mapping the Bodies of Manchester

Stephen Walker  
 TA: Yahya Gamal

This Research Method workshop explored whether the control and display of bodies might be evident in the architecture and urbanism of Manchester. It focused initially on archival research using maps from the University of Manchester Special Collection, which were analysed in combination with other historical material, architectural plans, legislation, interviews, large datasets, and academic work from various other disciplines. Research situated the issues raised by our recent experiences into longer historical trajectories, in order to examine how attitudes to bodies might be legible in building and city fabric, and how these have been changed over time.



## User Representation in Architecture

Alan Lewiss

In our modern, capitalist society, architects rarely have the opportunity to engage with those who will occupy their buildings. Architects' clients are often building contractors, speculative developers or public bodies, rather than individuals who will inhabit the completed buildings. This can make it difficult for architects to understand building users' needs and aspirations. Drawing on Akrich and Latour's concept of

user representations and scripts, the course explored strategies for understanding the spatial requirements of unknown users, who might differ from the architect in terms of age, gender, class and ethnicity. These approaches were applied in short design projects.

### \_space

The "borderless" learning approach focuses on learning through exploratory play, not only enriches the interaction between children and nature, but also emphasizes on the role of outdoor environment as a classroom for primary physical and cognitive development.

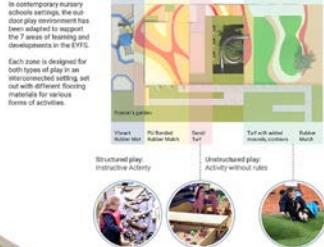


### \_representation

The outdoor space or commonly outdoor playground has always been fenced off and often limited to play equipment such as slides and climbing stairs. In fact, early years outdoor play areas can be transformed into fun yet functional space for cross-curriculum play (structured and unstructured) in a child-led & self-learning environment.



### \_spatial quality



In contemporary nursery school settings, the outdoor play environment has been designed to support the 7 areas of learning and development in the EYFIS. Each zone is designed for both types of play in an interconnected setting, set out with different flooring materials for various forms of activities.

If we look at the size of naturally occurring play groups, it is known that children playing outdoors tend to congregate in groups of fewer than five children with a mean of just under two children per setting. Different settings of associated play spaces allow transition and engagement with the activities naturally.

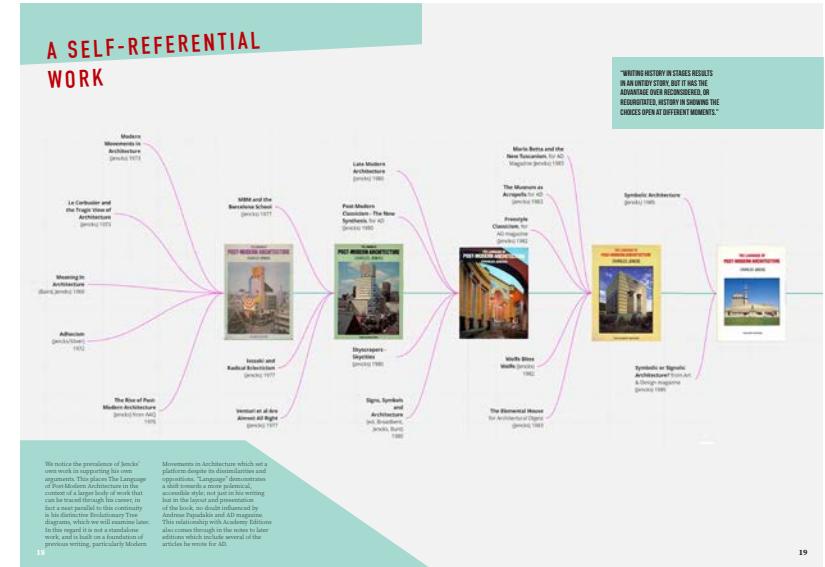
Scripting Froebel's conception of children's play  
Froebel wanted children to learn through play with manipulable 3D objects. The use of Froebel's blocks (gifts) has endured through the evolution of nursery school design. Drawing inspiration from the work of Isami Noguchi, the outdoor play area should be a playground that have no obvious way to play in it, or non-directed play. The set of blocks features sunset shapes and forms of nature (mountains, shapes) that create opportunity for imaginative play.

## A Worldwide Book: Charles Jencks & The Language of Post-Modern Architecture, 1977-1991

Lukasz Stanek

In 1977, American cultural theorist, landscape designer, architectural historian and long-time London resident Charles Jencks (1939-2019) published *The Language of Post-modern Architecture* (1977), a book that, arguably, redefined the architecture discipline at a critical time in history. This course will combine archival research, oral history and various mapping exercises in order to (re) write the history of one of the most important books of

late-twentieth century architecture, i.e. Charles Jencks's 1977 *The Language of Postmodern Architecture*. It will situate the book in its context while analysing its form, content and legacy.

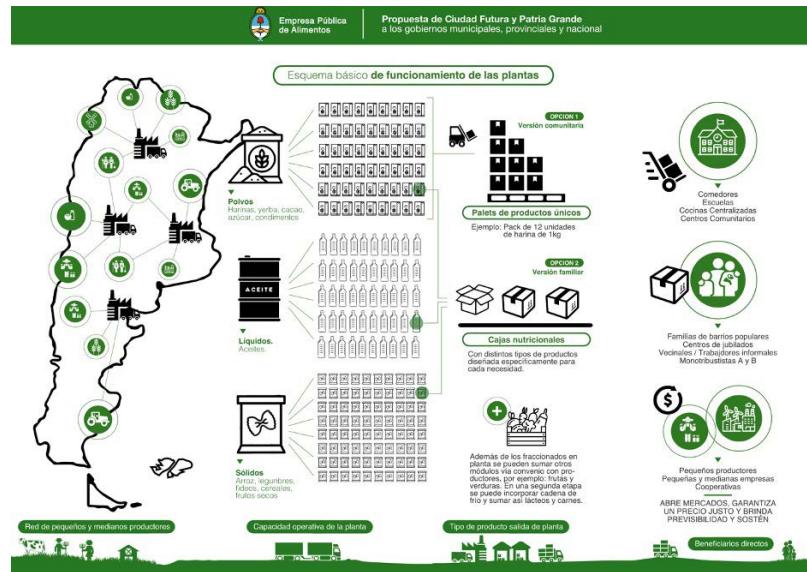


## Prefigurative Architectures, Municipalism, Infrastructures & Logistics During the Pandemic

Leandro Minuchin

The workshop examined the architecture and politics of urban logistics. During the pandemic, the spatialities and materialities that sustain the distribution of goods, knowledge and people, were made visible. The conflicts surrounding the governance over procurement networks were made explicit. The workshop will focus on the municipal responses to the logistical struggles prompted by the pandemic. The pandemic

fostered a problematization of how urban networks are governed and how are the infrastructures that sustain and reproduce the urban scale, organized and distributed. The groups explored prefiguration as a design tactic, seeking to advance logistical alternatives to consolidate municipal agendas.

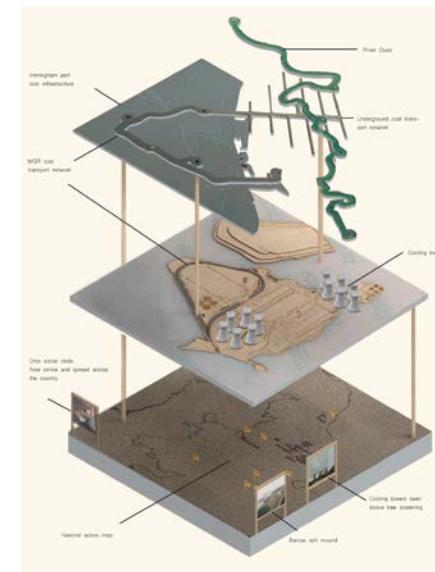


## The Landscape & Architecture of Post-War Infrastructure: Coal

Richard Brook & Luca Csepely-Khor

This unit is part of an AHRC funded research project, 'Landscapes of Post-War Infrastructure: Culture, Amenity, Heritage and Industry'. Post-graduate landscape and architecture students worked together to understand the interconnected landscapes of extraction, power production and environmental amelioration through the case studies of infrastructural sites within the Yorkshire coal field. The focus of the unit was to understand and

use a variety of methods to interrogate the history and present of these sites, and to contextualise these histories in the broader questions of political and social history. The unit relied on archival research that was made possible by our collaborators, the Museum of English Rural Life, Historic England, the National Coal Mining Museum and the Yorkshire Film Archive. Students made films, models and case study reports.

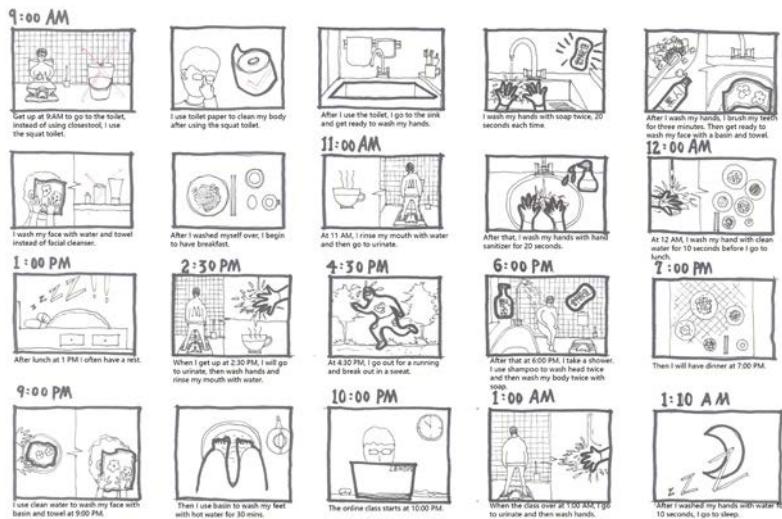


## Transdisciplinary Urbanism

Delijana lossifova

Public toilets play a key role in the transmission and rapid spread of COVID-19. In this course, we developed context-specific and user-friendly guidance for the design of public toilets that pose minimal risk for those who use and maintain them. Students were introduced to the notion of infrastructure and why it matters for public health. The focus was on formal and informal, service-based and physically networked sanitation. Methods

of relevance studied in this course included systematic literature review and autoethnography, grounded theory's constant comparative analysis and more conventional methods of qualitative data analysis.



## Architecture of Gender

Torsten Lange

This research methods workshop offered an interdisciplinary introduction to gender and queer theory. It consisted of two interlinked components: first, reading and discussion of key texts by contemporary thinkers, and, second, research and writing, applying conceptual tools drawn from these texts to the analysis of a specific local site. Short exercises around bibliographic searches, the role of evidence, politics of citation and experimental

writing practices introduced participants to feminist and queer research methods to counter dominant modes of knowledge production. Students produced collectively authored 'site-writings' that explored aspects of gender and sexuality in relation to particular places within Greater Manchester.



# RESEARCH 2: DISSERTATION

## STEPHEN WALKER

Dissertation Coordinator

### Research 2: Dissertation

The dissertation plays an essential role in the development of students' intellectual capabilities and resources, and forms an important vehicle through which the skills of scholarship and research are cultivated and tested. It provides students with the opportunity to develop their own architectural interests through the pursuit of research, scholarship and written argument. The preparation and presentation of a dissertation of around 10,000 words provides the opportunity to take this study to some depth.

The successful completion of a dissertation on a subject of some significance to Architecture and Urbanism contributes to part II of the Royal Institute of British Architects (RIBA) examination. The dissertation task is also structured to meet the Architects Registration Board (ARB) criteria.

The learning outcomes of the dissertation include the understanding of the complex influences on the contemporary built environment of individual buildings, the design of cities, past and present societies and wider global issues. Furthermore, during their work on the dissertation, students get an opportunity to learn about histories and theories of architecture and urban design, the history of ideas, and the related disciplines of art, cultural studies and landscape studies and their application in critical debate. These conceptual tools allow them to understand the complex influences on the contemporary built environment. Thanks to their work on a dissertation, students increase their architectural vocabularies through exposure to, and discussion of, a wide range of issues relating to the built environment.

Students begin work on their dissertations within small groups that are aligned to a stated theme or methodology. Structured research seminars inform individual dissertation proposals. Students progressively develop an ability to critically appraise the spatial, aesthetic, technical and social qualities of a design within the scope and scale of a wider environment. The inter-relationships between people, buildings and the environment are studied by means of various methods and approaches, which this year have been restricted by Covid-19, although students have been fantastically

creative and resource in accessing available literature, personal conversations (yet more Zoom!), surveys, field observations, and archival data. Through the dissertation, students acquire research and analysis skills, a competency in crafting coherent, logical and well-written arguments; they develop presentation techniques as well as acquire knowledge about the proper use of citation and referencing conventions.



## Education Shock: Learning, Politics and Architecture in the 1960s and 70s |

### TROPICAL SCHOOL DESIGN IN AFRICA

This exhibition represents the collaborative effort of students and academics who have worked over a month to source, design develop and compile this exhibit. The project relates closely to the BA Humanities Architecture Elective course title " Exploring Tropical Educational Spaces: Climate, construction and user cultures... ", run by Professor Ola Uduku in Term One, 2020 at Manchester School of Architecture which provided the context for students to engage with 'tropical' architecture and design in West Africa. Elective students Radu Neagoe, Min Jing Toh and Christian Brookes Barnes were central to the conception, design and production of all material for the project. Dr Jacopo Galli, from IUAV, Italy acted as consultant throughout the project's development and evolution and provided invaluable advice in our development of the exhibit.

We are also grateful to Ed Bottoms, archivist at the Architecture Association who provided digital reproductions of the plan and drawings of the Tema school in Ghana/Gold Coast. We also would like to thank Cambridge University's Special Collections for allowing the reproduction of the International School Ibadan Drawings. Finally, we are grateful to Scott Miller and Saul Parker-Backhouse, at the Manchester School of Architecture workshop for helping the students with the printing and packaging of the Tema and Ibadan tropical school models schools on display.

We hope that you enjoy the exhibition.



Prof. Ola Uduku



Dr. Jacopo Galli



Radu Neagoe



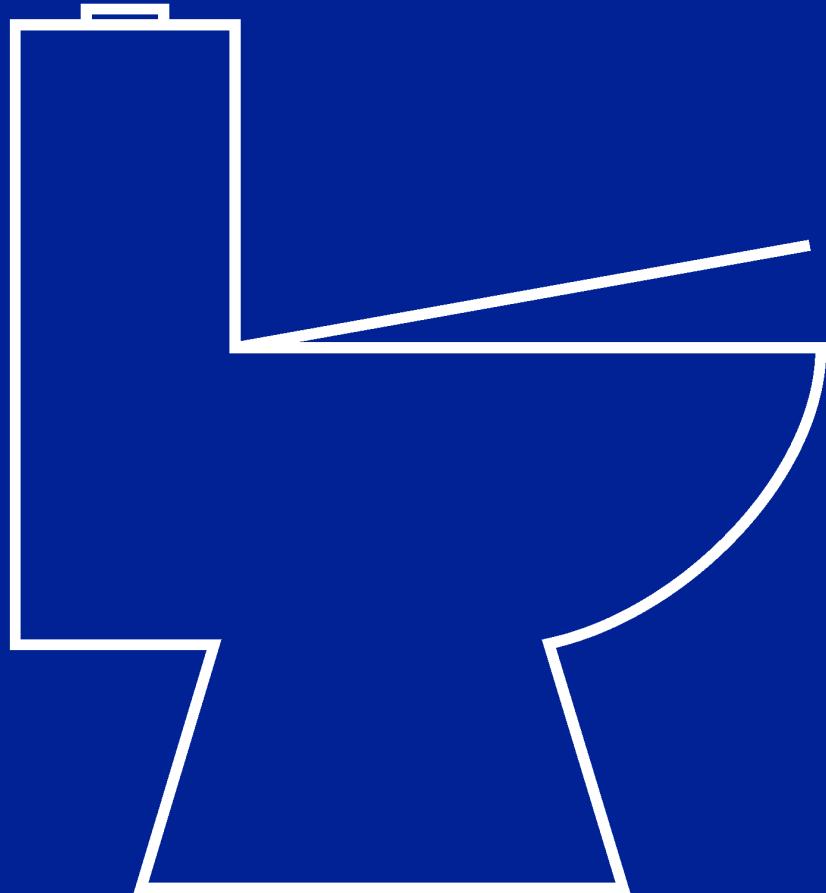
Christian Barnes



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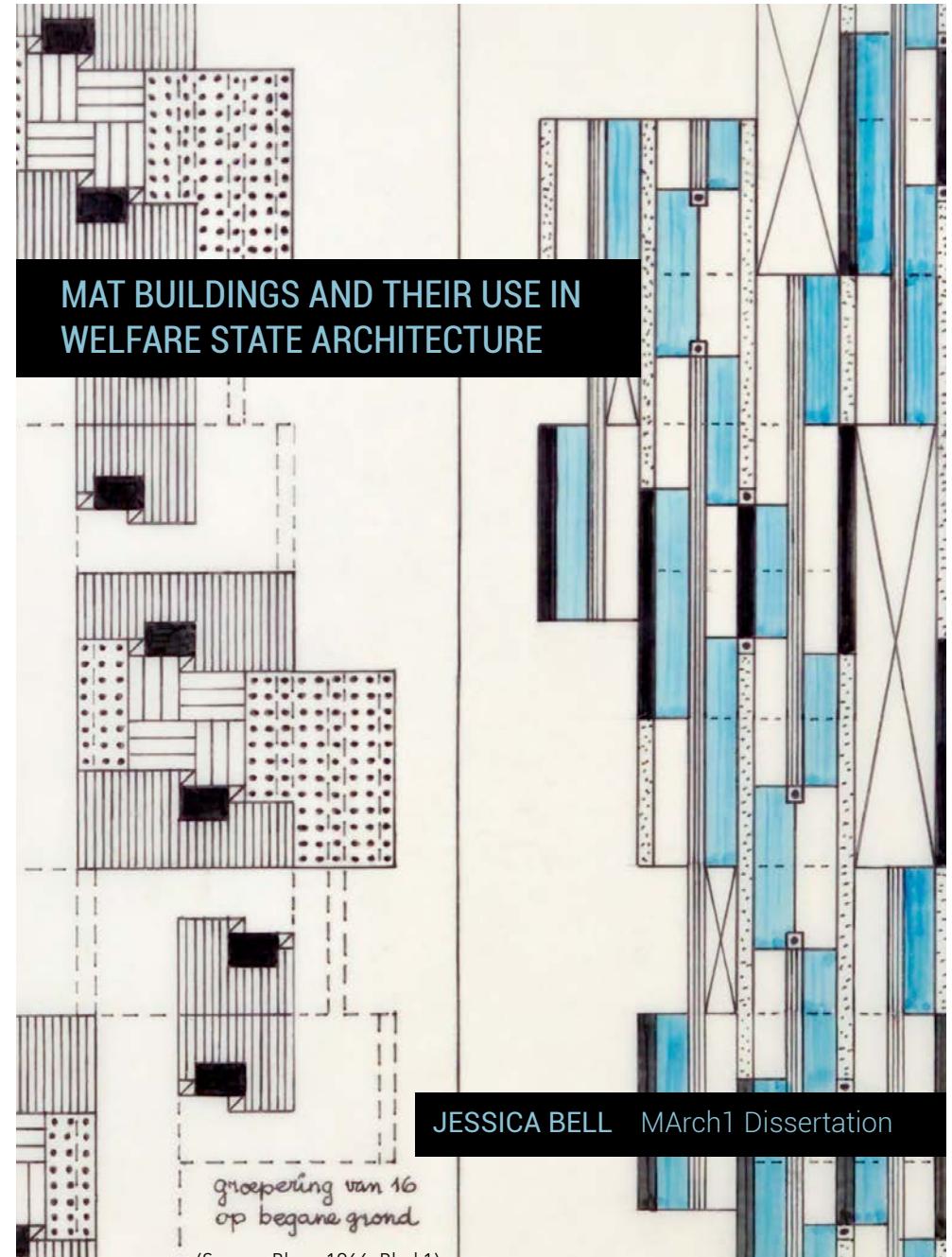
# THE RIGHT TO PUBLIC TOILETS

Politics, Safety, Visibility and Acceptance



Millie Evans  
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## MAT BUILDINGS AND THEIR USE IN WELFARE STATE ARCHITECTURE



JESSICA BELL MArch1 Dissertation

groepering van 16  
op beqane grond  
(Source: Blom, 1966: Plsd 1)

# Art Decentralized



*How the crypto art movement challenges the roles of centralized institutions in Art World*

Aadil Nagdawala

Legend  
 ■ Railway Boundary  
 — Residential Roads  
 ■ Plot Space Limits

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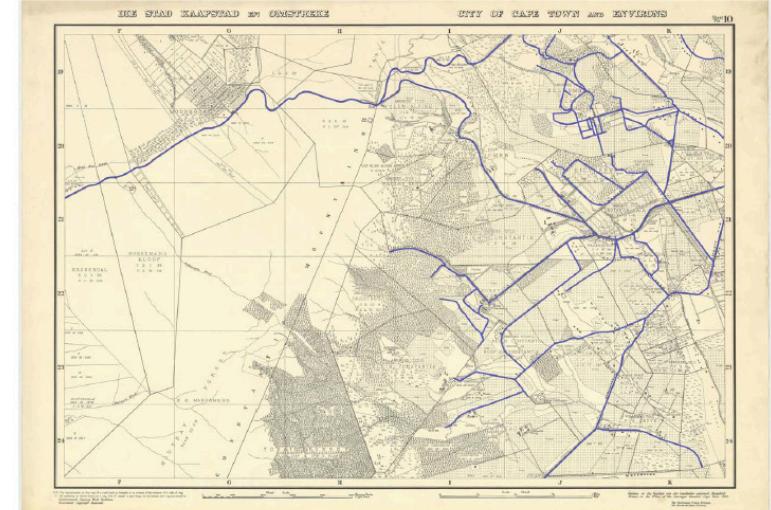


Figure 7: Showing the free formed roads west of the railway, 1931 (Source: Author, adapted from: 1931: Environmental Heritage Resources Information Centre, Cape Town)

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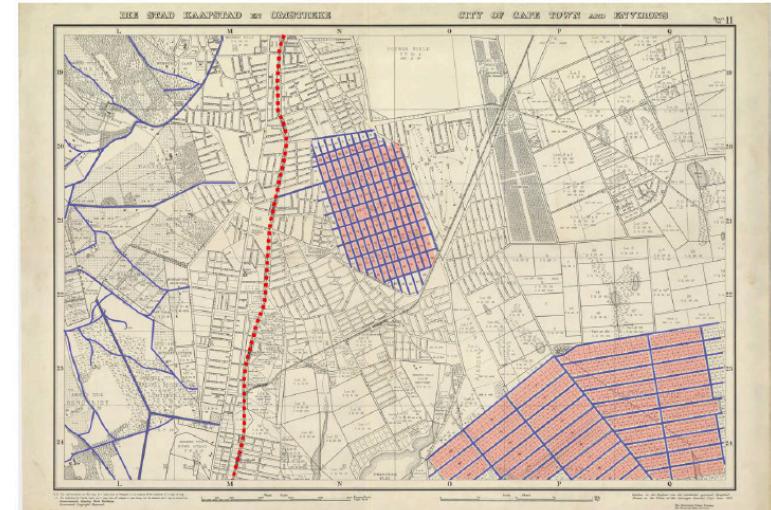
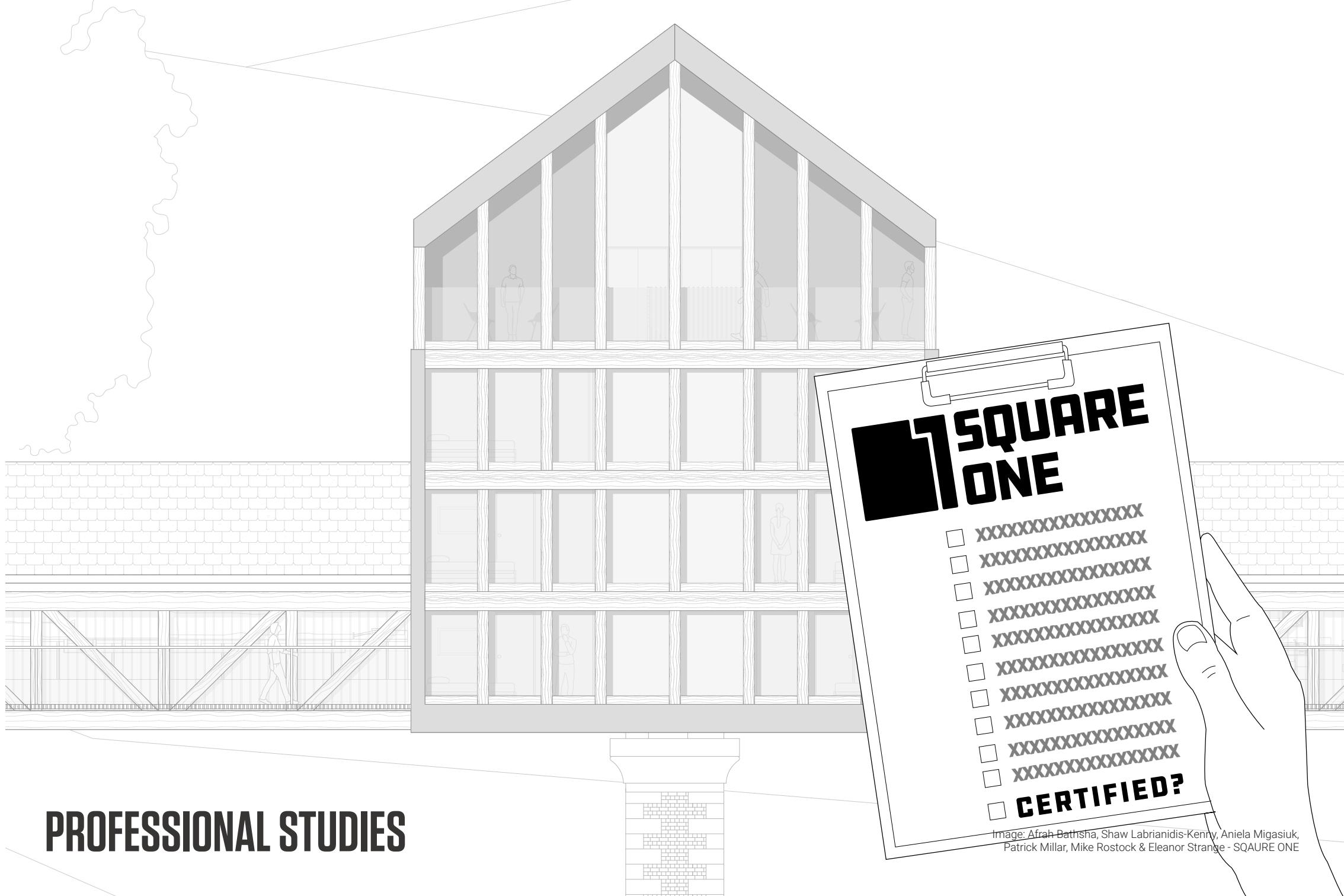


