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Architectural design is going through a period of doubt, which dates from the early 1970s, when the dissatisfaction with Modernism that arose in the 1960s became widespread. A comparable era of uncertainty occurred roughly from 1920 to 1940, before the consensus for Modernism took hold. But this time around, we do not yet know where it will all lead.

In eras of doubt, architects cast about for principles or precedents around which architectural design can again coalesce. The objectives they advocate seem to depend in part on where they stand relative to the previous consensus.

Thus, the rebels against Modernism in the 1960s accused it of being simplistic, both socially and aesthetically, and urged an approach of greater intensity. Their agenda, articulated best by Robert Venturi, proposed architectural design that was to be inclusive, complex, and multivalent; it was drawn upon the whole of past architecture, as well as the anonymous Pop creations of the present; it cited as examples the work of sophisticated masters such as Borromini and Lutyens; it became the basis for Post-Modernism.

The alternative strategy, common to revolutions, is to clean the slate, to discard sophisticated systems in favor of intellectual or historical fundamentals. Today, as a reaction to the overindulgence and arbitrariness of some Post-Modernism, we are seeing increased interest in a return to first principles. These interests are notably apparent in this 32nd P/A Awards program—in the entries, in the jurors' observations, and in the winners published in this issue.

Consider the Silvetti/Machado project that took this year's First Award in architectural design (p. 86): Its forms have a minimal geometry, but it's a minimalism derived from the Jungian collective memory. The dominant tower has the bristling silhouette of a tribal ritual object; its one overt allusion to a historical style—the appliqué of a Baroque façade, tilted up on end—has a kind of folk-art naiveté.

Likewise, Emilio Ambasz's botanic garden (p. 120) harks back in some respects to primitive design. Though modern technology is apparent in its forms, they rise out of the earth in an arrangement that suggests rituals of prehistoric origin. A tribute to timeless craftsmanship, in a form that might have pleased William Morris or the brothers Greene, appears among the P/A winners in the house by Arne Bystrom (p. 128). Its roof form, as well, suggests something primitive, from the Alps, perhaps, or the South Seas. A renewed interest in visible joinery has been emerging for a few years, and was documented in the P/A special issue on Craftsmanship (June 1983). Visible carpentry is also an important element—though the reference is to present-day American frame construction—in the work of many Southern Californians, represented in this issue by works of Morphosis (p. 114) and Frank Gehry (p. 106).

There is another, more absolute way to clean the slate, and that is to reject all precedents and start over from the intellectual fundamentals of geometry and technology. That was, of course, the basis of the International Style. As such, it has been called into question, but the idea still fits a scientific civilization, and it continues in the relatively undiluted Modernism of architects such as Meier and Gwathmey/Siegel. The abstract, ahistorical approach is represented in less familiar versions in the winning schemes of Eisenman/Robertson (p. 98) and Bernard Tschumi (p. 90).

What might be called mainstream Post-Modernism, with its overt and often exaggerated application of historical motifs, is virtually absent among the winners this year, and was not heavily represented among the entries. Predominant among the submissions this year, however, were varieties of Rationalism, including Classical versions, dozens of which displayed abstract gable/pediments, pierced by circular openings.

A very encouraging quality common to this year's winners—whatever historical sources or intellectual principles they draw upon—is their appropriateness to the context they were designed for. Even the abstraction of Tschumi's grid-point plan is related in visible ways to the planning and intellectual traditions of Paris: the Eisenman/Robertson scheme is, for all its abstraction, an ingenious response to site demands. The search for architectural form that we see here is no mere ransacking of history, but a search for forms that will truly enhance the places they occupy and the lives they serve.
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Landmark issue
My compliments on your November issue. Both your Editorial and the presentation of the seven major preservation projects were thought provoking and inspiring.
They touched me particularly because of my years of architectural study at the University of Prague. This ancient city contains many masterpieces of architecture, from the 10th Century on, clearly juxtaposed, at times superimposed and preserved in their original urban context. While living and experiencing that environment first hand I was imbued with the underlying unchanging principles and values common to all periods of great architecture.
First, as a young architect in Czechoslovakia, later as a partner of the firm of Antonin Raymond L.L. Rado with offices in New York and Tokyo, Japan, and while teaching at Yale, I practiced those principles to the best of my ability for almost fifty years.
Your November issue revealed the right lesson to be drawn for our continuing efforts. This lesson, properly assimilated, does not lead to haphazard, superficial historical allusions unrelated to our present technology, skills and life. It is vital for us to understand that the landmarks presented were manifestations of the social and cultural climate of their time and place.
Dug up skeletons in old closets will not advance our architecture. It will come about through a richer vocabulary and better problem solving, utilizing creatively our present technology and skills. As we know it will come by refining our structures through variation leading to a poetic language akin to the one manifested by a Gothic cathedral's flying buttresses, finials and gargoyles. We made a beginning in our reinforced concrete structures—Auguste Perret and Nervi—as well as the sculptural quality of Le Corbusier. Even in our period of pressing budget and time limitations there is a promising avenue in precast elements that could possibly approach the beauty of the terracotta work of the Guaranty Building.
We may hopefully succeed in creating structures with the grace of the Pont des Arts, the Crystal Palace or with the pristine rhythmic structural expression of the understated Japanese wood buildings.
Since the advent of the industrial revolution the matter of ornament is a most elusive problem. I believe it to be very desirable in making surfaces and spaces come alive and more human. Obviously it is difficult to achieve with mechanized means an esthetic quality comparable to the one of a handcrafted product. It will take time for this to develop. The same applies to the fusion of architecture with the arts to measure up to the integral use of sculpture, mosaics and frescos in the masterpieces of the past.
Again my compliments and appreciation of your valuable contribution.
Ladislav L. Rado, architect
Biscayne Beach, Fla.

Bauhaus aftershocks
Your recent issue on restoration (Nov. 1984) seems splendid—I have just thumbed through it. Of the few places where I paused to read, I have a few questions (also I wonder if Colin Rowe will allow your remarks about the quality of the Ca' d'Oro to stand?). In the catalogue of the "White City," if I understood him, Michael Levin suggests that Tel Aviv is unique in being a city of International Style buildings. Not having been there I can't compare quantities, but the French quartiers of the established cities in Morocco possess an exactly similar stock of buildings (which we have the photographs to show). Also I wonder if Miami Beach isn't another.
But my reason for writing relates to Mary Woods' review of Herdeg's book. I haven't read it, but while I'm sure anyone aware of the weaknesses of American architecture ca. 1950-70 will share many of Herdeg's opinions, his comparing Franzen's and Johnson's buildings on Fifth Ave. with Corbus' Beres house seems blindly wrongheaded. First you don't compare the work of the followers of one master with the work of a rival master. The comparison should be with the follower of the second master. I suggest Meier's Athenéum in New Harmony, Johnson and Johnson's Billy Wilder House, still rather better. Also, regardless of the quality of these two buildings on Fifth Ave., they represent to some extent a rejection of Harvard teaching; both are attempts to recover the traditional way of building on streets. Surely Gropius would have rejected them.

Tom Killian
Francoise Astorg Bollack/Tom Killian architects
New York

Saving signs
From a personal viewpoint, I was delighted to see a special issue on preservation (Nov. 1984); from a professional standpoint, I was encouraged by the mentions of Denver's Mayan Theatre and Silver Spring's Silver Theatre with regard to their respective marquees. The concern for the preservation of such historic landmarks, i.e., signs, is rare in the mainstream architectural community, and I think I speak for the sign design and manufacturing community in applauding P/A's recognition of sign preservation.
Efforts to preserve historic signs continue in many areas. Two recent examples are Boston's Citgo sign and San Francisco's Ghirardelli Square letters. Some success has been registered by two West Coast groups—the Museum of Neon Art, 704 Traction Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90013 (213) 617-1580 and Saving our Neon Organization, 701 Island Avenue, San Diego, CA 92101. Additionally, Signs of the Times magazine is working in conjunction with other sign industry people to put together a sign museum.

Tod Swormstedt
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Signs of the Times
Cincinnati, Ohio

Acknowledging the public
Regarding your editorial ("Building Confidence," Oct. 1984) concerning the lack of public confidence in architects' judgment—I expected to find some reference to actions that the leading architectural journals could take to alleviate this problem. Surely such journals as Progressive Architecture are not "outside" the problem.
One suggestion that you might pursue is to increase your emphasis on the "received message," by the public, of an architectural design rather than the usual emphasis on (a) the "transmitted message" (what the architect and owner say was intended), (b) the opinion of an expert critic, and (c) other issues of particular interest to our club, e.g., design process and technics.
I too am an occasional critic in print. I know it is easier to visit the building, interview the owner and architect, go home and write the piece—and not foul up my viewpoint with the opinions of Mr. and Mrs. Visual Iliterate. In dealing with them I would be brought face-to-face with the tremendous gulf between their dominant value system and the concerns of our small profession.
Your editorial had the right spirit. Little programs to educate the public behemoth have proven ineffectual. As you say, we must learn from the public. I am sure you have made some efforts in this regard. I am asking you to be more aggressive. Do a user-based analysis of "Restaurant Row" architecture and other popular franchise designs.
Do features on those buildings that contribute to the negative image of architects. Give us an annual list of "Ten Projects that Blew the Budget." Do an expose on "Buildings that Killed their Streets." Unfortunately these projects have a disproportionate influence on public opinion.
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1987, this, the "Report Year," was marked by a
number of special exhibitions and events. Reviewed
here is "The Adventure of Ideas: Architecture and
Philosophy since the Industrial Revolution." The
exhibition was accompanied by an extensive catalog
with essays by Alan Colquhoun, Josef Paul
Kleihues, Heinrich Klotz, Anatol Rapoport, Colin
Rowe, Joseph Rykwert, Manfredo Tafuri, and
other scholars. Plans for an English language edi-
tion are regrettably uncertain.

Das Abenteuer der Ideen, staged in Mies's
New National Gallery in Berlin this fall, was one of two major exhibi-
tions organized by Josef Paul
Kleihues and Vittorio Lampugnani,
just prior to the termination of their
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still{s}, as a spectrum of ideological move-
ments: Historicism, Classicism, Roman-
ticism, Organicism, Realism, Expressionism,
Traditionalism, Technicism, and Rational-
ism. As suggested by the show's subtitle,
"Architecture and Philosophy Since the In-
dustrial Revolution," these "isms" were
hardly in evidence prior to 1775, and most
exhibits, drawn largely from Europe, date
from this time.

As always with such classifying schemes,
some pieces could have been just as easily
included under one rubric as under another,
but this "cross-contamination" only helps to
blur the somewhat arbitrary distinctions and
boundaries separating the various categories.
As often is the case on such occasions, it is
the exhibits themselves rather than the criti-
cal scheme that make the most evident and
even the most lasting impression. Thus, despite the ideological inten-
tions that individual works display,
a latent agenda for the entire show
was to exhibit (in some instances, for
the first time) the extraordinary
level and range of architectural
work achieved during the
course of this century.

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Mary C. Means has been named president of the AIA Foundation, the Institute’s arm for education and research. Means comes to the AIA from the National Trust for Historic Preservation, where she served as vice president for program development.

Adele Chatfield-Taylor has been named Director of the National Endowment for the Arts, Design Arts Program. The post was vacated by Michael Pittas who now heads the Otis Art Institute in Los Angeles.

A second selection of drawings by Frank Lloyd Wright has been put up for sale by the FLW Foundation. The drawings, including those for the Heller House (1896), Fallingwater (1935), Florida Southern College (1941), the Johnson Wax Tower (1944), and some 35 other projects, are of anything more sumptuous than those sold last year at the Max Protége Gallery in New York, as is the catalog produced by ADA Edita, Tokyo. Publisher Yukio Futagawa persuaded the Foundation to show (and sell) the drawings in Japan before bringing them to New York (on view at Protége through Feb. 9). Futagawa is now at work on a 12-volume Wright monograph.

The show(s) will doubtless inspire the same concerns raised last year: Is a public sale an appropriate way to dispose of these drawings or raise funds for the Foundation?

New York’s Architectural League is sponsoring the fourth annual Young Architects’ Forum, a competition for architects no more than 10 years out of school. A jury, which includes Susana Torre, Frank Gehry, and sculptor Mary Miss, will select built and unbuilt work for spring presentation in New York.

Contact the League (212) 753-1722; due date: January 22.

York-Riterine appeal: Contributions to support improved fire protection equipment for York-Riterine in England, which was devastated by fire at the same time as York-Minster, are being solicited. (Pencil points continued on p. 36)

Pavilion and the façade of the Tugendhat house, particularly the elegant grandeur of the latter, which is represented here with nothing more than a few elegant pencil lines drawn on vellum. Such drawings make one realize that there is no substitute for the original when it comes to understanding the latent implications of a given work. Only by seeing the actual model and watercolors, for example, can one fully appreciate the passion and delicacy of Terragni’s 1957 “Danteum” project and the rigor with which the realized work would have evoked Dante’s Inferno, Purgatorio, and Paradiso. Confronted with such material one often is suspended between the intrinsic quality of the work and the miracle of its survival. It is hard to believe, for example, that it was possible to retrieve Ludwig Hilbersheimer’s metaphysical renderings for his Hochhauserstadl of 1924 from the archives of the Art Institute in Chicago, particularly when the Institute’s own curators had no idea as to their whereabouts. One may be equally astonished by the familiar, however, as by Fred Forbat’s original wooden models for Gropius’ Baukasten which appear as pristine today as when first made 80 years ago. And yet these unexpected reincarnations in no way diminish the revelatory qualities of the works themselves. Thus one is moved to discover that Hans Poelzig’s 1929 renderings for the interior of his Festspielhaus in Salzburg, and Fritz Lang’s similarly “tachist” scenography, made some four years later for his 1923 film Die Nibelungen, now appear to have emerged mysteriously from the very same hand, or to find that Constant Despradel’s Beaux Arts Beacon of Progress, rendered at MIT in 1900, all too boldly anticipates the megalomaniacal triumph of the Empire State Building in 1929 or even Wright’s later Mile High Skyscraper proposal, dwarfing Eiffel’s proud tower by the fact and the promise of American gigantism.
And so one passes from surprise to surprise. Lampugnani’s kaleidoscope continually invites us to float freely through time, to pass from a well-preserved model of Fritz Hager’s Chilchhaus, Hamburg, of 1925 (taken from the foyer of the Chilchhaus itself) to Giorgio Grassi’s quite beautiful renderings for his proposed castle restoration in Abbiatogrusso of 1970. Within this time machine it is encouraging to note that the works of the recent past hold their own against the illustrious dead. Thus recent drawings taken from, say, the Kleihues or Gregotti ateliers radiate as much power and vigor as Leo von Klenze’s magnificent renderings of his Munich Glyptothek, dating from 1815, or George Dance’s villa drawings of 1765.

With some 2000 exhibits, it is impossible to give more than a mere indication of the archival riches of The Adventure of Ideas. The prime credit for this diachronic display has, of course, to go to Lampugnani, who not only conceived the show but also searched elsewhere the remarkable creativity of the Modern Munich Glyptothek, dating from 1815, or Frank Lloyd Wright’s 1904 Larkin Building side chair, for example, show a definite similarity of line and plane, while the pairing of Alvar Aalto’s 1931–32 birch and plywood armchair and lesser known British designer Gerald Summers’ 1934 plywood chair illustrates how contemporaries working in the same medium could come up with very different results. (Summers, in fact, the show’s principal “find.”)

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**Chairs and more chairs**

Mackintosh to Mollino: 50 Years of Chair Design at the Barry Friedman Gallery, New York (through Feb. 14), presents an awe-inspiring and attractive collection of the 20th-Century design. About 40 of the better known pieces are on view in Mr. Friedman’s elegant second-floor showroom on 82nd Street. Viewed within the confines of 19th-century townhouse rooms, the chairs look as though they have already been sold off to a wealthy collector. A second, smaller group is displayed in the annex, a ground-floor space with a glass front that has the air of a very smart 1950s living room. These originals differ, in some cases dramatically, from the authorized copies now sold by furniture manufacturers. The show’s version of Marcel Breuer’s Wassily chair, for instance, constructed of nickel steel with its canvas cover badly worn after several seasons in a Riviera casino, is far removed from the present-day, spiffy model codified in black leather and chrome.

Certain juxtapositions are intriguing: Gerrit Rietveld’s Red & Blue Chair of 1917–18 and Frank Lloyd Wright’s 1904 Larkin Building side chair, for example, show a definite similarity of line and plane, while the pairing of Alvar Aalto’s 1931–32 birch and plywood armchair and lesser known British designer Gerald Summers’ 1934 plywood chair illustrates how contemporaries working in the same medium could come up with very different results. (Summers, in fact, the show’s principal “find.”)

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**Carlo Mollino, armchair, 1949.**

**Aalto’s armchair, 1932, and Summers’, c. 1934.**
Furniture designs
by Donald Judd

For several years, sculptor Donald Judd has designed furniture—in experimental form—for the spaces in which he lives and works. Seeking to produce the designs at a level of craftsmanship equal to that of his artworks, Judd entered into a collaboration with New York master cabinetmakers Cooper/Kato, who recently sponsored the first exhibition of the artist's furniture at 101 Spring Street (Nov. 17–Dec. 15, 1984), to coincide with the major show of Judd's new sculpture at Leo Castelli's two SoHo galleries. Available in signed, limited editions, the furniture designs (distributed by Cooper/Kato) will be produced in woods such as Douglas fir, North American white elm, Alaskan yellow cedar, and mahogany. Two of the wood pieces were included in another New York show of Judd's work, at the Max Protetch Gallery (Dec 7, 1984–Jan. 5, 1985), which featured painted aluminum furniture (fabricated in Switzerland by Lehni), and the artist's drawings for various architectural projects. The wood furniture is no less rigorous than the artist's sculpture; meant to be useful, it is elegantly unsentimental.

Stretching fabric structures

"It's an established technology in search of architectural problems to solve." That definition, delivered by architect Nicholas Goldsmith at the recent International Symposium on Architectural Fabric Structures in Orlando, Fla., reveals both the promise and problems of lightweight membranes. In the ten years since the last fabric structures symposium, the technology has improved dramatically. New fabric materials such as Tedlar®-clad vinyl-coated polyester or Teflon®, or silicone-coated fiberglass offer increased durability and longevity; computer graphics has eased both design and analysis of fabric structures; and model testing has improved understanding of their acoustical, thermal, and wind-resistance properties. Said Goldsmith, "The tools are there for the architect to use.

