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Publications Selected:

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Pisey Kim

October Magazine Picks

Blander, Akiva. "OMA Designs for Circular Cooking." *Metropolis*. (Summer 2024). p.74-77. ×

"The project was, in essence, one of gentle refurbishment and reorientation, with a handful of small yet consequential design moves that serve to embed AIR within its surroundings-climatically, spatially, and even experientially. "The biggest architectural

Ma, Nathan. "DoubleTake." *Dwell*. (September/October 2024). p. 76-83.

"In Lien and Jeremy's home, the palette is limited but not minimal: Bright white, bold blue, dusky pink, and midnight black dominate the space. The four colors are woven throughout the apartment, creating a sense of continuity-and an elegant backdrop for Jeremy and Lien's collection of artwork and furniture. They bought much of their decor and lighting from Belgian retailer Classo, including the mustard-yellow velvet Camaleonda sofa by Mario Bellini. The common areas and bedrooms take up the fourth floor, and a spiral staircase ascends from the living area to a guest suite, which opens to a rooftop terrace." (79).

Plockova, Joann. "The Open Republic." *Azure*. (No 306, September/October 2024). p. 60-64.

" Inside Plato Contemporary Art Gallery in Ostrava, Czechia, several visitors stand around a wall gaping in fascination. They are gazing not at art but rather at a portion of the wall that is slowly rotating open. Thick and putty-grey, the massive moveable architectural feature is adorned with t

and fauna to catch hold and thrive. The jury appreciated the "nice integration of materials and planting to engage guests and promote sustainability." (172).

Snyder, Michael. "Gather Round." *Architectural Record*. (September 2024). p.72-79. ×

"Like Canales's previous houses in the Reserva, Casa 720 explores the potentialities of the central patio, a fundamental typology in Mexican architecture, from colonial courtyard houses to multifamily tenements and graceful Modernist projects by luminaries like Mathias Goeritz and Luis Barragán. Here, the permeable central patio, built over a 79,000-gallon cistern, captures water during the six-month rainy season for use throughout the year." (76). ×

Snyder, Michael. "Set in Stone, and Brick." *Architectural Record*. (September 2024). p.106-111. ×

"The focal point of Atelier Ars's Promontory Villa, a sprawling six-bedroom weekend house in the pine-cloaked mountains southwest of Guadalajara, Mexico, is a totemic stone chimney rising 23 feet into an open sky against a backdrop of distant hills. Primordial and abstract—the hearth is the most ancient metonym for a home—when separated from a house, it borders on the surreal; the stone tower becomes an anchor, pinning the 9,640-square-foot home to its plot." (107). ×

Tschirch, John R. "Thomas Jefferson's Academical Village." *Traditional Building*. (Vol 37, No. 5. October 2024). p. 38-45.

"Treatment of the university's site reveals Jefferson's adaptive skills. Set on a hill, the Rotunda is at the highest point while The Lawn slopes down in two places as one proceeds along the side ranges with pavilions. The end of The Lawn remained open to the vista of expansive countryside, a symbol of the nation's continuing expansion—the old classical world, history enshrined in the Rotunda; a new world of the future built on classical ideals waiting to be settled in open view. Manifest Destiny, for good or ill, is given architectural form." (42).

Zatarain, Ana Karina. "Take Me to The River: The City had turned its back on the riverbank." *Azure*. (No 306, September/October 2024). p. 78-79.

"Despite its potential to function as a vital public space, the area that lay between the Papaloapan River and the city limits of Tuxtepec — an industrial town in Oaxaca, Mexico — had become something of a liability. Locals largely avoided it; a nearby brewery's operations had silted up the water, making it unnavigable, and informal settlements and merchants had cropped up on the unkempt land. Recent years had seen the local

government make occasional efforts to draw families back to the green space — installing playgrounds, soccer fields and basketball courts — but these perfunctory measures inevitably fell short. "The attempts to activate the area were unsuccessful because they were disjointed, rather than being part of a comprehensive plan," explains Alejandro Polo Lamadrid, an architect and urban planner, and the founder of Mexico City-

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Architectural Education

. D O D \ F 3 4 E Q D U ' L Q , [Novel Approaches to Urban Design and Architecture Education: Design Studio Practice and Pedagogy](#). Hershey, PA: IGI Global, 2024. ISBN: 9798369347294. 391 pages. Paperback: \$200.00.

Architectural Technology

American Society of Civil Engineers, ed. [Structural Condition Assessment of Existing Buildings: A Guideline](#). Virgina, US: American Society of Civil Engineers, 2024. ISBN: 9780784416211. 350 pages. Paperback: \$110.00.

Moradi, Sina, Kalle Kahkonen, Lauri Koskela, Ole Jonny Klakegg, Kirsi Aaltonen (eds.). [Routledge Handbook of Collaboration in Construction](#). Oxfordshire: Routledge, 2024. ISBN: 9781032454825. 286 pages. Hardcover: \$200.00.

Architectural Theory

Pérez-Gómez, Alberto. [An Alliterative Lexicon of Architectural Memories: Volume 2](#). n.p.: RightAngle International Publishing, 2024. ISBN: 9798332186233. 315 pages. Paperback: \$28.69.

Poppen, Jeff. [Barefoot Biodynamics: How Cows, Compost, and Community Help Us Understand Rudolf Steiner's Agriculture Course](#). New York: Chelsea Green Publishing, 2024. ISBN: 9781645022480. 208 pages. Paperback: \$9.40.

Vahdat, Vahid, James F. Kerestes, eds. [Architecture, Film, and the In-between: Spatio-Cinematic Betwixt](#). Bristol: Intellect Books, 2024. ISBN: 9781789389654. 256 pages. Paperback: \$39.95.

Architecture & Society

Azzouz, Ammar. [Domicide: Architecture, War and the Destruction of Home in Syria](#).

Trabattoni, Luca. [Planning and Designing the Absent City: Campsites as Temporary Settlements](#). Oxfordshire: Routledge, 2024. ISBN: 9781032742847. 174 pages. Hardcover: \$64.99.

Zigbi-Johnson, Najha, ed. [Mapping Malcolm](#). New York: Columbia Books on Architecture and the City, 2024. ISBN: 9781941332832. 304 pages. Paperback: \$28.00.

Building Materials

Woolley, Tom. [Building Materials, Health and Indoor Air Quality](#). Oxfordshire: Routledge, 2024. ISBN: 9780367646691. 234 pages. Paperback: \$58.99.

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