Figure 8: Showing railway that divides the free formed roads west of the railway and the rigid grids on the east 1931 (Source: Author, adapted from: 1931: Environmental Heritage Resources Information Centre, Cape Town)



# PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

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Image: Afrah Bathsha, Shaw Labrianidis-Kenny, Aniela Migasiuk, Patrick Millar, Mike Rostock & Eleanor Strange - SQAURE ONE

# PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

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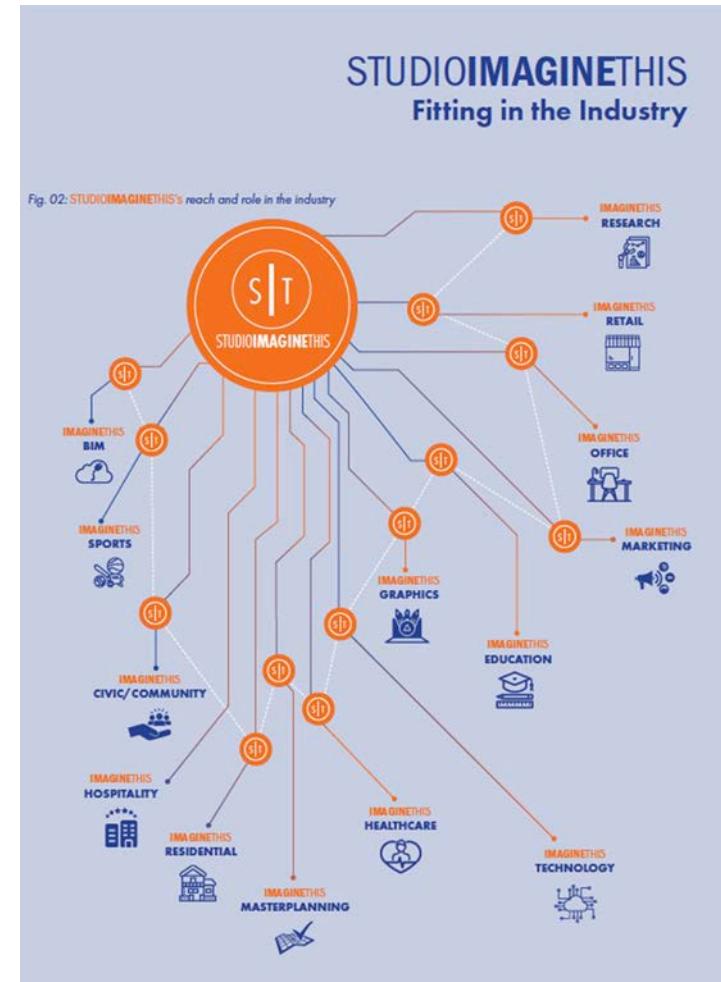
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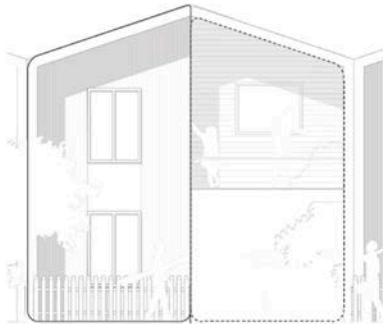
### Professional Studies

At Part 2 (MArch) level, Professional Studies ensures that students have the opportunity to evidence how they have gained knowledge of the industries, organisations, regulations and procedures involved in translating design concepts into buildings and integrating plans into overall planning. Through a series of lectures by staff and practising experts, the students gain a better understanding of the professional world of architecture before demonstrating how they can apply that on their own projects. This year the students relished the opportunity to review a previous studio project and discuss how they could improve it with their enhanced knowledge. They also formed a theoretical practice to showcase how they might put a business together and benefit from current or future trends in construction and design, often reaching beyond the "traditional" model of practice. This year there have been an inspirational set of proposals that have a firm social or ethical foundation, consider post-pandemic working on a global scale, the re-use of redundant plane parts of stadium spaces, energy and climate change challenges and the digital future – one group has also written an article for Intelligent Architecture about modular construction



Studio Imagine This

# We Create Communities of Builders.



**Figure 03.** Design indicating phase expansion (architect's view)  
**We design & build phase one to completion.**

- Phase 01 is funded by client/investor.
- Phase 01 is owned by client/investor.
- Investment funds the materials for phase 02
- Incremental construction means the property increases in value with use.

archiPact teach community to build the rest.

- architect teaches community through design charrettes and forums.
- Additional help from student engagement in exchange for learning experience.
- Affordable housing for those who need it.
- Adaptable homes for those who use it.

## Our Solution.

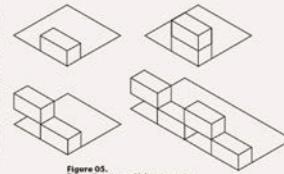
**Co-operative Housing.** According to many professionals and researchers, architectural practice is the professional engagement of Architects in the design and construction of buildings as a service to their employer, otherwise referred to as the Client, selling their services whilst complying to the various statutory constraints of relevant authoritative bodies such as the RIBA. Architects and researchers before us, have highlighted three key agencies in architectural services: the Architect, the Contractor and the Client.



**Figure 04.** Diagram illustrating incremental construction concept (architect's view)

### Design for expansion...

In the future, there could be innovative alterations and adaptations to the housing. The possibility of stocking to create more space for the individual house or to provide extra housing for more residents, one way to mitigate the cost of expanding horizontally which requires land cost issues. Designing for expansion creatively and flexibility for the unknown future is the way to go.



**Figure 05.** Diagram illustrating possible future interventions (architect's view)

"We don't design buildings but design opportunities for impact. The idea of 'opportunities' is very much ambiguous but at the same time it gives so much more room for creativity as an architect. The whole idea of cross-disciplinary approach and not just solely architecture is what the future of architecture should be." - archiPact

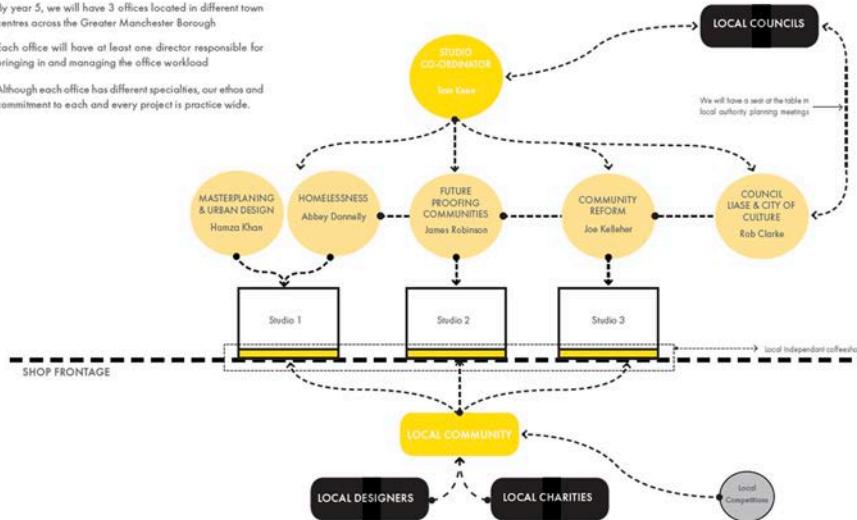
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Archipact - co-operative housing

## Practice Structure

### Our Setup

- By year 5, we will have 3 offices located in different town centres across the Greater Manchester Borough
- Each office will have at least one director responsible for bringing in and managing the office workload
- Although each office has different specialities, our ethos and commitment to each and every project is practice wide.



Catalyst - Business structure

## OUR SOLUTION

TACKLING GLOBAL CRISIS THROUGH AND ENVIRONMENTAL PERSPECTIVE

### REBUILD

Using salvaged airline parts, focusing on purchasing the fuselage centre, the AeroPod team manufactures and designs bespoke new homes through quick and efficient construction methods



### RECYCLE

Partnering with the aeroplane bone-yards to buy aeroplane parts, such as Air Salvage International. The example of the Boeing 747 holds 6 million parts of which 85-89% is successfully recyclable (Aircraft Disassembly & Scrapping, 2020)

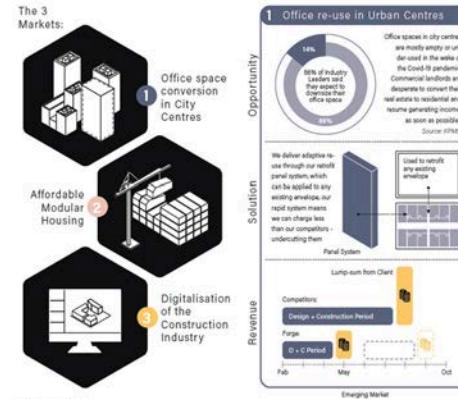
### REUSE

New Pods can be re-sold and recycled back to the industry for 'take off' once more or aid the housing industry of the creation of modular homes to cope with the demand of increased housing around the world

Aeropod - Plane parts Re-use proposal

## BUSINESS PROPOSITION

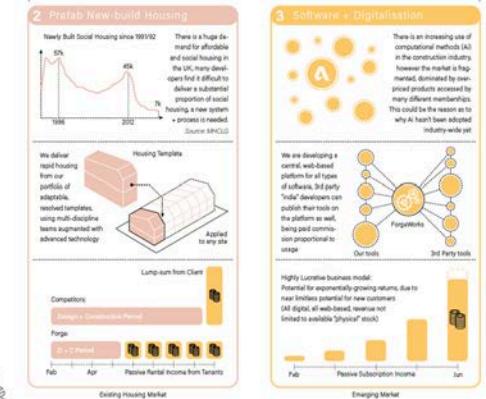
The 'Gap' in the Existing Housing Market + 2 Emerging Markets



FS3 Group R. Forge Ltd

Forge - Modular Design Proposal

## Passive Revenue Streams = Stable + Resilient Company



### RESIDENTIAL

WHY CHOOSE MODULAR DESIGN?

#### Benefits of Modular Design

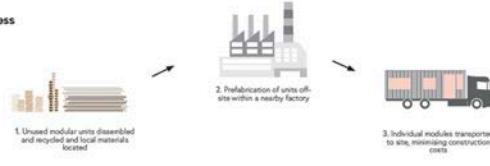
- The residential units will be incorporated into the existing stadium structure, minimising initial structural costs compared to a new build project.
- The materials can be re-used and recycled back into the system of modular architecture or transported to other Micro-Hubs in need for expansion.
- Flexibility of unit layout and combination of different units.
- Lower construction fees due to less waste on site, and transportation of materials. Meaning cheaper more affordable housing for communities.

#### Why live in The Micro-Hub?

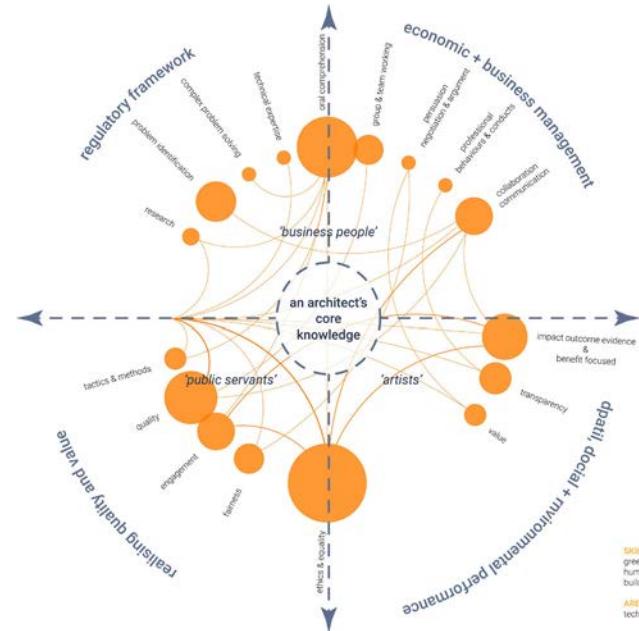
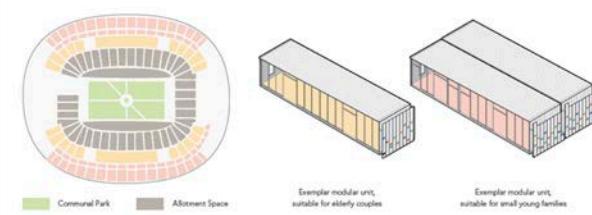
The Micro-Hub is proposed to be a safe, friendly neighbourhood where young children can freely play and the elderly can enjoy allotment growing. The re-purposed stadium offers 24/7 security as well as on site maintenance.

The arrangement of modular units loops around the perimeter of the higher tiers with views into the communal space as well as views outwards into the city.

The Process



Zonal Design Strategy



Olympia\_stadium Reuse Proposal

Sandra Rotarescu - Reflective Diagram

aspect 2 **compromising the design**

The house was design heavily around the notion of 'vertical connectivity' was a very important aspect in the design. A central double volume kitchen space was created so that the client can be watched over by his sister even if she is on the first floor. However the escape route for the first floor is being compromised and I realised through the lectures that certain design needs to be compromised for the safety of the users while achieving the similar result.

**Fire safety**  
In week 12, there were many conversations about building regulations and fire safety which is essential to reflect and evaluate on. There was a great insight on fire safety for different scales of buildings and there are various of methods to mitigate the risk. Working closely with different teams and understanding the design while keeping track of the progress from the start till the end of the construction is important to make sure that it is built to what is being prescribed (Lynn, 2020).



**Issue - fire safety hazard**  
The double volume kitchen sitting in the middle of the house is a safety hazard. When there is a fire in the open space on the first floor and fire expansion therefore covering a restricted means of escape from the bedrooms. The only means of escape for both of the bedrooms is via the central staircase. The route should be protected from the fire to ensure that it fully use as the first floor.

**Improvement compartmentalisation**  
The low wall should be replaced with a fire-rated window. The initial idea of connecting the floors usually have to be compromised however using methods that can still permit the initial direction without neglecting the safety of the users. With this, compartmentalisation is achieved to provide a protected escape route to the ground floor.

**Approved Doc B1 (dwellings)**  
Provisions for escape from upper floors not more than 4.5m above ground level  
2.4 Except for kitchens, all habitable rooms in the upper storey of a dwellinghouse served by only one stair should be provided with:  
a) a window (or external door) in direct access to a protected stairway (BSA, 2013)

**Means of escape for dwellings (BSA, 2013)**

**Strategic Briefing**  
There is a possibility of the clients themselves not own what they want. In this case, the project was only to accommodate the siblings which might not be the most ideal case if there is an increase in the number family members or if somebody comes over for a stay. The possible adjustment to the scheme is to create another bedroom on the roof space so that it can come to more people. This could be done in the construction stage (reduce cost) where additional structure or support is added to allow such expansion/alterations to take place in the future.

In Week 8, the lecture by Peter Wiseman mentioned about 'Strategic Briefing' where buildings are built for the possibility of expansion. The rule towards designing for an uncertain future are 'leave it', 'make things easier for the users to change, recycle and able to actually cope about how people use buildings in the future (Wiseman, 2020)'. This is particularly a rule that should have been retained upon designing this project.

The proposed is well-fit to the current requirements of the client however one should also evaluate the post occupancy situation and we should always learn from projects (Wiseman, 2020).

I personally think that as architects, our job only starts when the project ends and every project is a new learning platform to improve the quality of the future built projects. Reflecting back on this particular aspect for change, the existing planning works however there could be new ways to resolving problems effectively. It is all about a learning process and this is where 'strategic briefing' fits in.

Sonia Mancxia Balaguru - Designing with Fire regulations

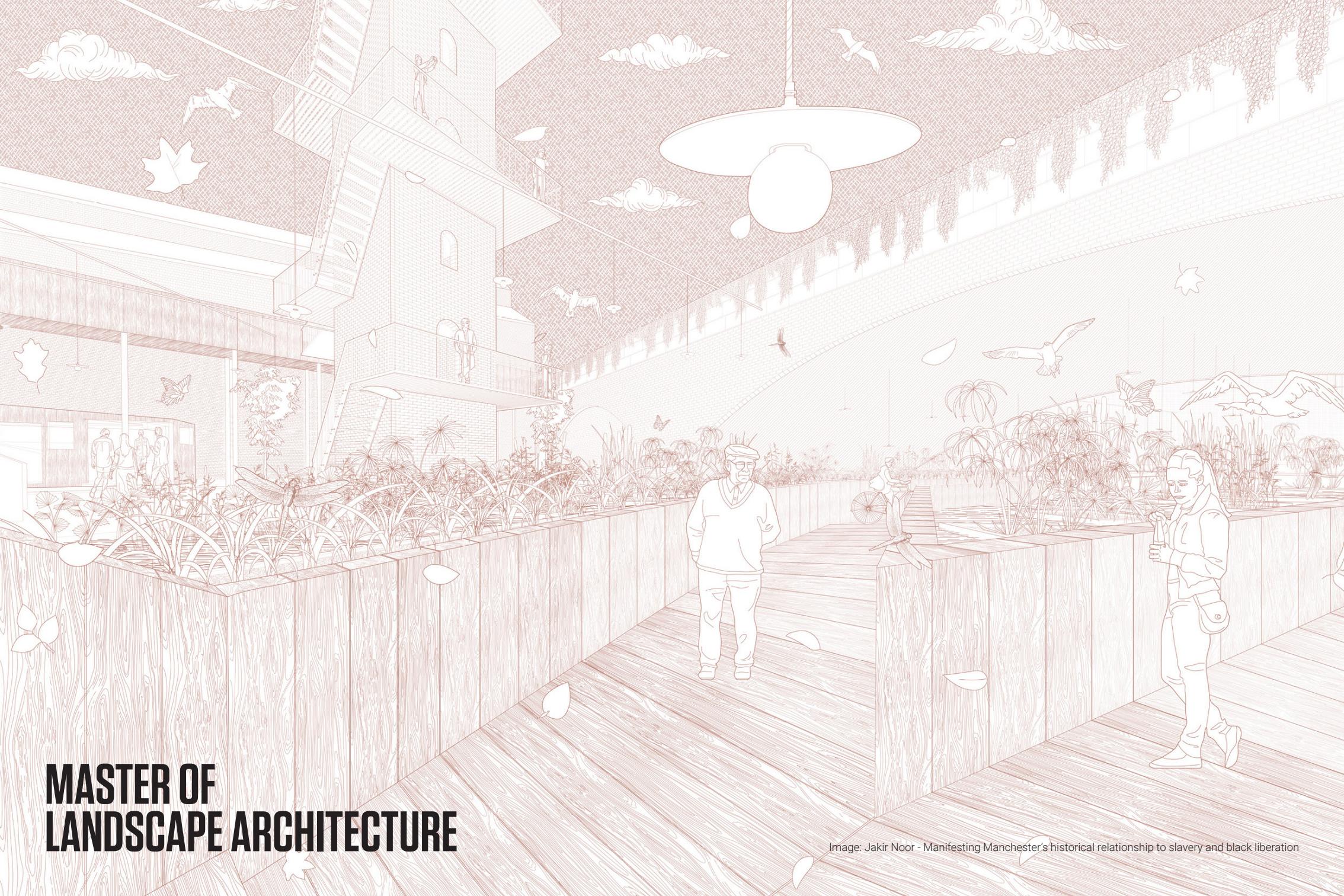
**PART B: FIRE SAFETY IN DWELLINGS**  
A. There are sufficient means for giving early warning of fire to people in the building.  
C. Escape routes are suitably located, sufficient in number and of adequate capacity.  
2.1 See Diagram 2.1A. All habitable rooms (excluding kitchens) should have either of the following:  
A. An opening directly onto a hall leading to a final exit.

**RISER DISTANCE**  
For dwelling houses, access for a jumping appliance should be provided to within 4m of all points inside the dwelling house.  
Worst Case: 10209 x 4 = 40636

**BUILDING REGS**  
Dwelling houses with one storey more than 4.5m above ground level  
2.5 See Diagram 2.1C. The dwelling house should have either of the following:  
a. Protected stairway -- a stair separated by fire resisting construction (minimum EI 30) at all storeys, that complies with one of the following:  
i. Extends to a final exit (Diagram 2.2a).  
ii. Gives access to a minimum of two ground level final exits that are separated from each other by fire resisting construction (minimum EI 30) and fire doorsets (minimum E 20) (Diagram 2.2b).  
Cavity barriers or a fire resisting ceiling (minimum EI 30) should be provided above a protected stairway enclosure (Diagram 2.3).

Diagram 2.2 Alternative arrangements for final exits

Sophie Chappell - Designing with Fire regulations



# MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Image: Jakir Noor - Manifesting Manchester's historical relationship to slavery and black liberation

# MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

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### Master of Landscape Architecture

Against a backdrop of world-changing events this year, matters central to landscape architecture have come to the fore. COVID-19 has highlighted issues of unequal access to green space and the health benefits afforded by nature; the ecological and climate crisis remain an existential threat to us all, and with COP26 on the horizon we hope for urgent action by those in power.

Landscape Architecture has an immense amount to offer as a stitcher-together of communities, ecologies, and places. Our specialist skills bridging biological sciences, creativity, technical knowledge, and co-ordination could not be more relevant today. Within the context of practice, built environment professionals are all bound by financial and regulatory limitations. The Master of Landscape Architecture at MSA offers space to experiment beyond these margins.

This year we implemented several changes to our course. We brought landscape architecture and architecture students together through research, live projects, and through the MSA Atelier system. The MLA Open Lecture series and contributions to MSA Provocations gave a platform to ongoing global discussions. While continuing to deliver a fundamentally landscape architectural and accredited education, we are collaborating across disciplines. Our aim is to afford a dialogue between built environment professions, encouraging mutual learning, respect, debate, and cooperation. We surely need this approach to navigate the shared challenges that lie ahead.

Our students responded to the constraints of the pandemic with immense resilience and creativity. As they continue their paths into the profession, we urge them to continue to think critically about what landscape architecture can be and to push at the boundaries of the profession.



MLA 1

Image: Evelyn Boyce - The geological drift section of the Manchester Basin as a representation of time

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### MLA 1

In the first part of the MLA students from varied academic and professional backgrounds develop foundational skills and knowledge for the discipline of landscape architecture. They bring valuable expertise and perspectives from diverse countries, cultures, qualifications and experiences. This year our students developed critical and individual approaches, through a pedagogy based on dialogue, experimentation and collaborative learning. The development of design and communication skills in studio units was underpinned by the acquisition of historical, theoretical and technical knowledge in Landscape Studies, but all elements of

the course are interconnected and complementary. The involvement of multiple guest tutors, from landscape practice and related areas, grounded students in current practice and developed engagement with the wider profession.

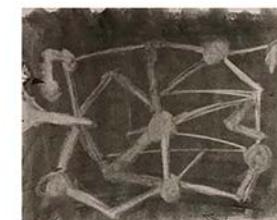
### MLA 1 Studio

In Atelier 1A students tested a range of skills and knowledge, including research, idea making and testing, design development and representation. The framework for this process was explored through the function and scale of different landscape topologies; Garden, Park and Landscape.

In Atelier 1B students focussed on the complex relationships between space, function, built form and environment in the context of an historic but semi-derelict urban infrastructure, adjacent to Lancaster city centre. They used this as a foundation to develop design proposals for the role of communal and public space in the development of a resilient, sustainable and liveable urban quarter. Finally, MLA1 worked in multi-disciplinary student-led teams on live projects in MSA Live (see separate section).

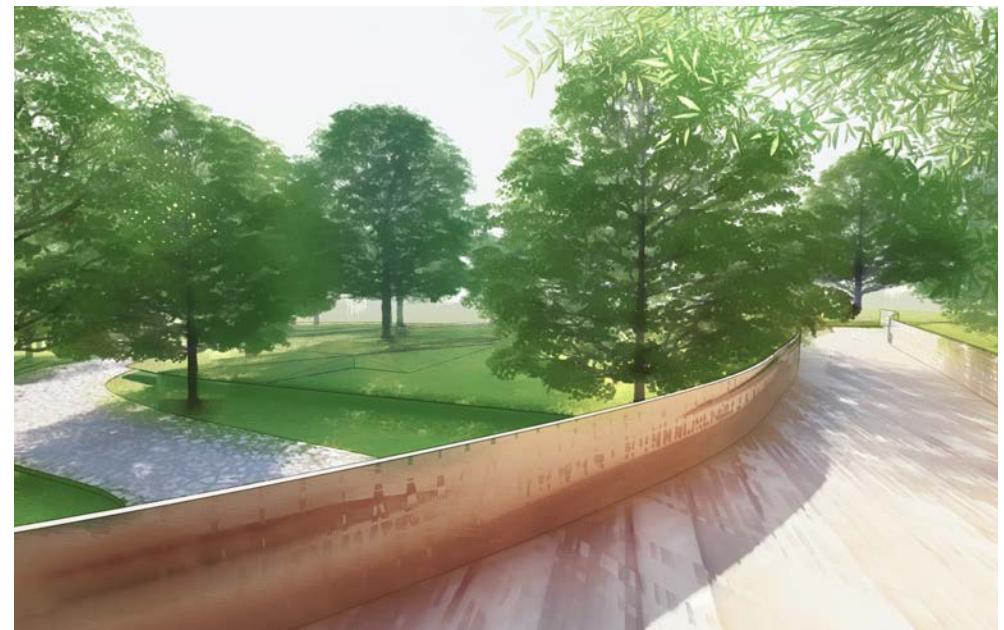
### MLA 1 Landscape Studies

Landscape Studies consists of two interconnected strands. Landscape Studies 1 situates landscape practice within its historical and theoretical context. This year students explored ideas in the complex and evolving relationship between human culture and its environment, as manifested in the landscape. Landscape Studies 2 introduced students to a range of processes and systems which are generators of landscape. Knowledge is acquired through talks and presentations, collective and individual research, as well as dialogue and discussion to further explore the materials of landscape, both living and inert, and their application in design. Information and ideas are developed through project work, based on case studies and site investigations.