Why then haven't more architects taken advantage of them? While it's true that air-supported roofs have proven quite popular for stadiums and recreation facilities and that tensile structures have become common enclosures for outdoor exhibits, amphitheaters, stores, and shopping malls, fabric structures have barely penetrated the office, residential, and industrial markets. Do architects simply lack familiarity with the technology, or does fabric structure technology itself have some inherent limitations that discourage its wider use, such as awkward connections? In any case, Goldsmith suggests architects simply not know the rules for designing these structures, or do some, at least, find fault with the structurally determined organic forms generated by those specific rules?

For answers to those questions, only the next ten years will tell. But if the knowledge and experience gained over the last ten years have prepared fabric structures to take their place among the traditional array of construction types, those are questions that both the architectural community and the fabric structure industry must address.

The AIA's rising star

"Innovative" might best describe the recent series of AIA conferences. In December, at the Dallas-Fort Worth Airport Hilton, the Institute held a multimedia conference, using video recordings of major stars in the architectural constellation to enhance a series of workshops on how architects can improve their public image, power, and compensation. In March in Los Angeles, the AIA will hold another first: a conference on architecture and research, bringing practitioners together with researchers in areas as diverse as energy conservation, behavioral science, and life safety.

The difficulty with any innovation lies in getting people's attention—and attendance. The AIA conference "Building Redesign and Energy Challenges," held in Boston in November, was as informative as it was sparsely attended. It marked one of the first times people from the preservation and energy communities got together in a conference to discuss common concerns. Their differences emerged in several talks. The energy consultants had as many tales of rehabilitation projects denied tax benefits because of the inappropriate design of some energy-conserving windows as the preservationists had about solar collectors or new mechanical systems destroying a building's historic character. The conference nevertheless showed how much the two groups share, be it an interest in historic energy strategies or a vision of a conservation-based society.

While serving the public may be the AIA's overt agenda under President George Notter, the quantity—and quality—of conferences and seminars on this year's AIA calendar shows that the Institute is serving the profession better than ever.
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Chicago Women in Architecture

"Chicago Women in Architecture" (at the Chicago Historical Society, through March 17, 1985) celebrates the organization's tenth anniversary. Organized by Sabra Clark and Wim de Wit, curators of the Historical Society's architectural collections, and Linda Searl, CWA president, the 54 works were created specifically for this exhibition.

The concept for the exhibit—that each participant would design a piece for a specially constructed shadow box supplied by the Historical Society—holds together otherwise uneven work. Least successful are those boxes that simply exhibit conventional drawings or photographs of architectural projects, the exception being Tannys Langdon's painted construction, a family photo album (of completed buildings) displayed against stenciled wallpaper of her own invention. The most interesting works exploit the depth of the shadow box. Gunduz Dagdelen (P/A, Nov. 1984, p. 54), Jacqueline Clawson, and Angela First Simmons all treat the transparent front of the box as a section cut through architecture, rather than as a conventional picture plane. Kathryn Quinn and Julie Hacker create imaginary landscapes of great depth by overlapping and false perspectives. Only Sheila Fogal and Ruth Olin explore anything that could be considered even remotely Feminist themes.

RIBA treasures

The yearlong British Festival of Architecture had its grand finale in a beautiful exhibition of treasures from the Institute's famous collections of drawings, models, paintings, and manuscripts (at the RIBA, London, through Jan. 27). The exhibition, entitled "The Art of the Architect," was designed by architect Alan Irvine who in the U.K. wears the cloak of his late maestro Carlo Scarpa. With sponsorship from Wates Construction, Ltd., he totally transformed the RIBA's great hall to produce a simple, well-ordered background against which are set priceless objects dating from the 16th Century.

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mally the collections are housed some eight blocks distant, behind locked doors through which few are admitted. Plans now under discussion would make more space available in the Institute for the collections and their parent body, the British Architecture Library, the latter forming a statutory part of the RIBA. So members attending the exhibition's opening reception had a foretaste of the sort of image now sought for their Institute headquarters. [MONICA PIDGEON]

D.C. Brickwork Design Center

One of the nation's largest brick manufacturers, the Glen-Gery Corporation, has opened its first Brickwork Design Center in the capital. Similar centers, which provide technical consultation on brick technology and applications to architects, engineers, and developers, have been successful in England for Ibstock-Johnsen, Glen-Gery's U.K.-based parent corporation.

The Washington, D.C., center, located on the ground floor of a downtown office building, was designed by Arthur Cotton Moore/Associates. Employing over 30 special brick shapes in a series of unusual arches and columns, the center is itself something of a tour de force in brickwork design.

Glen-Gery announced at the D.C. unveiling that additional U.S. brickwork design centers are slated to open soon in New York and Philadelphia. [THOMAS VONIER]

The Shape of the future

Wolf von Eckardt, Hon. AIA, former Washington Post columnist and now architecture critic for Time magazine, recently initiated a series of AIA-sponsored public lectures on current issues in architecture at Washington's Corcoran Gallery of Art. Lauding the recently departed era in which architects generated many public-minded (if essentially clientless) proposals to improve the urban environment, von Eckardt recited selected tenets of orthodox Modernism: concern with the relationship of form to function; and a striving to harness technology through design, in the interests of improving...
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Von Eckardt went on to attack the views and work of several noted Post-Modernists, and bemoaned the "obsession with surface" in contemporary architectural criticism. He also railed against such public outrages as the continued favor given automobiles over pedestrians in American cities.

The critic concluded by calling for an eclectic "new modernism," an architecture that recognizes its responsibilities as a social art. He expressed faith in the tastes and sensibilities of the "post-war baby-boomers," and suggested that this increasingly powerful economic group is predisposed to recognize and value socially responsible urban and architectural design. "But they need to be shown how," he urged, and stressed that architects could have the key role in "illustrating our hopes for the future." The series continues with talks by Bernardo Fort-Brescia, Helmut Jahn, and Robert Geddes.

[THOMAS VONIER]

Scale-model De Stijl

De Stijl devotees should be happy to know that Gerrit Rietveld's Schröder House and his Red and Blue Chair are now available in scale-model form in this country. Introduced by Academia B.V. at last year's Frankfurt Book Fair, the build-it-yourself kits are now distributed in the U.S. by the Georgia-based company Eurobrands.

The 1:6 scale Chair kit, constructed with metal pins (a system based on that of the full-size version) is fairly simple to put together; painting takes the longest (it's advisable to do this first).

The Schröder House, on a 1:50 scale, is more complicated, consisting as it does of many tiny paper parts (the instructions note reassuringly that "very small elements... may, if required, be replaced by matches"). This kit is definitely for those with good eyeball coordination and a high display shelf out of accident's reach. Both the house and chair designs are copyright by the Rietveld Heirs. The kits themselves are put together by Dutch art historian Peter Koopmans and designer Wouter Keja.

For those who long to possess Rietveld's oeuvre complet in miniature, kits of the Berlin chair and side-table (1925) and a 1924 "beach-buggy" he made for his son will be available early next year. Soon to be introduced are models of the 1922 Maison d'Artiste by Theo van Doesburg and Cornelis van Eesteren, and Aldo Rossi's Teatro del Mondo from the 1980 Venice Biennale. [gw]
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Critic Tom Wolfe will do his dog and pony show; other panelists include corporate clients, and various experts in behavioral science, marketing, planning, and criticism.

The San Francisco arts community will anchor a special program on architecture for the arts.

More on the AIA: Five media organizations have been honored for outstanding coverage of architecture and urban design by the Institute. These include the Christian Science Monitor, the Charlotte Observer, Arizona Highways, and the Arts and Entertainment Network.

Houston has upped the ante in the battle to become the nation's film capital. Developers of a new $30 million film center in a Houston suburb hope to capitalize on film's current affair with "America's heartland," signaled in such films as Terms of Endearment, Silkwood, and Streamers, all shot in Texas.

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Civic centerpiece:
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Inevitably, this grande dame has aged over the years, helped along by several singularly unsympathetic renovations and general neglect. The hotel, called the Netherland Plaza, was given a ghastly Morris Lapidus makeover in the 1960s when large windows were painted out or draped, moldings removed, and whole sections sealed off. With some sad exceptions, however, these changes proved reversible, or so architect Richard Rauh of Rabun Hatch Portman McWhorter Hatch & Rauh, Inc., of Atlanta found when his firm was commissioned to plan the renovation.

Most of their work is behind the scenes, involving revamped mechanical systems and upgraded safety features, which included the insertion of an entirely new fire stair into the old building. New kitchens, service corridors, and modern hotel rooms designed by Ellen McCluskey (public interiors by Rita St. Clair & Associates) were also added. But the architects' greatest achievement has been the restoration of the elaborate spiral of public spaces that works up from the street entrance, through the hotel lobby and lounges, around the mezzanine, and finally up to the great Hall of Mirrors, where car manufacturers once held their shows. The spatial sequence, which no drawings or photographs can adequately explain, is pure architectural theatrics, decorated in the finest movie palace manner. A few new details, however, mar this magnificent progression: kitschy carpets, patterned after Memphis designs; awkward, out-of-scale banquettes; and a brass-and-glass bar only detract from the original decor.
More important, Rauh backed up his proposal for the Netherland Plaza Hotel with a five-year capital improvement plan for the entire block. Arguing for an overall strategy that would save the complex and reintegrate its pieces, Rauh and his team are not afraid to propose new uses where old ones have declined. The architects make a case for converting the 30-story parking tower, an innovation when opened but now totally unused, to office use. They propose that a new second-floor retail atrium be built to capitalize on skywalk connections already in place; that a retail mezzanine be reopened to the public; and that the ground-floor arcade, currently occupied by one large department store, be reorganized and revitalized with small shops.

The report, prepared to educate present and future guardians of this heroic complex, is a model of enlightened stewardship. To date, although several million dollars have been spent merely to stabilize the parking tower, no plans have been initiated to renovate the office tower or the arcade. The renovated Netherland, however, is an established hit with both Cincinnatians and out-of-town guests. It would be a shame not to capitalize on the hotel's evident success, and push forward with the complete revitalization of this unique complex, which remains Cincinnati's greatest piece of urban real estate and the centerpiece of its skyline. [Perspectives continued on page 48]
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When Philadelphia's long-awaited Market Street Station opened on November 12, some locals cheered, others jeered; but all termed the event a milestone in municipal planning. Edmund Bacon, whose *Design of Cities* is still the basic blueprint for downtown redevelopment, took the opportunity to publicly thank (via the *Philadelphia Inquirer*) all those who'd contributed to Center City redevelopment, past and present, while *Inquirer* critic Thomas Hine asked on the front page, Where's Phila. going? Wrote Hine, "Today's Center City, like it or not, bears an uncanny resemblance to drawings and models made as much as 20 years ago. But now Philadelphia has run out of plans. There is no vision of what Philadelphia will be like 20 years from now, or even five years from now."

The city is certainly at a crossroads. Willard Rouse is only the first of several developers to challenge the "gentlemen's agreement" that held the height of downtown office buildings below William Penn's statue atop City Hall. (His architect is Helmut Jahn.) The City Council finally sanctioned Rouse's proposal, but sidestepped the general planning problem. The solution now proposed—to create a high-rise zone west of City Hall—could derail plans for other parts of the city, most imminently at Market Street East, by enticing developers back to the business district.

Market Street East is itself a case study of the ups and downs in Philadelphia's redevelopment. While the present plan is only the latest in a long line of proposals, this one seems "real," and its pieces are falling slowly into place. Gallery One, the 1977 Rouse Company development designed by Bower & Fradley (P/A, Dec. 1978, pp. 64–67) has proved fairly popular with the mall set; its successor, Gallery Two (Cope Linder Associates/Bower Lewis Thrower), which opened last year, has had a harder time of it. Merchants there rejoiced when the commuter station, which connects directly to the mall, opened in November—only to close again before the week was out when a bridge several miles north of the station was ruled unsafe. (Mayor Goode promptly pledged to reopen the system by the 19th of December, and the city has reportedly assisted a number of "needy" merchants hurt by the loss of pre-Christmas business.)

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tenant). The skyscraper is the first to open on Market Street East since PSFS pierced the skyline in 1932; its setback silhouette and Deco detailing acknowledge this famous neighbor. Furthermore, after considering two other sites, the city has announced plans for a new convention center, stretching from 11th to 13th Streets behind the historic Reading Terminal, to be designed by Thompson Ventulett Stainback & Associates of Atlanta with Philadelphia’s Vitetta Group and Cope Linder. (John Bower of BLT is the city’s coordinating architect.) Negotiations with Hyatt for a hotel are underway but as yet unconfirmed. A second hotel is planned over Gallery One; and twin office towers (CLA/BLT) for developer Cadillac-Fairview/Barge will rise over Gallery Two. The old Reading headhouse is being renovated for offices, and the main entrance for the new commuter station will run through its ground floor. Its historic train shed behind is to be reused as part of the convention facility with boutiques and a ballroom. Several blocks away, the Lit Brothers department store has been saved (P/A, Nov. 1984, p. 47).

The station and its 1.7-mile connecting tunnel, criticized by some as an unnecessary expenditure ($320 million), are nonetheless crucial to the city’s attempt to modernize and streamline its transportation network. When fully operational, the station will tie together two independent commuter lines. Proposals for an airport connection and even a downtown Amtrak stop (when all trains electrify) are on the boards. The station itself, a crisp, anticrime, antigraffiti environment designed by the Vitetta Group (Day & Zimmerman, engineers), is enlivened by a “computer pointilist” tile mural by David Beck (P/A, Oct. 1984, p. 113).

Meanwhile, isolated plans for other parts of the city proceed. Out on the waterfront, Penns Landing is being repackaged. The ambitious proposal for a mixed-use community still suffers from the perennial I-95 problem: no off ramps, and an entrenched community that plans to keep it that way. An offering last year for the southern, residential portion of the project failed to attract any serious proposals; but now the city is trying again, and hopes to announce a developer for the northern office/retail/hotel portion in March. New plans for other piers involve the usual marinas, condominiums, and other luxury amenities. And a new Sheraton hotel is going up rapidly in Society Hill, where gentrification continues on a building-by-building basis.

With all this activity, the question remains: Where’s Phila. going? Eager—some say too eager—to attract out-of-town investors, is the city planning ahead? The need for a new, comprehensive plan, one that will not only guide development but also ensure the repair and maintenance of infrastructure, has become imperative in this city, as in so many others reaching the end of an era in urban design and development. City officials acknowledge that Bacon’s plan has as yet no established heir; but as the rail bridge crisis proves, they need to move now. Philadelphia won’t wait.
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The surrounding Silicon Valley, once filled with orchards and known as Santa Clara Valley, is now a sprawling metropolitan area of 1.2 million people with over 90 percent of its employment concentrated in the microelectronic and telecommunication industries. Plans now underway will transform San Jose, over the next ten years, into a true urban center with a new downtown composed of office buildings, hotels, retail development, civic facilities and amenities, housing, parking—the whole works. The San Jose Redevelopment Agency seems committed financially to the task: The merging of ten widespread redevelopment areas will allow the agency to concentrate tax dollars in downtown without seeking nonlocal funds.

Frank Taylor, executive director of the Redevelopment Agency, led the effort to create a coherent and comprehensive philosophy for downtown development. At his instigation, the Center City Development Plan was drawn up in 1980–81 by a team headed by RTKL Associates, Inc., of Baltimore, with Wilbur Smith & Associates, Economic Research Associates, Jordan/Avent & Associates, and Astone & Associates. The project focuses on the central business district of approximately one square mile and a so-called frame area of approximately 2400 acres.

The key element is transportation. Center city is at present cut off from the major freeways, US 101 and I-280, which zip by to the north and south. The new State Rt. 87 will remedy that situation, its off-ramps doubling as gateways to downtown. Also, a network of walks will tie together civic art works and historic sites in the St. James Square Historic District and the Commercial Historic District. Triumphal bronze gates, designed by Tom Aidala and situated at the north, south, east, and west entrances, will be dedicated to the present, the future, the recent, and the distant past, respectively. A transit mall, designed by ROMA, will run north on First Street and south on Second, joining a light rail system at either end. The light rail system will run at grade, except for a two-block section under the Southern Pacific overpass. South of downtown, it will run in the center of the Rt. 87 extension. Wallace Roberts & Todd are designing the 29 stations.

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Plans for downtown also reflect changes within the microelectronics industry. While production plants are leaving the increasingly expensive Valley, research and development facilities will remain. The corporations have spawned an enormous legal and financial apparatus, which needs to be housed. In current parlance, office space is the engine that will drive downtown's revival. Most of the projected office development will be built initially in the eight-block San Antonio Plaza Redevelopment Area. Now called the Silicon Valley Financial Center, the project was designed by SOM, San Francisco, as a mixed-use area to be built in phases (see pages 143-145). The first phase will consist of a 500-room Fairmont Hotel, designed by HOK, and a 280,000-square-foot office building, by SOM, San Francisco. Retail space will be built concurrently along the landscaped Paseo de San Antonio, which passes the new Federal Courts Building by HOK and the State Office Building by ELS Associates (P/A, April 1984, p. 90). Up to 650 high-density housing units over parking are planned for the eastern blocks bordering San Jose State University, and ground has already been broken for the first phase of housing: 180 apartments on the southern portion of the block designed by Abraham Shapiro. Other high-density housing is planned for the area around St. James Park, where 32 units have been designed by Daniel Solomon & Associates, next to the landmark St. Claire Club (A. Page Brown, 1895). To the north, the private rehabilitation is proceeding in Hensley Historic District, a large, 19th-Century neighborhood. To the south near the city's Edenvale and Coyote Valley projects, for which SOM, San Francisco, is doing Master Landscape Plans, Solomon & Associates is designing housing for the sensitive Hayes Mansion site.

San Jose's new convention center, designed by Mitchell/Giurgola to house 150,000 square feet of exhibit space, 45,000 square feet of meeting areas, and additional public and service areas, promises to anchor the southern part of downtown. A second arena, large enough for major sporting and other events, should lead to future expansion west of a new Almaden/Vine Boulevard.

