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ACSF Architecture, Culture, and Spirituality Forum

2019-6-6 ACSF newsletter

Dear ACSF members,

Below in **GREEN**, you'll find articles, competitions, exhibitions, design, video, music, and opportunities related to our areas of interest. As always, this material is prepared by Mike Crosbie and myself and includes suggestions by members like you. We hope you find it useful.

Julio & Mike

ARTICLES

Do Humans Have a 'religious Instinct'?

<http://www.bbc.com/future/story/20190529-do-humans-have-a-religion-instinct?ocid=ww.social.link.email>

Are spiritual beliefs an inevitable consequence of evolution? In the second article in a two-part series, Brandon Ambrosino examines the ways that spiritual beliefs emerge from ancient psychological tendencies

What Rich Churches Can Do

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/02/08/nyregion/trinity-church-manhattan-real-estate.html?action=click&module=News&pgtype=Homepage&fbclid=IwAR2OmUGo9FGaru6crDV15NbvY9RhI836SMEPlmZwOzd1p-5Tvih3ReLMwOA>

Should faith communities wield the power of real estate moguls, even when their intentions seem pure?

Reading The Good Books as Literature

<https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2019/01/28/how-to-read-the-good-books>

What pleasures do exploring sacred texts as literature yield for the contemporary reader?

Curves or Corners:

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/new-study-offers-clues-dominance-curve-filled-museum-designs-180971611/>

A new study on the aesthetics of building form and room shape finds some marked differences between architects and everyone else.

The Difference Between Happiness and Joy

<https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/06/opinion/sunday/moral-revolution-david-brooks.html>

In a culture in which the ego has been the primary focus, the author of this piece raises the idea that building up others is more important than building up yourself.

Is Time Everything?

<https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2019/05/20/if-god-is-dead-your-time-is-everything>

In a new book, a philosopher reflects on the belief in eternity and whether it robs us of our own humanity.

Praying in the Streets of Paris

https://www.nytimes.com/2019/04/20/opinion/sunday/notre-dame.html?rref=collection%2Ftimestopic%2FReligion%20and%20Belief&action=click&contentCollection=timestopics®ion=stream&module=stream_unit&version=latest&contentPlacement=10&pgt_yptype=collection

Writer Christopher Caldwell asks why nonbelievers grieved for a cathedral on fire.

A God Problem

https://www.nytimes.com/2019/03/25/opinion/-philosophy-god-omniscience.html?rref=collection%2Ftimestopic%2FReligion%20and%20Belief&action=click&contentCollection=timestopics®ion=stream&module=stream_unit&version=latest&contentPlacement=21&pgt_yptype=collection

A philosophy professor questions whether a belief in an all-powerful God is “coherent.”

Errors and Omissions

<https://archinect.com/news/article/150138679/noah-s-ark-theme-park-in-kentucky-sues-their-insurance-company-over-flood-damage>

An attorney for the Noah’s Ark theme park in Kentucky is suing for flood damage.

Old Time Religion

<https://www.patheos.com/blogs/geneveith/2019/05/megachurches-discovering-liturgy-traditional-christianity/>

Are megachurches veering into traditional church going?

Take a Break

<https://www.patheos.com/blogs/strategicmonk/2019/06/04/listening-to-sacred-stillness-where-do-we-find-our-needed-rest/>

The spiritual power of needed rest.

Put That Phone Down

<https://www.newyorker.com/magazine/2019/04/29/what-it-takes-to-put-your-phone-away>

A new book questions our co-operation with the “attention economy” and offers a guide to resistance.

Religion on the Skids

<https://www.chicagotribune.com/lifestyles/sns-201904151230--tms--tuemitchctntm-a20190416-20190416-story.html>

Yet another survey finds that the percentage of “Nones” is growing, and getting younger.

Alejandro Aravena Gives His Advice to Young Architects

https://www.archdaily.com/917291/alejandro-aravena-gives-his-advice-to-young-architects?utm_medium=email&utm_source=ArchDaily%20List&kth=2,689,702

In a new video released by Louisiana Channel, Pritzker Prize winner Alejandro Aravena shares his advice to young architects.

Arata Isozaki Accepts the 2019 Pritzker Prize

https://www.archdaily.com/917974/arata-isozaki-accepts-the-2019-pritzker-prize?utm_medium=email&utm_source=ArchDaily%20List&kth=2,689,702

Arata Isozaki, who has been practicing architecture since the 1960s, has long been considered an architectural visionary for his transnational and fearlessly futurist approach to design. With well over 100 built works to his name, Isozaki is also incredibly prolific and influential among his contemporaries. Isozaki is the 49th architect and eighth Japanese architect to receive the honor.

EXHIBITIONS

Exhibit on Doshi

<https://www.design-museum.de/en/exhibitions/detailpages/balkrishna-doshi-architecture-for-the-people.html>

"Architecture for the People," an exhibit on the work of Balkrishna Doshi, is on until September 8 at the Vitra Museum in Germany.

How to Make Memory

<https://designmuseum.org/exhibitions/david-adjaye-making-memory>

The Design Museum in London is currently exhibiting a show on the work of architect David Adjaye.

Between the Line: Biblical Speculations (by David Baird)

<http://luceartsandreligion.org/between-the-lines-biblical-speculations-by-david-baird/>

David's work is thoughtful and always beautifully made.