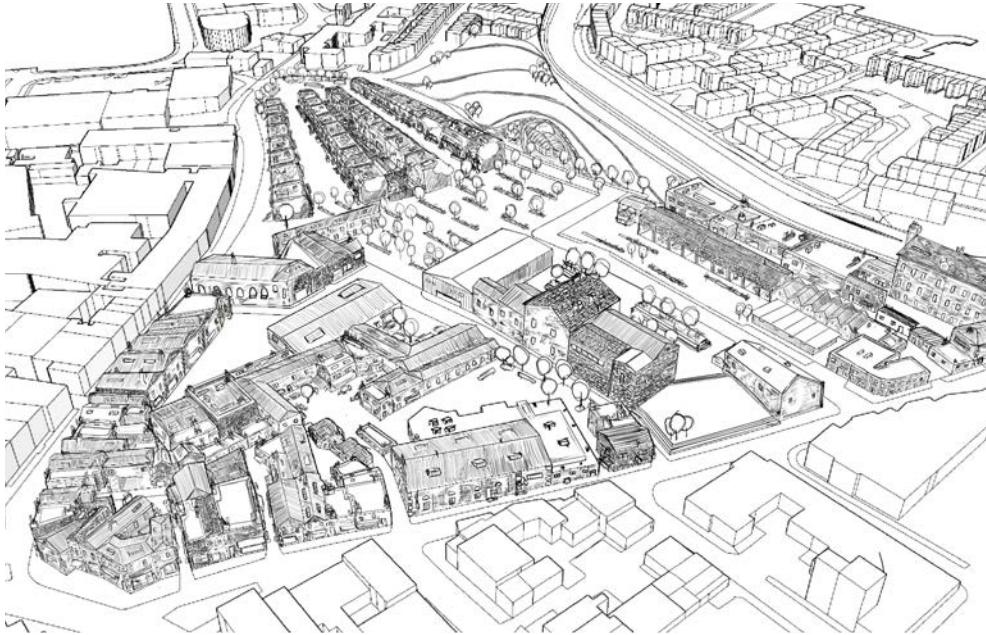
Evelyn Boyce - Sketch Model for 'The Garden'



Gayathri Ravichandran - Exploring topography to reinvent the Victorian urban park



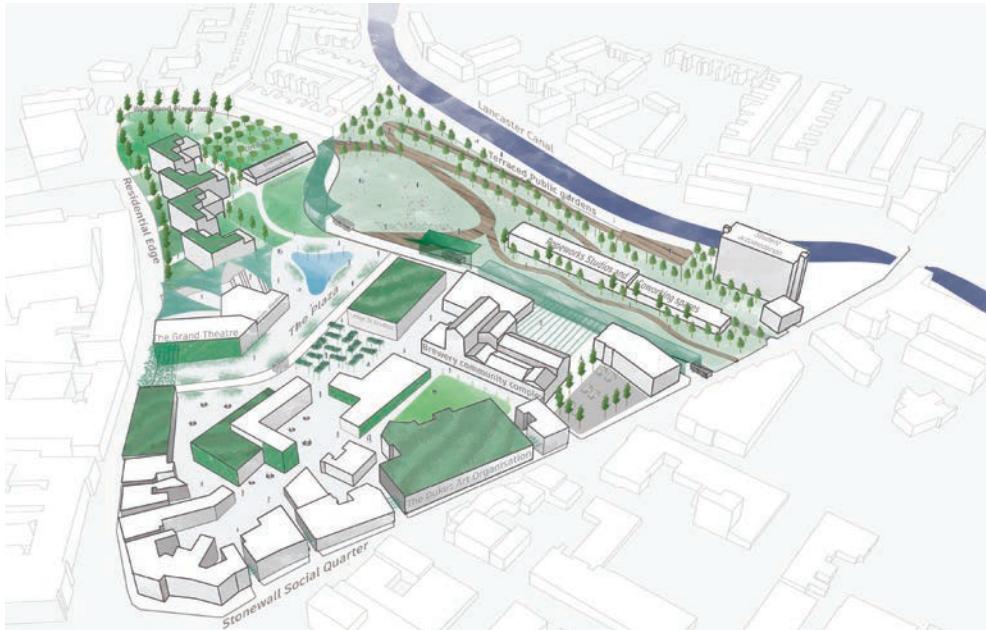
Nikita Nangia - Reconfiguring the Mancunian Way, Design Development



Abdullah Almodi - Birdseye views of proposed reconfigurations of the Lancaster Canal Quarter



Amos Booth - Perspective



Evelyn Boyce - Birdseye views of proposed reconfigurations of the Lancaster Canal Quarter



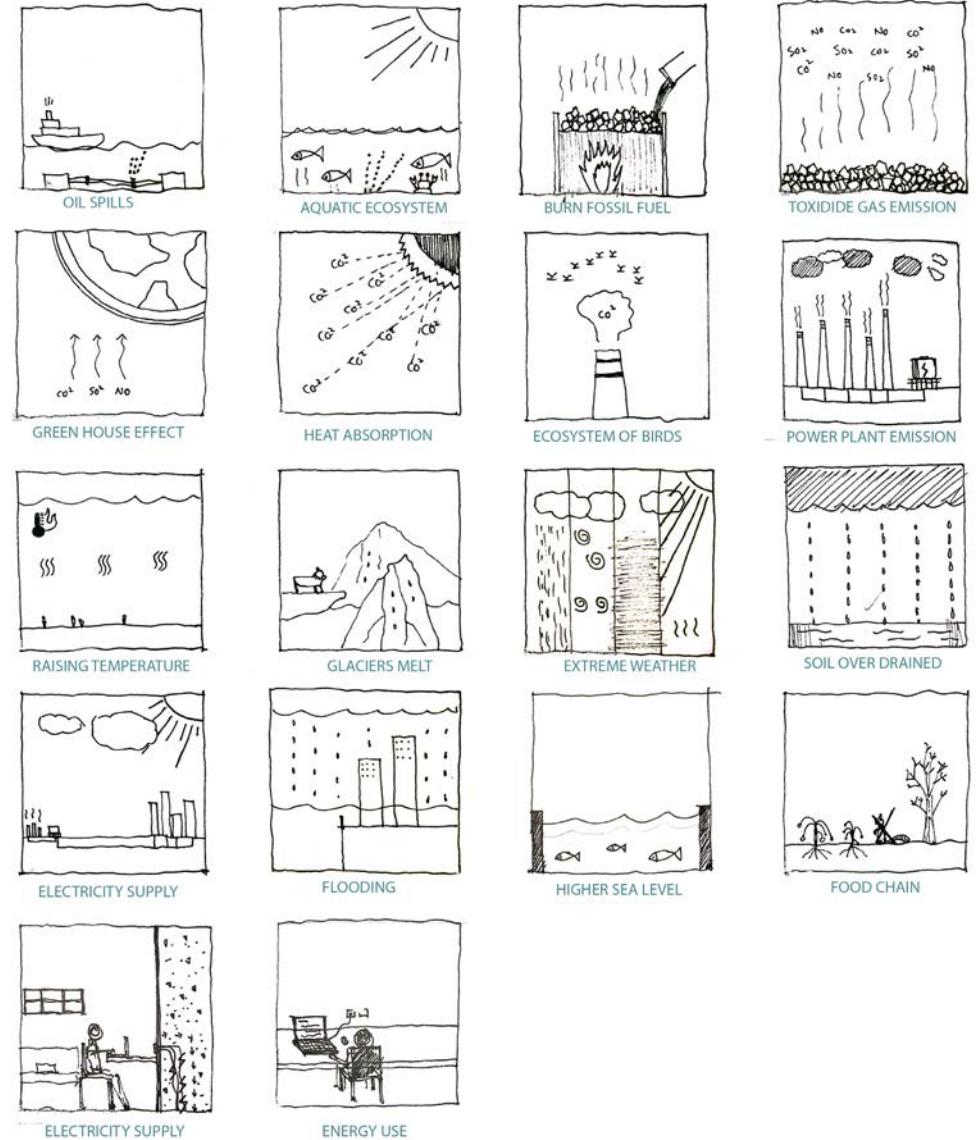
A. Alamoudhi, D. Morgan, G. Ravichandran - Garden for the Homeless, A vegetable garden to engage with homeless people through cultivation



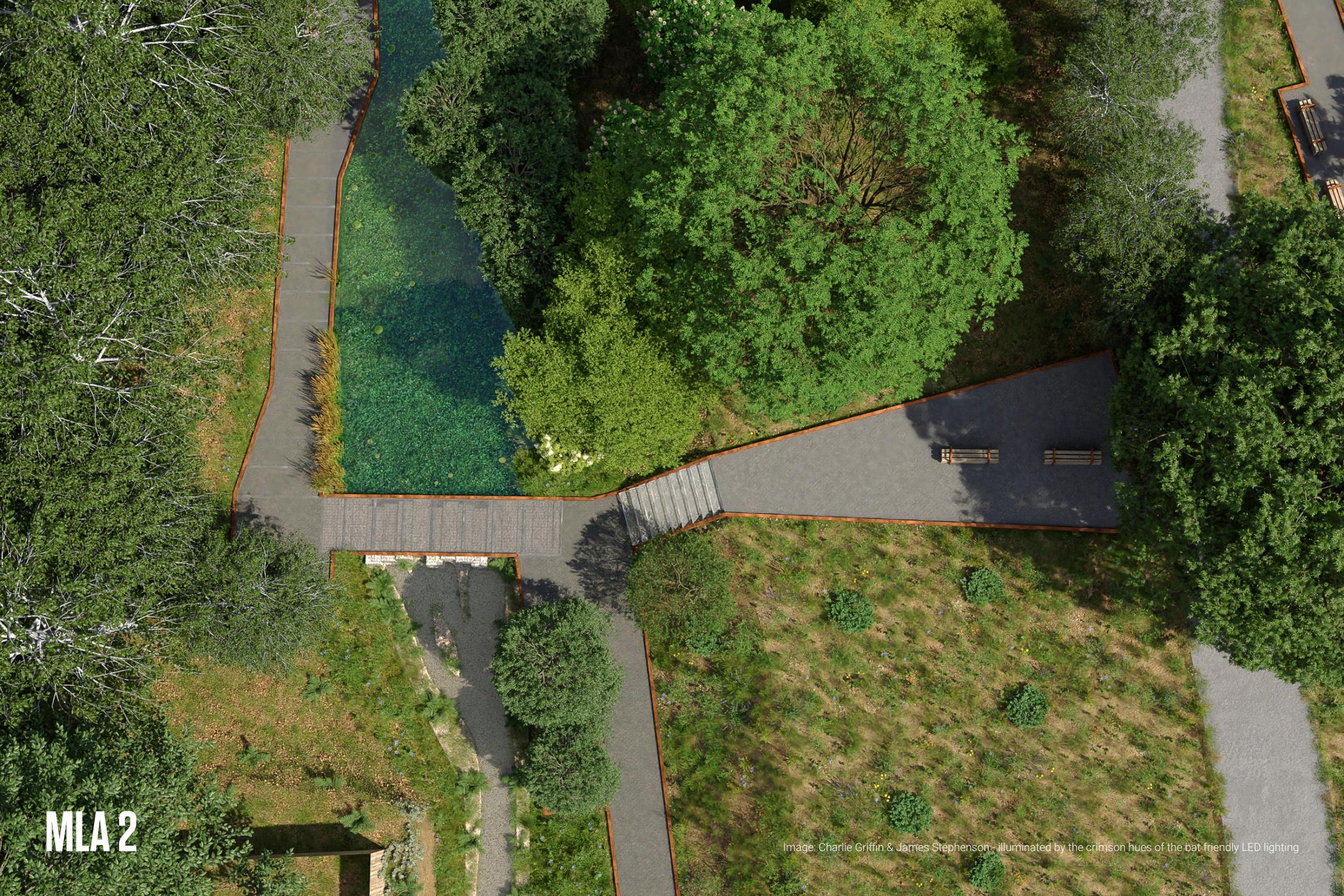
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A. Alamoudhi, D. Morgan, G. Ravichandran - Garden for the Homeless



Ji Haw Chi - Exploratory storyboard of our everyday role in ecological destruction



**MLA 2**

Image: Charlie Griffin & James Stephenson - illuminated by the crimson hues of the bat-friendly LED lighting

# MLA 2

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### MLA 2

The MLA2 has undertaken a series of pedagogic developments aimed at promoting multiple critical approaches to practice, a wide range of analytical approaches, and interdisciplinary working. All of the above mean that our graduate pool has a broad range of experience, and networks from across the Manchester School of Architecture.

We retain separate teaching elements such as project briefs which ensure that landscape architectural learning outcomes and focus are central. The MLA2 cohort are taught by landscape architects with contributions from architect colleagues.

Shared timetables across units allow co-teaching with architecture cohorts when desired. Common deadlines also allow for the co-ordination of our exhibitions and more interaction across the school. Combined lectures enable access to wide range of ideas from a large pool of experts.

Our studio units have for the first time aligned with the MSA atelier system. This research-led teaching means our students can forge their own path through their studies, with diverse atelier themes encouraging distinct methods and emphasis.



**MLA 2 & ARCHITECTURE**

Image: Ann-Jou Hsien Wu, "Exploration of water filtration and recycling to restore diverse habitat." 2019

# MLA 2 & ARCHITECTURE

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### MLA 2 & Architecture

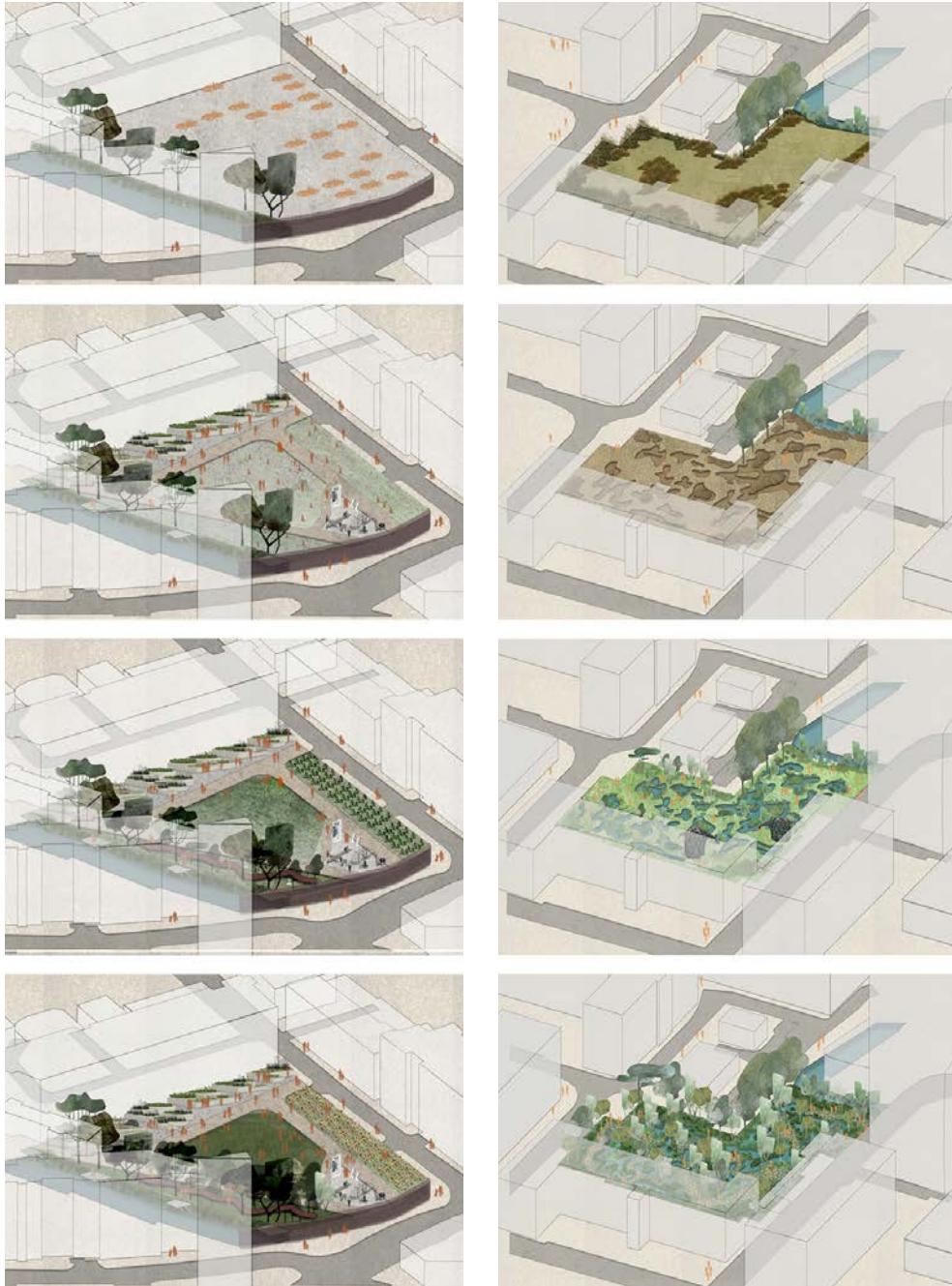
The & Architecture Atelier is based on the principle of 'Starting from Difference' and adopts a range of strategies which challenge students to consider and explore landscapes from multiple points of view, encompassing both their diverse animal and plant communities as well as human user groups. Our approach is 'ecosystemic', in that it begins from an understanding of the complex webs of social and ecological interactions which landscapes both reflect and stage. Design is considered more as a seed, catalyst or virus than a formal outcome, and students are encouraged to explore potential scenarios rather than the imposition of a deterministic end product.

This year, students have explored the entangled relationships between waterways and their urban

context, under the theme of 'Invisible Rivers'. Specifically, they looked at the Medlock, one of the rivers which drove Manchester's development into an industrial powerhouse. From this starting point students developed individual projects based on their own readings of conditions identified along the river corridor. These included: explorations of complexity and emergence theory, phyto and myco remediation, rural modernism, constructed wetlands, slavery and the black liberation struggle, urban foodscapes and revealing time and history.



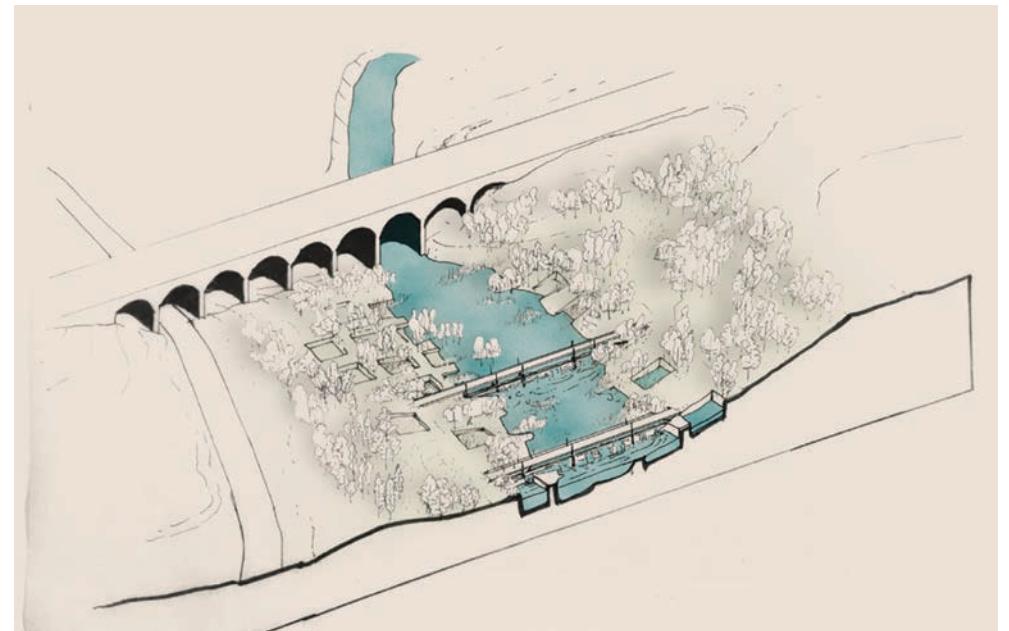
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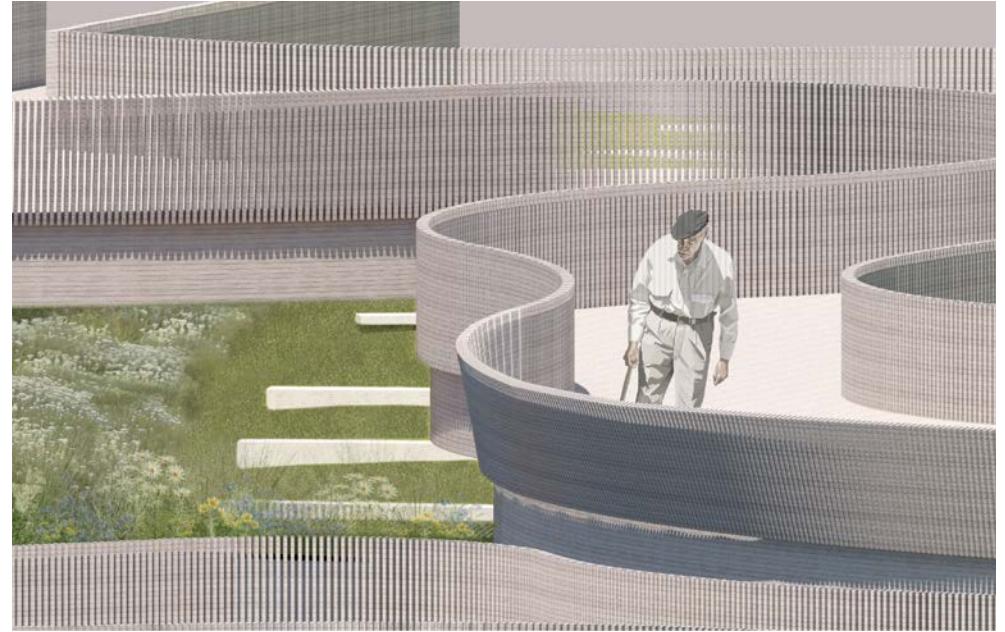
Aakanksha Khatri - Myco and Phyto remediation to reappropriate brownfield sites along the river



Edmund Toomey - Downstream: An investigation of the urban river as a manifestation of chaos theory and complexity



Ann Jou-Hsien Wu - Exploration of water filtration and recycling to restore diverse riparian habitats



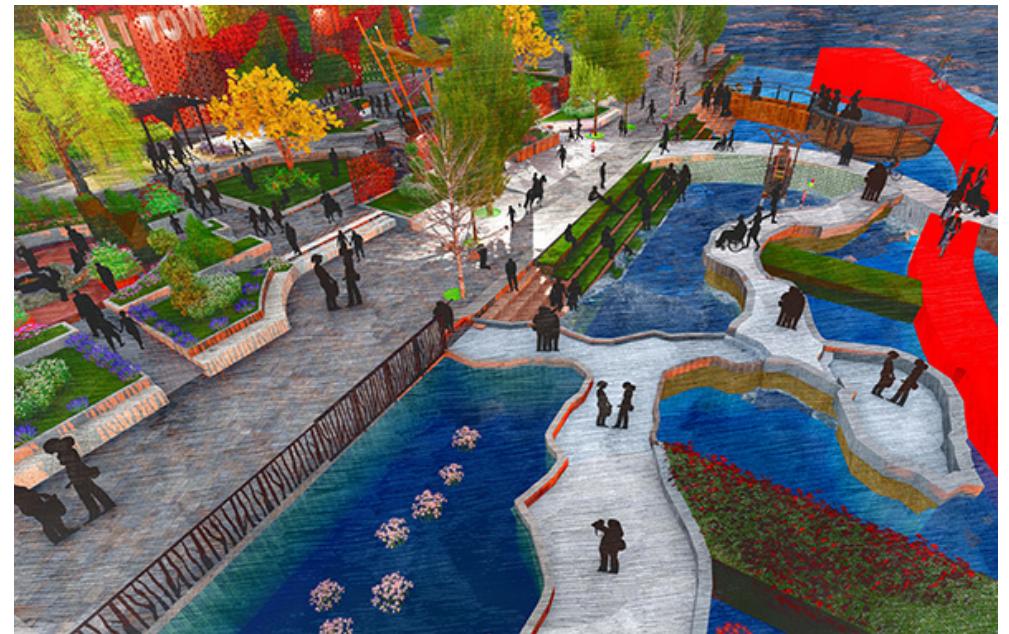
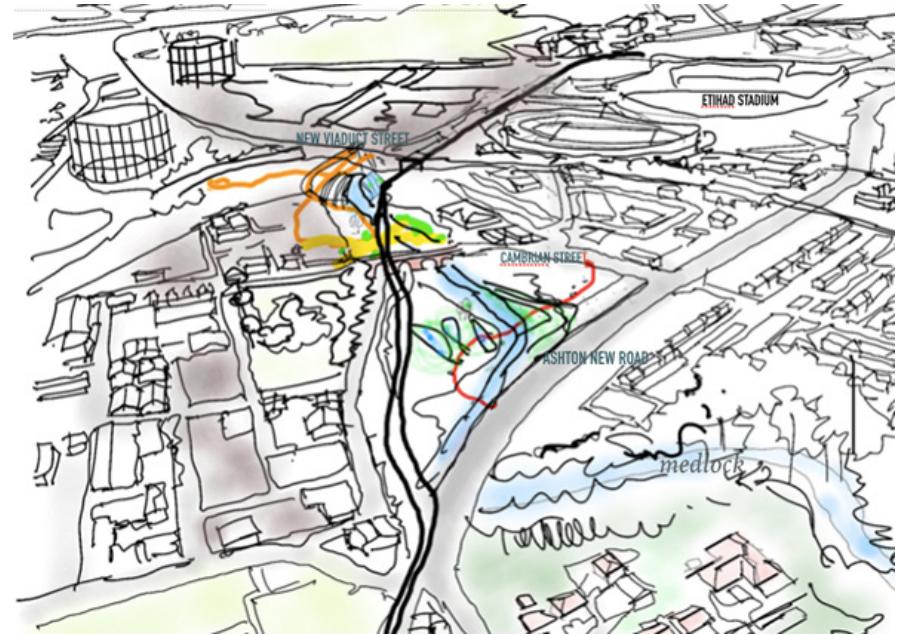
Laura Lok-yu Lee - Reawakening the forgotten river through restoration of cultural memory and habitat diversity



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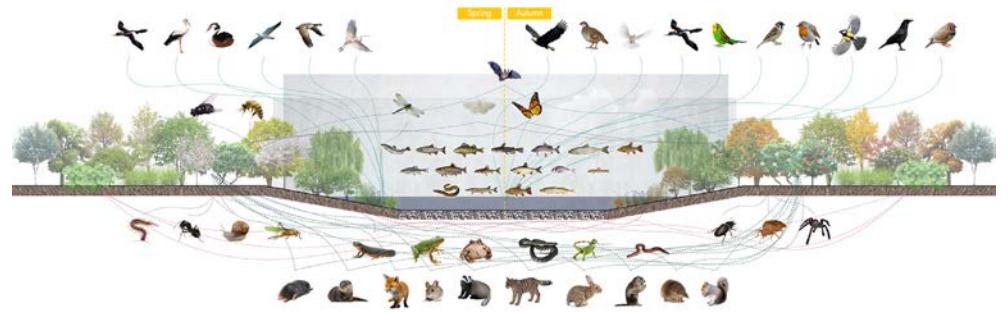
Shreyansh Barua - Exploring the idea of Rural Modernism to the revitalization of Clayton Vale



Madhumitha Babu - Constructed wetlands to create a new green heart at neglected site in Holt Town



Yingman Gao - Materialising time and change along the Medlock corridor  
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Yingman Gao - Materialising time and change along the Medlock corridor  
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Jakir Noor - Manifesting Manchester's historical relationship to slavery and black liberation through a metaphorical sequence of spaces expressing stages on the journey from enslavement to freedom.