Even if all does not happen as neatly as planned, the pieces that are now going ahead will surely magnetize more. San Jose is a city looking for somewhere to happen; ironically, its rebirth will be about where it started out, around the Market Street Plaza, site of the Hispanic Colonial pueblo and the first center of local government nearly two centuries ago. [SALLY WOODBRIDGE]

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January 23–25
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Opinion:
Why architects earn less

This article is a response to M.C. McReynolds article on compensation (P/A, June 1984, p. 55). It expresses an important, although not universally shared viewpoint. [Ed.]

M.C. McReynolds, in his article entitled "So You Want to be an Architect," states that architecture is "the lowest paying of all professions" because of an oversupply of architects. McReynolds proposes, as a solution, that architects get laws passed and enforced to ensure their employment, that state licensing exams be toughened, and that all of this be promulgated as in the public interest.

However questionable those solutions, the problem with Mr. McReynolds' diagnosis is that it deals with symptoms, not causes. Before we condemn society and our profession for poor rewards, we need to understand why architects find themselves in such a position. Our predominantly materialistic culture, egalitarian polity, and free market system set the rules by which the architectural profession must abide. In such a context, architects earn less for two reasons: ineffectiveness and irrelevancy.

The ineffectiveness of the architectural profession occurs in both its education and practice. Architectural education retains a layman tradition, lacking in science and research. Architects rarely do research themselves, and they have few full-time researchers to fall back on. Few books articulate the core of architectural knowledge, particularly of scholarly works that one can recommend to those in other disciplines. And few architectural departments sufficiently invest in research or reward scholarly work. There are few scholarly journals in architecture and few architectural educators with a Ph.D.

In other words, architecture, as a discipline, is nascent, dependent upon other disciplines such as art, philosophy, and architectural history for its theory. Outdated intellectual tools leave the profession poorly prepared and inefficient. Compensation is low, not because our educational system produces too many architects, but because it is not as effective as other professional programs. As a result, students spend too much time learning too little, and architects take too long to mature.

Several factors contribute to the ineffectiveness of professional practice. Many architects today insist on remaining generalists in an age of specialization. While other professions are often criticized for knowing too much about too little, architects "know too little about too much." Many architects also are still more concerned with the creation of objects than with facilitating and servicing users and clients. Many lack the proper training or skills in communication (other than visual communication), negotiation, creative problem-solving, information-handling, and decision-making techniques. And many are ill-equipped to deal with economics and business management issues. As modern architects limit themselves to design-on-paper, they lose a valuable opportunity to use building and construction as a creative process or to earn and learn from the building process and buildings-in-use.

The lack of commonly shared knowledge and aesthetic paradigms among architects not only makes collective efforts within the architectural profession difficult, i.e., efforts necessary to tackle complex architectural problems, but it undermines our credibility in the eyes of the public. When consumers receive a different diagnosis from different professionals for the same problem, people become skeptical of the profession itself.

Architects also earn less because what they do and want often are irrelevant to the concerns of society and the immediate interests of users; what architects want and see are not what clients and users want and see. The incongruity stems not only from a different value system but from a different perception of problems.

Many architects view architecture as art. In so doing, they only pay lip service to practical and economic concerns. Furthermore, the very aesthetic qualities that they strive for are so poorly articulated that even sympathetic clients find architects' concerns indefensible and therefore dispensable. An architect's tendency for the "ego trip" scares many prospective clients and causes them to shun the architect and seek a builder instead.

Architecture also has become irrelevant as an art, ecology, real-estate, and speech. Involvement with construction technology. They have lost contact with the building industry in general and the housing industry in particular. Today, the majority of architectural schools project their image as art schools and disassociate themselves from engineering colleges.

This self-criticism should be taken for positive improvement. For architects to increase their social and economic rewards, we must become more effective and relevant. To be more effective, we must: 1 Develop a vigorous science of architecture by encouraging and rewarding research and scholarship; 2 Integrate design with building processes; 3 Teach the skills of creative problem-solving, communication, negotiating, information-handling, and business; 4 Enhance the effectiveness of educators with organized training in teaching; 5 Encourage specialization by problem types; 6 Encourage discipline-transcending, problem-centered education; 7 Integrate teaching with research and professional service with an "architectural hospital" system; 8 Develop the internal coherence of our knowledge base without sacrificing creative freedom and diversity; 9 Increase our efficiency through the use of computers.

To be more relevant, we must: 1 Have an inclusive, integrative view of architecture; 2 Develop a distinctive core of architectural knowledge responsive to social concerns; 3 Establish contact with the building industry and related disciplines within universities; 4 Teach such things as environmental psychology, ecology, real-estate, and speech communication as preferred electives; 5 Promote architecture as an inclusive, dynamic culture rather than an exclusive, fine art; 6 Avoid the utopian pursuit of universal solutions and teach descriptive principles.

Anything less than changing the structure of our profession and its belief system will result in architects as dispensable professionals. Arrogance and ignorance must not nurture each other. Instead of simply controlling the supply of architects for a saturated demand, our profession must offer a creative supply to produce hidden demand. In so doing, we will gain not only respect but better social and economic rewards, earned through our ability to make a more valid and meaningful contribution to society.

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**Law:**

**Copyright protection**

A copyright protects an author from unauthorized copying of his creation, be it literary or artistic. An important distinction must be drawn between patents and copyrights. Patents protect ideas. In order to get a patent, a work must be original, inventive, useful, novel, and not obvious from the prior art. This process is difficult and expensive, but the protection afforded is very strong. A copyright is relatively inexpensive to obtain and, under the 1976 Act, exists from the moment a work is fixed in a tangible medium of expression. However, a copyright does not protect the idea presented in the document. An author must register a copyright to claim protection.

One other distinction is that patents protect the inventor from unknown and independent creation of the same invention. Copyright affords protection for independent creation. If an author in California, without knowledge and consultation with someone who writes a similar work, independently created a work similar to the work of a New York author, the New York author has no recourse against the copyright holder.

Prior to 1978 there existed two types of copyright protection: common law protection (state law) and federal statutory protection. This system changed substantially on January 1, 1978, with the Copyright Act of 1976 becoming effective. Prior to the 1976 Act, unpublished works enjoyed perpetual copyright protection under state common law, which was the safest approach for obtaining a copyright. The 1976 Act, published works enjoyed perpetual copyright protection under state common law, while published works enjoyed protection for a limited period under federal law.

The new Act accomplished a fundamental and significant change in the past law by adopting a single system of federal statutory copyright to replace the previous dual system. Under pre-1978 law it was critical to know whether a document had been "published." If "published," then the work fell under federal copyright protection; otherwise, it was protected by state law. It was fatal to the copyright holder if the work was ever deemed "published" without a copyright notice under pre-1978 law. Courts have gone to great lengths to convince themselves that providing architectural documents to public building code officials was not an act of publication. This led to the development of the language in paragraph 8.2 of AIA document B141.

The 1976 Act applies to all causes of action arising subsequent to January 1, 1978. The new Act permits copyright of literary works, musical works, dramatic works, pantomimes and choreographic works, pictorial, graphic, and sculptural works, motion pictures and other audiovisual works, sound recordings, and architectural plans fall under subdivision (5) and specifications under subdivision (1). The 1976 Act, copyright protection lasts for the life of the author plus 50 years. If a work, such as a building, is commissioned, however, the copyright endures for 75 years from the year of first publication of drawings, or 100 years from the year of creation, whichever expires first. In the case of a commissioned work, the employer is considered the author and can obtain copyright protection. Paragraph 8.1 of AIA document B141 attempts to modify this relationship in the owner-architect situation by making the architect the owner of the documents.

Prior to the 1976 Act, case law had recognized a number of non-infringing uses of otherwise protected material. This so-called "fair use" doctrine carried through to the 1976 Act. It permits use of a copyrighted work including, but not limited to, reproduction for purposes such as criticism, comment, news reporting, teaching (including multiple copies for classroom use), scholarship, or research. Thus a teacher can legally reproduce a copyrighted document for classroom use.

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2. Place a copyright notice on all works to be protected in accordance with the 1976 Act. Use a preprinted title block with the copyright symbol and architect's name. Fill in the date when the documents are completed.

3. Mark all documents distributed to building code officials, bidders and others, "not for general use or publication, all rights reserved." This will further express the architect's intent that such uses not be interpreted as publication.

Remember that under the 1976 Act, registration is a prerequisite to the bringing of an infringement action. Based on case law, however, virtually all normal uses of architectural plans have been held not to constitute publication. It appears that architects can refrain from registering their works until just prior to the institution of an infringement action and still take advantage of the statutory damages and attorney's fees provisions of the 1976 Act. © 1984 Jeffrey W. Coleman

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Specifications:

Product Information—Keeping Up To Date

While the success or failure of the design process hinges upon the validity of many types of information, none is more essential than product information. Because product literature is sometimes the only source of product information, it must be comprehensive, reliable, and current.

Finding the right product and its manufacturer is often difficult. Serendipity sometimes plays a role in the magazine advertisement that appears at the right time and beckons with its toll-free 800 number, but usually more research is necessary. For most offices, Sweet's offers the first resource—1860 manufacturers in the General Building and Renovation File alone and more in the Contract Interiors, Engineering, and International Catalog Files. Despite the fact that Sweet's literature is often limited in scope and can be as much as 18 months old, it carries most major manufacturers and provides a means of access to their complete literature.

It also offers the toll-free Buyline service—the fastest way to obtain names and telephone numbers of its advertisers' nearest technical representatives. With more than 8000 manufacturers of construction products in the United States, obviously not all are in Sweet's. Another resource, used more frequently by contractors than by architects, is the Thomas Register. Its construction product literature is limited, but the Products & Services and Company Profiles volumes list 125,000 United States manufacturers. Thomas Register also has the only comprehensive brand names directory in the industry, where over 102,000 trade names are cross referenced. Trade associations are another source for product information and suppliers in a particular field, especially on a national or regional level. Locally, the Yellow Pages are helpful.

Once in hand, product literature, as well as the product, must be analyzed. To be considered seriously, literature must contain documented test data, installation details, warranties, and application limitations along with the prose and photos of familiar buildings. AIA Document E101 "Technical Literature for the Construction Industry," issued in 1972 and otherwise outdated, still contains useful guidelines for the type of information to be included in (and excluded from) product literature. Standard formats for such information encourage systematic product description and, incidentally, assist the designer and specifier in product evaluation. CSI's current 10-point Spec-Data format requires response to consistent titles like "Product Description," "Technical Data," "Installation," and "Cost and Availability." In application it falls far short of Sweet's Selection Data program, however, which has developed actual selection criteria for building systems, major assemblies such as windows and ceiling systems, and generic materials. Volume I of the 1984 File contains evaluation charts, selection checklists, information sources, and energy notes for almost 400 manufacturers—a good start. Unfortunately, Sweet's has not organized its Selection Data on the familiar

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CSI 16-division breakdown that it reluctantly adopted for the Catalog Files some years ago. Eventually the connection must be made.

Most product literature is fraught with the problem of timeliness that affects both the architect, who does not dare to design with obsolete products and outdated technical data, and the manufacturer, whose warranty must last far beyond the life of the literature. Recognizing that current product literature ultimately benefits them as well as the designer, some manufacturers include return cards in their catalogs for the regular mailing of new or replacement pages. Most do not.

Some producers even deliberately avoid dating their publications in the misguided assumption that old literature is better than none. Yellowed paper and quaint fashions on the models may be the final clue to unacceptable age. Such literature should be thrown out or replaced. No product literature should be kept for more than five years. The outcome of the next lawsuit may depend on it.

Organized filing of product literature in the office helps to keep it current. The CSI Masterformat, successor to the Uniform Construction Index, is the most comprehensive system available for filing and is directly related to specifications section numbers and section titles and to some cost estimating programs. Its 5-digit numbering format allows easy computer adaptation. Product brochures can be filed in drawer folders with the publication date on the label. Color-coded stickers are another means of visually flagging dates. Catalog binders, shelved alphabetically by manufacturer under CSI divisions, should contain a log sheet for recording updates. It is worth the cost of occasional letters or telephone calls to know that product information for design input and specifications is reliable.

As the construction industry moves closer to the concept of computer data banks for product literature, concise formats for presentation will become even more important. It will be a short step for information in Sweet's Selection Data guides and CSI's Spec-Data sheets to appear on terminal screens. Having failed to take real advantage of microfilm systems, it seems that the industry will leapfrog to computer images.

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Research review:
Trees and Solar Performance

It's commonly thought that deciduous trees along a house's southern exposure aid in the conservation of energy by shading the house in summer and letting in solar radiation in winter. Research entitled "Measuring Street Tree Impact on Solar Performance: A Five-Climate Computer Modeling Study" by Robert Thayer Jr. and B.T. Maeda of the University of California at Davis refutes that idea.

The researchers used a computer simulation program called SOLEST to compare the effect of trees versus no trees on the energy consumption of both a conventional and a solar house in different climates at different seasons. The computer model assumed a continuous canopy of 40-foot-high deciduous trees, 15 feet from the south elevation of a conventional house and a solar house with more insulation, thermal mass, and south-facing windows plus a domestic hot water solar system on the roof.

They found that the deciduous trees greatly increased the annual energy costs of the solar house in both cold and temperate climates. The trees had less of an effect on the conventional house and even brought it annual energy savings in the hot, dry and Mediterranean climates. The researchers admit that architectural changes to the houses had a greater energy effect than changes to the treescape; that trees along east, west, and north elevations still save energy; and that trees have aesthetic and psychological benefits that must be weighed. But, the conclusion is clear: Consider carefully the placement of trees along south elevations in all but hot, dry climates.

Further information on the study can be had by writing Associate Professor Robert Thayer Jr., Department of Environmental Design, UC Davis, Davis, CA 95616. (An article on this research appears in the January issue of the Journal of Arboriculture.)

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Each year, the P/A Awards jury is given but one general guideline: Look for "excellence." And each year the jurors themselves draw up their own subset of guidelines, based in part on their perceptions of the design community, and in part upon their individual viewpoints and the group dynamics.

Last year, for example, the four Architectural Design jurors felt the architectural community had seen too much of what they perceived as banal and unoriginal Post-Modern ornamentalism, and consciously sought to premiate the best examples of stylistic alternatives. Their counterparts this year—Kenneth Frampton, Eric Moss, William Pedersen, and Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk—chose not to deliver such a pointed lesson, and they sought instead to represent the pluralistic state of design in America today. While all supported examples of excellence which accorded with their own attitudes, they also agreed to recognize work that was true to the values and terms established by the submitting architects.

In Urban Design and Planning, last year's team sought evidence of a visual sensibility and a meaningful expression of planning concepts in three dimensions. This year, jurors Reginald Griffith and Peter Walker felt the need to advise urban designers that overly specific architectural solutions are not sufficient as urban design guidelines.

Like last year's Applied Research judges, Sue Weidemann and Steven Winter established a set of criteria that included the projects' validity as research, usefulness, originality, documentation, and "magic."

Here, then, are the jury's choices for the 32nd annual P/A Awards—31 winners out of a total of 933 submissions. For the first time in four years, the judges conferred First Awards—one in Architectural Design and one in Urban Design and Planning. They also chose nine Award winners—three in each category. The remaining selected projects received citations.

As Elizabeth Plater-Zyberk said, "There was an impressive number of very good projects. It is regrettable that we could not award all of the many extremely responsible submissions." Though they are not published in this issue, those projects do not go unnoticed.

Two first awards, nine awards, and twenty citations are being conferred in this year's Awards Program.

[SUSAN DOUBILET]
Architectural design

This year's Architectural Design jurors chose to represent the diversity in the American architectural scene by choosing the best examples in various modes. Pedersen: I based my evaluations on three general criteria. First, the architecture must intend to establish connections to its context. These connections can be produced by physical, cultural, and temporal relationships, but it is the physical connection that is my chief preoccupation because it implies, in fact demands, an edge-related architecture.

Second, the architecture must involve abstraction on a meaningful level. All great architecture is rooted in abstraction, but for me this must derive from public consciousness, not solely from private thought.

Third and most subjective, the architecture must create a sense of presence made possible by the clarity of the architectural intent.

Our selection was specifically intended to be an ecumenical reflection of current directions in American architecture. Frankly, we did not want to water down the roster of winners by choosing only those that we all could agree upon. Instead, we took the strongest examples from diverse points of view. While all create a great sense of physical presence, many are not sufficiently committed to the idea of connection. The first design award winner (p. 86), however, is a summation in a most amazing way of all my criteria.

Plater-Zyberk: I am most impressed by the number of very good submissions that avoid extreme polemical stances but demonstrate a remarkable responsibility and responsiveness to their context, especially in the urban environment—The Courtyards (p. 110), for example. In fact, in our intent to demonstrate the best of a cross section of approaches, we may well have overlooked projects that were understated but particularly appropriate to their context. I would, by the way, urge entrants of rehabilitation projects to indicate clearly what is new and what is existing.

In the jury's split between Modernist and historicist viewpoints, I found myself defending imitative reconstruction, because I feel it is a viable alternative to polemical design (which is not, after all, the role of all architects), and is preferable to Post-Modernism, which often is superficial and of incoherent reference.

In the end, ironically, these arguments remain superficial, dealing mainly with the "look," the surface image, and not with deeper ideas. This was true of many of the submissions, which showed little meaningful examination of cultural, sociological, functional, and technological issues. One exception is the first-prize winning project, which encompasses diverse tendencies—historicist, Modernist (even punk), vernacular, archaeological.

In general, the submissions—even those flawed in development—showed strong conceptual bases. I would attribute this to the
dissemination of ideas through the proliferation throughout America of books, magazines, and visiting lecturers, so that now there is not one single center where ideas are generated, but many.

Moss: We did not, as a group, wish to choose winners in order to proselytize for a particular point of view. Quite the reverse: We wanted a more pluralistic approach that would seek ingredients that define the problems of the age as well as the personality dealing with the issues.