MAD Envisions the Future City at Centre Pompidou

https://www.archdaily.com/918229/mad-envisions-the-future-city-at-centre-pompidou?utm_medium=email&utm_source=ArchDaily%20List&kth=2,689,702

Exploring uncharted territory, the show is made to exhibit the evolution of MAD's architectural practice and design philosophy since its establishment in 2004 The exhibition centers on how MAD reimagines the future of design.

COMPETITIONS

SITE MAUSOLEUM Competition

https://www.dropbox.com/s/8y2jj3rm9yb1f13/SiteMausoleum_brief.pdf?dl=0

An international ideas competition for students and young professionals (under 40) to design a place of solitude and remembrance.

THREE INTERNATIONAL ARCH. COMPETITIONS IN ICELAND

Iceland Thermal Spring Guest House

[https://icelandguesthouse.beebreeders.com/?](https://icelandguesthouse.beebreeders.com/?utm_source=mailerlite&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=three_3_new_architecture_competitions_in_iceland_are_launched&utm_term=2019-06-05)

[utm_source=mailerlite&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=three_3_new_architecture_competitions_in_iceland_are_launched&utm_term=2019-06-05](https://icelandguesthouse.beebreeders.com/?utm_source=mailerlite&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=three_3_new_architecture_competitions_in_iceland_are_launched&utm_term=2019-06-05)

Iceland Black Lava Field Visitor Center

<https://blacklavacenter.beebreeders.com/?>

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Iceland Volcano Museum

<https://icelandvolcanomuseum.beebreeders.com/>

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DESIGN

Cutting-Edge Round-Up

<https://www.wallpaper.com/gallery/architecture/cutting-edge-religious-architecture-around-the-world>

An extravaganza of what is described as “cutting-edge religious architecture” from around the world.

Europe’s First Green Mosque

<http://www.thisisplace.org/i/?id=587d62ae-8b19-4f3d-a02e-a275a90ba9d2>

Cambridge Central Mosque, with the moniker the “Eco-Mosque” opens for worship.

Church and Community

<https://www.archdaily.com/903978/bethnal-green-mission-church-gatti-routh-rhodes-architects>

A church that is the very heart of a new multiuse residential community has won a 2019 RIBA London Award

Adding On To Westminster

<https://www.ribaj.com/buildings/westminster-abbey-triforium-project-ptolemy-dean-architects-for-the-dean-and-chapter-of-westminster-abbey>

A new tower addition to Westminster Abbey has been selected for a 2019 RIBA London Award.

Small Wonder

<https://bustler.net/news/tags/competition/326/7307/twelve-projects-win-big-in-2019-aia-small-project-awards/competition-news>

A diminutive prayer space at a church wins one of AIA’s Small Project Awards.

Reimagining Abandoned Buddhist Temples as Unconventional Art Spaces

<https://hyperallergic.com/496492/reimagining-abandoned-buddhist-temples-as-unconventional-art-spaces/>

Some Thai artists have pioneered a way to repurpose once-religious structures into life-long art projects that are sacred in their own right.

VIDEO

From Temple to Synagogues: Absence and Presence

<https://vimeo.com/309182427>

One of our members shares Celia Lowenstein’s new and beautiful documentary on Jewish Synagogues.

Palladio Film to be Screened in 70 Countries Worldwide

https://www.archdaily.com/916984/palladio-film-to-be-screened-in-70-countries-worldwide?utm_medium=email&utm_source=ArchDaily%20List&kth=2,689,702

Though only the Italian screenings have officially been announced, for May 20-22, international screenings of the upcoming 97-minute docu-film are promised to be announced soon. Created by Giacomo Gatti together with Scientific Director and Co-author Gregorio Carboni Maestri, "Palladio" features well-known scholars and aficionados of Palladian architecture

MUSIC

One of our members encourages us to listen to *Pilgrim's Chorus (Tannhäuser)* by R. Wagner, presented by the Ponte Singers and Ponte Orchestra (Honk Kong)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oDdb65I-49E>

CONFERENCES

International Conference On Colour, Culture And Modern Art Conference

11th to 11th October 2019

Paris, France

Website: <http://socialstudies.science/color/>

Contact person: Dr.Larissa Noury

The area of Colour,Culture and Modern Art are a group of Subjects to concerned with the design, Painting Modern Life,Fashion, Landscapes and Architecture, etc. We welcome proposals for papers and invitations for abstract submissions are now open.

Deadline for abstracts/proposals: 3rd September 2019

CFP: Politics, Civic Life, and Pop Culture Area for NEPCA Conference

15th to 16th November 2019

Portsmouth, New Hampshire

Website: <https://nepca.blog/2019/03/04/cfp-politics-civic-life-and-pop-culture-area-for-nepca/>

Contact person: Dana Gavin

The Politics, Civic Life, and Pop Culture Area of NEPCA invites proposals from scholars of all levels for papers and/or panels that explore any aspect of the role of political actors, institutions, ideology, rhetoric, and satire in popular culture.

Organized by: Northeast Popular Culture Association (NEPCA)

Deadline for abstracts/proposals: 1st June 2019

SPACE International Conference 2019 on Architectural Culture and Society Conference

29th November to 1st December 2019

London, United Kingdom

Website: <https://www.spacestudies.co.uk/space-int-conf-2018-architectural-culture-and-society/>

Contact person: Pinar Engincan

An ideal platform to discuss the recent advances and research results in the fields of Architectural Culture and Society and all related areas such as education, interior architecture, social sciences so forth.

Deadline for abstracts/proposals: 19th August 2019

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