**MLA 2 USE**

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# MLA 2 USE

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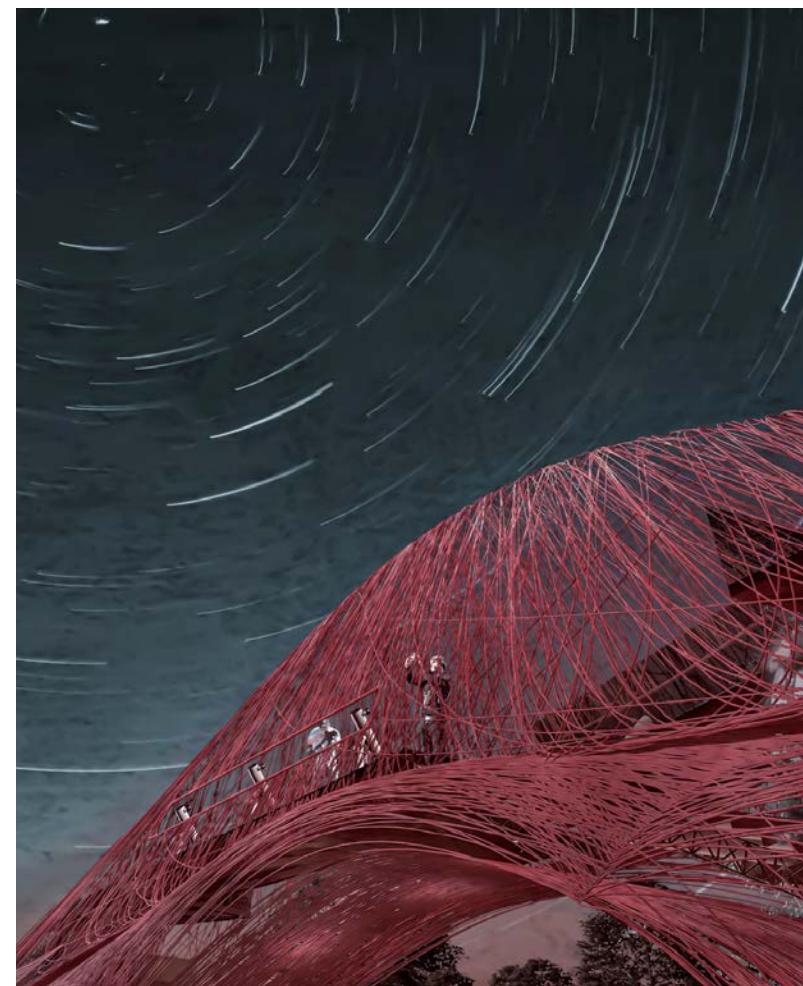
### MLA 2 + USE

In USE students follow (personal) narratives that are developed through all design stages. The atelier incorporates the techniques and working methods of other creative disciplines, in particular fine art. The topic for this year was to develop strategies that explored resistance. We asked students to investigate agents of resistance and change along and adjacent to the Floop. This theme ran throughout the atelier in all cohorts.

Projects were centred along and beside the Fallowfield Loopline (The Fallowfield Loop or Floop). Built upon the remnants of a decommissioned railway line, the Floop now forms part of the National Cycle Network running the breadth of Manchester. Multiple eras of housing, industrial and natural elements exist along the eastern part of the Floop including the ancient Nico Ditch, the

secret lake, and infrastructure in the form of Thirlmere Aqueduct and several reservoirs.

In response to the topic and site students generated diverse landscape architectural drivers: animal aided design, democratic space, partition stories of India and Pakistan, reclaiming public space, celebrating decay, human responses to biodiverse landscapes, dreams and brainwaves, and restorative nature as a response to the COVID-19 pandemic.



Jialin Liang - The bird-watching tower at night



Charlie Griffin & James Stephenson - Sketch of the view into Highfield Country Park from the Victorian lattice bridge



Christy Chu - Secret Lake Loop: improving human and societal well-being in during and beyond the pandemic.



Emily Mayer - Anarchic Picnic Terrace



Eunice Ng - Decay is necessary in natural cycles

Georgia Hartley - Model exploring permeability across roads, gardens and the Fallowfield Loop



Eunice Ng - If nature works like a cycle, how can there be a beginning and an end?

Georgia Hartley - The Ground Below Our Feet appeals to the human and hedgehog visitor



Charlie Griffin & James Stephenson - The messy and biodiverse flora of Highfield Country Park



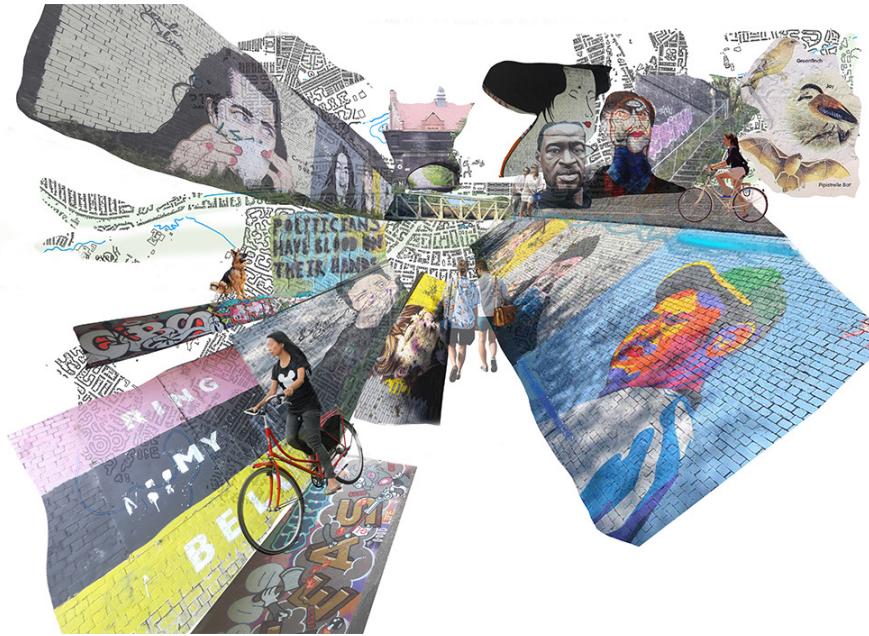
Jialin Liang - The Secret Lake site east of the Fallowfield Loop



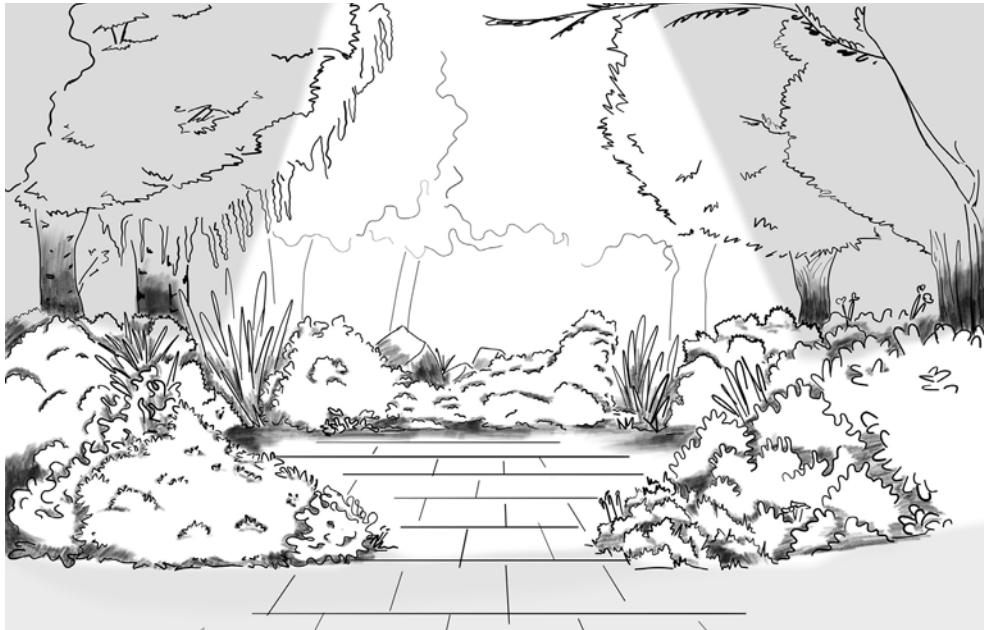
Charlie Griffin & James Stephenson - The Gabion Dam



Jialin Liang - Bird's eye view showing the relationship between the bird watching tower



Marianna Osman - Political resistance in the form of graffiti along the Fallowfield Loop



Rudhira Sambrey - Storylines – Telling Stories Through the Landscape: The Garden Nook



Rudhira Sambrey - Storylines – Telling Stories Through the Landscape: Portrait of Din Muhammad



Rudhira Sambrey - Storylines – Telling Stories Through the Landscape: Long Section

# MLA 2

## DISSERTATION & EXHIBITION

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#### Dissertation Guest Lecturers

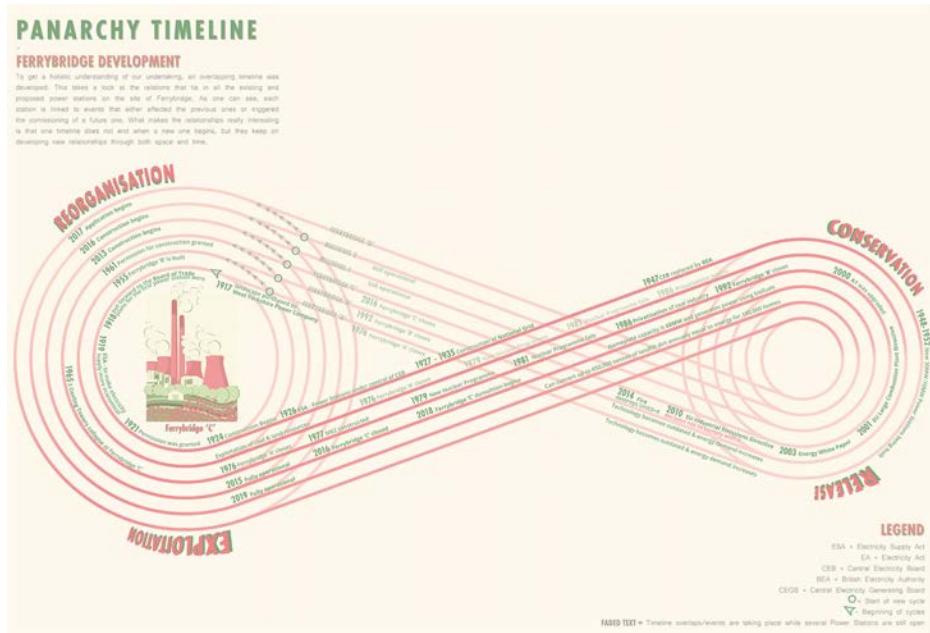
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#### Dissertation & Exhibition

Dissertation and Exhibition introduces students to the diverse realm of landscape architectural research. The unit is structured into two distinct elements: the Research Methods workshop and the individual Dissertation.

This year's Research Methods workshop was part of the AHRC funded research project, 'Landscapes of Post-War Infrastructure'. Landscape and architecture students worked together to understand the interconnected landscapes of extraction, power production and environmental amelioration through the case studies of infrastructural sites within the Yorkshire coal field.

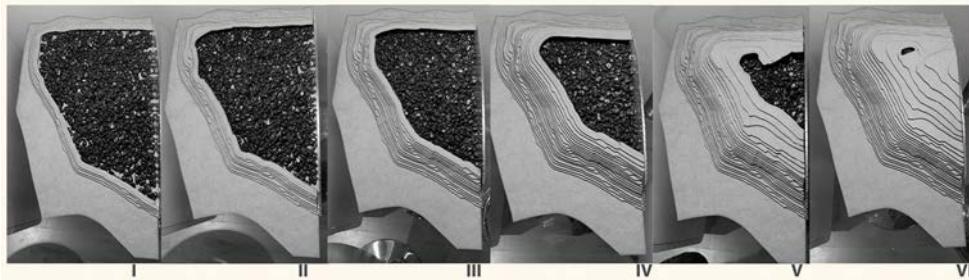
Through the individual Dissertation students develop and define their own research question, methodology and analysis of their chosen area of interest. The projects are supported by a series of methodological lectures and a series of landscape focussed research lectures delivered by invited guests.



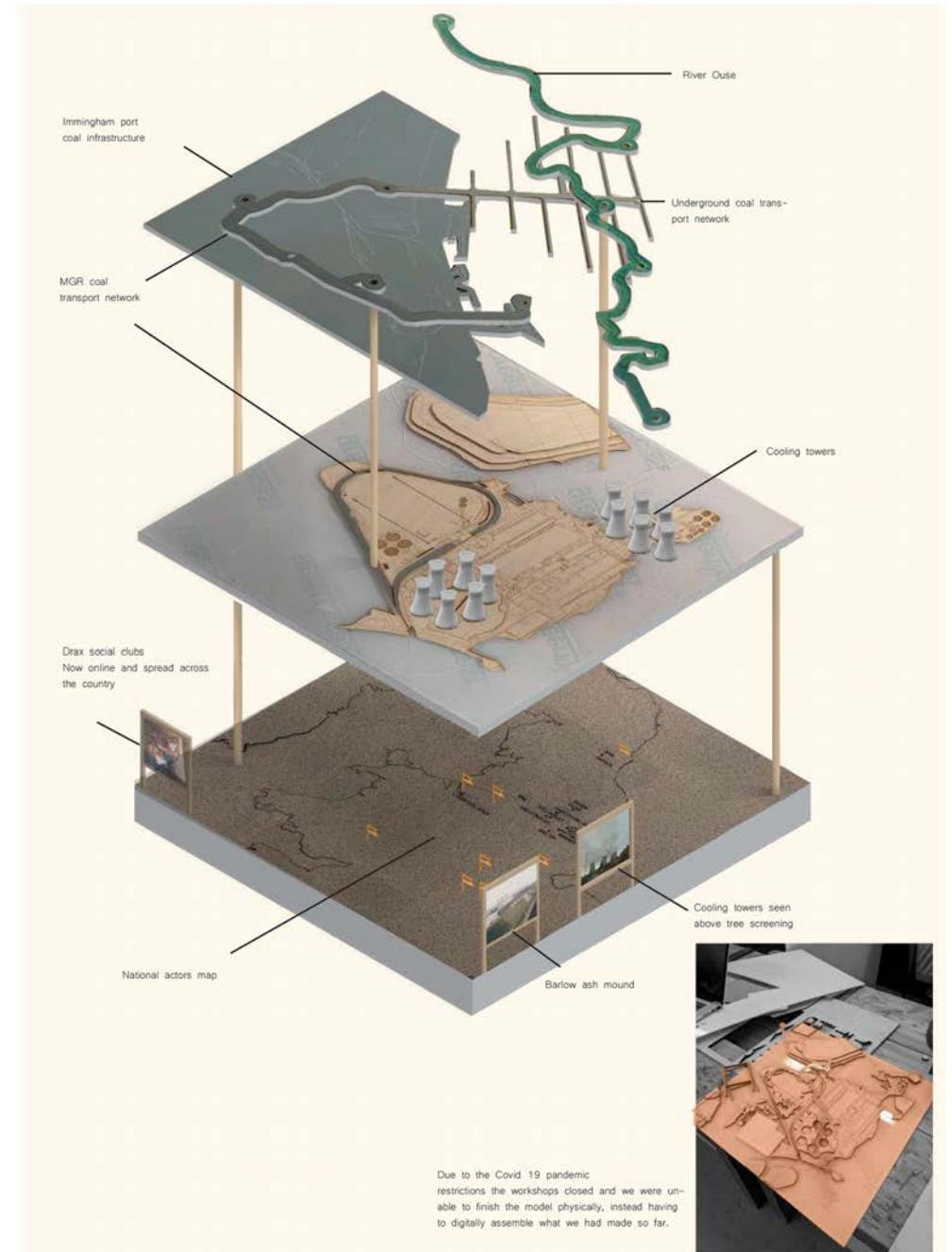
Marianna Osman, Shreyansh Barua, Jason Wong, Maria Olivia Mihale, Joseph Richard Cox, Jack Whitehouse - Ferrybridge power station

**Gale Common Site Progression in Plan**

This section model demonstrates the relationship between the ash and the change of the site. When ash was added to the landscape it changed the site forever. Due to extensive planning what looks like an ordinary hill, is actually a strategically planned area for storage of a very valuable renewable resource: pulverized ash. This shift in landscape changed not only Gale Common but the neighboring areas adjacent to the site.

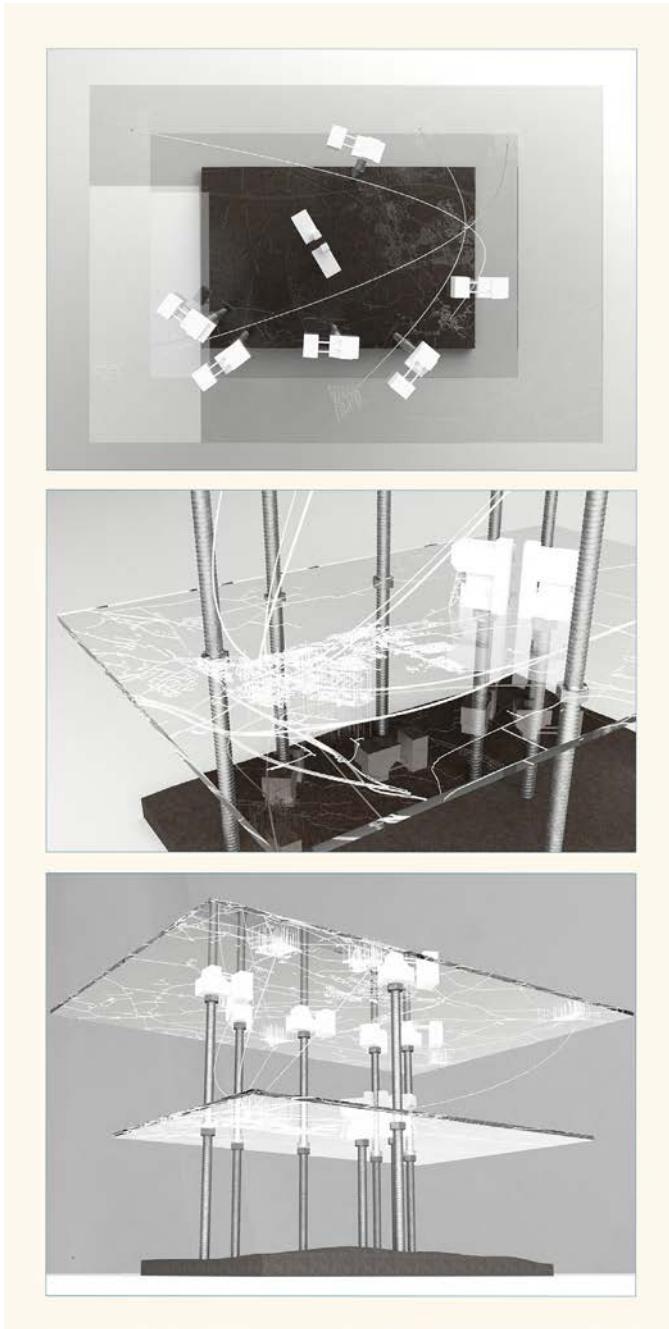


Georgia Hartley, Aakanksha Khatri, James Stephenson, Vanessa Streets, Claire Johnson, Shuhan Liu, Jessica Poore - Gale Common Ash Disposal Site model



Due to the Covid 19 pandemic restrictions the workshops closed and we were unable to finish the model physically, instead having to digitally assemble what we had made so far.

Wing Hin Christy Chu, Hei Yu Ng, Madhumita Babu, Anubhav Rana, Ellen Faulkner, Cameron Smith - Drax model



Patrick Cooper, Emily Mayer, Jakir Noor, Megan Pledger, Siqi Guo - Kellingley Colliery, model  
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# HORIZONTAL LANDSCAPING

IMAGES EXPLORING MASSING IN THE LANDSCAPE (DIGITAL MODEL)

PERCEPTUAL MASS



NORTHERLY VIEW



EASTERLY VIEW

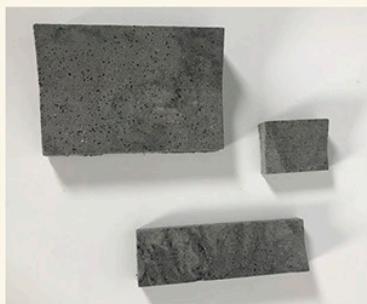
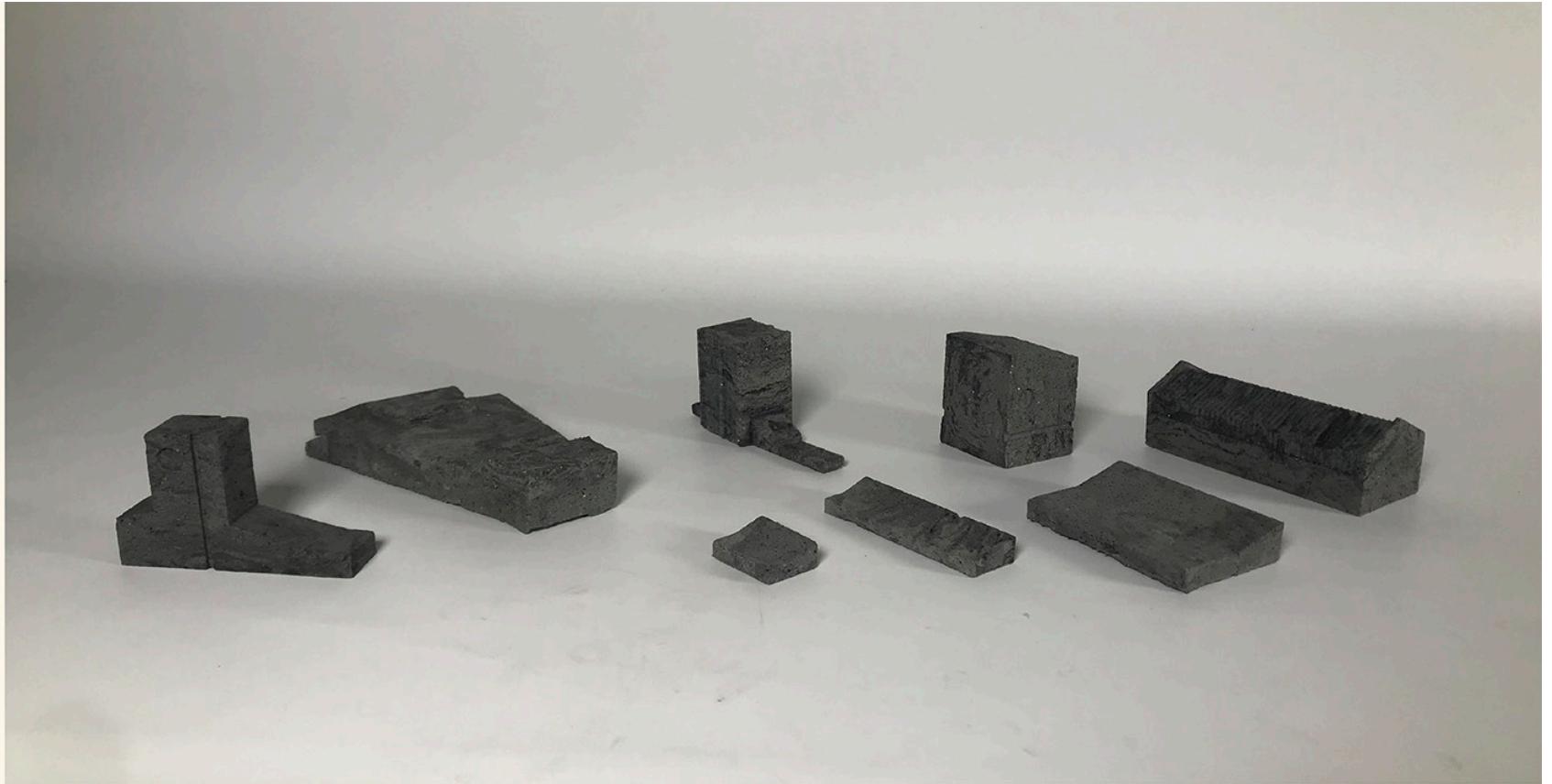


SOUTHERLY VIEW



WESTERLY VIEW

Charles Griffin, Rudhira Pravin Sambrey, Edmind Toomey, Yingman Gao, Hanxiao Zao, Aadil Nagdawala, Matthew Meeson, Luo Zhang - Eggborough power station landscape sections



# MLA 2 LANDSCAPE PROFESSION & PRACTICE

## EDDY FOX

Unit Leader

### Landscape Profession & Practice

This unit provides an introduction to landscape architecture as a profession. Though coordinated by MLA staff, content is delivered mainly by a wide range of guests from the profession and related areas of practice. Sessions involve presentations, debates and workshops aimed at familiarising students with a number of key ideas and concepts which will later form a foundation for their preparations for chartership during the early years of their career. In addition to providing an insight into professional methods and practices, they aim to generate discussion and critique around a range of questions relating to the legal, commercial and cultural practice of landscape as a discipline. Assessed work typically involves the preparation in groups of simulated professional reports, such as: Design and Access Statements; Landscape Character Assessments; Bid documents; etc. Students also submit an individual report, reflecting on their personal experiences of work in the profession, analysing and contextualising this in the light of understanding gained from taught seminars and workshops.

Note: The unit is taught in an intensive period during the early summer of MLA2 and work displayed is from 2019-20.