By the late 1960s, the polemical value of the Modern idiom was decimated, and the intellectual climate was loose enough that basic architectural premises began to shift. People like Venturi, Foster, Stirling, and Graves really did move architecture towards a new stance. The architectural kit is now filled with another set of parts—symmetry, historical references, contextualism. Ten thousand people are now dipping into four lexicons. For this reason, I certainly wanted to find works that attempt to end run the conventions, both old and new, by delving deeply into personal issues. The Sicilian tower (part of the Four Public Squares, p. 86), for example, does inevitably carry some of the intellectual baggage of its time, but it goes way beyond the dogma by inventing something new that transcends the logic that will be used to support it. The Sun Valley House (p. 128) is an admixture of non sequiturs that coalesce in one person’s mind. The Parasol House (p. 118) defines reality in ethereal terms, going a little beyond the boundaries that usually define architectural design.

Frampton: While the jury worked well as a team, I feel that in the last analysis our judgment leaves something to be desired. Given my own position, I feel that the continuity of the Modern movement as a critical culture is still inadequately represented. I think we all felt that the refreshing thing about this year’s entries was the absence of any dominant trend: There was no discernible crop of Gravesian or Rossian schemes. Something which one could term a Neo-Colonial revival was certainly in evidence, particularly in the residential categories, but most of this work was in my view picturesque, nostalgic, and, above all, poorly resolved from an architectural point of view. The notable exception to this was DelafIELD estate, although the house in Sicily was clearly the best in this genre if one extends the rubric to include that brand of reinterpretive Neo-Classicism that now seems to be the architect’s primary concern. Fortunately there were some Modern works of comparative rigor, for example La Villette (p. 90) and the OSU Visual Arts Center (p. 98). Altogether, I feel we settled at times on citations for “arty” private houses, which in the long run will prove embarrassing, the single refreshing exception in this regard being the Sun Valley House.
Four Public Squares

Architect: Jorge Silvetti, Boston, Mass. (Christopher Doyle, James B. Favaro, project coordinators).
Associated architects: Machado and Silvetti, Boston; Alberto Sposato, Palermo, Sicily; Giuseppe Rubino, Leonforte, Sicily.
Consultants: Franco Anastasio, surveyor of historic buildings.
Modelmakers: Gregory Conyngham, Kenneth Lewis.
Model photographer: Michael Maleauz.
Renderers: Paul Cha, Edwin Chen, David Cowan, Paul Danna, Christopher Doyle, Thomas Shafer.
Client: City of Leonforte, Sicily.

Project: Four public squares, Leonforte, Sicily, Italy.
Program: Redesign of four piazzas in the present town center, of the 18th and 19th Centuries, which was an expansion of a 17th-Century new town of rich history and character that reflected the humanist concerns of its enlightened founder, Prince Nicolo Branciforti.
Site: Overlooking a valley in the center of Sicily, near Enna.
Solution: The new intervention seeks to correct problems of unstructured open spaces that occurred with the city's modern expansion in the 18th and 19th Centuries simultaneously with the loss of its traditional economic base. Originally, Leonforte's wealth came from an abundance of natural springs that allowed excellent irrigation and water mills for industrial energy. The founding prince made water a theme for the town, and erected its most memorable monument, La Granfonte (the Great Fountain) of 22 spouts, which with 22 windows is also a monumental belvedere (bottom right of drawing above, and top photo, p. 88). This also became the major theme in the new project.
In restructuring four older spaces (6, 7, 8, 12, p. 88) into new piazzas (6, 8, 12, 13, p. 89), analysis was made of sight lines that have significance to experiencing the town, and of architectural and urban attributes found to be already active or implicit. Also, analysis of local typology and iconography suggested...
Four Public Squares

LA GRAN FONTE (GREAT FOUNTAIN)

LEONFORTE AND PALAZZO BRANCIFORTI

PIAZZA CARELLA AND PALAZZO CARELLA

PIAZZA AND CHURCH OF SS ANUNZIATA

AREA OF INTERVENTION, BEFORE

Figurative choices regarding new architecture. Simple forms characteristic of the traditional monuments and symbolic spaces, such as the square (5, p. 89), rectangle (4, p. 89), and circle (5, p. 89), are reintroduced (see AREA OF INTERVENTION, p. 89). These new forms appear as "emerging" volumes and reveal a substratum of water, which reestablishes in this modern sector the city's once-most-important resource.

Piazza del Piano della Scuola (13, p. 89) is dedicated to the equestrian tradition (prince's stables and piazza, 4, p. 89), and Piazza del Marcato (6, p. 89) recalls Piazza Margherita (5, p. 89). Piazza Carella (8, p. 89), as an emerging cube, monumentalizes space per se in its dual figuration of space and object. Piazza SS. Annunziata's (12, this page and p. 89) almost enclosed configuration and sloping ground plane suggested outdoor space for performing arts, and it is there that the most important architectural element is located, the tower (pp. 86, 87, and 10, p. 89), which is at a point where the old Baroque axis and its perpendicular converge. This tower, as an analog to the Great Fountain, is also both fountain and viewing artifact and occurs in an unexpected building type. In it, on ascent, telescopes and viewing devices focus views to specific and important town events. At the summit, water spills over the rim and down the main façade, where the Great Fountain is recalled in stone relief.
Jury comments

Pedersen: Typologically, four pieces form the fabric of this intervention, the most important being the tower, which is an analog to an older water-viewing piece. But this vertical viewing platform has water at the top of it, and the little spears are in fact devices by which one views the surrounding countryside. This is very elaborate justification for the actual perspectival viewing conditions possible from the tower itself. But the tower is, at least for many of us, extraordinarily poetic. It tries, without drawing specifically from the architecture that exists, to be representative of it.

Moss: It is justified in terms of a kind of rational correlation between the form of the thing and the view... about trying to make something that is in some ways new and some ways related and connected to what's old... that moves us out of wherever we are. The need to make something like this precedes the argument that one makes for justifying it through its being based on views.

Pedersen: But it's also based on water, on the fact that the city once flourished as a result of its excessive water supply.

Moss: It's like the burning of Savonarola.

Frampton: It's absolutely brilliant, extremely poetic.
Urban Park for the 21st Century

Bernard Tschumi Architects


Consultants: SETEC, civil engineering and cost estimating; Peter Rice, structural; Jean-Pierre Nourry, landscape and soil; Neil Porter, Steve McAdam, design.

Modelmaker: Jon Olsen.

Client: Ministry of Culture and Etablissement Public de La Villette, Paris.


Program: Cultural and recreational facilities.

Site: 125 acres of industrial land in Paris occupied by two existing structures to be reused as a Museum of Science and Technology and an exhibition hall.

Solution: This scheme was awarded first prize in an international competition judged in March 1983 (P/A, May 1983, pp. 26–27). The programmatic elements are distributed across the site in a regular grid of 396 feet. This point grid is juxtaposed against two other organizing systems, one of lines (movement, both vehicular and pedestrian) and the other of surfaces (open space used for playing fields, markets, and other functions). The grid coordinates or "folies" were presented in the original competition scheme as a series of variations on a 33' x 33' x 33' cube (above and facing page). These generic solutions are to be adjusted to specific programmatic requirements (following pages) and will be built gradually over time.

Jury comments

Plater-Zyberk: I have a problem with this scheme because it's a park. One of the things a park can do is define space and place as this project does not do.

Moss: I don't think that's an honest descrip-
tion of what the thing is about; it's an ideologi-
cal perception of how to make objects, and
in particular big objects. The big order is the
fixed grid and the free piece. The one makes
the other legitimate.

**Plater-Zyberk:** At the same time, we would
expect to see the pattern developed into
something that's perceivable to someone who
doesn't know the overall structure. One's
perception is not determined by objects but
by their juxtapositions and the spaces they
make.

**Moss:** Those juxtapositions remain to be set
up and acknowledged.

**Frampton:** This isn't just a landscape park;
the architect was charged with a lot of social
facilities—cafeterias, hobby shops, cinemas,
nursery schools, and even greenhouses. Con-
ceptually he thought of the thing in terms of
a point grid of pavilions, tree allees or lanes,
and flat surface treatments.

**Plater-Zyberk:** The scheme represents an ex-
cellent version of a certain extreme, but it
carries within it implications of spatial confu-
sion that in my opinion are already an unfor-
tunate characteristic of postwar cities. It is in
fact not a 21st-Century idea; we're living with
it today.

**Walker:** This isn't a universal solution; this
is in Paris and is in fact quite formal. It's just
not the form you are used to.

**Moss:** It could be understood as a quite tra-
ditional conceptual order. The language of the buildings is the Constructivist language religiously applied. 

*Plater-Zyberk:* But it's a formal object, and might be lacking in spatial definition or place making.

*Moss:* Those things can be accommodated over a long period of time; it's anticipated that a number of these pieces won't be done at the same time or by the same people.

*Frampton:* It's a very brave work and deserves support for its courage.

*Pedersen:* To support it for its audacity is one thing, but one has to appreciate this entire composition.
Villa on Lake Pergusa

Machado and Silvetti

Architects: Machado and Silvetti, Boston, Mass. (Jorge Silvetti, principal in charge and project designer).

Modelmakers: Daniel Lenyo, Robert Miklos, Shayne O'Neil.

Model photographer: Jorge Silvetti.

Renderers: Michael Maltzan, James Favaro.

Client: Alberto Sposito, Enna, Sicily.

1 Main Entrance
Gate
2 Garden
3 Ramp
4 Parking
5 Main Street
6 Secondary Street
7 Portico Entrance
8 Reception/Living Room
9 Library
10 W.C.
11 Dining Room
12 Winter Kitchen
13 Summer Kitchen
14 Cellar
15 Cistern
16 Parking
17 Entrance
18 Father's Studio
19 Terrace
20 Patio
21 Bedroom
22 Bathroom
23 Dressing
24 Storage
25 Open to below
26 Belvedere
27 Promenade

SITE PLAN SHOWING AXIAL SYSTEMS

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FIRST FLOOR

SECOND FLOOR

THIRD FLOOR

Project: Villa on Lake Pergusa, Pergusa, Sicily, Italy.

Program: A residence for a family of five whose father is a university professor of building technology and whose mother teaches classics at a local lyceum, with children between 12 and 16 years old. Special requirements included a clear distinction between public and private areas, a double-height living room/reception area, a square patio for private use, an open summer kitchen, a belvedere, and a private studio and artifact display area for the father.

Site: An irregularly shaped parcel of land sloping gently toward the north side of Lake Pergusa, in the center of Sicily, where in ancient mythology Persephone, the daughter of Ceres, was abducted by Pluto.

Solution: The vernacular serves as the source for the private/domestic realm, while the Classical vocabulary historically identified with the Mediterranean is the language of the public face of the building. The use of two grids (derived from two main axes—one perpendicular to the main street and the other to the main view of the lake), and the collision of these grids, affords the opportunity to investigate compositional systems other than those of the traditional techniques of poché or cubist transparency for dealing...
with such collisions. Here, the collision becomes the most important and memorable motif of the building—the point of convergence of most of the architectural, spatial, symbolic, and programmatic themes of the house. This technique of "perspectival collision" recalls scenographic techniques of the Baroque theater, where the contradiction between two systems remains unresolved, allowing investigation of perspective as a design tool, of scenography as a source of architectural ideas, of the frame as a figurative element, and of the picture as metaphor.

**Construction:** The concrete structure, with masonry, stucco, tile roof, wooden doors and windows, and local yellow-pink tufo stone, will be built exclusively by local techniques.
Jury comments

**Moss:** There's something, maybe extremely artificial, which has to do with legitimizing something one wants to do. In this case, it's to spin various pieces around the center and develop a kind of rationalization for it. The rationalization for it is the axes.

**Pedersen:** But in this particular case, the building is able, as the result of these rotations, to act successfully as a façade. The somewhat public gesture that one gets through the promenade sequence, which is rather nicely received, is acknowledged. The rotation of the grid is established, and the façade is well received. There's a justification in each piece, plus the additional aspect of this building, which is a rather successful translation of the vernacular. The house represents a type of which we had numerous examples. The intention is for an assemblage of smaller, discrete pieces, but here the assemblage almost becomes a city in itself. The reason we felt strong about this is that each of the gestures being made had a local significance. All of these gestures, in combination with the vernacular architecture itself, and the success of each piece as an archetype, and the successful strategy of combining those pieces without resorting to poché or whatever, we thought very poetic.

**Frampton:** The way the language is developed, when you look at the details of these spaces, is astonishing; it's an astonishing work.
The OSU Center for the Visual Arts

Eisenman Robertson/Trott and Bean Architects, Inc.

Architects: Eisenman Robertson/Trott and Bean Architects, Inc., New York (Peter Eisenman, Richard Trott, partners in charge; Arthur Baker, partner, technical coordinator; Richard Morris, Faruk Yorgancioglu, Michael Burkey, associates in charge; Thomas Leeser, project architect; Mark Mascheroni, Wes Jones, Andrea Brown, Mark Wamble, Scott Siekelder, Chuck Crawford, Alex Mozer, Hiroshi Maruyama, George Kevan, Andy Buchsbaum, assistants).


Modelmaker: Albert Maloof.

Model photographer: Dick Frank.

Client: The Ohio State University, Columbus.

Project: Ohio State University Center for the Visual Arts, Columbus, Ohio.

Program: Laboratories and exhibition space for experimental arts, involving laser, computer, and video technologies.

Site: Edge of college campus.

Solution: The Center sets up a new matrix of intersecting town and gown grids, binding together the existing Mershon Auditorium and Weigel Hall. A re-creation of a former Armory, demolished in 1959, forms the entrance lobby and box office, fronting the campus oval. The architects were awarded the commission as first-place winners in an invitational design competition (P/A, Aug. 1983, pp. 38 and 96–97).

Jury comments

Moss: This is a very abstract, two-dimensional proposition. It's a way of intervening using a general mechanism, but making out of that a very personal project statement. I think in the architects' eyes the tool is generic and comprehensible to everyone. But in reality, it's a private tool; it won't be recognized.

Pedersen: The rotation of the grid is essentially an attempt to enrich the impoverished language of Modern architecture. But I don't see how personal abstractions can relate to a public condition.

Moss: It may be that there is no universal frame of reference that one can pass along to society collectively: that every one of these submissions is private and personal.
Frampton: I don’t believe that. In the Ohio State project are fundamental typologies already present in the culture: for example, the galleria, the art gallery, and even this ironic reference to a past armory. The grid is a way of dealing with the site.

Pedersen: The intersection of the campus grid and the grid of the city creates a significant place; the grid is meaningful locally.

Griffith: This subjury of architects appears to be as concerned about the intent, the strategy, as you are about the manifestation. Are you saying that if the intent is good and the manifestation lousy, you’d still recognize a project?

Pedersen: No. As architecture, this still stands as a very powerful piece.

Frampton: This project is valid in and of itself as an urban work, in relation to the university, and as an infill project. It works at a public level.

Plater-Zyberk: One of the problems we did talk about was the fact that the strategy is so drastically different and is imposed on what already exists quite coherently around it.

Moss: It’s fair enough to appreciate works at a number of levels, including the level of intention. This scheme doesn’t reiterate an existing condition, but contradicts it. It attempts to set up its own order. I’m interested in that; and that’s a legitimate effort.
Mississauga City Hall

Jones & Kirkland, Architects

Architects: Jones & Kirkland, Architects, Toronto, Canada (Edward Jones and J. Michael Kirkland, principals; En solo Arno, Marc Baran, Margot Griffin, Courtenay Henry, Maxim James, Hong Kim, Gerry Lang, Dan McNeil, Sarah Pearce, Jose Pereira, George Przybysz, Chris Radigan, Jon Soules, Mark Sterling, Kim Story, Steve Treeple, Kit Wallace, project team).

Consultants: M.S. Yolles, structural; T.M.P., mechanical; Mulvey Banani, electrical.

Client: City of Mississauga.

Project: Mississauga City Hall, Mississauga, Canada.

Program: A new 400,000-square-foot city hall, a civic square, and parking beneath for 900 cars.

Site: Flat terrain adjacent to a regional shopping center in the recently formed city of Mississauga, population 312,000 (expected to double by the turn of the century), 10 miles west of Toronto and part of the rapidly expanding megalopolis.

Solution: The site is established as a raised plinth upon which stand several elements—a long façade building, a cylindrical council chamber structure, an office tower, and a clock tower. The compositional elements of the civic square and Great Hall (lobby), complementary exterior and interior civic spaces, are organized axially. The elements refer to two Ontario traditions: the "functional tradition" of farm building, with clusters of structures enclosed by regular lines of trees within the street grid; and the tradition of civic buildings, large honorific "houses" that face south towards Lake Ontario and stand axially at the end of important streets. The principal south façade building of the new City Hall acts as a wall between the two civic spaces, with the ceremonial and day-to-day entrances organized in the north/south direction. In the other direction, an escalator en-
ters the cylinder of the council chamber to the east and, to the west a directional trapezoidal staircase guides the public to the front desks of the departments within the lower three floors. The clock tower (a traditional civic form) and the office tower are positioned eccentrically to the biaxial relationship.

Jury comments
Frampton: This project is very well developed as a concept, though it is not my preferential style. While the architects argue that some of the elements refer to Canadian farm motifs, the way they treat them in detail
actually makes the reading somewhat obscure. One of the most successful aspects is the treatment of the council chamber interior, which is on axis with the great hall and cleverly related to the spiral parking feeders.

**Plater-Zyberk:** Compositionally, the project is well done. From almost any point of view, the volumes relate to each other appropriately.

**Moss:** It resembles Stirling's recent projects, in a way. As in Stirling's designs for art museums in Cologne and Dusseldorf, there are series of pieces that correlate with the program. Unfortunately, here the hand that holds them together is not very tight. I don't find it especially convincing as an assemblage. In section, however, this project is spectacular.

**Pedersen:** What attempts to hold the composition together is surface rather than volume, I would say. I am not convinced by the language, but I find the representation of government to the public at large, through the use of the elements, a very legitimate attitude.
Florida house and nursery

Brian Healy

Architect: Brian Healy, Brooklyn, N.Y., Fort Myers, Fla.
Modelmaker: Celia Ledbetter.
Model photographer: Marilyn Ranker.
Drawings: Brian Healy, Michael Flanders.
Client: Hawes Horticultural Services, Blair Hawes, Fort Myers.

