



WORLD DAY OF ARCHITECTURE



ARCHITECTS ARE CITY CHANGERS

In 2050, 70% of the world population will live in cities. This irreversible trend forces us to start planning now for new patterns of living and working, new economic models, and alternative urban planning and architectural practices. The **UIA has consistently participated in the major world events dedicated to city planning** since the 1976 United Nations conference on human settlements. This ongoing commitment makes the UIA an influential partner who ensures that **architects' voice is heard** and emphasises **the value of a profession in which mutation and adaptation are part of our daily tasks**. The World Day of Architecture was celebrated on 1st October 2012 on the theme: Architects are city changers. UIA Bureau met in Tbilisi and participated in the WDA celebration and in a conference on "Responsible architecture in a regional context". The Tbilisi Declaration was proclaimed at the end of the meeting.

UIA President Albert Dubler's video message

http://www.uia-architectes.org/en/participer/nouvelles/6967#.UHC_VdCXRkg

EMERGENCY ARCHITECTS



CŒUR DE PITIÉ ORPHANAGE IN HAITI BUILT WITH UIA SUPPORT

In April 2010, with support from the **Macao Union of Architects**, the UIA organised a charity sale to benefit the victims of earthquakes in Haiti and Qinghai, China. The 100 000 euros collected at this event were shared between two relief organisations, one of them being the **Emergency Architects Foundation**, who used the donation to rehabilitate and expand an orphanage in Mirebalais and a school in Savanette, Haiti, that will be inaugurated in November, after 8 months of work. A team of local masons and carpenters were contracted to realise the project and though they were already experimented builders the site allowed for added training in earthquake resistant construction techniques.

More information: Emergency Architects Foundation

http://www.archi-urgent.com/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=266

HABITAT PROFESSIONALS FORUM



LOUISE COX WILL CHAIR HPF UNTIL 2014

UIA Immediate Past President Louise Cox represented the union at the **6th World Urban Forum in Naples**, on 1st - 7th September 2012. She also participated in the round table organised by the Habitat Professionals Forum on 5 September, in the presence of UN-Habitat Executive Director **Joan Clos**. Louise Cox was re-elected to chair HPF until 2014. **The Habitat Professionals Forum is composed of international or regional ONG's made up of human settlement professionals** (architects, urban planners, landscape architects, engineers), and dedicated to advancing sustainable urban development. The UIA has served as the HPF secretariat since 2010.

PORTUGAL

PUBLIC POLICY ON ARCHITECTURE



To celebrate the world day of architecture, the **Order of Architects of Portugal** programmed a series of events dedicated to **the city and architecture as an economic and cultural resource that serves citizens**. Insisting on the need to operate fundamental changes in the way we regenerate cities and to rely on sustainable and responsible urban planning, OAP signed on to the UN-Habitat "I'm a city changer" campaign and **emphasised the need for a public policy on architecture** as an essential tool to improve Portuguese cities and territories.

<http://www.arquitectos.pt/?no=2020493767%2C153>

SPAIN

20th CENTURY ARCHITECTURE & URBAN TRANSFORMATIONS



The **Superior Council of Spanish Colleges of Architects (CSCAE)** considers it not only advisable, but necessary at this time to promote architectural works that contribute to resolving the functional problems and social issues created by accelerated urban growth. So they chose to celebrate this year's world day of architecture and its theme of architects as city changers to spotlight **20th century buildings that marked radical changes in Spanish cities**. On October 1st, a series of informative plaques were placed on a selection of exceptional structures from the last century, including the *Casa de las Flores* designed by architect and urban planner Zuazo Ugalde, and classified in Docomomo Spain's repertory. A programme of architectural events continued through October 7th.

<http://www.cscae.com/>
www.coam.org

TURKEY

ARCHITECTURE AND URBAN FILM FESTIVAL



On **1st to 7th October 2012**, the Chamber of Architects of Turkey hosted the 6th edition of the Istanbul architecture and urban planning film festival. An event organised annually to commemorate the world day of architecture, the festival plays out in two theatres, one on either side of the Bosphorus, and offers more than thirty documentaries and animated films selected by the organisers. Countries represented in the festival included the **USA, Germany, Austria, Belgium, Bosnia-Herzegovina, France, the Netherlands, Spain, Israel, Sweden and Turkey**. Three productions received prizes at the end of the festival.

http://events.frommers.com/sisp/index.htm?fx=event&event_id=1073398#ixzz26iaiQw5Q

AZERBAIJAN

UAA CELEBRATES ITS 75th ANNIVERSARY

On 1st October 2012, the Union of Architects of Azerbaijan held a joint celebration of the world day of architecture and the 75th anniversary of its creation.

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NORDIC COUNTRIES JAPAN



HENNING LARSEN: PRAEMIUM IMPERIALE

Danish architect Henning Larsen received the 24th Praemium Imperiale 2012 for architecture in Tokyo, on 23 October. This prestigious award recognizes the talent of **accomplished artists in five disciplines**: painting, sculpture, music, architecture and theatre, for their contribution to cultural enrichment for the world community. The Praemium Imperiale has been awarded since 1989 by the Japan Art Association. **Ricardo Legorreta, Toyo Ito, Zaha Hadid, Peter Zumthor, Jacques Herzog and Pierre de Meuron** are among former recipients of the architecture prize. Each winner receives a recompense of 150 000 euro.