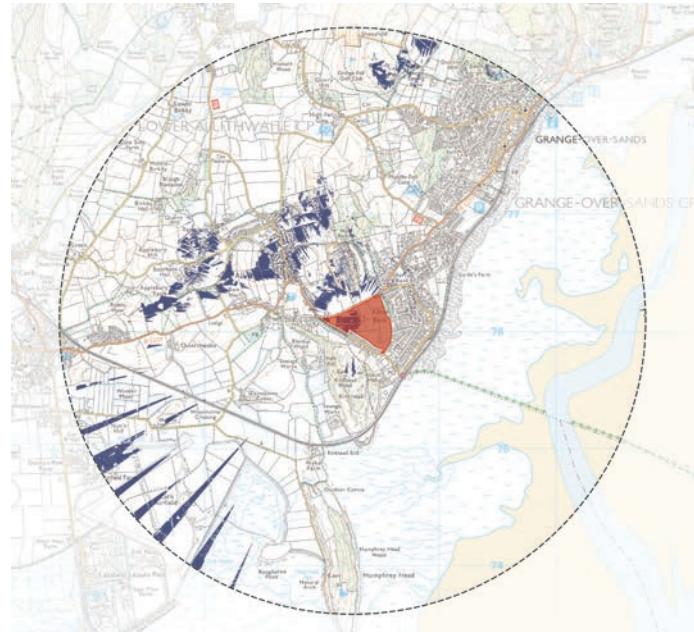
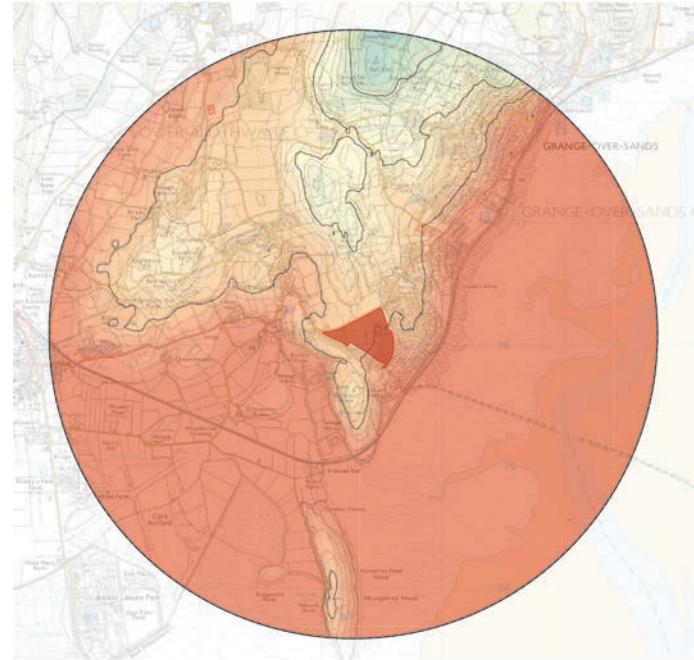


Landscape Character Assessments of the Lake District Peninsulas, Panorama and Detail





Landscape and Visual Appraisal for Potential New Housing Development in Grange over Sands, Parameters Plan



Lauren Pridding - Landscape and Visual Appraisal for Potential New Housing Development in Grange over Sands



**MA ARCHITECTURE + URBANISM**

Image: Jiaqi Lu - Studio B - Recolor The Painted Pottery Village

# MA ARCHITECTURE + URBANISM

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### Synopsis

The exploration of a resilient urbanism would be a key concern in a normal year, but this preoccupation has assumed a heightened sense of importance this year as we have navigated the realities of operating within the strictures of the pandemic. Yet this has in some ways also changed – even liberated - preconceptions of what a course could or should be and has united students and staff alike in recognising the global possibilities of Architecture and Urbanism.

Our research offering this year focused on six optional projects exploring a plethora of urban issues in a variety of locations. In addition to local territories in Manchester and Trafford, other settings were examined in Stoke-on-Trent, Wolverhampton, Crewe, and further afield in Barahona de Fresno, Spain, resulting in a range of proposals through which students learn as a group about the transformative potential of urban design.

The theme of resilience continued as our September 2020 student cohort were joined in January 2021 by our inaugural second cohort, creating a revised template for a well-established course. It is anticipated that the reciprocal energy created from these overlapping cycles will create unique opportunities for student debate and

collaboration in issues of global urbanism.

The introduction of this second cohort, coupled with students spending much of the year in their home cities has led to an incredibly varied range of thesis projects and dissertation topics with a notably international agenda – from the future of historic city quarters in China, to issues of the provision of homes and Planning concerns in the UK. Throughout these endeavours, students are guided by a range of established and new tutors from research and practice contexts, and it is with thanks to all involved that these activities continue to contribute to the richness and vitality of the course, despite the recent challenges.



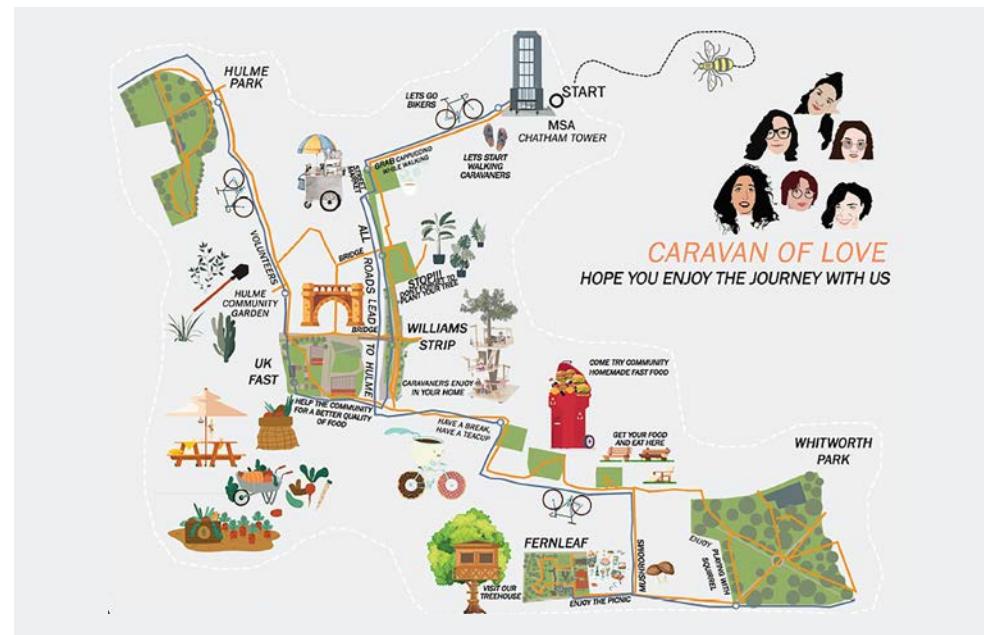
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Mixed use proposals to attract more people throughout the day. Fostering intergenerational and multicultural interaction.

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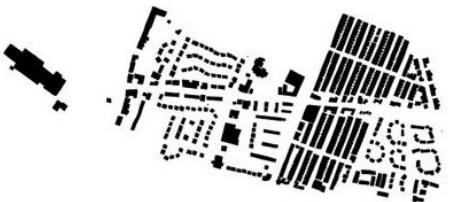
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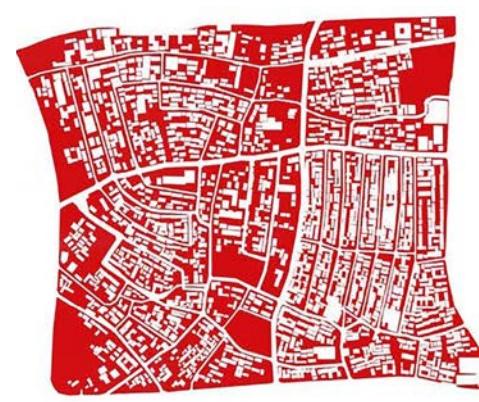
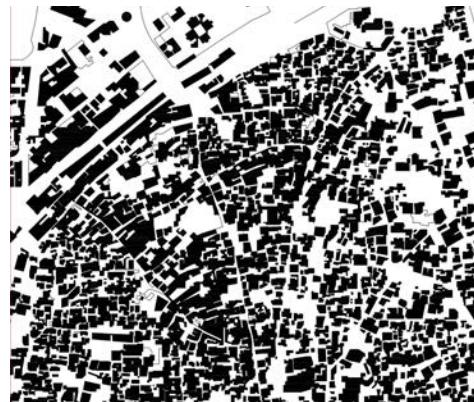
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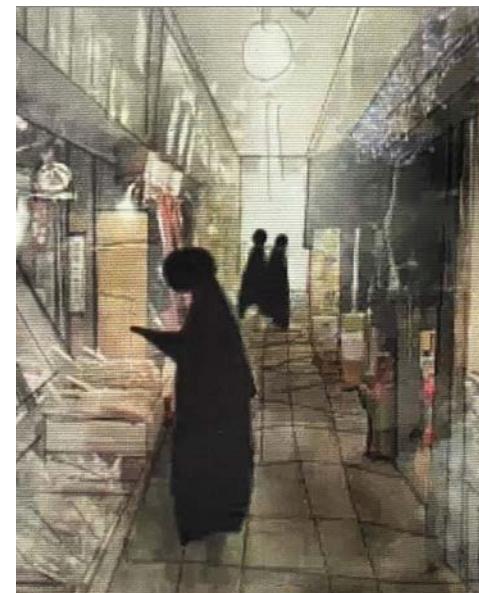
Zheming Tian - Studio B, The Rebirth of Hutong



Jiaqi Lu - Studio B - Recolor The Painted Pottery Village



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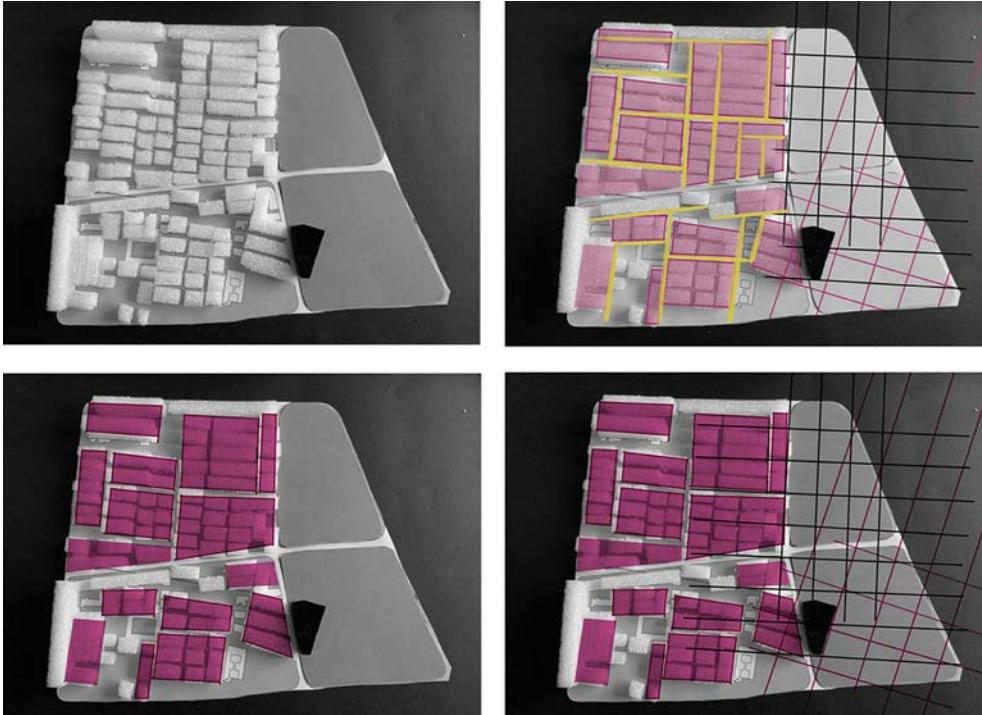
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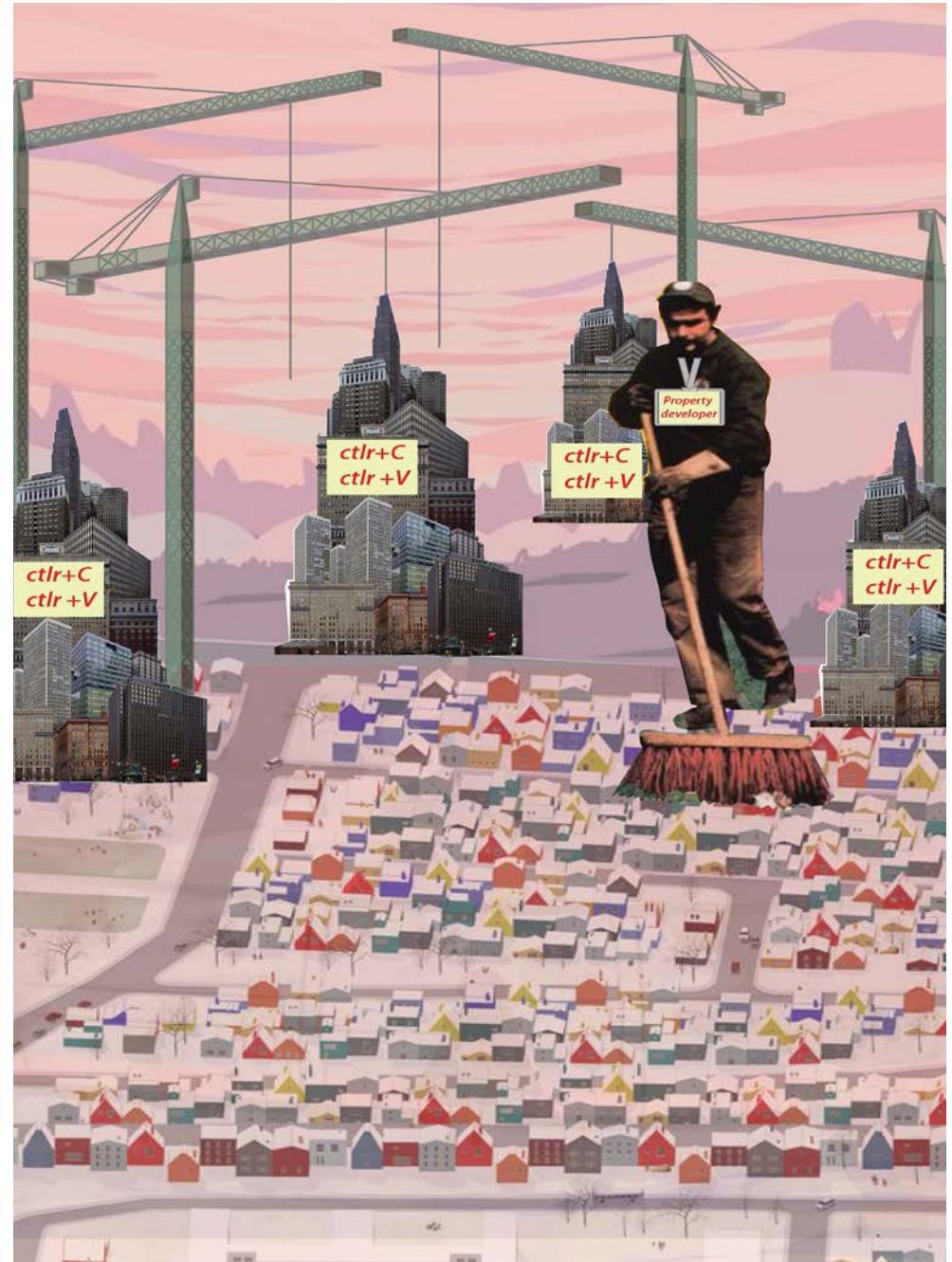
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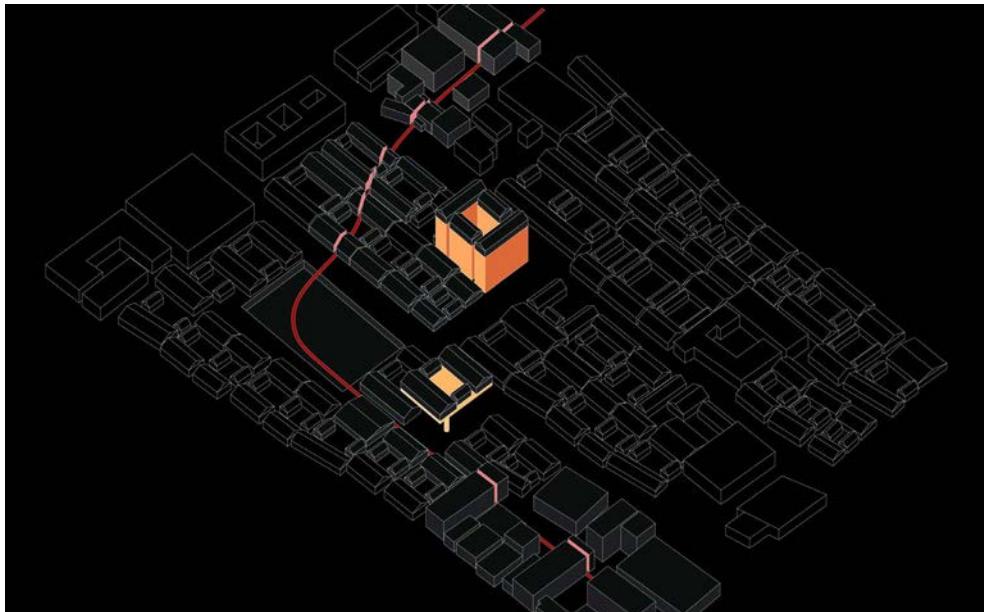
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Jingbo Wang - Studio B - kill the pressure and a reading space for people to release pressure



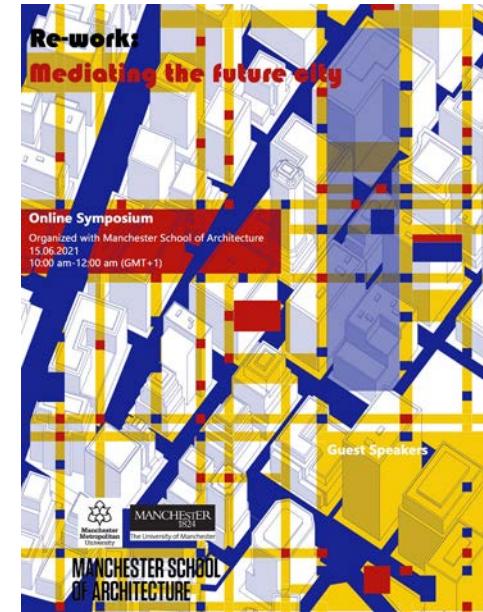
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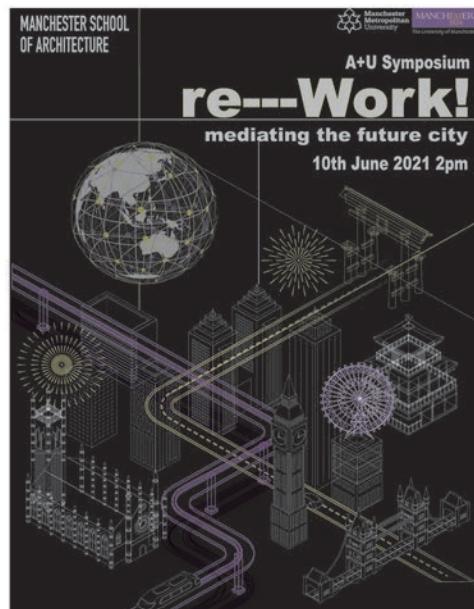
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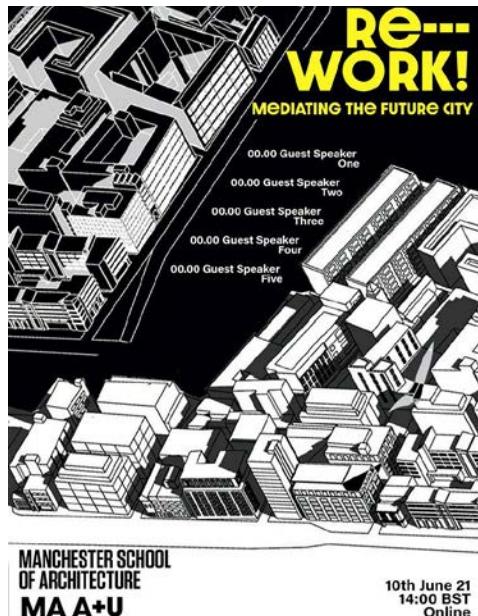
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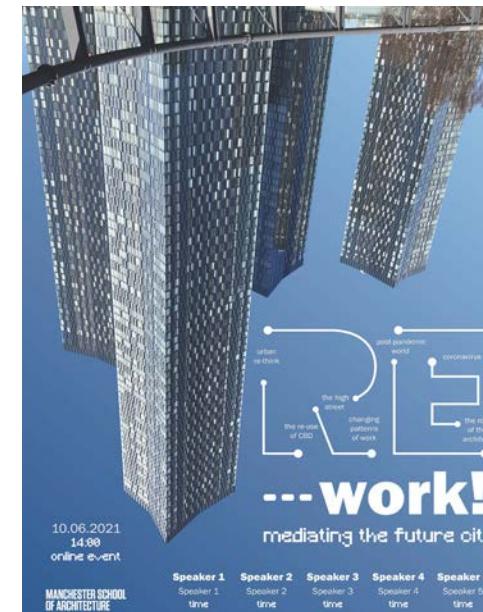
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**ALL SCHOOL PROJECT**

# ALL SCHOOL PROJECT

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### All School Project 2020/21

ASP 2020 was a one-day, collaborative, mixed year, online, student-led project.

The MSA All School Project is the first project of each academic year. This year we created 65 temporary mixed-year collectives from B Arch, M Arch and M Landscape Architecture to engage in full collaboration.

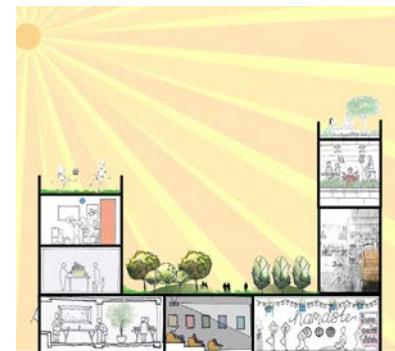
By September, 2020 had already been an extraordinary year. In recognition of this, MSA staff and students jointly developed a one day project in 3 parts. Session 1, 'How can we connect when we're apart?' asked each student to produce an image of the view from their window. Session 2, 'Black Lives Matter: ASP x BLM\_Arch@MSA' facilitated discussions around the BLM movement in relation to architecture. Session 3, 'Wellbeing in Architecture: ASP x MSA&U', focussed on wellbeing in architecture and design.

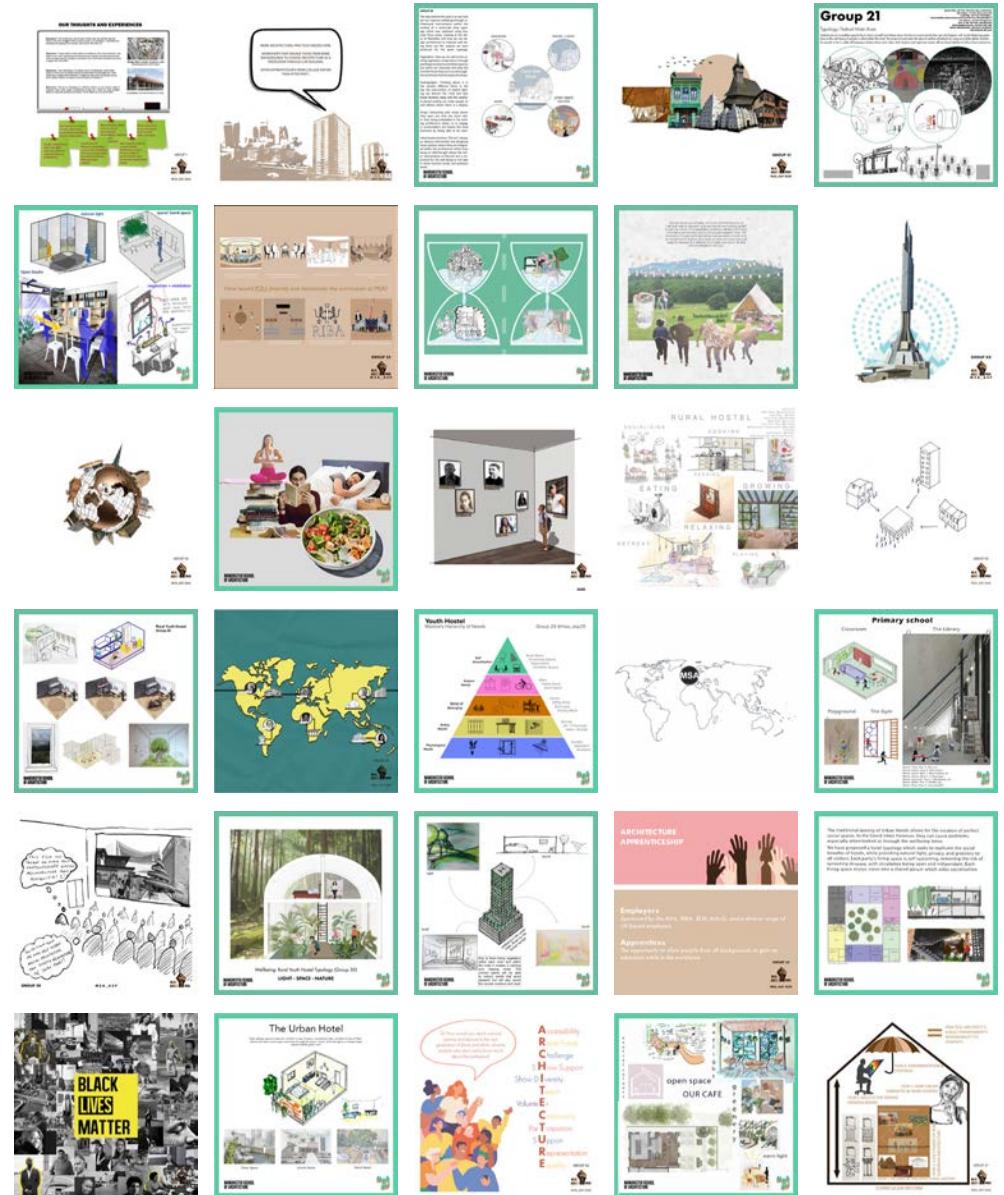
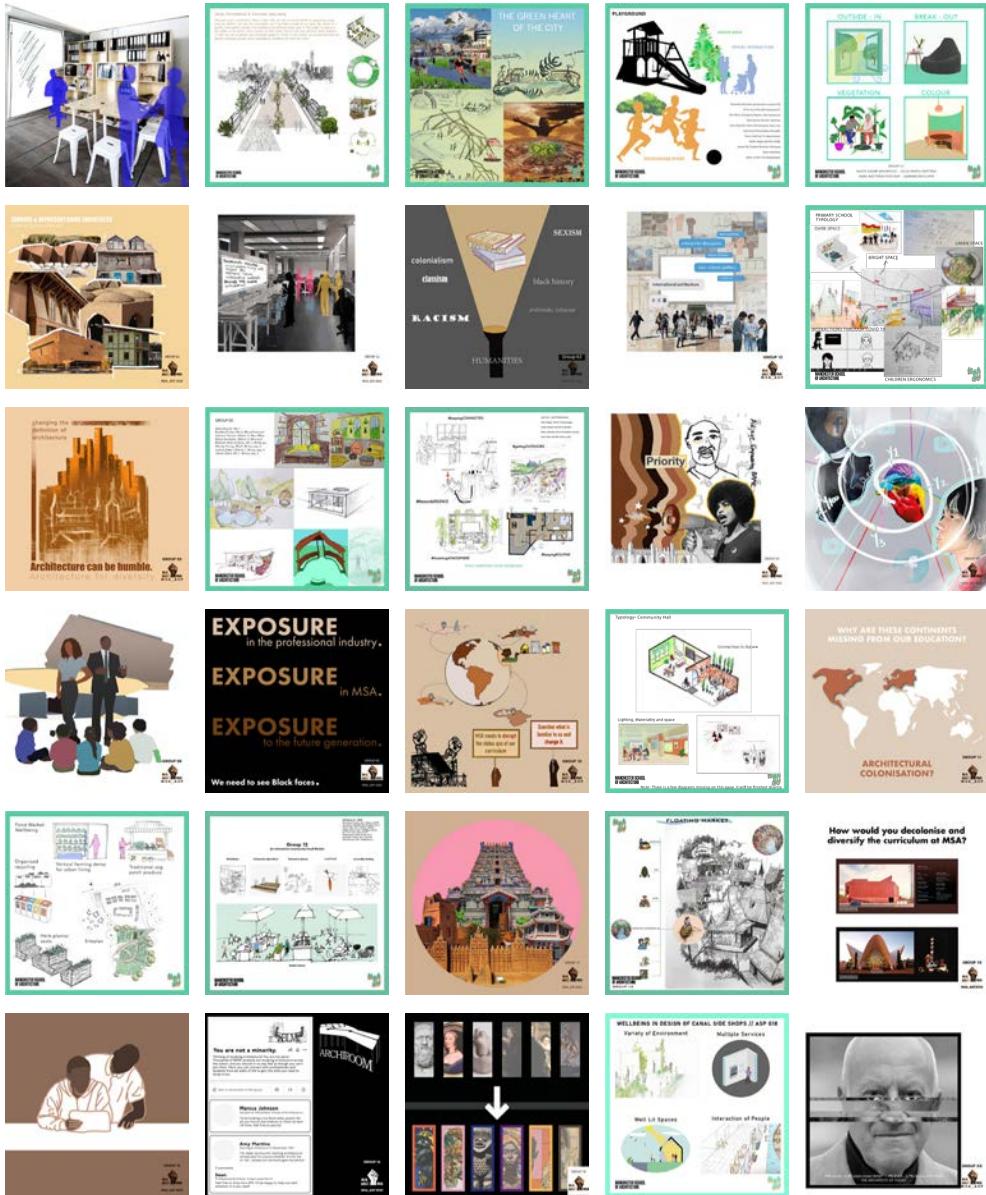
We used Instagram as the means of submission or publication for the ASP work this year. Not only did this allow our students and staff to find each other no matter which group they were part of for the ASP but it also sent out a message beyond the MSA.