Project: Hawes House and Nursery, Fort Myers, Fla.
Program: Reestablish the client’s nursery in conjunction with a new rural home.
Site: Isolated five-acre tract of palmetto and slash pine surrounded by cypress swamps and pasture.
Solution: Low elevations generated an “island”—a pad for the house—and a “pond”—irrigation for the nursery—one the displacement of the other, and each bounded by low earth berms. Entry level of the house encompasses a court and contains kitchen, dining, and library/office areas, and second level contains family area and bedrooms.
Construction: Concrete block with stucco finish, micro-zinc metal roofing, jalousie and awning windows, quartzite flagstone and slate courtyard surfaces.

Jury comments
Plater-Zyberk: I find this project interesting for its site development and site involvement. The circle comprehends the approach from the road as well as the exterior living spaces.
Pedersen: The dichotomy between the monumentality of arrival and the humility of its tranquility makes it particularly satisfying.
Moss: Where is the humility? It takes possession of half the world, with the grid and the pool. Not that that is bad, but it is not humble.
Frampton: The discrepancy between that grand gesture and the rather petty bourgeois planning within the house bothers me.
Research Facility

*Frank O. Gehry and Associates*

**Architect:** Frank O. Gehry and Associates, Venice, Calif. (Frank O. Gehry, principal in charge; Robert G. Hale, Jr., project architect; David Kellen, job captain; John Clagett, Carol Stockard, Patty Owen, design staff).  

**Consultants:** Kurily and Szymanski, structural; Store, Matakovich and Wolfberg, mechanical/electrical; Pomas and Associates, civil engineers; SWA Group, Laguna Beach, landscape.  

**Model photographer:** Michael Moran.  

**Client:** University of California, Irvine.

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**Project:** Information and Computer Science/Engineering Research Facility, University of California at Irvine.  

**Program:** This small (18,000-square-foot) university research complex is made up of three programatically separate buildings grouped around a central courtyard. It will be the first group of buildings on the new engineering mall expansion, and one of the first buildings on the Irvine campus to cross the central ring mall.  

**Solution:** The largest structure is the main laboratory facility. It contains three stories of flexible loft space that will house a variety of computer software design and research projects staffed by faculty and graduate students. A prominent stair tower forms the main entrance to this building and the connection to the smaller administration building. The third structure is a classroom building that opens to both the courtyard and the central campus ring mall. It will be used by both general undergraduates and those in the computer science department. The large ramp provides pedestrian access on the axis of the future engineering mall; the courtyard off this axis gives a sense of identity and entrance to the complex.  

**Construction methods and materials:** Wood frame; stucco; painted flat and corrugated sheet metal; and painted asphalt paving. Interior wire ducts will accommodate changes in the state of the art of computer systems.
Jury comments

Moss: This is on a campus that was done essentially on a colossal scale for many years. What was done here in an informal, anticeremonial way was to make a small building which is burdened by all the conventional problems—frugality and all that—which really does stand in opposition to the type represented on campus.

Pedersen: It doesn't really represent part of any attitude much different from that in the Ohio State project.

Plater-Zyberk: It's much more subtle in its space-making, which I applaud...

Moss: It's much gentler.

Plater-Zyberk: I know what campuses are like in terms of making an identifiable space.

That's one of its strong points; this amount of program usually gets put in one building that's incapable of defining a place for itself.

Moss: What we have here at one level is what I would call an anticontextual strategy, which, for me in the context of this discussion, is a good strategy, because it actually opposes the dominant campus point of view, which ought to be opposed. It's an extremely frugal building; the pavers are painted asphalt... it's on that level of austerity.
The Beach

Antoine Predock Architect

Architect: Antoine Predock, Albuquerque, N.M. (Antoine Predock, principal; Ronald Jacob, project manager; Geoffrey Beebe, Jon Anderson).


Photographer: Robert Reck.

Client: D.J.R. Inc., as general partner for The Beach Venture Limited.

Project: The Beach, Albuquerque, N.M.

Program: 74-unit apartment building for lower and middle-income occupancy.

Solution: This apartment complex toys with its schizophrenic site, a sliver separating Highway 66 from the Albuquerque Country Club. One-, two-, and three-bedroom units are clustered into four “houses” with integrated parking courts drawn from motel prototypes. A landscaped berm baffles traffic noise.

Construction materials and methods: Integrally colored stucco on frame construction; tile roofs; neon bandings.

Jury comments

Frampton: The scheme just peters out at the ends. There could have been some kind of focus provided. But at a conceptual level it’s very bold and fresh.

Moss: What we’re talking about is the making of the skin, not the plan. The scheme is like a sign, playing the golf course and its population against the tradition of Route 66 with the neon and the gas station and its honky tonk sensibility.

Weidemann: How do you feel about this idea of a different income group looking out on the golf course? What part of that space outside the door do the occupants have access to and lay claim to?
Plater-Zyberk: The entry stairs and the parking lot out front—the coming and going—are this scheme's public realm and meeting place.

Winter: Does the architect tell us anything about the occupants beyond their income level? The Beach would be great for elderly or singles, maybe; it wouldn't be good for kids.

Griffith: I think this scheme is a nice structure architecturally but housing is for people, and this may not be appropriate for the group that's apparently intended to live there.

Pedersen: It's a scheme that breaks all the rules; it generates a tremendous vitality and a sense of presence.
The Courtyards

Eric R. Kuhne & Associates


Client: City of Fort Wayne Redevelopment Commission.

Project: The Courtyards, Fort Wayne, Ind. Site: The last surviving commercial block in Fort Wayne consisting of 19th-Century stone and brick buildings.

Program: To preserve and restore this block.

Solution: To recover the residual urban space by connecting the buildings with glass-covered three-story-high passages and courts, which provide meeting places and maintain the vernacular character of the existing fabric. Street façade shop windows are recessed to provide a perimeter colonnade. Skywalks extend the Courtyards to the nearby Civic Center, hotel, garages, Botanical Gardens, Symphony Hall, and office building. 200,000 square feet of gross leasable space is allocated for restaurants, retail space, offices, and specialties (theaters, food, market, bazaar).

Materials: Glazed façades and roofs. Structural steel and ornamental metals are based, in form, on existing details.

Jury comments

Frampton: I find it an astonishingly clever idea in relation to the disorganized, half-abandoned inner urban detritus that is being used, which has no order. This introduction of an arcade system would revitalize the leftover bits, bond them together, and give them an internal life.
Plater-Zyberk: One of its positive aspects is that the city remains as it is, the old street remains, and bonding occurs very lightly. However, I don’t like the idiom.

Pedersen: At this stage one has to squint a bit. Still, in terms of the surface treatment, there is a certain amount of implied gridding taking place generated from the existing horizontal gestures, which is sensitive.

Moss: The idea is fascinating but I, too, have a quarrel with the language. And what happens at the crossings? Nobody knows.
Renfrew Center

Tony Atkin, Architect

Architect: Tony Atkin, Philadelphia, Pa. (Daniela Holt Voith, project associate; Anthony O. James, project architect; Michael Pearson).
Consultants: Keast & Hood Co., structural; Basil Greene, Inc., mechanical; Dormis Enterprises, Inc., general contractor.
Modelmaker: Michael Pearson.
Model photographer: Tom Bernard.
Renderers: Cameron Mactavish, Steven Bonatibus, Tony Atkin (wash); Michael Pearson, Charles Evers, Daniela Holt Voith (line).

Program: Private facility for the treatment of psychological eating disorders, specifically anorexia nervosa and bulimia.
Site: 27 acres of countryside, occupied by a 1928 French-style manor house.
Solution: The existing manor house is to be modified for administrative and therapeutic offices. The new building, housing a 40-bed dormitory with living rooms, dining and recreation facilities, is organized as a double-loaded corridor, with large living “halls.”
Construction materials and methods: New building, exterior masonry walls, steel joists, and metal deck flooring; cast stone and stucco infill; fireproof metal stud and drywall interior with simple profile wood moldings.

Jury comments
Frampton: I think this scheme is typologically inappropriate. The house and the hospital are two different types.
Plater-Zyberk: It’s not a hospital. It’s actually a domestic facility. It’s full of bedrooms.
Pedersen: I find a planning inconsistency. While the two buildings have taken on a certain superficial similarity, the gesture of arrival for the old building is quite dissimilar from arrival at this new structure.
Plater-Zyberk: I think the siting is excellent; the buildings are seen on end with each other, reducing the perceived scale of the dormitory, which is handled very lightly.
Venice III

Thom Mayne, Michael Rotondi, Morphosis

Architect: Thom Mayne and Michael Rotondi, Morphosis, Los Angeles, Calif. (Thom Mayne, Michael Rotondi, principals; with Gianluigi Irsonti, Mahmoud Michele Saei, Rachel Vert; assisted by Tom Adolph, Eric A. Kahn, Kathy Rea, Alex Rudermen, Jay Vanos).


Clients: Anne Bergren, Rick Chrisman, Venice, Calif.

Project: House addition, Venice, Calif.

Program: An 850-square-foot studio/retreat for a writer, containing miniaturized aspects of a typical house: living, sleeping, study, library, and bath areas.

Site: The back portion of a 40' x 80' lot in a community characterized by bungalow-type houses.

Solution: A sequence of three volumes and three layers of volumes produces a diverse set of spaces accommodating the various functions, and spaces that are simultaneously alike and diverse (basement, loft, mezzanine, and roof deck). The new building was conceived as a prototype for a family on a small lot. In character and organization, it reflects the aspect of operating in three modes: as an extension of the existing house; as a separate retreat from the house to be used by extended family members; and as a separate dwelling that could be rented or sold. This reflects the comprehensive nature of the locale both architecturally and socially.

Construction methods and materials: Concrete slab, wood frame, asphalt shingles, metal wall panels.

Jury comments

Frampton: It's a studio for a writer on the back lot of an existing house. It breaks up into a number of parts, and I think those parts are meant to be metaphors for houses.
I’m not particularly interested in that kind of metaphorical display, but what interests me is the poetic of construction that this house manifests, as opposed to the very mannerist, graphic game that goes on in the Parasol House.

Moss: I don’t understand the opposition. I don’t know that one has to argue for Constructivism here because this is extraordinary, this Venice alley house. These guys have drawn every brick. They’ve built a model that shows every stud in the building. . . . The other thing they’re carrying on in that line has to do with a kind of technical advocacy, but not, I think, at the Pompidou level. . . . It’s more of an erogenous zone of the building.

Frampton: Given the general state of architecture in this country, which in my opinion is becoming increasingly scenographic as opposed to being about the way things are built, I find this an impressive gesture. It’s quite hard to follow the actual spatial organization. For me, the merit lies in the way it is thought of as a constructive work.

Weidemann: In the drawing or the construction process?

Frampton: Ultimately, it has to be in the drawing, because for me the exact relationship between those bricks and that stud frame is not entirely clear.
305 West Madison

Skidmore, Owings & Merrill
Chicago

Project: 305 West Madison, Chicago, Ill. ("Up Against Jahn").

Program: A 26-story office building, with ground-floor retail space.

Site: The southwest corner of Madison and Franklin Streets in downtown Chicago.

Solution: The site provides an opportunity to establish a historical link with the architecture of the Chicago School, and to encompass and transcend the evolving principles of this school. Furthermore, the design proposes a juxtaposition of form and articulation relative to Helmut Jahn’s One South Wacker building, situated immediately to the west. The organization of the ground floor and building “base” responds to the pedestrian nature and vitality of the site. Retail “storefronts” and major pedestrian entryways define the building edge, which is set out to the property line to reinforce the grid of the city. The lobby is entered on axis from both streets, and is seen as a two-story centralizing space that reveals the asymmetrical placement of the building core to the west. These first two floors are expressed clearly as “base” through the conscious articulation of materials and the pedestrian orientation of its details, while the third floor forms a transitional zone to the building “shaft.” Historically, the shaft offers the most difficulty in attaining definition of scale in relation to the whole. Therefore, a two-story divisional unit, along with the 20-foot structural bay, gives identity to the shaft reading along Franklin Street. While the vocabulary of openings is derived from the Chicago oriel window, necessary transformations occur to reinforce the massing strategy and place the overall expression of the façade in a contemporary mode. Two-foot setbacks in the building plane articulate the long façade while heightening the sense of verticality and movement. The end bays are used to form an edge, as well as an end, to the overall composition of the façade.

Construction materials: Light gray flame-cut granite, polished green granite trim, stainless steel window frames, and curtain wall of blue-green tinted vision glass with black painted spandrels.

Jury comments

Pedersen: Every gesture here is drawn in a very legitimate way from the Chicago tradition. From the frame to the window, to the tripartite organization of the volume itself, to the juxtaposition between it and the glass tower behind, it is really very taut. It tries rigorously to understand the salient characteristic of much Chicago architecture, which is in fact a Chicago frame. So this frame becomes the point of departure for the entire structure, and even as it breaks itself down, aspects of the surface treatment—such as the Chicago window introduced within the main frame itself—are relatively consistent. For me the project’s merit lies in its “background” quality; it’s a good prototype for a “fabric” building, one that could bear repetition.

Frampton: It doesn’t do very much with the original language; that’s the problem. It is so damn respectful; I think in the end I’m against it.

Moss: It seems not to have any independence in any personal way; it’s a cliché-ridden, Italianate pastiche. It defines itself as “up against” something; if the analogy is “up against the wall,” which implies toughness, then it doesn’t work. The project has been called self-effacing and contextual. But this is knee-jerk contextualism; it doesn’t move the art of big buildings forward. If self-effacement is a valid criterion for an award in this context, then let’s give it a humility award.
The Parasol House

Peter Waldman
Christopher Genik

Architects: Peter Waldman, Christopher Genik, Houston (Douglas Richey, Kevin Gordon, project assistants).
Modelmaker: Thomas Quinlan.
Model photographer: Paul Hester.
Renderers: Peter Waldman, Christopher Genik.
Client: Nancy Davila Carpio, Houston.

Program: Transformation of a single-family Cape-Cod style house and its tight suburban lot into accommodations for a family of five, to be responsive to climate, flora, and fauna of hot, humid location.
Site: Tight urban lot in Houston on edge of Rice University campus.
Solution: Remove freestanding garage apartment, construct perimeter walls around house and resultant patio and pool, place three temporary parasols for shade, and beneath them construct three cabanas for the functional areas of new house; leave part of old house as studio/guest house. A cistern catches rain for dog house/garden.

Jury comments
Moss: This is the kind of thing that P/A in general has not recognized; it's kind of ethereal, almost a dream with a sort of Alice-in-Wonderland quality. It represents to me an inquiry into a level of building and fantasy, notwithstanding its little bit of Rube Goldberg quality or its ethereal quality, that ought to be acknowledged for its vigor and conviction of design.
Winter: If it's totally absurd as a building (I don't know if it is or isn't), it nevertheless does not work as a building technologically.
Plater-Zyberk: There may be pieces about
which that could be said—the drawings are intended to be very rich—but the model is very clear.

Pedersen: Even without those pieces, when this is ultimately assembled, there would be a creation of space that is significant in its own right.

Plater-Zyberk: It does have a conventional floor plan, bedrooms, etcetera .

Moss: But our feeling was that that wasn't what it was really about; we wanted to touch on some of the other things that in many of these juries have been precluded.

Frampton: I'm not convinced about the lyrical quality ultimately; it's a lyrical graphic operation, but I'm not convinced about its being lyrical spatially.
The Lucile Halsell Conservatory

Emilio Ambasz

Consultants: Leo Zetlin, structural; Ambrosino, DePinto & Schmieder, mechanical.
Modelmaker: Dwight Ashdown.
Model photographer: Louis Checkman.
Client: San Antonio Botanical Center Society, San Antonio, Texas.

Project: Lucile Halsell Conservatory, San Antonio, Texas.
Program: A complex of greenhouses where, contrary to the traditional greenhouse use, plants must be protected from overabundance of sunlight rather than from cold weather.
Site: An area of gently rolling hills in a warm climate.
Solution: The earth is used as container and protector of plants. Glazed areas are limited to roofs to control amount of light and degree of heat, and roof configurations take cues from considerations of wind and sun orientation. Variations of roof heights and
shapes give forms a templelike appearance in the landscape, where they are organized around patios or courtyards typical of Texas. Each room can be treated separately, with its own maintenance access and climatic control, thus accommodating a strong processional quality for the sequence through the complex.

Jury comments

Moss: What interests me is that the strategy for two types (this project was discussed with another partially underground project—Ed.), which are absolutely contradictory, is very similar. I find that disturbing; it means this is a kind of generic advocacy. I could strongly support it in one case but not in the other.

Pedersen: Isn’t it an attitude toward preservation of the landscape? It’s as valid in one instance as in the other; it’s an energy that he applies to all building types; it doesn’t take on validity with one type versus another.

Moss: If the building has personal meaning as a kind of poetry, that doesn’t mean it applies to every situation. You don’t have to accept it generically to accept it in a particular instance.

Frampton: It is a general poetic proposition. But the fact that it is his individual proposition doesn’t make it entirely individual—it belongs to the whole landscape tradition.

Moss: I’m talking about how one goes through this thing, learns to understand it and feel it. It’s very different in the conservatory, where one essentially wanders through the thing informally; it’s much more convincing there.
Delafield Estate

Architect: James Stewart Polshek & Partners

Project: Delafield Estate, Riverdale, N.Y.

Program: 33 single and attached houses of 3500 square feet each, three occupying a restored 19th-Century manor house.

Site: A bluff above the Hudson River.

Solution: Drawing on the American garden suburb tradition, units are clustered to form larger "houses" sited along natural contours. A concealed parking area is located beneath the north lawn. Landscaping blends English and Continental traditions.

Jury comments

Frampton: This scheme shows an appropriate way to deal with the question of history and continuity. This is a singular manor house that is in a historical style; but you can add to it other buildings that are of that style, yet don't necessarily have the same order as the manor house.

Moss: In fact, you have a tougher time defending this project as an object or as a piece of architecture. You're defending it in the context of your first premise—that one should use the historic referent and respond to the old building. You're not questioning that premise.

Frampton: I feel that this jury should take very seriously the kind of message one gives by premiataing such projects, because in the end one's not only going to compare specific architectural solutions but also the relevance of the problem.

Pedersen: I see this strategy as an attempt to draw energy from the existing building and site, but the scheme is not representative of them specifically.

Moss: All you're saying is that the degree to which you like the scheme is the degree to which it departs from the original.