More information:

<http://www.praemiumimperiale.org/>

UNITED KINGDOM



PETER ZUMTHOR: ROYAL GOLD MEDAL 2013

Swiss architect Peter Zumthor was selected as winner of the 2013 Royal Gold Medal by the **Royal Institute of British Architects** medal committee. Known for his modest and uncompromising practice in the studio he opened in 1979, Peter Zumthor has an incomparable talent for creating spaces and atmospheres that captivate by their use of light, choice of materials, and inventive composition. Among his most striking projects are the Bregenz art gallery in Austria, the Vals thermal baths, the Kolumba museum in Koln, and the Serpentine Pavilion in London. This prestigious medal will be officially presented to him on 6 February 2013.

More information:

<http://www.architecture.com/Awards/RoyalGoldMedal/RoyalGoldMedal.aspx>

UNITED KINGDOM



REM KOOLHAS, JENCKS AWARD 2012

On 20 November 2012, Rem Koolhaas will receive the Charles Jencks prize at RIBA headquarters, where he will present a public conference. This prize is awarded annually to a person or studio that has made **a major, international contribution to architectural theory and practice**. Charles Jencks commented that "Rem Koolhaas has, more than any other architect of his generation, invested in the creation of two parallel lives – one of theory and one of the practice of architecture. This double venture is marked by his twin studios, OMA and AMO, the Office of Metropolitan Architecture and the Architecture Media Organisation. The separation of these 'Siamese twins' is intended to 'liberate architectural thinking from architectural practice.'"

More information:

<http://www.architecture.com/WhatsOn/Talks/Events/2012/Autumn/JencksAward2012-RemKoolhaas.aspx>

IRELAND



A SILVER LION IN VENICE FOR GRAFTON ARCHITECTS

Shelley McNamara and Yvonne Farrel (Grafton Architects) were awarded a Silver Lion at the Venice international architecture biennial for their exhibition and project entitled **Architecture as New Geography** which explores the work of Brazilian architect Paulo Mendes da Rocha in the context of Grafton's new project for a university in Lima, Peru.

<http://www.riai.ie/>

CANADA



MELVIN CHARNEY 1935-2012

Melvin Charney passed away on 17 September 2012, in Montréal. Architect, artist, professor and theorist, he was an esteemed international figure in Quebec's cultural life. His realisations are strongly marked by an **oscillation between theory and practice, but also between architecture and photography, sculpture and drawing**. One of his major creations is the sculpture garden at the Canadian Architecture Centre in Montreal.

<http://www.cca.qc.ca/fr/collection/1810-hommage-a-melvin-charney-1935-2012>

NORDIC COUNTRIES



TYIN TEGNESTUE ARCHITECTS: NORWEGIAN PRIZE FOR YOUNG ARCHITECTS

The young team at TYIN Tegnestue, led by **Andreas G. Gjertsen** and **Yashar Hanstad** received the annual prize for young Norwegian architects on 5 September and the **European architecture prize** on 1st October 2012. Committed to reformulating the architect's role based on a strong engagement in social justice, TYIN describe themselves as 'architects of necessity'. The orphanage they designed in Thailand, the Cassia Co-op training centre in Sumatra, and the little bamboo houses built for refugee children in Myanmar have received a profusion of prizes. These latest two awards further confirm the growing interest for humanitarian and egalitarian architectural projects.

<http://www.tyinarchitects.com/>

AUSTRALIA

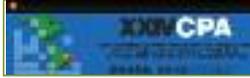


SYDNEY ARCHITECTURE FESTIVAL

Over **ten days of celebration from 24 October to 4 November**, the Sydney architecture festival will offer more than 80 activities to architects, as well as the general public and construction industry professionals on the theme **Beyond Boundaries**. The keynote event at the festival is the unveiling of results in the '**Super Sydney**' project: a vast consultation that began in early June, with architects interviewing 41 local councils around greater Sydney to gather the visions and hopes of residents from diverse backgrounds. The results will be used to create a **photograph of Sydney in the future**. A vast forum for children will be hosted by architects and students of architecture on 27 October.

<http://www.sydneyarchitecturefestival.org>

FPAA

**24th PAN-AMERICAN CONGRESS OF ARCHITECTS**

The **Institute of Architects of Brazil (IAB)** and the **Pan-American Federation of Associations of Architects (FPAA)** are organising the 24th session of the pan-American congress of architects in Maceió. The event will take place on **27 - 30 November 2012** on the theme: **Living the territory; imagining America**. Eminent architects from around the Americas will address the congress theme, including: João da Gama Filgueiras Lima, Augusto Quijano Axle, Jorge Pérez Jaramillo, Luis Obdulio Tagle Pizarro, David Leatherbarrow, Edwin R. Quiles Rodríguez and Edgard Gouveia Junior. The FPAA has prepared an exhibition of exemplary projects from over thirty countries. **Albert Dubler**, UIA President and **Michel Barmaki**, UIA Secretary general will represent the UIA at the meeting.

<http://www.xxivcpa.com.br/en/>

ARCASIA

**15th CONGRESS OF ASIAN ARCHITECTS**

The **Indonesian Institute of Architects** will host the 15th Architects Regional Council of Asia (ARCASIA) congress on **28 October - 2 November 2012**. Prestigious lecturers have been invited to discuss the theme: Asian cities and architecture heritage in a new paradigm. With the participation and contribution of UIA First Vice-President **Esa Mohamed**, Fumihiko Maki, Paul Andreu, Popo Danes, Elim Salim, Chan Soo Khin, Ketut Arthana, Kevin Mark Low, Cho In-souk and Soo K. Chan. **A student jamboree** at the innovative **Werhdapura Village Centre** will invite future architects to look at **global challenges in local contexts**, from a cultural and sustainable approach to architectural and urban heritage in Asian cities.

<http://arcasiabali2012.com>

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