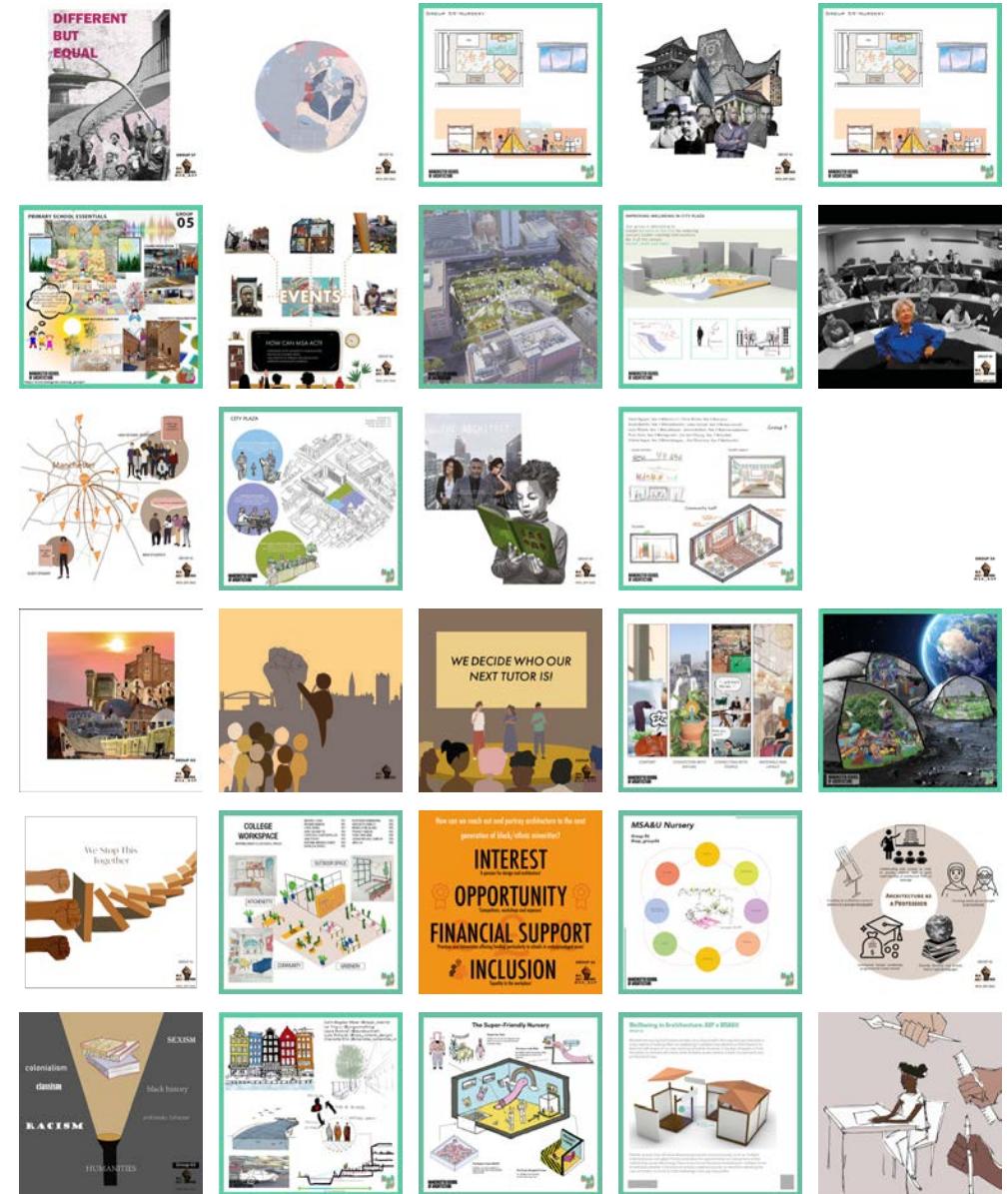
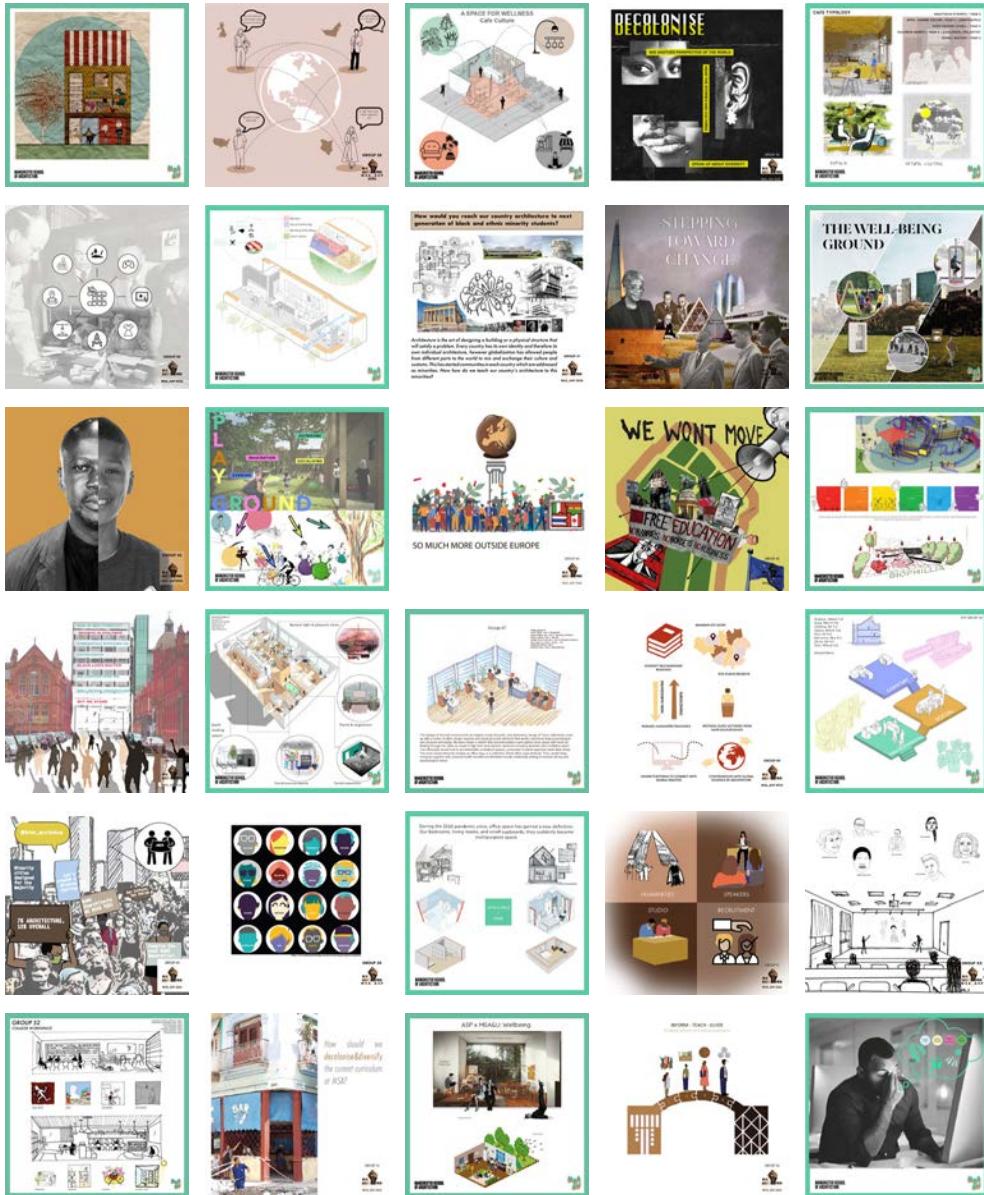
You can see some of the submissions on Instagram by searching #msa\_asp2020.

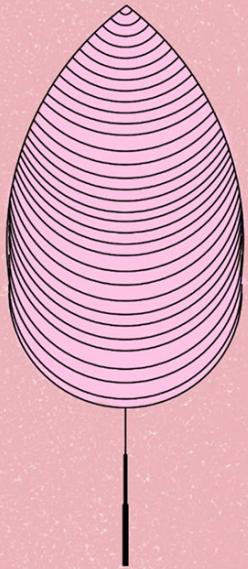
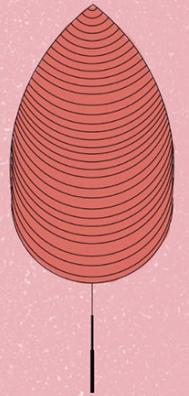


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**MSA LIVE**

# MSA LIVE

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Peter Powell  
Saul Backhouse  
Scott Miller

### MSA Live Project Partners

Anthropocene Architecture School  
Archives+  
Bennetts Associates  
BPIC Network  
Bradford Civic Society  
Building Bridges Pendle  
Community Led Action and Savings Support  
Cornerstone  
Ecospheric  
Friends of Beech Road Park  
Greater Manchester Homeless Action Network (GMHAN)  
Greater Manchester Savers  
Grizedale Arts  
GT3 Architects  
How Women Build Research Project (Helen Aston & Dr Luca Csepely-Knorr)  
iArchitect Limited  
IN-SITU  
Invisible (Manchester)  
Joe Jessop  
Landscape Environment Advancement Foundation  
Lendlease  
Lifeshare  
Manchester City Council Planning Department  
Manchester City Council Building Control Department  
Manchester Health Academy  
Manchester Society of Architects  
Manchester Urban Diggers CIC  
MSA (Emily Crompton)  
MSA (Kevin Singh, Dr Vicky Jolley, Rob Hyde)  
MSA (Laura Sanderson)  
National Coal Mining Museum

Our Town Hall Project  
ownHaus  
Pendle Borough Council  
Project 3 Architects  
Purcell Architects  
Rural Solutions  
St John the Baptist Church - Rochdale  
The Architecture School for Children  
The Circus House C.I.C.  
The Landscapes of Post-War Infrastructure: Cooling Down' AHRC Research Network (Dr Luca Csepely-Knorr & Dr Richard Brook)  
The Make Bank  
The Tetley  
The WorkHouse Project  
This is Change  
Urban Splash  
Walk Ride Chorlton  
Whitworth Art Gallery  
Without A Home (MSSA)

### MSA Live

MSA Live 21 is the latest in the MSA's annual programme of collaborative student-led live projects.

Previously titled MSA Events, this annual programme is now called MSA Live. The new name reflects the nature of projects which unify B. Arch Y1&2, M. Arch Y1 and (for the first time) also M. Land. Arch Y1 cohorts in mixed year teams.

M. Arch students work with collaborators locally and globally to create impact beyond architectural education. MSA Live 21 comprises 42 projects and 600 students all working together on an exhilarating range of online activities with 50 external partners.

MSA Live affords benefits to all participants: project partners can set an agenda for consideration; students engage in peer-to-peer learning while testing modes of architectural practice in collaborative live projects; some projects are research-led with connections to MSA staff projects, and all create social impact.

External partners include charities, social enterprises, community groups and other organisations who

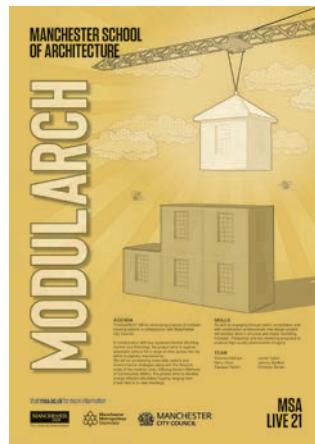
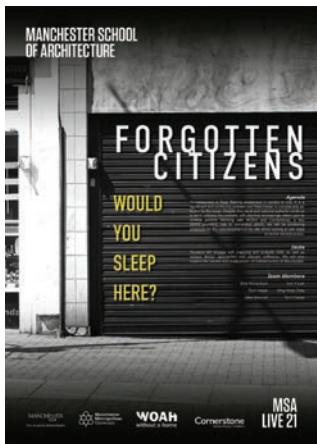
work with M. Arch students to develop a brief and comprehensively plan activities. B. Arch and M. Land Arch cohorts bring these ideas to life during an intensive 2 weeks at the end of the academic year.

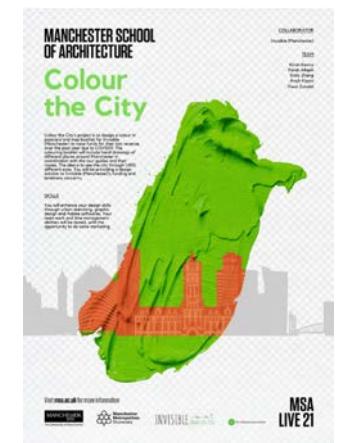
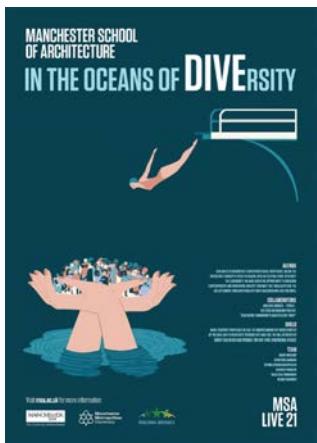
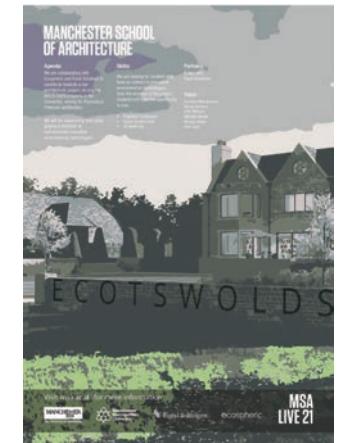
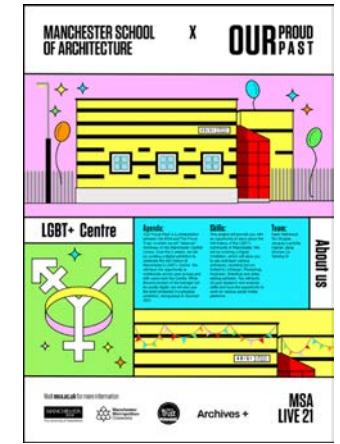
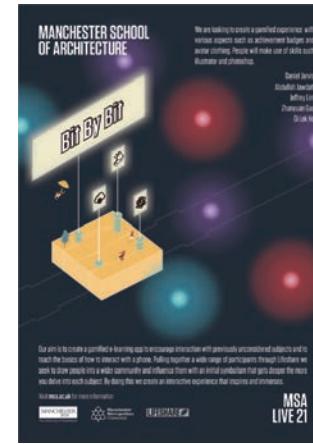
View projects in more detail here: <https://live.msa.ac.uk/2021/>.

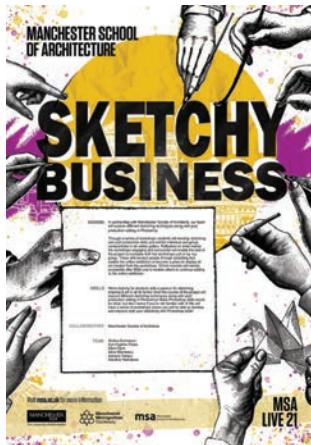
### MSA Live 21 Projects

Power Trip  
Mixed Space  
Cirque Du Arc  
Forgotten Citizens  
Modularch  
Heart And Soil  
Play Box  
Make Build  
Artisan Studio  
How Women Build?  
Blue Line  
Smart Community  
MSA Connect  
Re-Shaping Marple  
Play By The Beech  
Woah + GMHAN  
Keen Fingers  
Archikids  
House Of Negotiation  
Have We Killed The Planet?  
Inspire Bradford  
Parktopia  
Space Invaders  
Infra Game  
In The Oceans Of Diversity  
Ownhaus, Connected Community  
Re-Use  
Bit By Bit  
Our Proud Past  
Plot Twist  
Rochdale Revival  
Ecotswolds  
Live Wires  
Skyscrapers The Limit  
Colour The City  
Pay Inn Display  
Mapping Colour

Paving The Way  
Archiving Albert  
Sketchy Business  
Can We Fix It?







A sample of the final outputs, 1. Group 38 - Mapping Colour, 2. Group 20 - Have we killed the planet, 3. Group 2 - Mixed Space



**STAFF RESEARCH**

# STAFF RESEARCH

During 2020/2021, research continued to be a key part of the work of the School of Architecture. The COVID 19 pandemic and the new online platforms allowed us to reach broader audiences and to build networks and research projects globally from our own cities. Increasingly, our research is connected with our teaching, bringing richness, depth and debate to our collective scholarly enquiries.

## Public Events

Professor Ola Uduku curated the multi-institutional series of creative and academic events PAHC75, to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the 5th Pan African Congress, held in Manchester in 1945. The Congress was a precursor to the development of a number of African independence movements which went on to successfully secure self-rule for countries across Africa. It also signified the movement of the intellectual discourse on African self-realisation and solidarity with other causes; moving from the Americas and the West Indies, to the UK and then on to Africa.

The School hosted an online conference on the theme of Teaching, Learning and Research in architectural education. Organised by Sally Stone and Laura Sanderson in collaboration with Architecture Media Politics Society (AMPS) over three days, academics from five continents shared their experiences and ideas in a series of lively sessions.

Drs Richard Brook and Luca Csepely-Knorr ran a series of innovative artists' conversations as part of their AHRC funded research projects 'Landscapes of Post-War Infrastructure'. Organised in collaboration with the Modernist Society, the conversations between visual and literally artists (Martyyn Bull and Brian Lewis; Helen Angell and Kevin Crooks and Gareth Rees and Jen Orpin) aimed to uncover the intangible values infrastructural landscapes have. The project was highlighted as by Professor Christopher Smith, Executive Chair of the Arts and Humanities Research Council (AHRC), as an 'example of how attending to a problem through the same processes, but different methodologies and practices, leads to deeper, richer understanding'.

Helen Aston and Sarah Renshaw were part of a series of events, 'Urbanistas NW', during January 2021, building on their research into feminism and the built environment.

Continuing her participatory practice and civic engagement, Emily Crompton recorded the construction and completion of the new LGBT+ centre in Manchester, a place and a history with which she is intimately involved.

Stephen McCusker is gaining a reputation as an authority on cooperative practice and was invited to speak to the Illinois Institute for Rural Affairs about Community Pubs

Dr Luca Csepely-Knorr's research into women in design professions has been recognised by a number of invitations. She took part in a series of events organised by the Gardens Trust to explore the importance and legacy of the landscape architectural heritage of the post-war period. She also participated in roundtable events to celebrate International Women's Day organised by the SAHGB, the SAH and the Women in Danish Architecture Research project. She authored a series 'Feature' articles for the SAHGB website, and curated a series of articles together with Elizabeth Darling to celebrate Women's History Month.

## Publications

Dr Łukasz Stanek's book 'Architecture in Global Socialism: Eastern Europe, West Africa, and the Middle East in the Cold War' won both the prestigious Alice Davis Hitchcock Medallion by The Society of Architectural Historians of Great Britain and the RIBA's President's Award for Research. The book was launched with an international symposium and Łukasz has been invited to a number of schools of architecture in Europe and the US to present his work.

Dr Richard Brook's co-edited volume, 'Cold War Cities: Politics, Culture and Atomic Urbanism, 1945-65' with Dr Jonathan Hogg and Dr Martin Dodge, was published in December 2020. The book examines the impact of the Cold War in a global context and focuses on city-scale reactions to the atomic warfare.

Dr Deljana Iossifova published her book 'Translocal Ageing in the Global East: Bulgaria's Abandoned Elderly'. Translocal Ageing in the Global East is celebrated as 'an impressive mix of theory, ethnography, and policy critique. The book is about the everyday lives of Bulgaria's "greatest generation"—children of the inter-war and World War II periods—who managed to adjust and thrive through five decades of state socialism'.

Professor Albena Yaneva published her new book 'Crafting History'. The book addresses the strategies practising architects employ to envisage an archive-based future and tells a story about how architectural collections are crafted so as to form the epistemological basis of architectural history. Professor Yaneva has presented the book in talks and seminars around the world.

Kasia Nawratek contributed to the RIBA publication, 'Design Studio Vol. 1: Everything Needs to Change: Architecture and the Climate Emergency, 2021', with a chapter titled 'Hope in the Burning World'.

Also in the field of climate change, Angela Connelly had her article 'The best flood I ever had': Contingent resilience and the (relative) success of adaptive technologies', in the prestigious Cities journal.

## Grant Success

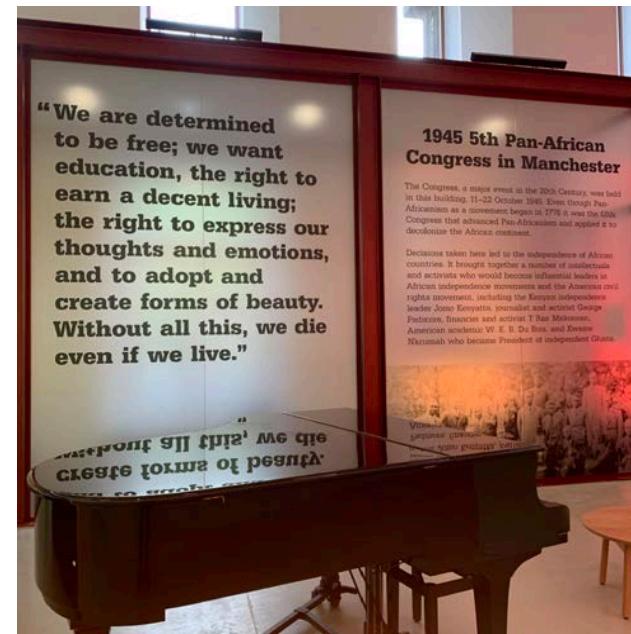
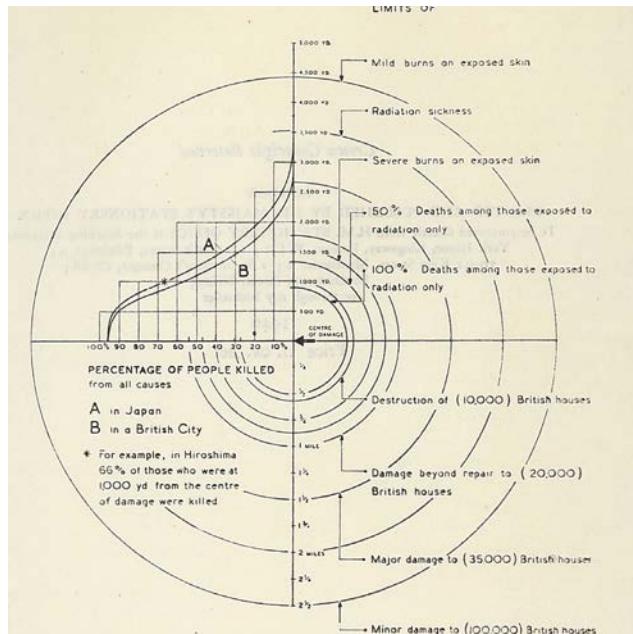
Professor Albena Yaneva was awarded an Economic and Social Research Council grant for 'Mapping Spatial Practices and Social Distancing in Smart Schools: Sensory and Digital Ethnographic Methods', working with Elizabeth de Freitas (MMU) and Nils Jäger (Nottingham).