Frampton: Yes; and the degree to which it makes a unified development.
Project: Cookie Express, Orange County, Calif.
Program: Cookie Express is a billboard-sized bakery to be erected in a standard parking space on strip parking lots. The unusual configuration of the project is the product of the client's desire for visibility in the chaotic environment of the strip, the project's diminutive size, and various local ordinances that mandate a full complement of "restaurant" facilities. Thus, the program includes a second-level lavatory and storage area, a legal commercial exit stair, ovens, refrigerators, sinks, and the memory of Konstantin Melnikov, within a total of 350 square feet.

Solution: Serving height is designed to favor automobile drivers and their passengers by the provision of a depressed floor for employees. Pedestrians and cyclists will be served at an auxiliary window. Employee access to second-story storage and dressing areas is by ladder; legal exit requirements are met by an exterior stair. After fabrication by local builders, the structure will receive a proprietary skin in a variety of patterns so that neighboring outlets can maintain their individuality.
Jury comments

Moss: It raises the issue of the genre of "junk" buildings that inevitably appear in shopping centers. It tries to be that, but in a much more sophisticated way. It uses a Constructivist language, and it's still done in a serious way, but it has at least a tinge of levity, not to say belly-laugh humor. It extends that language so that it's not just Constructivist advocacy—which is impossible now—but it still tries to make use of that vocabulary.

Pedersen: From an urbanistic point of view, there is a level at which a building should be perceived as an autonomous object, and this is just about that level. In other words, the building is essentially a sign. It can be focused totally autonomously on itself, and bears no relationship to anything else, and it has no other responsibilities. As such, it can be free to be this object, whereas at any other level of urbanism, I have severe reservations.

Frampton: From the point of view of sign, one criticism that one could bring to bear on it is that in its own code it inevitably doesn't suggest where you get the damn cookie.

Plater-Zyberk: It's small enough that that may not be necessary. When you see it in light of McDonald's and Fotomat . . .
Architectural design

Suburban Loft Building

Albert Pope

**Architect:** Albert Pope, Princeton, N.J.
**Modelmaker:** Sarah Parker.
**Renderers:** Albert Pope, Sarah Parker, Matthew Pickner.
**Client:** Virginia Avenue Partnership, Venice, Calif.

**Project:** Suburban loft building, Santa Monica, Calif.

**Program:** A group of young artists, weary of real estate speculation in downtown Los Angeles, wanted to explore the possibility of generating "loft scene" in suburban Santa Monica. The program called for six raw spaces of 1200 square feet each, and a collective lobby with living and gallery space.

**Site:** A corner lot with a four-lane commercial and apartment-building street on one edge, a residential street on an adjacent edge, and a public park to the rear.

**Solution:** The building is a sheared block, with a large-scale billboard façade projected to the street, and a large brick court with fireplace toward the park at the rear. The center of the block is raw, open space. Individual porch vestibules (which link to form an arcade) and garage entrance with driveway are located on the first floor, while individual wet cores and belvederes surrounding the brick court are on the second floor. The building can be inhabited as six private units or as one big house; the repetitive cells adjacent to the street can be used as individual porches or as a collective arcade connecting front and rear communal living and gallery areas.

**Construction materials:** Reinforced concrete and brick.
Jury comments

Moss: It's austere. It looks a little like a de Chirico drawing, maybe slightly frightening.

Frampton: I like it for its punk, brute quality, but my one reservation is that its program doesn't really seem to relate to its concept. Where are the wet walls, and where, in any case, would you put them?

Pedersen: I respond to it emotionally on the level of brutality, the severity of its imagery. The piece I find most disturbing is the façade—the whole head piece. I can accept what takes place behind that point, but urbanistically I can't help but feel that it is a very superficial gesture, and a midblock gesture at that. I don't think it's a corner gesture; as a matter of fact, I don't even think it's a corner building.

Moss: There isn't really much of a local context there to tie into, if you want to make that argument. What's appealing about the building is the absence of style.

Pedersen: Our appreciation of this project must be seen in the context of what is happening stylistically throughout the country. There is a certain austerity, an almost hairshirt quality to the architecture here. There is a legitimate question as to whether the façade piece relates either to the corner condition or to the building itself, and the condition of entry was also questioned; there is very little sequence from car to step to arrival. But it is the language of the project that is most important here.
Sun Valley House

Arne Bystrom

Architects: Arne Bystrom, Seattle, Wash. (John Sanford, project coordinator; Eric Thiel, Sun Valley, construction coordinator; Richard Arthur, Julie Kriehg, Bruce Hubbard, Klaus Bodenmüller, Larry Mortimer, project personnel). Consultants: ENSAR Group, Energy Architects (Gregory Franta, principal energy architect; Leo Dwyer, project manager; Brad Davids, energy analyst; Byron Winn, active solar system designer); Darrold Bolton, structural; KM Associates, landscape architecture; Ian Mackinlay, snow country consultant. Renderers: Arne Bystrom, sections; John Sanford, plans, elevations. Client: Name withheld by request.

Project: Residence, Sun Valley, Idaho. Program: An extended-family house for winter and summer use with an integrated active and passive solar energy system designed to function after major snowfall, and zoned by functional priorities into three separate areas. Site: One acre bounded by a road, a valley, and a series of hills, with view up the valley. Solution: With its great overhangs, layered beams, and bracketed column supports, the roof structure is reminiscent of traditional Asian houses and of those of the Swiss Alps, as well as of the mast-framed stave churches of Norway and of the houses of Greene & Greene. The idea of the house as shelter is further heightened by shaping, cutting, and berming of earth, and with concrete terracing, where the sources are Wrightian, but also influenced by the detailing of Carlo Scarpa. Throughout the progression from entry to the final cave-like spaces, the scale continuously decreases and the detailing increases. An innovative heating and cooling system using solar energy includes state-of-the-art evacuated tube collectors, radiant hydronic floor heating and cooling, evaporative pond cooling, computer-controlled ventilation and shading, rock-bed thermal storage, and passive solar applications. The system is assembled in a manner that could be applied also to commercial buildings, and it is ex-
expected to reduce energy use by 81 percent.

**Construction:** Concrete walls, concrete floors and terraces, wood structure, wood walls inside and out, standing-seam copper roofing, a layering of sash-type glazing including some with thermal resistance over R-5.

**Jury comments**

**Frampton:** I'm very impressed by its tectonic qualities... the way of construction—that carries it for me.

**Pedersen:** I was very much impressed by the house when I originally saw it and looked at all the seductiveness of the detailing; it's rather extraordinary. But I would expect from this house a much more monumental gesture—the site justifies it. In terms of the actual siting of the house, I find it rather inconsistent with the natural topography.

**Frampton:** The plan seems slightly contrived; it arises out of the fact that this is a very narrow site.

**Plater-Zyberk:** It is in fact a very small suburban lot; there's going to be stuff around it.

**Moss:** But you have to leave room for that. You know what everybody else is going to do on that street. Also, I think we've agreed that you have to stash that plan somewhere; but the image of the building is absolutely astonishing.

**Pedersen:** There are two juxtapositions that are meaningful to me: the roof as shelter versus all the stuff that happens in between it. It's the third piece, which hasn't gone in yet, and which was the problem at Dulles Airport and TWA... which is how do you glaze it?

**Moss:** On the other hand, it has a kind of rational dimension that one doesn't really quite believe; the solar component takes it out of the realm of 1-made-this-object-and-isn't-it-wonderful.

**Frampton:** The objections we have raised I think are not answerable. In the States today, an architecture that is predicated on poetic construction is very hard to find; on those grounds this should be recognized.
Urban design and planning

Although down from last year's numbers by a little more than eight percent, the 88 submissions confronting the jury this year were as diverse a lot as ever, requiring hours of reading and study. Without formalizing point-by-point criteria, the jurors did make special comments about several aspects of the submissions they reviewed. Among them: Plazas and pedestrian-scaled elements of the design proposals often got short shrift; some schemes got too close to architectural solutions without the proper planning and/or urban design thought to back them up; and the will of the people was applauded where it was in evidence in the process, as was public leadership by the designers.

Walker: Urban design has to put forth ideas about the environment and possibilities in terms that people can understand enough to become enthusiastic about. It should help play a leadership role in terms of what our goals, our fiscal attitudes, or our social attitudes should be. There is clearly a political role that urban design needs to play—evangelical, if you will.

Griffith: I suppose it's implied that we're looking for something that accommodates the human being in narrower activities—something that can be accomplished. It doesn't matter whether it's 25 years hence or one week hence. What we're looking for is something that accommodates human activities, has a sense of scale appropriate to the development, and a sensitivity that deals with exterior spaces in a creative, attractive way.

Walker: The part that troubles me about the definition of urban design is that we want more from it than a servant function, because planning is providing context and underpinnings for enterprise. There is this funny dichotomy about where things fit and how you exercise aesthetic goals. It's a problem of the field. One would expect to find within the suburban areas some things of tremendous interest. It is almost as if those kinds of environments were not as deserving of design thought and intellectual confidence as urban situations. That's too bad, because there is a lot more suburban stuff going on than urban; most was uniformly softer and less resourceful.

Griffith: What we found was an urbanization within suburban areas, the concentration and the increase in densities to create an urban space in what might otherwise be suburban sprawl.

Walker: We didn't find many design-planning marriages with vision, sophistication, underpinnings, and thorough backup. Also, the general quality of the plazas, streetscapes, pedestrian ways, and organizations in cities—the consideration of the ground as an important design problem for building cities—almost all seemed like secondary efforts.
The Seam: Urban Design of No Man's Land

Gene Dyer, Todd Johnson, Clifton Page


Associated firm: Dan Vind, Construction Coordinator/Manager, Jerusalem.

Consultants: Moshe Safdie, Fred Koetter, Carl Steinitz, and Gerald McGee (members of the Harvard Steering Committee), design critics; The Office of the Jerusalem Transportation Master Plan (Avi Sperber, Director), transportation consultant.

Renderers: Gene Dyer, Todd Johnson.

Client: The Mayor of Jerusalem, Teddy Kollek. The Office of the City Engineer, Jerusalem.

Project: The Seam—The Urban Design of No Man's Land, Jerusalem, Israel.

Program: Develop a comprehensive plan to reintegrate the politically separated sections of this ancient city and anticipate modern traffic requirements, new buildings, and new circulation patterns—implying a nonaligned public identity.

Solution: In order to establish the recognition of The Seam as an area of many uses for all people, a new circulation system is developed to weave the halves of the city together. A major new entry, Road Number One, is to be a processional vehicular path to the central city, emphasizing the urban history along its path. Vital services to the Old City via Damascus Gate will be strengthened and will create an active multiuse zone. A major portion of the project's emphasis is on illustrating that major new development can be sensitive to existing historic scale and texture, while introducing strengthening activity to the link.

The first phase will set the major circulation infrastructure and position vital public uses, to create substantial pedestrian activity. Multiuse development thus attracted can then grow incrementally or in planned stages, as decided by the city at a later date.
Jury comments

Griffith: It's a beautiful scheme, an example of a program that, if carried out in a sensitive way, meshes new technology and new building forms with old existing cultural forms in the area.

Walker: It accepted some new facts about this city and what was happening there; it tries to produce a scale which is compatible and extensive while incorporating things which clearly were never dreamed of in the historic attitudes about Jerusalem. While the area involved should probably be termed depri­ cated, not devastated, this scheme takes land that has been wasted by "governmental ac­tion" and starts turning it around into some­thing much more positive.

Griffith: The character of the buildings, and the scale, the open spaces between the build­ings, and the paths are all tied into the local culture, feeling of space, and architecture.

Walker: This is a series of great plazas—probably better than any of the ones we've seen.
Riverside Light Industry

Donald B. Genasci

Consultant: Francisco Sanin.
Renderer: Bill Aquino.
Modelmakers: Keith T. Akiyama, Michael W.F. Fischer.
Model photographer: Photoregon.
Client: University of Oregon, Richard Hersh, Vice President for Research and Development; City of Eugene, Brian Obie, Mayor, and Michael Gleason, City Manager.

Project: Riverside Light Industry, Eugene, Oreg.
Program: On a site adjacent to the city center, the University of Oregon, and the Willamette River, create a high-density urban form for light industry, while integrating it into the city.
Solution: As an alternative to a low-density suburban industrial park, light industry is combined with offices, local commercial, housing, and university buildings; two special buildings—a library and an institute—occupy prominent locations. Adopting formal typologies of the city center, the scheme calls for a sequence of formed urban places to extend the city and university to the river. The main east-west street is continued, and its crossing with the main axis of the university is marked by a major square with the library at its north end.

Beyond the library is a riverside square and steps for public access to the river. Along the river, the plan calls for gardens, play field, amphitheater, bandstand, and a boat basin.

Jury comments
Griffith: It's interesting the way they recognize and even reinforce the strong axial east-west circulation pattern of both highway and...
Riverside Light Industry

rail transportation. The buildings follow the line and tend to shield the rail, with the highway boundary opening up periodically to a view of the water and parklands.

Walker: It's the overall concept that's so interesting. It brings in and dignifies light industry and offices by planning and architectural considerations, bringing library and convention facilities and recreation toward the riverfront. That makes the whole area available to people at the university, people downtown, and people who work in the light industry and office portions. The integration of diverse uses is a real step up from overly simplistic land use designation placing industry out where you can't see it.

Griffith: One major question we had was that the link across the railroad tracks, which appears to exist, is not really clearly delineated. I'm almost positive that it is solved, but we lack the information.
Chicago Central Area Plan

Chicago Central Area Committee

Architects: Chicago Central Area Committee—Thomas Beeby (Hammond Beeby & Babka/University of Illinois at Chicago); Bruce Graham, Diane Legge Lohan, Roger Seitz, and Adrian Smith (Skidmore, Owings & Merrill); John Holabird, Gerald Horn, and Tom Welch (Holabird & Root); Dirk Lohan (FCL Associates); Helmut Jahn and Carter Manny (Murphy/Jahn); George Schipperoeit (Schipperoeit Inc./Illinois Institute of Technology); and Stanley Tigerman (Tigerman Fugman & McCurry). Design Studio—Skidmore, Owings & Merrill Planning/Landscape/Urban Design Studio, Kimbal Galusha, studio head; Ann Conger, Paul De Celles, Douglas Mohnke, Robert Schmidt, Wendy Schulenberg, Dan Weimbach, and Ted Wolff, SOM; Tom Cokins and William Martin, City of Chicago.

Renderer: Carlos Diniz Associates.

Client: Chicago Central Area Committee, Jack Cornelius, Executive Director; City of Chicago, Ira Bach, Director of City Development and Elizabeth Hollander, Commissioner of Planning.

Project: Chicago Central Area Plan, Chicago, Ill.

Program: Inventory and assess the Central Area’s assets and liabilities, to determine opportunities and to document graphically a framework for future development.

Solution: Using the upcoming Chicago World’s Fair (1992) as both focus and impetus, a diverse group comprising some of Chicago’s most talented architects and designers compiled an extremely comprehensive document. Outlining conditions, planning precedents, and directions for possible Chicago growth patterns, the plan was created at the request of a public civic-minded committee, with input from a broad range of people and groups in the public sector.

Among the objectives set by the group were goals such as 1 support and encourage economic growth; 2 provide a high quality urban environment; 3 provide for supporting and enriching land uses; and 4 provide linkages between major activity centers. After organizing a conceptual framework, the study specifically analyzes the central lakefront, the loop, the near north, and the near south, and sets out specific plans for implementation.

Jury comments

Walker: I have a lot of admiration for the fact that this is a citizens group talking to the
other governmental and citizens groups about the future of the city. It's very high-minded and plays to some of the things that are going to happen—like the world's fair; it addresses the completion of the south side. It has a certain visionary and evangelical tone about it which is extremely appropriate. This is an exhaustive plan.

*Plater-Zyberk:* What are some of its basic ideas?

*Griffith:* As Chicago grows, it need not grow north and into the existing dense area. It can move south and develop that area. The plan includes computer studies of what the population density could be further south.
Silicon Valley Financial Center

Skidmore, Owings & Merrill
San Francisco

Architects: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, San Francisco, Calif. (Walter H. Costa, partner in charge; Lawrence Doane, design partner; John Krisen, urban design and planning partner; Day Hilborn, project manager; Burton Miller, project designer; Jack Herbert, Michael Moffat, and Charles Wenzlau, project design team).

Model photographer: Gerald Ratto.
Client: Campeau/Small Properties, Santa Clara, Calif.

Project: Silicon Valley Financial Center Master Plan, San Jose, Calif.
Program: Establish an urban mixed-use district with an explicit visual and physical presence, an appropriate development density, and 24-hour life in a downtown area depleted by a ring of shopping centers.
Solution: Taking into account the context within major area circulation patterns and local points of importance, a combination of courtyards and tall buildings is proposed to create and mark the new urban center. Conceived as an organizing element or armature, the courtyards form a sequence, each with its own form, identifying landmark, and adjoining ground level uses. They are linked by a continuous pedestrian arcade and the Paseo Mall.

A distinct skyline, visible as a marker for the new urban center, comprises high-rise and mid-rise office towers, and hotel and residential towers, grouped in families to order potentially disparate elements. Siting studies considered daylight, views, scale, shape, and composition of the towers.

Jury comments
Griffith: As you move along the path, your experiences are both horizontal and vertical—you move in and out of the various spaces. We liked the way it ties into the sur-
rounding areas; yet the rectilinear form of the existing blocks doesn't stop it from tying in, in terms of both its internal structure and the periphery.

**Walker:** It's a very rich thing, one you would move through and view while moving; its devices are sophisticated, interesting, and visually rich—this is not a pastiche. It should not only help the economy and add some new tax base, but it makes something new with a series of discrete moves—something usable by everyone, artistically complex, and a real asset.
Northwest Frontier Province Agricultural University

Skidmore, Owings & Merrill
Boston, Denver, and Chicago

Architects: Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Boston, Denver, and Chicago (Robert Holmes, design partner; David Smith, project manager and principal planner; Roger Kallman, principal planner; Parambir Gujral, engineering partner; Richard List, landscape architect; Stephen Reznik, architect; Brian Schärmer, civil engineer; Terry Rookard, project designer/planner; Luis Blanc, designer; Terri Eisenberg, graphic designer.


Renderer: Mongkol Tansantisuk.


Program: Expansion of an existing university to allow for the doubling of the student body and the admission of the institution's first female students. Included are new research facilities, a continuing education center, and faculty/staff housing.

Solution: Economic constraints are responded to through the renovation/reuse of sound existing structures, maximum use of local building materials and labor, and the proposing of two- and three-story buildings to simplify construction, maintenance, and circulation.

Climatic considerations indicated careful siting to reduce summer sun effects, increase winter sun exposure, and enhance natural ventilation. Building mass will be used to reduce daily temperature fluctuations, and daylighting will be used as much as possible. Extensive exterior planting, walkways, and water features help create exterior "rooms."

Jury comments

Walker: It's a classical idea of a university as a small city. It has the dignity of a small city; it's not a suburban kind of thing even though it's laid on a rather handsome landscape. The least attractive aspect is the faculty housing, which is both removed and suburbanized. There is a rationale for that in plan, to break down the rigidity.
Griffith: The most attractive thing was the site planning and the interrelationship between buildings, especially on the academic side. You don't get the feeling that the spaces are negative spaces, but that they're part of a whole, sculptured, three-dimensional experience. They've maintained the river frontage with a park.

Walker: It seems very rigid at first glance, but the spaces are really quite flexible and gracious.

Griffith: It's rectilinear in plan, but it's free-flowing.
F.I.T. Walk

Design Collaborative

Architects: Design Collaborative, New York (Piero Sartogo, Jon Michael Schwarting, principals; Jack Cain, project architect; Andrea Brown, project manager; Tom Brushares, David Griffin, Peter Pfau, George Scheferdecker, Todd Schliemann, and Peter Shubert, project team).

Consultants: Edwards & Kelcey, civil; Paul Gugliotta Consulting Engineers, structural; Bogen, Johnston, Lau & Jenal, mechanical/electrical.

Modelmaker: Albert Maloof.
Model photographer: Louis Checman.

Renderer: Brian Burr.
Client: The Fashion Institute of Technology, New York.

Program: Create a lively and successful urban place unifying an amalgam of buildings comprising the Fashion Institute of Technology—a city block on 27th Street, New York, closed to traffic.

Solution: Introduction of a strong rhythmic composition made up of gates, arcades, canopies, podium, cross-walls, flagpoles, and a tower, to form a cohesive yet varied overlay. Regularly placed street elements are juxtaposed against elements that form an expanding progression, adding a false perspective. Smaller articulated spaces between the central space and existing buildings serve as entries and gathering, lounging, strolling, and viewing areas.

Materials in the cross-walls are slate, glass block, and steel-tube frames; the more traditional arcade is of limestone hung on steel columns and beams, also supporting regularly spaced street lighting.

Jury comments
Walker: This produces a linear campus, a mall, if you will. It addresses questions of tying things up in a city, making some parts of it more objective or expressive. It's so sophisticated that it's probably controversial on artistic grounds. It is making an armature...
that deals with the relationships between a number of things in a city.

Frampton: There is a false perspective introduced by the flags that works in one way and not in the other—the flags diminish in the opposite direction.

Griffith: The attempt is commendable, but the realization lacks a great deal.

Moss: I think we would applaud the effort and strategy, but possibly concur that the implementation is not so convincing.
North Austin Town Center

Black Atkinson Vernooy

Architects: Black Atkinson Vernooy, Austin, Texas (Simon Atkinson, partner in charge; Sinclair Black, Andrew Vernooy; Dongik Le, team leader; John Armstrong, John Blood, Stephanie Bower, Debbie Darden, Janice Fleming, Melanie Gaylord, Carl Gromatzky, Michael Guarino, Tommy Kosarek, Mell Lawrence, Robin Moats, Mark Nagle, Sarah Pennington, Patti Pitman, Manuel Sanchez-Ruiz, John Strygley, and Arturo Vasquez, project team).

Client: Pohl, Brown & Brown, Austin, Texas.

Project: North Austin Town Center, Austin, Texas.

Program: Create a place to give order to a region threatened by a pattern of linear, decentralized, incremental suburban sprawl. Protect environmentally vulnerable areas, and concentrate development along planned growth corridors.

Solution: A town center, with a cluster of hill town imagery, is sited on a ridge overlooking surrounding new residential areas. A grid organization provides both coherence and flexibility. Shops, offices, and apartments are clustered between the perimeter street edge and the center parks and pathways. All av-
enues directly or indirectly lead to the central urban plaza, which acts as the principal place of meeting. A system of courts, paths, and gardens connects the center with the town park.

The park is in the tradition of “picturesque” or total landscape. A medieval town wall and a series of entry gates orient a visitor toward the center. Access boulevards and a local transit system related to pedestrian paths link all main parts of the center.

Jury comments

Walker: It's really a rare exercise, because they are making a dense urban pedestrian-scale neighborhood in a suburban area. You have an industrial park, a housing park, and
a shopping center that have been layered as opposed to spread out horizontally.

Frampton: I think it's a rather astonishing advance for that area.

Griffith: It functions to stop urban sprawl and focus in on the town center. It preserves the natural land and the waterscape surrounding it.

Walker: My prejudice about it is that I don't like the imagery, but the principle is interesting.

Griffith: It's one approach. The peripheral wall, which makes it medieval in tone, is highly articulated, with interruptions along it periodically, gates or openings that draw you in.
Applied research

This year’s research jury was impressed by the number of submissions (up 25 from last year for a total of 68) and with the breadth of the work entered, ranging from programming guides and structural investigations to historic structures reports, energy analyses, and post-occupancy evaluations. The jury used seven criteria to judge the submissions:

1. Is it research?
   Weidemann: Research has to be systematic and explainable. It’s not research when people can’t tell anyone else what they did and how they did it. A manual or guide is an application of research, but, by itself, it’s not research.

2. Is it related to prior work?
   Winter: The best research discusses its historical context. It should show an awareness of other research in its area.

3. Is the work important or useful?
   Winter: It’s essential that people point out the application of their research; who’s going to use it, how will they use it, and how wide will its usefulness be.

4. Is it original or unique?
   Weidemann: While people should strive for originality, they shouldn’t do so at the expense of linking the work to prior research and prior knowledge.

5. Is it technically sound?
   Winter: Many people gave us their conclusions without telling us how they reached those conclusions.
   Weidemann: There are many kinds of research procedures and techniques of data analysis. It’s important that people describe their procedures and use them correctly and appropriately.

6. Is it well documented and interesting?
   Winter: However good the research, the quality of the presentation is important in getting the information across.
   Weidemann: Many submissions didn’t document important information. In scientific research, you have to state the issue and your method of gathering and analyzing the data, discuss the findings and their implications, and suggest areas for future research. No steps in that process can be left out.

7. Does it have a certain magic?
   Winter: What distinguishes the award winners is their going above and beyond a solution for a particular client.
   Weidemann: The top three are widely applicable, with conclusions that can be highly generalized.
   Winter: And each applies to a different group: the user, owner, and designer of buildings.

What follows are descriptions of, comments about, and selected conclusions from three awards and three citations.
Using Office Design to Increase Productivity

Michael Brill, with Stephen T. Margulis, Ellen Konar, and BOSTI

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Book design: Chet Kozlowski.

The BOSTI Study is the first book of a soon-to-be-complete two-volume set. The set is available for $100 by writing: The BOSTI Study, Westinghouse Furniture Systems, P.O. Box 8829, Grand Rapids, Mich. 49508.

Title: Using Office Design to Increase Productivity, Volume One.

A model for architectural research, this study looks at the impact of office design on the productivity and job satisfaction of office workers. An extensive questionnaire forms the basis of the research. It was completed by more than 5000 public and private sector workers, two months before, and two months and eight months after they moved into new offices. The questionnaire asked managers, professional/technical, and clerical workers about a variety of environmental issues: their work space (its enclosure, floor area, layout, furniture, and windows), its ambient conditions (temperature and air quality, lighting, noise), their psychological constructs (privacy, communication, finding their way, comfort, personalization, status communication, and appearance), and the design and management of their offices (its flexibility and occupancy and their participation in its design).

The 400-page report makes all of that quite accessible. It outlines the research, characterizes the participating office workers, summarizes the research results, and, in a separate section on each issue, discusses related research, raises current concerns and questions, and provides both cursory and detailed analyses of the data. The report ends with economic analyses; information about the types of data bases, statistical methods, and questions used; a list of the sites studied; and a bibliography.

The research not only contains a wealth of design-related information (opposite page). It proves that productivity depends as much on the environment as on management and equipment, encouraging our thinking of the “office as a tool and not just a place to house tools.”

Jury comments

Weidemann: An enormous amount of work went into this research; tons of money and time. That doesn’t always lead to a better product, but, in this case, it has. They’ve pulled together some very elusive information about people’s perceptions of their environment and linked it directly to the actual physical characteristics of the environment. There are a lot of people looking into job satisfaction. The thing that’s difficult to do is to link that to characteristics of the physical environment that either directly or indirectly contribute to a worker’s performance. This link between design, job satisfaction, and job performance is important and this research is the first to have done that.

Winter: I had one problem in that the book contains a lot of valuable information, with useful charts and good summaries of their results, but it doesn’t say how to apply it. How can the architect use it?

Weidemann: It is conceptually very sophisticated, yet it doesn’t come out that strongly in this book.

Winter: The research clearly achieves a complex integration of issues.

Weidemann: I like their inclusion of dollar amounts. Nowhere that I know of have people been able to link dollar figures to issues of satisfaction. Most research related to satisfaction has simply taken it for granted that it’s important for people to be satisfied with their environment, but few people have come to grips with the economic implications. The linking of subjective reports about the environment to objective characterists of the environment sounds so simple but it’s so extraordinarily difficult. And then to add in cost factors—that’s why this deserves an award.
Selected conclusions

- All results (including those about ease of communication) support the need for a high degree of enclosure for all job types. This need can be satisfied in an open office but one... with a fair amount of enclosure for each individual.
- The presence or absence of windows may have far more limited effects on satisfaction than most people believe.
- Thermal discomfort may relate more to body type than to the actual thermal environment.
- Higher ease of communication (among workers) is related to a high degree of enclosure (contravening the notion that openness supports communication and "community"); more floor area; fewer people in a room; a good layout; extra chairs; clear status demarcation; low frequency of relocation; ease in finding your way around; more noise (yes, more!); and high privacy.
- The suitability of a workspace... relates not just to the location of work surfaces, chair, and storage in the workspace, but to location of entry, where the aisles are, how much of what kind of furniture there is, and degree of enclosure.
- Offices evaluated as the least attractive are those with lowest enclosure, with moderate enclosure rated as most attractive. Satisfaction with amount of space is lowest for the least enclosure and highest for most enclosure, with floor area held constant.
- The trend shows a net decrease in enclosure (for managers) and... a hefty increase in enclosure (for professional/technical and clerical workers).
- The trend is to a significant increase in the number of work surfaces in offices.

- Temperature fluctuation is a more common source of irritation for office employees than conditions that are two warm or too cool.
- People involved with computers, drafting, typing, or reading should not be located near windows.
- If people want to adjust various parts of their chairs, but cannot, their frequency of pain and discomfort... is significantly higher than for those who can or do make the adjustment.
- Office staff prefer low chroma, quiet or pastel colors. They dislike "no-chroma" colors like white and gray, and intense colors. As for materials, people prefer wood and fabric wall/space dividers and wood work surfaces.
- For workers, the most important issues for participation (in the design of their office) are furniture selection and workspace location, with workspace size and color scheme somewhat important. Choosing where to put equipment and planning workflow are least important to them, although they get to participate in these most frequently.
- Both job satisfaction and environmental satisfaction were negatively related to the number of workspace relocations but not to the number of reconfigurations (of elements within an office).
- The trend is to significantly higher occupancies for all job types. Where ease of communication is important, lower occupancy is important.
- More than a third preferred to be in a private office, a third preferred a small office of 2 to 8 people. The remainder preferred a moderate or large-occupancy office. No one preferred an office of more than 70. Of note is the fact that 63 percent of all workers prefer not to be alone in an office area.

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COLOR PREFERENCES FOR WALLS AND SPACE DIVIDERS

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STRONGLY DISLIKED COLORS (by feature)

| WALLS | Off-White (U.S. & Canada) Brown-Gold (Canada) Dark Purple (Canada) |
| FLOORS | Bright Orange (Canada) Medium Light Dusty Blue-Green (Canada) Saturated Light Green (Canada) Brown-Gold (U.S.) |
| STORAGE UNITS | Beige (Canada) Off-White (Canada) |
| CHAIRS | Dark Purple (Canada) |
| WORK SURFACES | All colors more liked than disliked |
No More Mazes

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Myron A. Grant
Deborah A. Simmons

Title: No More Mazes, Research about Design for Wayfinding in Hospitals.

Hospitals often have labyrinthine circulation systems and confusing signage. Add to that the stress and confusion of people visiting the hospital and you have situations where people cannot find their way through buildings. This research studied the problem at the University of Michigan Medical Center. It sought both to clarify the organization of the building and to offer recommendations for the design of new structures at the Center. The researchers examined such questions as: Are people more likely to follow signs or visual cues when the two contradict each other? How should below-grade floors be indicated on elevator panels? What terms should be used to describe the departments within a hospital? How should room numbers, color codes, or building plans be arranged? Where should signs be placed?

The research report has separate sections for each investigation, describing the study methods (which included timed walk-throughs, videotapes of building models, and interviews with employees and visitors), listing the research data, presenting the findings, and suggesting books and articles for further reading. A final section in the report presents design and policy guidelines based on the study’s conclusions, while an appendix describes the university’s hospital replacement program and includes a general bibliography.

The authors acknowledge that the form and organization of a building probably have the greatest impact on finding one’s way. Yet their research into the content and placement of signage, the consistency of numbering, and the comprehensibility of symbols and nonverbal cues goes a long way toward the goal of no more mazes.

Jury comments
Winter: While this research isn’t within my expertise, it is totally captivating and stated in a very simple and clear way. For example, they asked patients and visitors to hospitals about their understanding of words on directional signs. If people don’t understand technical words, why put them up on signs?

Weidemann: It is very well done. It is clearly intended for the nonresearch audience, yet unlike many of the other entries, it gives enough information that I, as a researcher, can be confident that they know what they’re doing. They don’t flaunt it, but they know how to conduct research. The extensive references, the discussion of their methods, the inclusion of the data—those are all cues that let me know that the research was carefully done.

Plater-Zyberk: Is the implication of this that signs and other directional devices can compensate for what could be done through the physical organization of the building?

Weidemann: They emphasize the importance of a clear building layout, but they see other devices as a means of providing more information, more clearly.

Winter: What impresses me is that they undertook extremely complex research and came up with dramatically simple results. It’s so obvious that this work was necessary that, when you see it, you wonder why it wasn’t done before.

Weidemann: People have. But those who have pushed for this kind of research are the users of buildings, not designers. Interest in wayfinding is fairly current, although there are few people with a focus on hospitals, a setting in which there is a lot of stress.

Winter: This report makes it all seem so disarmingly simple, it’s so clear and easy to read.

Applied research Award
Selected conclusions

- Don't rely on any single directional device. Design mutually reinforcing aids, such as a clear building layout, interior and exterior landmarks, signs, consistent terminology, color coding, and verbal directions.
- Locate related functions close to each other.
- Develop interior landmarks that utilize such things as lighting, color, texture, artwork, and plants.
- Where there are several directional cues present, realize that some people may rely on cues other than signs.
- Begin all room numbers with the number of that level.
- Begin room numbers on floors below the entrance level with a prefix first-time users will likely understand.
- Make the room numbering system flexible to allow for future expansion or renovation.
- Use the numbering system consistently on floors having similar use and layout.
- Make the room numbers large enough so that they can be easily seen.
- Avoid using combinations of letters and numbers to identify a space.
- If letters and numbers must be combined, avoid the letters I, O, and Q that may be interpreted as numbers.
- Start numbering systems as close as possible to the main entry point to each floor.
- Use a simple numbering system, such as a continuous series with odd numbers on the left and even on the right.
- Avoid floor names/numbering systems that project a negative image, such as being in the basement.
- Use consistent sign copy.
- Avoid ambiguous terms on signs, such as "child care," which could signify either a nursery or a pediatrics department.

- State messages in positive terms, with negatives, such as "no strollers," kept for situations that require them.
- Avoid using words on signs that are beyond a sixth-grade reading level.
- Use simple terms for buildings or departments rather than technical or esoteric terms.
- Use terms consistently.
- Place signs at major decision points along circulation paths.
- Place reassurance signs about 150 to 200 feet after a major decision point if another such point hasn't been reached. If a path has no major decision points, place signs every 150-250 feet.
- Put directories in central locations.
- Locate information in consistent locations.
- If lines on the floor are part of a directional system, use only a small number and make them highly contrasting.
- Use a color coding scheme logically and consistently. Avoid using colored bands or lines as decoration where they also are used as circulation cues.
- Avoid symbols that can create anxiety, such as pictographs of surgical tools.
- Keep the number of symbols small.
- Use only one symbol with each message.
- Use symbols only as a supplement to verbal information.
- Avoid arrows for nondirectional signs.
- Place "you-are-here" maps near some feature to give visitors a point of reference.
- Incorporate architectural elements and landmarks into the map design.
- For interior maps, use a "bird's-eye" perspective view of the building layout as opposed to a plan view.
- Provide insets showing the relation of the mapped portion of the building to the rest of the medical facility.

Despite all of the research in energy conservation over the past decade, few researchers have looked at small commercial buildings, at the interaction of various systems within buildings, or at the effect of utility rates on a building's energy costs. This research more than fills those gaps.

It contains two parts: a concise decision-making guide for owners and a detailed handbook for designers. The handbook leads the designer through a series of decisions: 1 meeting good building practice in your area; 2 making initial choices about things such as fuel type and insulation to optimize base building design; 3 improving that base design by integrating design strategies; 4 adding other conservation and solar strategies; 5 staying involved with the building's turnover and operation.

They found that complying with ASHRAE 90-75 standards for roof and wall insulation, glazing, and HVAC controls always pays off. Selecting appropriate HVAC equipment (facing page), properly sizing the windows, and installing daylight dimmers and high-efficiency ballasts and lamps almost always pays. And installing three-lamp parabolic fixtures, upgrading cooling equipment to comply with 1984 ASHRAE standards (except in temperate climates), combining task lighting with lower level ambient lighting, installing skylights, and specifying pulse boilers (in cold climates) and evaporative coolers (in hot, arid climates) often pay in specific situations. However little experience one might have with energy conservation, this handbook is convincing about the authors' claim that "It is easy to achieve good levels of performance."