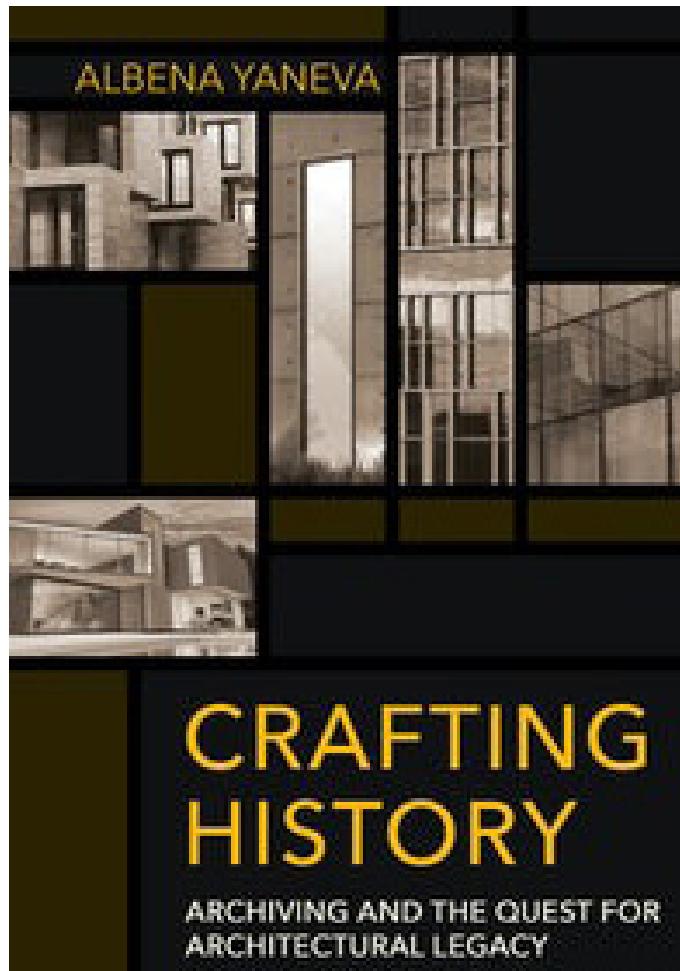
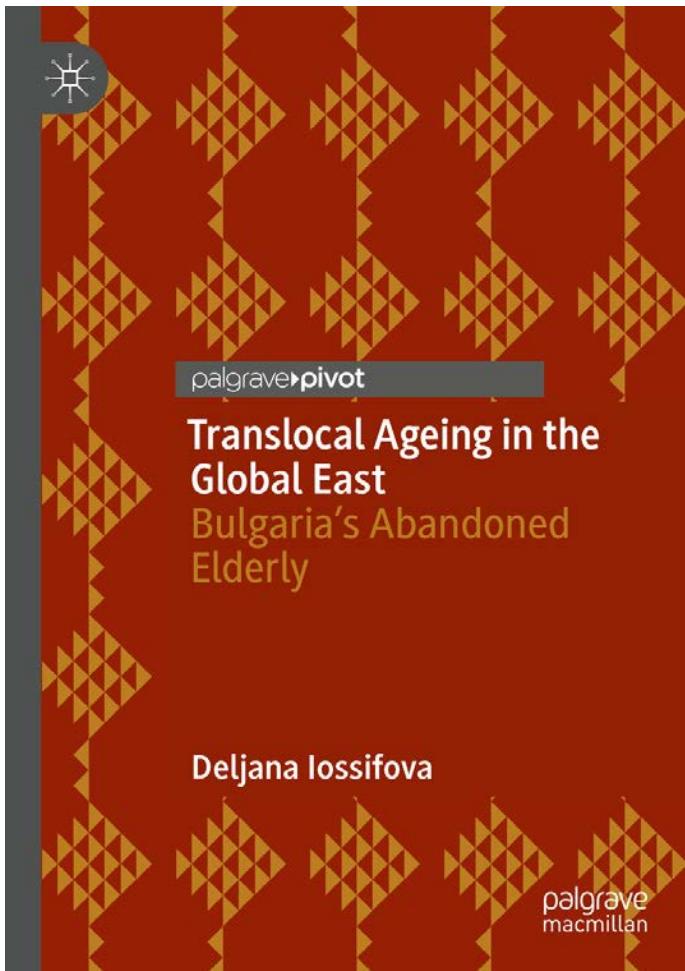
Laura Sanderson and Sally Stone, received two grants from the Heritage Lottery Fund to support their research-by-design work with Bradford City Council, 'Blueprint Bradford'.

Dr Deljana Iossifova is the Principal Investigator on another ESRC funded project, 'Right to Water', building on her work looking at perilous infrastructures in deprived global communities.

Professor Ola Uduku was successful in her application to the British Academy for an innovative international project, 'Writing West African University Campus Modernism', working with partners in Ghana and Nigeria.

Dr Mark Hammond secured an internal award to continue his pioneering work into healthy ageing and urbanism.

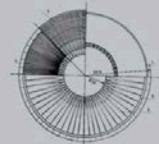


# ARCHITECTURE FOR THE MAJORITY WORLD

SYMPOSIUM, BOOK LAUNCH, AND PHD SEMINAR AT THE MANCHESTER SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

The Symposium will debate the global expansion of architecture's constituencies in the course of decolonisation and the Cold War – and how to understand and learn from this experience. **Peggy Deamer**, Professor Emerita at Yale School of Architecture (USA) and co-founder of The Architecture Lobby, will examine how different nations' professional architectural associations, including those in post-independence Global South, negotiate the tension between the professional and the worker. **Manuela Boatcă**, Professor of Sociology at the University of Freiburg (Germany), will speak about the visions of modernity and development put forward in the course of the 20th century on the semi-peripheries of Europe. **Ibrahim Mahama**, artist based in Tamale (Ghana), will talk about his recent work which revolves around the promises and materialities of architectures constructed during the first decade of Ghana's independence.



**PROGRAM**

**Wednesday 11 November 2020 13.00–14.00 GMT**  
Book launch of *Architecture in Global Socialism. Eastern Europe, West Africa, and the Middle East in the Cold War* (Princeton UP, 2020) by Lukasz Stanek  
[zoom.us/j/95018798005](https://zoom.us/j/95018798005)

**Wednesday 18 November 2020 14.00–17.00 GMT**  
Symposium with Peggy Deamer (Yale University, USA), Manuela Boatcă (University of Freiburg, Germany), and Ibrahim Mahama (Tamale, Ghana)  
[zoom.us/j/98124348579](https://zoom.us/j/98124348579)

**Thursday 19 November 2020 14.00–16.00 GMT**  
PhD seminar with Peggy Deamer (Yale University).



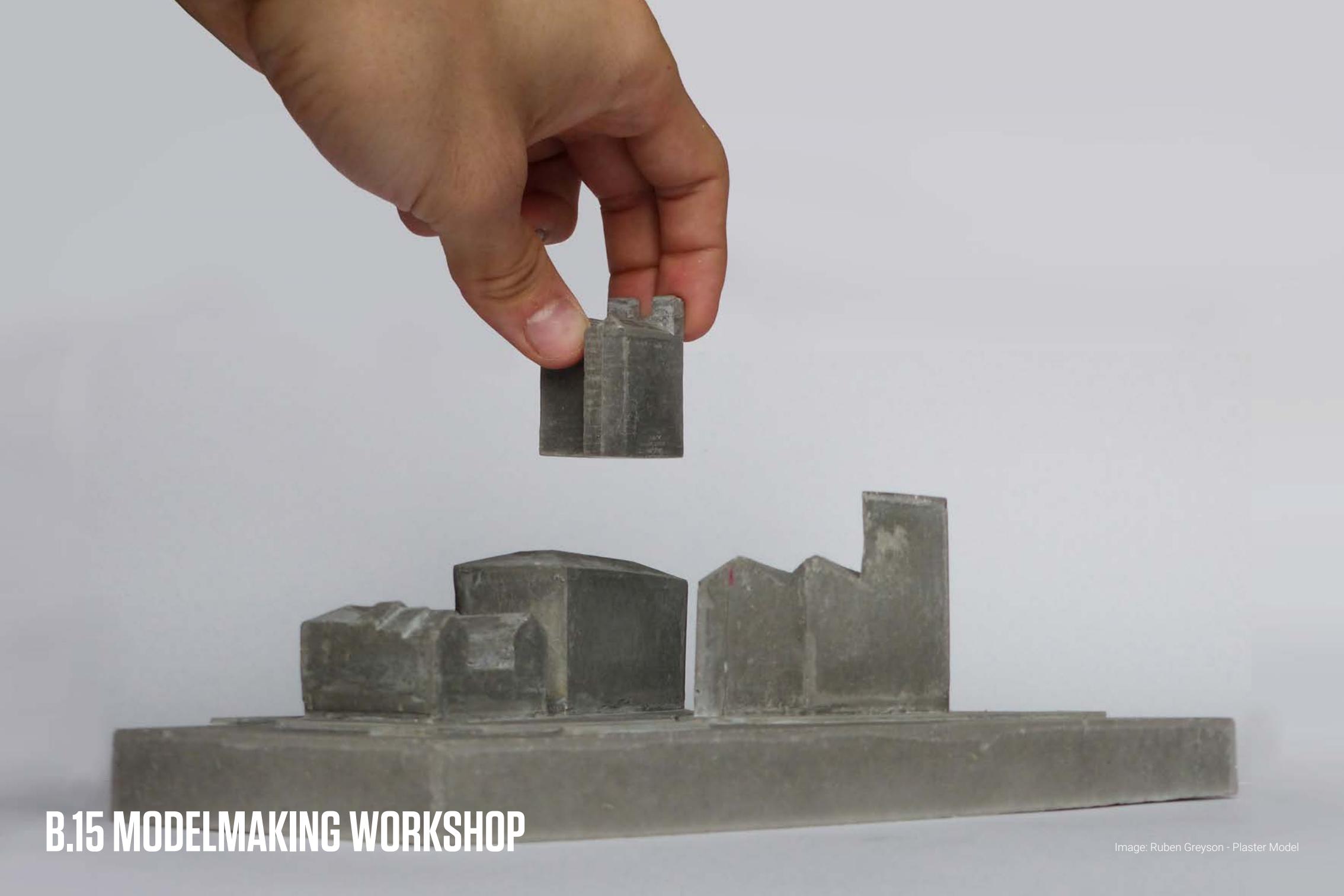
Convenor: Lukasz Stanek, The University of Manchester  
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Organisers: Manchester Architecture Research Group, Manchester School of Architecture, Manchester Urban Institute

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# B.15 MODELMAKING WORKSHOP

Image: Ruben Greyson - Plaster Model

# B.15 MODELMAKING WORKSHOP

## SCOTT MILLER & SAUL PARKER BACKHOUSE

B.15

### Workshop

With the shifting guidance surrounding the pandemic this year it was clear that maintaining a steady ear for all things modelmaking at the school was going to be a challenging but important link to a world away from the computer screen.

We are proud to have continued to offer support through online tutorials, a bureau service for digitally manufactured elements of student projects and, when able, face to face workshop access providing some welcome craft-based relief.

### Moulding & Casting Workshop

Over the Easter break we were able to host our first short course in moulding and casting to students of all years. With the varied circumstances of each student in mind, course delivery was, and continues to be, flexible with some students who were unable to attend campus planning to complete practical elements of the course early in the next academic year. The course looked at basic moulding techniques and a selection of casting mediums using forms inspired by the work of William Mitchell.

### Guest Lectures & Interviews

Paper and Patience:

Paper Modelmaker and Modelmaker at Haworth Tompkins Architects, Ellie Sampson

Concrete Too is Beautiful:

How William Mitchell's Casting Process Humanised Post-war Urban Landscape – Architectural Sculpture Historian Dr Dawn Pereira.

Studying Volume:

An exclusive interview with Artist David Umemoto.

### B.15 Modelmaking Awards 2021

This year's awards have the expert support of SimpsonHaugh Architects here in Manchester, Bjarke Ingels Group Copenhagen and HENN Architects Berlin. We're proud to reward and showcase our students modelmaking and its continued use in design work throughout this very unorthodox academic year.

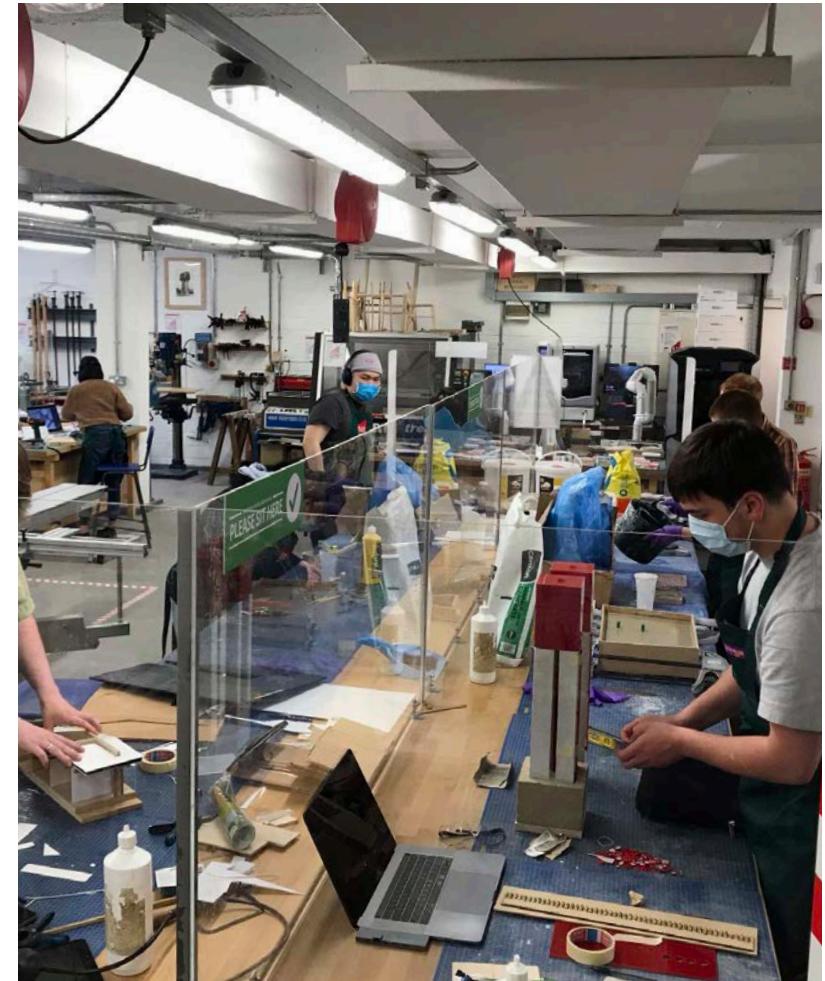
### Socials

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[www.manchester.ac.uk/b15workshop](http://www.manchester.ac.uk/b15workshop)

Instagram:

@b15workshop



Students at work in B.15



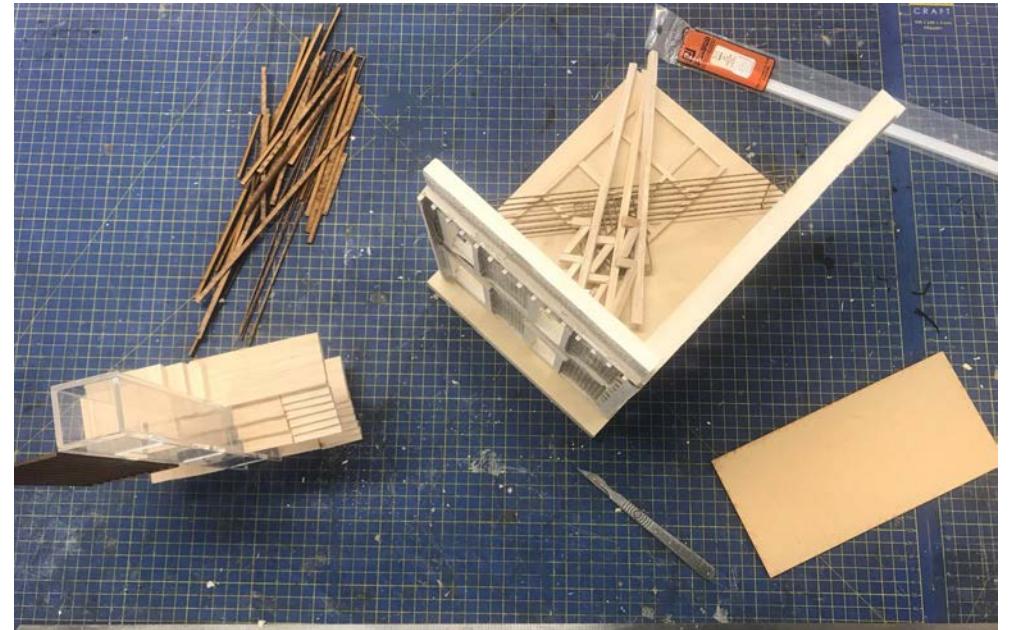
Selection of Student Models



Saul Bunyan - works on his final site model



Aslan Lewis - Mixed media site model



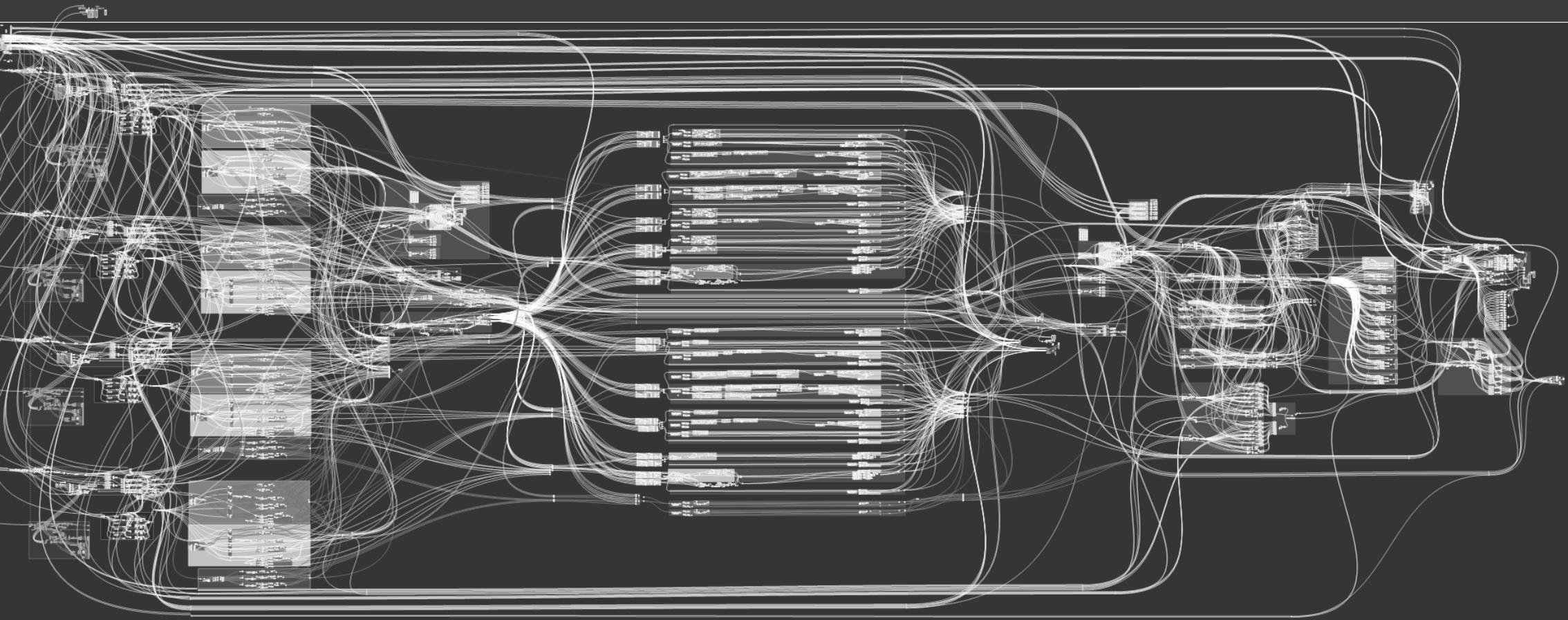
Barbara Witczak - Model in progress



Hayley Sheldon & George Williams - Column detail model



B.15 events & guest lectures



# ADVANCED DIGITAL DESIGN

Image: Josh Quinlan

# ADVANCED DIGITAL DESIGN

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access into one clear area for students. Develops a responsive forum for students and staff to interact on the latest digital issues through weekly updates/provocations. Student response to the new model has been overwhelmingly positive with all resources fully utilised.

### Advanced Digital Design

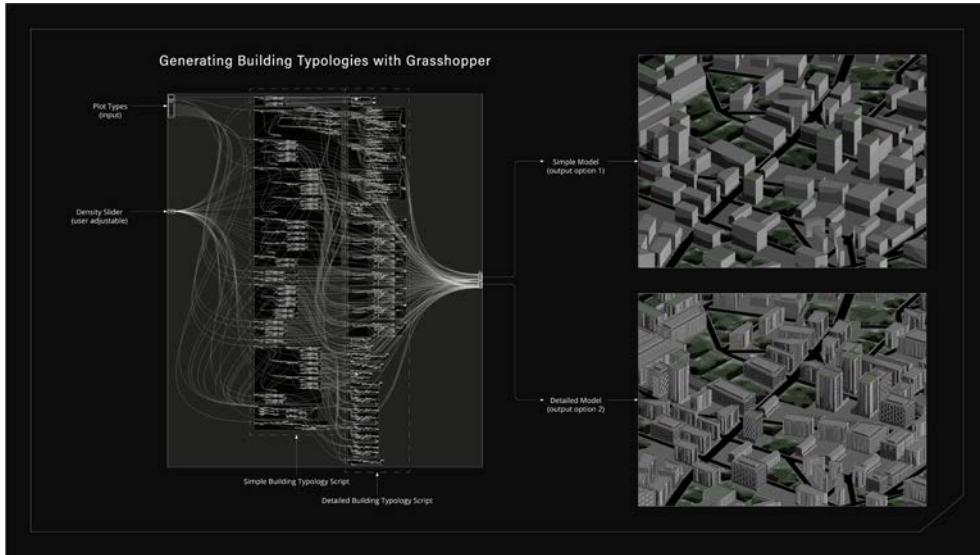
The move to online teaching - due to COVID-19 in 2020 - forced a dramatic shift away from formal lab-based sessions. This has been used as an opportunity by the ADD team to radically rethink the provision by reimagining a digital culture across the whole school (BA, M.Arch, MLA and A&U). Recognising that the wide range of interests and research agendas within our large and pluralistic school, a new model based on assessment of digital education/provision across multiple institutions in the UK and internationally has been developed. The new model directly addresses NSS feedback on digital skills: "...this [digital skills] is essential in that every piece of work submitted involves these skills heavily...". It also addresses a problem faced by most design schools in that digital skills teaching/learning cannot be fully aligned with the wide range of student project design interests, design briefs, technical requirements and time constraints. In response, the new provision is largely asynchronous and:

Is open to all programmes (BA, M.Arch, MLA and A&U).

Is divided into three separate streams (i) Essential, (ii) Advanced, and (iii) Specialist. This allows students to engage with the level most relevant to them and their long-term interests.

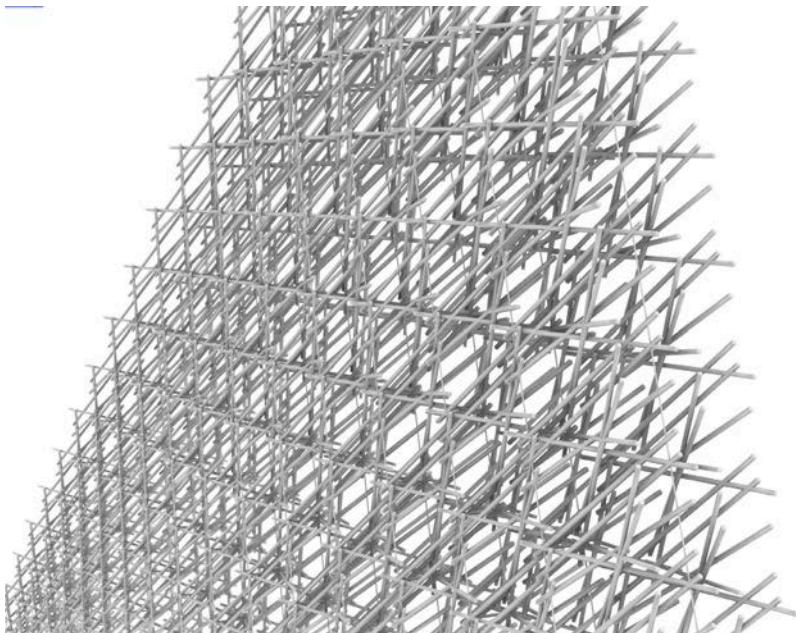
Develops an online video and resource library of software/coding/skills workshops (70 and growing) that has been customised to respond to the requirements, briefs and ambitions across the school.

Creates a new daily drop-in clinic for students to explore digital design problems and possibilities with named members of specialist staff (adept at using and teaching multiple digital software). Collates information on software, downloads, institutional support and remote



Elise Colley & Henry Baker - Generative urban topology using parametric architectural typologies

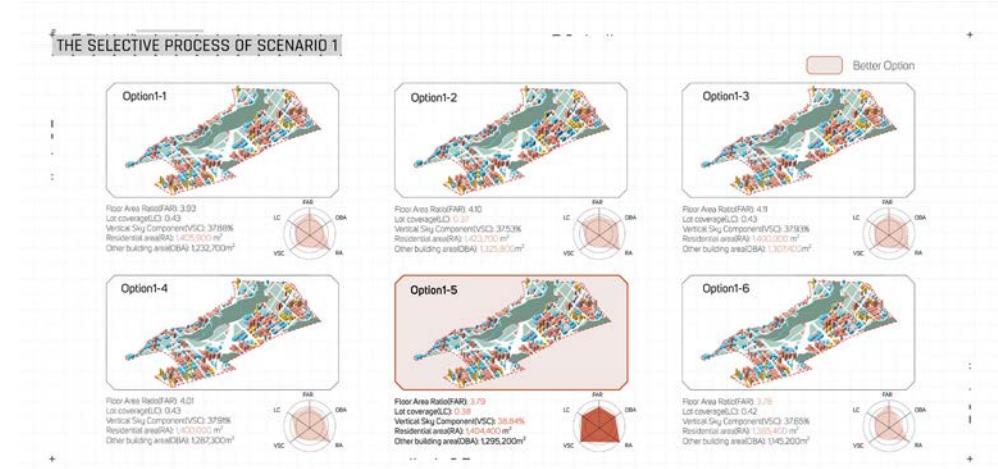
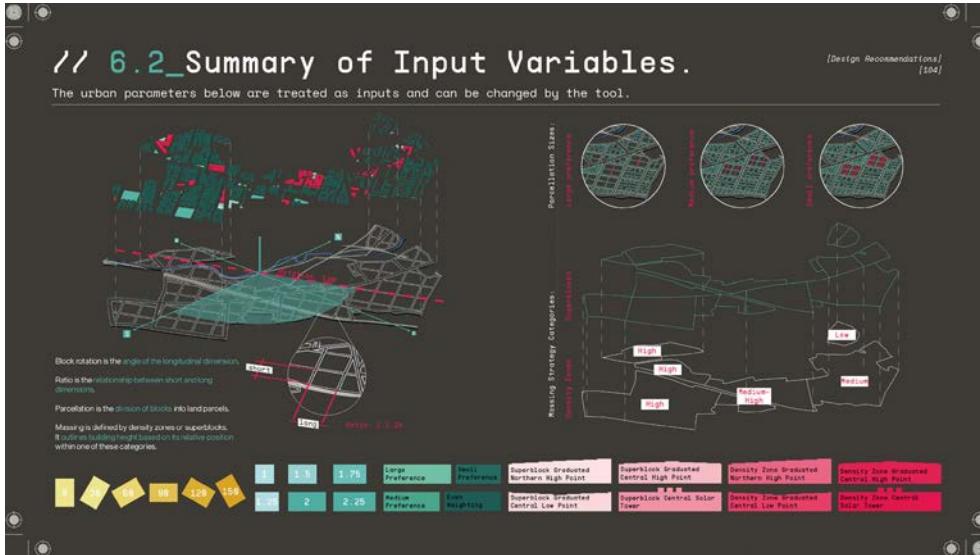
Chen, Yan., Chen, Yirui., Li, Linyu - Designing computational design tools



Yue Tam Cambow - Tectonic patterns



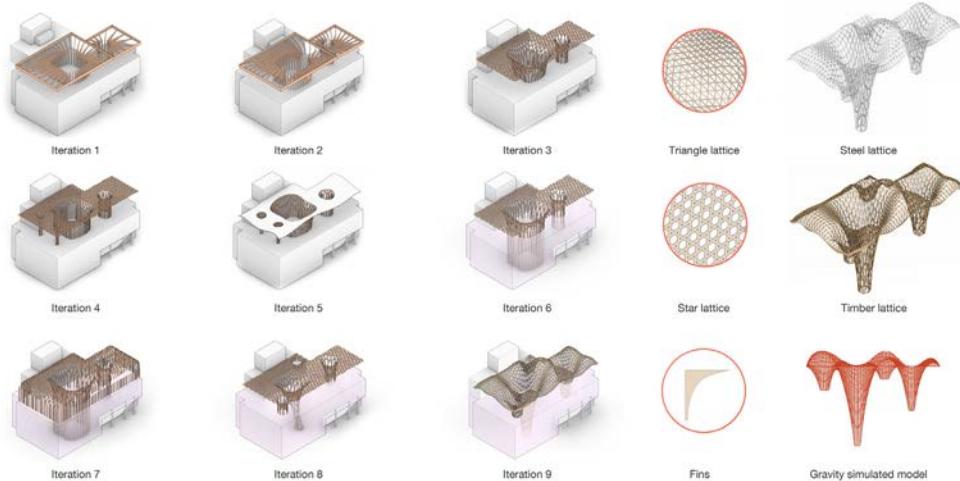
Chen, Yan., Chen, Yirui., Li, Linyu - Urban scale energy and radiation analysis



Maragakis, A., Quinlan, J - Parametric urban generative tool

Xie, Jiao., Su, Junjie., Xie, Siu., Chen, Menghan - Computation generated future scenario testing with performance indicators

### ROOF ITERATIONS



Cooper, T., Milburn, H., Salimi, Y - Parametric roof structure iterative design  
423 Manchester School of Architecture



Lim, Xii Don - Computational roof geometries through Grasshopper



**MSSA**

# MSSA

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### Who We Are

The Manchester Student Society of Architecture (MSSA) is a completely student-led society at the Manchester School of Architecture (MSA). The largest society in the UK, we work closely with students, tutors, lecturers and collaborators within and beyond the school to celebrate students of architecture by enabling you with a wide range of experiences that put us in this unique city (and now, the virtual city). Made up of our many subgroups and in-house team, the MSSA has expanded across various subjects both in and outside of architecture – focussing on three aspects: [1] Community, where we look at community needs both within and beyond MSA. [2] Challenging Architecture, where its perceptions and industry are debated, discussed and documented. [3] Socials, making new bonds through silly fun and broadening friendships across different cultures. The MSSA has evolved into a one-of-a-kind platform for students to enable and sustain their incredible drive and enthusiasm.