Jury comments

Winter: For small commercial buildings, this research is really state of the art, in an area where research is really needed.

Weidemann: I agree that it is useful, but is it research? The introduction says that they assembled, organized, and developed data, but I want to know what they assembled, how they organized it, and how they looked at it.

Winter: That's a problem with many submissions; the actual research data is not included. In this case, though, the computer printout might be four inches thick.

Weidemann: They could include samples of the data.

Winter: I'm partial to it because of its usefulness, although your point about the research is well taken.

Weidemann: P/A should inform people who submit research projects that they have to indicate the research done, not just the result of it. From the looks of this handbook, a great deal must have been done, but they just haven't documented it.

Winter: I agree. The research is absolutely timely and I think valid. Small office buildings need a lot of attention.
Selected conclusions

- The key variable for the user of this research is cost, determined by utility bill.
- Utility bill varies greatly due to rate characteristics, moderately due to building energy characteristics, and slightly due to climate characteristics.
- Prime energy variables are: meeting current good practice (ASHRAE 90-75), selecting the right glass area and HVAC system, and installing high-efficiency ballasts and lamps.
- One third of all strategies result in a reduced first cost.
- Electrical cost savings opportunities are, by far, the most substantial.
- Daylighting makes a strong reduction in demand and is one of the most pervasive beneficial strategies.
- Just as electricity is of overwhelming importance in reducing energy cost, climate is of minor importance.
- Current good practice buildings (that meet ASHRAE 90-75) exhibit rather good performance.
- After some important architectural steps have been taken, electrically and mechanically based solutions become important.
- The most important strategies are simple, clear, and unequivocal.
- High performance buildings can offer amenity levels as good as or better than more energy wasteful designs.
- Interactive building energy analysis and systems research is a valuable source of ideas and direction for component research.
- Preferential all-electric rate treatment is a significant factor in the selection of systems in a building.
- There are limits to the current research knowledge especially in the areas of infiltration, equipment part load performance, and daylight glare.

### GOOD EQUIPMENT SELECTIONS (by building size and climate)

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### GOOD PRACTICE BUILDING CHARACTERISTICS

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![Graph](image-url)
Daylighting has reemerged over the last decade as one of the most effective ways of reducing energy consumption. The placement of physical models outdoors offers the simplest but not necessarily the most reliable way of studying daylighting, given the variability of most outdoor lighting conditions. That prompted the development of this artificial skydome for the study of daylighting effects under more constant and controllable conditions.

In developing the dome, the researchers considered several artificial sky options. They decided to use an opaque dome—a low-cost, premanufactured 24-foot-diameter silo top, which they placed on a seven-foot-high wall with double doors to allow the easy transfer of large models. They sprayed the dome interior with a high-reflectance white paint to get a diffusing matte surface with about an 80 percent reflectivity. For the interior lighting, they developed a computer program that, based upon the known luminance distributions of various light sources, automatically switches and dims 120 lamps to achieve the desired illumination. A parabolic reflector and a point light source located on a track serve as the artificial sun.

Models sit on an adjustable, elevated platform in the middle of the dome. To simulate the ground reflectance around a building, the researchers devised a translucent plane lighted from below and shielded by a screen to prevent its light from altering the luminance distribution of the dome itself.

The development of the daylight simulator allows the study of more complex buildings, the testing of both thermal and luminance daylighting effects, and the development of new design tools. The best design tool, though, is without a doubt the simulator itself.

Title: Daylight Simulation Facility

Jury comments
Winter: This is a good piece of work. Daylighting is a very important area, and they have developed an interesting way of studying it. They put models of buildings in a dome that simulates the sky dome and test how they work. There are real building results. It's used and it shows how it can be applied to different kinds of buildings.

Wiedemann: One of the initial hesitancies that I had with this was that it seemed to be more an invention than research. I wasn't quite sure how to deal with it. What won me over was the introductory section that talks about the development of the facility and the research that went into it. I also like the material at the end that talks about how this can be applied and the importance of it for future research.

Winter: The presentation itself is not as attractive as some of the others, but the simulator is really an important advancement, allowing daylight measurement and analysis that has not been done before. It's also remarkable in that it covers not only direct sunlight but such things as ground reflection. A computer collects all of the data and generates an energy analysis.

Plater-Zyberk: It's a light dome?
Winter: Yes, but it takes reflected light, direct light, and cloud cover into consideration and tests for the quality of light as well as the intensity and distribution. I think it's valid as research in that the key aspect of this was the development of the tool and its application. Daylighting is such a big issue and this project has such wide applications it deserves a citation.
Preferences in Dwelling Design

J. Stephen Weeks

Architect: J. Stephen Weeks, School of Architecture, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, project director (Richard Laffin, Bryan Thorp, Mary Fagerson, research associates; Kath Ouska, Martin Halpin, Patricia Mestenhauser, Paul Bedker, Valerie Carr, Hani Ayad, Tony Albrecht, David Flaschenriem, assistants).

Consultant: Jeffrey D. Willius, graphic design.

Renderers: Richard Laffin, Kath Ouska.

Client: Minneapolis/Saint Paul Family Housing Fund, Minneapolis, Minn.

Copies of the report will be available after January 1985. For information write: Minneapolis/St. Paul Family Housing Program, 3608 IDS Tower, Minneapolis, Minn. 55402.

Title: Preferences in Dwelling Design, an Evaluation of the Minneapolis/Saint Paul Family Housing Program, Stage I.

Why do people buy housing and what do they want in it? How do they perceive the housing available to them? What aspects of their housing matters most to people? What matters least? The Minneapolis/Saint Paul Family Housing Program, a private foundation that provides low-interest mortgages for first-time homeowners, wanted answers to those questions, funding this research into people's preferences in dwelling design.

The research surveys people's satisfaction with specific aspects of their housing and documents their preferences for different kinds of house styles, sitings, layouts, entries, roof forms, and the like. It also compares similar plan types in terms of their size and layout and analyzes typical energy conservation and construction details.

Using interviews, notated plans, and a questionnaire, the authors found, for example, that many people considered their kitchens too small and their open-plan living rooms too restrictive for furniture arrangements. (The report suggests using more space-saving appliances and storage units in kitchens, and avoiding restrictive open plans.) The authors also found that, for most people, good design was not as strong an attraction as a project's potential equity, energy efficiency, and location. Nevertheless, people had strong design opinions, as the response to the questionnaire shows (facing page).

The research is well-documented. The report tabulates and analyzes the data, states its limitations, suggests areas for further research, and includes the questionnaire and a bibliography in its appendix. Above all, the research is well worth studying by anyone involved in residential design.

Jury comments

Winter: This work looks at the preferences of the layperson for such things as house styles, combinations of dwelling units, size, and materials. That is one study in and of itself. Then there is another study that compares housing developments and others that assess floor plans, cross-sections, and plan sizes. They're all valid, but it's like five studies in one. It's too much. It doesn't make a single statement; others do.

Weidemann: Part of my problem with it is the short conclusion. It should have much more. I also have a complaint with the simplistic analysis. They relate various characteristics of buildings only to people's preferences. What's interesting is the possible network of relationships: what, for example, is the relationship among façade, size, and location? You have to use a different analytical technique from what they used, but those multiple relationships can tell you a lot of interesting things.

Winter: The information here is all valuable, but it's not quite as sophisticated as some others. I like the graphic presentation of the results. They have a lot to say to architects. Weidemann: I too like its immediacy and usefulness. But I think they could have done some additional analysis of the data. That's one of the problems with research in this area. People don't yet know quite how to handle the analysis. But it does put its finger on an area that needs examination.

Winter: I also feel that there has to be a clear application of research. If a report makes it clear how the research is applied, that means a lot. This work doesn't have quite the magic or clear applicability that you'd like to see in a work. It's good but not an expert piece of research.
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Seismic Performance of Curtain Walls

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Title: The Seismic Performance of Cladding.

Curtain walls offer perhaps the greatest room for creative expression in the design of tall buildings. In areas subject to earthquakes, though, curtain walls also present the greatest threat to people in the streets from falling glass, metal, masonry, or cement.保证ing the integrity of curtain walls during earthquakes is the focus of this research—a painstaking investigation of the seismic performance of commonly used curtain-wall fastening and joining details.

The researchers used full-size curtain-wall panels attached with a variety of connection details to a six-story steel test structure. “Sway” type mechanisms were used. (Concurrent Japanese research using a “rocking” type mechanism allowed a comparison of the two methods.) The full-scale testing not only improved upon the smaller component testing often conducted in seismic research. It allowed the researchers to document the complex interaction of the curtain-wall panels, the fasteners, and the steel structure.

The test structure was subjected to repeated static reversed loads up to a maximum story displacement of 1/40th the story height. Computers collected data from hundreds of strain gauges and displacement transducers while technicians observed and recorded visible signs of stress. An exciter installed at the top of the test structure allowed the application of dynamic loads to the nonstructural elements and the frame prior to the static testing. Following the testing, the researchers queried several California engineers for their predictions of the results. The actual results (opposite page) show just how unsafe some common practices can be.

Jury comments
Winter: This project looks at the façades of commercial buildings and at how they might best be restrained against earthquake damage. It explores different façade types and tests their performance under seismic conditions.
Pedersen: Do they look at just the skin component?
Winter: Yes, they focus on the skin’s performance irrespective of the building itself.
Plater-Zyberk: That’s never been done?
Winter: There has been a lot of work in the area of nonstructural damage resistance, looking at everything from windows to sheetrock to façades. This one has a particular focus: metal curtain walls with metal-type connections. That’s an important subject because, while the whole building is almost never going to fall down, façades will crack and split during an earthquake. It’s a good study. It has obvious applications and the report states what those applications are. The findings are useful, if only for curtain-wall buildings in earthquake zones.
Weidemann: That is a sizable number of buildings though. I see this research as useful not only in terms of direct information, but in terms of suggesting other areas of research.
Winter: There is a volume of earthquake-related research that’s undertaken. This person has studied curtain walls because the next person is studying windows, and the third, roofs or columns. They do interrelate, though, because they couldn’t get grants unless they could prove to the grant boards that the subject hadn’t been covered by prior research and that it allowed others to take off from it. I think this is a gem of a work, narrow in focus but very well executed and documented.
Weidemann: I agree.
Selected conclusions

- The sway connections commonly used with curtain walls in the United States are an inexpensive way to accommodate seismic drift. The success of those connections depends upon the particular detail used.
- The commonly used sliding lateral or "push-pull" connection performed poorly in the tests. Comprised of a short rod that is attached to the curtain wall and inserted into a slotted angle that is attached to the structure, the sliding lateral connection depends upon the rod's moving freely within the slot during an earthquake. If workers tighten the washers too tightly or if the washers do not have a low friction coating, such as Teflon, the rod won't slide, eventually bending or shearing at the shank. If the washers are too loose, the rod slides so freely within the slot that it no longer accommodates seismic drift.
- The lateral connection using a long ductile rod in the slotted angle proved to be extremely effective with no visible permanent deformation. The long rod connection, though, requires more space between the structure and the curtain wall, limiting its use in many projects.
- Panels that met at a corner joint and were connected in only one direction accommodated seismic displacement better and with less complication than panels with corner column covers connected to panels in two directions.
- The location of the sliding connection at the top of a panel and the bearing connection at the bottom could cause the panel to fall forward should the sliding connection fail.
- Architectural design features unwittingly contribute to the ultimate seismic safety of a curtain wall. Not only the detailing but the very process in the design of cladding must be radically revised.
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All of us, architects, preservationists and lay people alike, should know more about McKim, Mead & White. For that matter, we should also know more than we do about Richard Morris Hunt, Carrère & Hastings, Horace Trumbauer and Shepley, Rutan & Coolidge, all leading architects of the American Renaissance. As our cities are being transformed, the great buildings designed by these architects are disappearing, and these buildings have something to teach us. Most of us never learned much about them in school since the architectural history we were taught was purged of most of their work; it did not seem to fit into the true path to Modernism; it was an aberration that did not belong. As some of the profession, followed by more of the lay public, moves towards our current “Renaissance Revival,” the question becomes, to what extent does the work of McKim, Mead & White become a guide for the future? Put in its most perjorative sense, is nostalgia an intellectually or morally valid artistic movement? Or is it more?

The problem that McKim, Mead & White set for themselves is similar to that which some architects are setting for themselves today; that is, how to transform Classical forms for today’s needs and taste. Many architects groping with this problem are doing it in a hesitant manner. Burdened with the intellectual and moral purges of the 1900-1950 architectural revolution, they are approaching the problem very tentatively, testing the waters with a joke or a very architectural comment. Recent examples include pasting an Egyptian entrance on a mid-rise glass box of a speculative office building or tacking paper-thin and grotesque “Doric” columns on a waterfront cottage. If the idea has any validity, these tenuous beginnings will disappear and clear the way for a serious artistic movement. Or is it more?

How did McKim, Mead & White do this so successfully? And why were they eclipsed? Why do we have to rediscover their work? Both books under consideration here provide answers, although in different and complementary ways. Roth sets very high standards for himself, saying that his book is to be the comprehensive biography of the firm that they never had, unlike Richard Morris Hunt or Henry Hobson Richardson, two architects that Roth feels are of the same order of importance. He also says that his work is to be descriptive, and to a great extent avoids an aesthetic evaluation or judgment of individual works. Roth succeeds in meeting his goals. He has spent ten years studying the firm, has previously published a catalog The Architecture of McKim, Mead & White, 1870-1920, and has produced as comprehensive a description of the firm as we are likely to get. In a thoughtful and well-written prologue and an equally fine epilogue, he makes a strong case for the importance of the firm’s work. What is lacking is the visual: large and legible plans, large and detailed photographs, sketches, and images of buildings that served as guides or prototypes. The frequent small photographs and small plans are frustrating as are the missing ones referred to in the text. Particularly since Roth discusses the architectural sources so knowledgeably and since they play such an important role in the work of McKim, Mead & White, they are missed. In contrast, Wilson’s book—while a comparative visual delight, filled with large photographs including numerous interiors—is thin in the text unless one has a good knowledge of the firm before reading it. He deals with a considerably more limited number of buildings, and while we do not understand their development and history as well as Roth makes us, we do understand and appreciate in visual terms the final result better. Each building discussed is well documented so that we feel we really know it. In this sense the two books are necessary companions.

McKim, Mead & White came on the scene at an opportune time. The post-Civil War depression was over, America was growing rapidly and feeling its strength. Particularly in the cities this confidence in the future was manifested. The early period of the firm, from its founding in 1879 through the mid-1880s, was characterized by the change in perceptions of what we as Americans were. We see this in the conflict between the romantic, picturesque, Ruskinian, French on
the one hand and the emerging geometric, purer, Colonial, Federal, Italian Renaissance on the other. When Ruskin advised that architecture should be rooted in a legitimate past, he took this to be Gothic or some variation of that; but McKim, Mead & White, in tune with their time and believing themselves part of the emerging American Renaissance, came increasingly to believe that our legitimate architectural sources were the Colonial and Federal styles with their Renaissance roots. As McKim, Mead & White were given larger and more important commissions, they went increasingly to the original Italian Renaissance sources, and in the case of some particularly "noble" commissions, such as Pennsylvania Station, to Roman sources. A number of commissions, such as libraries, colleges, public and municipal buildings, were intended to uplift and educate. That was part of the design program, and the Italian Renaissance, modified to American sensibility, was the appropriate form. The duality inherent in the American Renaissance, democratic yet uplifting, is well expressed in the frieze of the Boston Public Library: "Built by The People and Dedicated to the Advancement of Learning."

McKim, Mead & White were not theoreticians, but they were consciously and conscientiously searching for appropriate form for particular commissions and, in a larger sense, for the times. As Roth says, "symbolic aesthetics and pragmatic function governed their designs." Architects of ideas, intellectuals, and dogmatists make history and remain in the books for future generations to study. More frequently, architects of pleasure and satisfaction do not. The firm, however, particularly Stanford White, was part of the artistic and intellectual elite of the time. The partners frequently collaborated with artists, making them an essential and integral part of their work, as any visit to the Boston Public Library will demonstrate. White designed numerous bases, pedestals, and architectural environments for sculpture. Charles Follen McKim was an early editor of an architectural publication. Frederick Law Olmsted was a frequent collaborator, the partners bringing him into projects and vice-versa.

Roth, in particular, makes clear the other areas of importance staked out by McKim, Mead & White. To produce such an enormous amount of work of such high quality, they took the practice of architecture out of the atelier and developed the prototype of the modern office practice, employing over 100 persons at times in a well-organized system. This office served as a training ground for future architects including John M. Carrere, Thomas Hastings, Henry Bacon, Cass Gilbert, John M. Howells, and John G. Howard. Consistent with this idea of an office practice, the firm, and McKim in particular, led the way in trying to establish canons for a profession, supporting the AIA at its beginnings, fighting on behalf of rules for design competitions and fair fees for government work, and taking the lead in starting the American Academy in Rome. Setting high standards not only in the training of architects and in the conduct of professional matters, but most important, in the construction of buildings, was a very valuable contribution. The firm frequently spent half its fee administering construction. Roth's description of the relentless pursuit of the right red marble for part of the Boston Public Library is but one example. Full-scale mock-ups, in place, of design details, as shown in Wilson's book, is another.

McKim, Mead & White set a design model or style that lasted in strength for 40 years and with lesser influence for another 20. Louis Sullivan said, following the Columbian Exposition of 1892–93 in Chicago, that this style set back the history of architecture for 50 years. In the long view of history, that may have been a premature judgment. Both these books let us see that the best works of McKim, Mead & White were truly masterpieces regardless of their time, and that most of their work dealt successfully with the major issues of architecture that architects of all times have addressed. These issues of appropriate and expressive form, symbolism, functional and hierarchical planning, response to context, the play of light and shadow, and integration of the other visual arts into the building fabric are the ones that the new revivals must learn to handle as well if they expect to be taken as seriously as McKim, Mead & White were in their day and should be in ours. [Brett Donham]

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P/A in March

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