### What We Do

Under MSSA, we run events that range from debating, discussing and advocating to wellbeing, representation, socials and more. It is truly exciting and year on year the society has grown and outdone itself. We work closely with our subgroups and engage in weekly meetings to discuss emerging issues and how that can be turned

into programmes or great fun. We are always excited to show you what is planned for the academic year - guest lectures by some incredible speakers, debates, campaigns, competitions and more.

### Goals set for AY20/21

- To be a collective representing the diversity of student voices and needs.
- To contribute to the education and discourse of architecture, and its relevance to society and social issues.
- To continue engaging all students to provide moral and academic support amidst the changes of Covid-19.
- To collaborate with subgroups to cultivate platforms and environments where student interests can thrive.

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# EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSIVITY

to fight racism with racism  
to fight racism is with solidarity

# EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSIVITY

## HELEN ASTON & PROFESSOR OLA UDUKU

### Equity, Diversity and Inclusivity at the Manchester School of Architecture

In June 2020, just before the celebratory End of Year show was launched and in the context of the Black Lives Matter Call to Action in light of the sad death of George Floyd, a group of students at the MSA emailed the acting Heads of School requesting a statement be made in response to the horrendous racist violence, in support of and in 'ally-ship' with the Black Lives Matter Movement as they were extremely disappointed that MSA had not made an immediate statement. A statement was made by Professor Uduku at numerous faculty meetings, at the launch of the MSA end of year show and online awards evening and at all introduction to external examiners during June 2020.

Afterwards Helen Aston and Professor Ola Uduku responded to this Call, by meeting with the final year M. Arch students to discuss their concerns, proposals and suggestions and how in a collaborative way the MSA as a community could move forward.

The EDI Code of Practice for the Manchester School of Architecture has been instigated by the activities of the BLM\_Arch@MSA Team of students whose work we acknowledge in prompting the creation of the document. This is a text that remains in constant development and will be incorporated as a key document that signifies Manchester School of Architecture's commitment to being a fully inclusive and socially driven Architecture School, which is welcoming to all its students, staff and all who contribute and engage with the MSA.

The current position that the MSA has taken is that of being committed to delivering a socially engaged curriculum in a general fashion across the School. There has been no critical reflection on what this actually has achieved in practice. We have neglected addressing the clear racial disparities in staffing at all levels in the School. Furthermore, the decolonisation of our curriculum content is improving, but other areas of inclusivity have yet to become mainstream in our claim to address and welcome diversity.

Core agendas that the code discusses are action plans towards;

- addressing lack of diversity in practitioners in guest speaker and guest studio reviewers
- MSA scholarships
- specific not generic mentoring
- decolonising theoretical and design education
- further diversification of reading lists
- Improving resources for Black and minority students
- further outreach to colleges
- improving the representation of POC in all aspects of Architectural Teaching
- accelerating change to remove barriers

For MSA to achieve transformational change in all areas of inclusivity and diversity. It is essential that there is a commitment to changed practices in all areas that will need to take place over a defined time scale; from the immediate, to the long term. This is what this Code of Practice seeks to provide the framework to deliver.

The events surrounding the death of George Floyd in the USA in 2020 and the call for racial justice across the world propelled us as a school community to reflect on our own practices and our stance on racism, but additionally a stance on wider agendas regarding equity, diversity and inclusivity. While we have always tried to ensure that all students are in a safe and welcoming environment, we admit that more work is always possible. In response to the Call to Action by the @blm\_archmsa group and in consultation with this group we are proud to announce that going forward, the MSA is an anti-racist School. This means that we no longer believe it is good enough to not be racist. Being anti-racist means all members of our school community will tackle racism wherever we find it, including within ourselves. We will embed the two anti-racist principles of personal accountability and action

into all aspects of life at the MSA in order to ensure every single student, guest and staff member is respected and cared for so that they can flourish. As an anti-racist school, the MSA will be a community in which we work, learn and grow together with equity.

Architecture especially has had a direct link to equality and diversity issues. Stephen Lawrence, the Black British student who was murdered in 1993 in South London, had intended to study Architecture. The Stephen Lawrence Foundation, (now renamed Blueprint for All) was set up in his memory. The Foundation had at its core the aim to improve access and higher education opportunities for minority groups. In the twenty-five years of its existence, the number of students in architecture from a British Black minority background have only marginally increased. Students of colour and their allies in British Architecture Schools were engaged in the 2020 BLM demonstrations, expressing a range of demands from the decolonisation of the curriculum to better representation across all parts of the Architecture profession.

# PROVOCATIONS



**EXPERT PANEL**

# EXPERT PANEL

## DAN DUBOWITZ, RAY LUCAS, JOSÉ HIDALGO

Co-Chairs

### Editorial Board

Emily Crompton  
Luca Csepely-Knorr  
Sally Stone  
Stephen Walker

This year, the Expert Panel ran an ambitious series of events aligning with MSA's priorities of addressing equality and diversity in the disciplines of architecture & landscape architecture and covering a broad range of topics. Staff and students from across the school proposed the Provocation themes and speakers, with the programme assembled by the editorial board.

The expert panel activities supplement the core teaching at MSA by offering alternative viewpoints and expertise. These conversations are crucial in opening up the level of discourse in our school, of extending the life of projects and starting conversations that might continue over the course of an entire career. These are part of a holistic approach to our curriculum, which consist of more than the assessed criteria.

The Provocations series retained its format of two short, punchy presentations followed by a longer conversation guided by a discussant. This allowed questions from our audiences to be moderated and supplemented, bringing speakers together to discuss a matter of concern in their practice and research. We also ran Pecha Kucha sessions, introducing our Editorial Board discussing The Project that Got Away and also introducing invited experts who would be leading Salon discussions. We hosted the first Inspirations talk with our new Head of School, Professor Kevin Singh introducing his (Accidentally) Curated Career and we will expand these lectures in the coming year. The Salons were also conducted remotely this year, and allowed students access to outside experts with a considerable range of expertise including clients, developers, planners, archaeologists, artists, architects and academics. These brought students from all of the programmes in MSA together: the BA, MArch, MA A+U, and MLA. Details of the series can be found via our Instagram account [@MSA\\_Provocations](#), and this year's talks are all available to watch again via our playlist:

<https://tinyurl.com/mbuk6fxr>

### West Knows Best?

Anupama Kundoo + John Lee; discussant: Ola Uduku

### 8 Years to Save the Planet.

Angela Connelly + Scott McAuley;  
discussant: Reni Koycheva

### Letters to a Young Architect.

Tony Fretton + Mark Pimlott; discussant: Sally Stone

### Distracted Attention...

Igea Troiani + David Reat; discussant: Ray Lucas

### Subversive Architecture.

Karsten Huneck + Sans Façon; discussant: Mike Rostock

### What is Conservation?

Flores & Prats + Dominic Roberts;  
discussant: Sally Stone

### The Future of Futures?

Dan Dubowitz + Nick Dunn; discussant: Martyn Evans

### Architecture is not the Solution.

Irina Bauman + NIVASA; discussant: WQAH

### Urban Ecology.

Johanna Gibbons + Matthew Gandy;  
discussant: Becky Sobell

### This Space is Not For You.

Harriet Harris + Pooja Agrawal; discussants: Helen Aston  
+ Kathryn Timmins + Quadri Shogunle Aregbesola

### Short Exposure.

James Crawford + Sandra Denicke;  
discussants: Mike Rostock + Dan Dubowitz

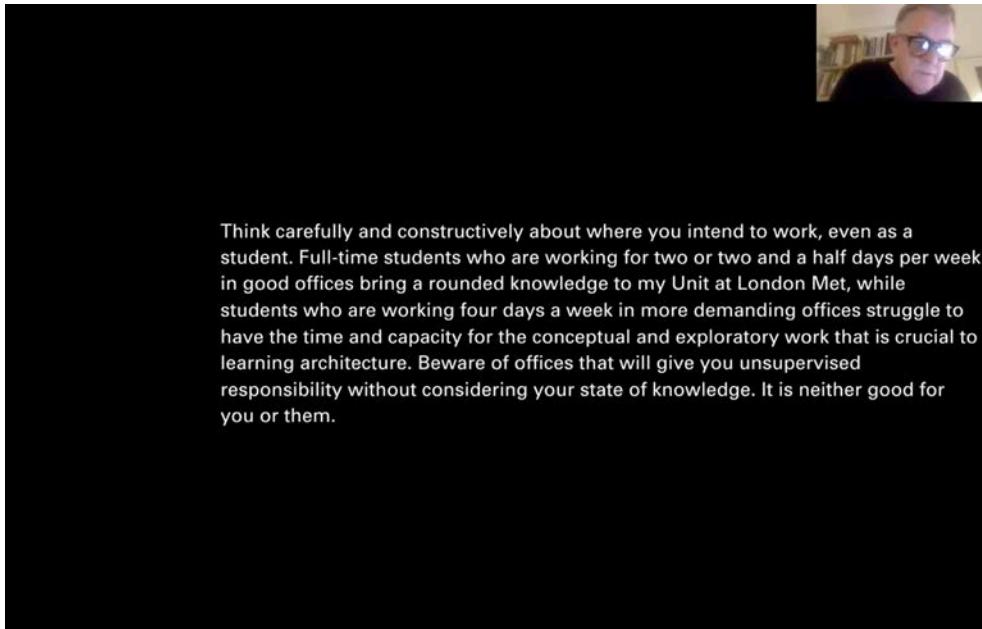
### Why Do We Make Models?

Liz Hallam + Roz Barr;  
discussants: Scott Miller + Ray Lucas

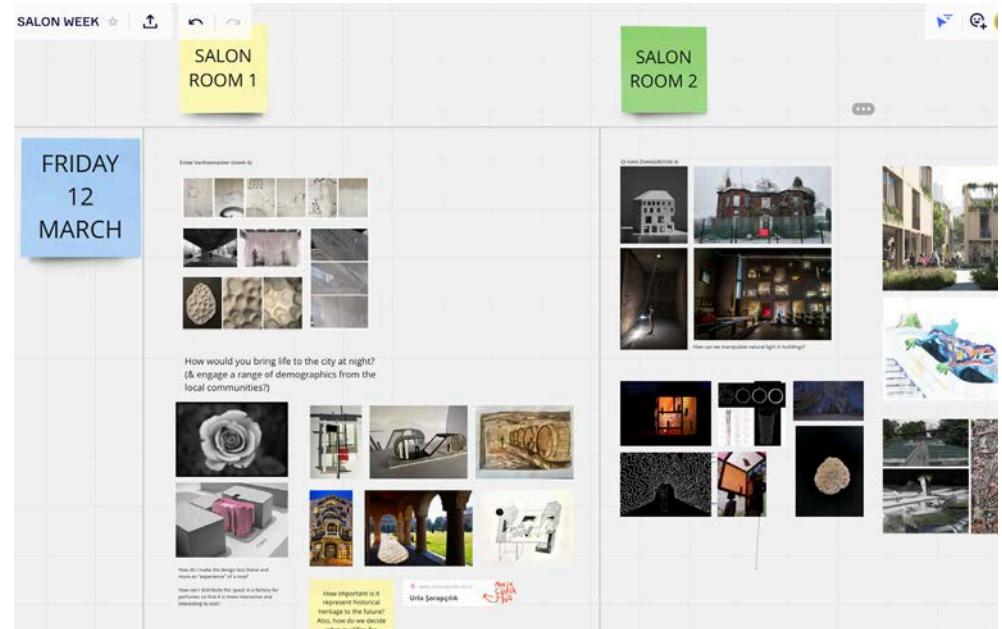
### Landscape & Reconciliation.

Ujiji Davis + Tim Waterman;  
discussant: Luca Csepely-Knorr

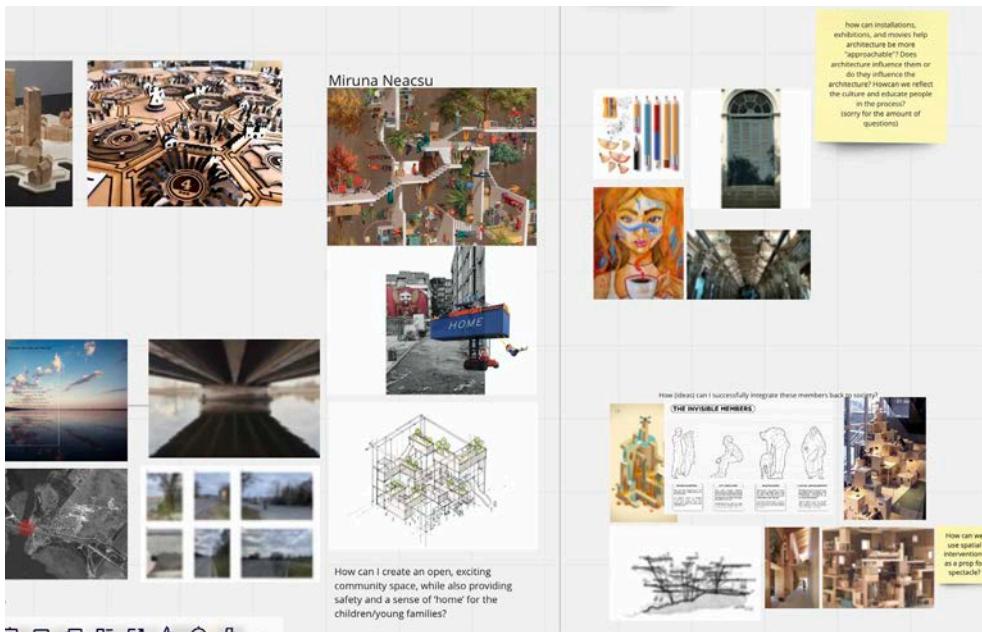




Provocation 03 with Tony Fretton delivering his Letter to a Young Architect



MIRO Board from Salon Discussion



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Provocation 13 with Ujjiji Davis, Tim Waterman & Luca Csepely-Knorr

## PECHA KUCHA 02

17:15 – 18:30, Thursday 4th February 2021. <https://zoom.us/j/81344623706>

Elisabeth de Bezenac  
Robert Mantho  
Paco Mejias  
Ian Miller  
Andrés Perales  
Ella Walklate  
Mary Wardle

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7 Speakers  
5 Minutes  
Discussion

Elisabeth de Bezenac  
Architect + Photographer

Robert Mantho  
Architect, Senior Lecturer at Manchester School of Architecture

Paco Mejias  
PhD Architect, Lecturer at the University of Suffolk

Ian Miller  
Archaeology / Heritage expert

Andrés Perales  
Architect, CEO Designable, Valencia

Ella Walklate  
Remedial Landscape Expert, Manchester School of Architecture

Mary Wardle  
Landscape Architect, Artist and Photographer

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## SALON 01

10:00-12:45, Friday 5th February 2021.

### REGENERATING CITIES: Street Life & Markets

MANCHESTER SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

16 Experts  
2 hrs  
Round Table Discussion

Elisabeth de Bezenac  
Zoe Bruce  
Luca Brunelli  
Nick Cherry  
Joan Ramon Corbellano  
Michael Cunliff  
Robert Mantho  
Paco Mejias  
Ian Miller  
Jayme Patel  
Andrés Perales  
Vilius Petraitis  
Pablo Ramos  
Ana Santolaria  
Ella Walklate  
Mary Wardle

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## SALON WEEK

9:30 - 12:45, Tuesday 9th, Thursday 11th & Friday 12th March 2021.

TEAMS LINK MSA SALONS

BA  
MAA+U  
MLA

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### EXPERTS: Tuesday 9th

1 Photograph  
1 Drawing  
1 Object  
1 Question

Peter Powell  
Maker

Benedict Phillips  
Artist

Elizabeth de Bezenac  
Architect + Photographer

Mary Wardle  
Landscape

Lyn Fenton  
Client

Jen Clarke  
Artist + Anthropologist

Patrick Duerden  
Architect

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1 Drawing  
1 Object  
1 Question

Peter Powell  
Maker

Robert Mantho  
Architect

Elizabeth de Bezenac  
Architect + Photographer

Mary Wardle  
Landscape

Ian Miller  
Archaeologist

Jen Clarke  
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Nick Cherry  
Architect

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### EXPERTS: Friday 12th

1 Photograph  
1 Drawing  
1 Object  
1 Question

Peter Powell  
Maker

Kevita Singh  
Architect

Graham Burn  
Architect

Alan Hooper  
Architect

David Reat  
Architect

Nick Cherry  
Architect

Mark Mukherjee Campbell  
Architect

Miguel Maldonado Paredes  
Architect

Cath Keay  
Anthropologist

Andrés Perales  
Architect

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**AWARDS 20/21**

Image: Patrick Millar - SURFACE, the (re)planned obsolescence of a theoretical mining facility on the Moon



# AWARDS 20/21

## All School & BA (Hons)

### All School

B.15 Modelmaking Awards 2021

- Saul Buryan (BA3)
- Matthew Meeson (MArch 1)
- Patrick Davies (MArch 2)
- Dan Warren & Mona Tamaru (MArch 2)

MSA Fantasy Premier League Winner

- Callum Plumb, Crti Alt De Ligt

### BA (Hons) First Year

Joe Jessop Award for Contribution to First Year

- Arshya Mittel

John H.G. Archer Prize for Outstanding Achievement in Humanities

- Briana Dorea

### BA (Hons) Second Year

The Partington Prize for Best Technology Coursework in 2nd Year

- Ruben Greyson

Andrea La Spina Award

- Hubert Sokolowski, Sara Tranescu, Calin Bogdan-Maier and Laura Simonsen

John H.G. Archer Prize for Best Humanities

- Jack Prowse

Ian C.S. Crowcroft Prize for Meritus Performance

- Kerryn Peters

Women in Property (MSA Nomination for the award)

- Fanny Bois-Berlioz

MSA Award for Design and Presentation (Portfolio)

- Thomas Massey

### BA (Hons) Third Year

John H.G. Archer Prize for Best Humanities, 3rd Year, BA (Hons) Architecture

- Jana Senberga

BA3 Elective Awards

- Rob Mccarthy

- Natalia Gryskowska
- Will Whittaker
- Simona Drabuzinskaite
- Victoria Gwyneth Sisk Reynes
- Thanh Long Nguyen
- Irina Coraga
- Kulsoom Qazi
- Oscar Frith
- Rosemary Clowes
- Matthew Norris
- Arian Reyhanian
- Alice Allen
- Benjamin Faure
- Isobel Gibson
- Hafsa Adamu
- Alice Burgher
- Isabelle Warren
- Michal Romaniuk
- Keta Elizabete Silina
- Grace McGuire
- Omar Elmamoun Noia-Rodriguez
- Radu Neagoe
- Min Jing Toh
- Eleanor Jones
- Jana Senberga

Steady-Greenaway Prize for Outstanding 3rd Year Studio,

BA (Hons) Architecture

- Mylan Thuroczy & Will Smith

Outstanding Academic Achievement (OAA) Awards 2021. Students achieving average score over 75%

- Mylan Thuroczy
- Benjamin Faure
- Eleanor Jones
- Ke Ling Neoh
- Omar Elmamoun Noia-Rodriguez
- William Smith
- Grace McGuire
- Milo Heywood
- Millie Qian Yao Chieng
- Matthew Norris
- El Hadi Boudouch
- Hana Wajihah Ahmad Baihaki
- Keta Silina
- Irina Coraga

- Kristupas Kadys
- Alexandra Maria Raper Rumoroso
- Saul Buryan
- Saffron Annie Nicholson
- Amanda Lim Shu Yi
- Christian Brook Barnes
- Lukas Somodi
- Natasha Ganotaki
- Jana Senberga
- Yue Tam
- Robert McCarthy
- Jake Grady

Dean's Award for Achievement Nomination

- Eleanor Jones

AJ Student Prize (MSA Nomination for the Award)

- Grace McGuire

Excellence in year wide discourse and debate

- Rowdah Charbak

Sheppard Robson Jicwood Prize

- Jake Grady

## MArch, MLA & RIBA Nominations

### MArch Year 1

Bown Prize for Outstanding Design Portfolio for a 5th Year  
- Luke Thomas & Samuel Sayle

Sheppard Robson Jicwood Prize  
- Matthew Meeson

Research Method Prize

- Juliet Tremble  
- Zhanyuan Gao  
- Adeyinka Adedunni Adebisi  
- Diana Ursachianu  
- Maria Gorreth Tavares Duarte  
- Holly Sutcliffe  
- Dilan Vitthiani  
- Jaskarran Sahota  
- Keerthana Manimaran  
- Premdyl Singh Shadan  
- Joseph Twitchen  
- Isabel Mccauley  
- Max Ferguson Frost  
- Rianna Grant  
- Daniel Walsh  
- Emily Wood  
- Uka Luvsansambu  
- Jamie Talbot  
- Giorgos Porakos  
- Xinzi Deng  
- Billie Pritchard  
- Dominic Street  
- Jack Francis  
- Angel Maria Cunningham  
- Katerina Pikhartova  
- Laura Bucknall  
- Oliver Meads  
- Fara Amjad  
- Wendell Wen Yan Lu  
- Hayden Moores  
- Henry Mole  
- Jemima Eyre  
- Soniamaria Losapio  
- Christian Anthony Cunha Brown  
- Madeleine Adams  
- Eva Filose  
- Eyad Kabian

- Edna Thomas  
- Lukas Gedeikis  
- Catherine Westhead  
- Luo Zhang  
- Merianna Osman  
- Shreyansh Barua  
- Jason Wong  
- Olivia Mihale  
- Joseph Cox  
- Jack Whitehouse  
- Zhe Han (Daryl) Law  
- Bethany Stewart  
- Ismael Zaman  
- Lingxi Tao  
- Chin Yeung Jason Chan  
- Millie Evans  
- Georgina Cantrill  
- Amine Mouaqit Mohammed  
- Hsuan Fang (Sharon) Cheng

G.E. Greenaway Prize for Outstanding MArch Dissertation  
- Jemma Baldwin

Society of Architectural Historians SAHGB Dissertation Prize (MSA Nominations for the award)  
- Rebecca Beer and Robert Crutchley-Macleay

### MArch Year 2

The Hays Prize for Best Individual Coursework in Professional Studies  
- Sonia Balaguru

The Hays Collaborative Prize for Best Group-work in Professional Studies  
- Everything And The Kitchen Sink (Lorenzo la Magna Zimmerman, Harry Westwood, Sally Lofthouse, Kiran Milton, Freya Cooper Williams, Angus Riddell, Martha Hiles)

AHR Vic Basil Professional Studies Prize for best overall performance  
- Sonia Balaguru

3D Reid Student Prize nomination  
- Remi Phillips-Hood and Julia Arska

Dean's Prize

- Liam Costain  
- Julia Arska  
- Joe Copley  
- Remi Phillips-Hood  
- Tom Register  
- Mike Rostock

AJ Student Prize (MSA Nominations for the award)  
- Amanda Chua

AJ Sustainability Prize (MSA Nominations for the award)  
- Joshua Quinlan & Andreas Maragakis

Steaey-Greenaway Prize for the Outstanding 6th Year Academic Portfolio  
- Mona Tamura & Dan Warren

Heywood Medal for the best Overall Academic Performance  
- Abigail Colder

### MLA Part 1

Landscape Institute North West - Best MLA1 portfolio  
- Evelyn Boyce

### MLA Part 2

Exterior Architecture for Best MLA2 Portfolio  
- Charlie Griffin & James Stephenson

Atkins for Best Placemaking Award  
- Yingman Gao

Landscape Institute North West for Best MLA2 exhibition  
- Yingman Gao

### RIBA Nominations

RIBA Dissertation Medal (MSA Nomination for the award)  
- Jonathan Barker

RIBA Bronze Medal Nominations  
- Brandon Chan  
- Hana Wajihah Ahmad Baihaki

RIBA Silver Medal Nominations  
- Quadri Shogunle-Aregbesola  
- Sonia Mancxia Balaguru & Jo Lynn Tan