

# Term 2 Week 1 9–13 January 2017

## Events List



## Lectures & Events

MArch Jury Week Keynote Lectures (H&U)

**Simon Smithson**

**Whiteling on a Caracas Highway and other Tales in Urbanism**

*Monday 9 January, 6.30*

*Lecture Hall*

This talk will give an account of experiences of the work of Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners in Venezuela, while dwelling on a recent masterplanning competition in India and, by way of conclusion, looking at a project by the practice that is just about to begin work on again in Madrid.

Simon Smithson joined Rogers Stirk Harbour + Partners in 1991. He was project architect for the Stirling Prize-winning Terminal 4, Madrid Barajas Airport, moving to Madrid with the team when the project went on site. He is now a partner in the London office, leading the development of the practice's work in Latin America.

MArch Jury Week Keynote Lectures (SED)

**Ron Bakker**

**We need to Talk to our Buildings**

*Tuesday 10 January, 6.30*

*Lecture Hall*

The Edge in Amsterdam is one of the world's most sustainable office buildings. It is also an example of how digital technologies can help us to enable direct communication between people and their urban and architectural surroundings, making the use of buildings and city environments more efficient and productive.

Ron Bakker is a Partner at PLP Architecture, which he co-founded with Lee Polisano, David Leventhal and Karen Cook. His recent projects include The Edge, the refurbishment of a 1960s building in Westminster on behalf of Derwent London providing additional bespoke spaces for Burberry, a mixed-use project in Kuwait City, and a residential project in Kolkata.

MArch Jury Week Keynote Lectures (EmTech)

**David Benjamin**

**The Living**

*Wednesday 11 January, 6.30*

*Lecture Hall*

David Benjamin is the founder and principal of the New York-based

practice The Living and assistant professor at Columbia University GSAPP. As the first of a new kind of Autodesk Studio, The Living explores the future by building full-scale functioning prototypes today. Its projects apply generative design, biology and new materials to real built projects in the context of technology, culture, and the environment.

MArch Jury Week Keynote Lectures (DRL)

**Robert Stuart-Smith**

**Behavioural Production: A Swarm Constructed Architecture**

*Thursday 12 January, 6.30*

*Lecture Hall*

For this lecture Robert Stuart-Smith will present the work of his eponymous design studio in the AA DRL alongside projects from the University of Innsbruck, all of which explore design processes that operate directly on matter through behaviour-based programming.

Robert Stuart-Smith is a director of his eponymous design studio, co-founder of the computational research group Kokkugia, a studio course master in the DRL Masters programme at the AA and a principal research associate in University College of London's Computer Science department.

MArch Jury Week Keynote Lectures (DRL)

**Theodore Spyropoulos**

**Continuing the Experiment: Towards a Participatory Model for Architecture**

*Friday 13 January, 6.30*

*Lecture Hall*

We live in a technological sphere that is radically altering our communication, experience and understanding of the world. AADRL director Theodore Spyropoulos will discuss the role of experimentation today and how architecture can offer an adaptive framework that engages social and participatory models.

Theodore Spyropoulos co-founded and directs the experimental art, architecture and design studio Minimaforms. He also is the director of the AA Design Research Lab. He has been a visiting Research Fellow at MIT's Center for Advanced Visual Studies working with the Interrogative

Design Group and co-founded the New Media and Information Research initiative at the AA.

## Exhibitions

Exhibition runs until Friday 25 February, Monday to Friday 10.00–7.00, Saturday 10.00–5.00

**UNKNOWN FIELDS:**

**The Dark Side of the City**

*AA Gallery*

In The Dark Side of the City Unknown Fields takes us on a road trip through a reimagined city that stretches across the ends of the earth. It is a portrait of a place that sits between documentary and fiction, a city of fragments; of drone footage and hidden camera investigations, of interviews and speculative narratives, of toxic objects, reimagined landscapes and distributed matter from distant sites. The Dark Side of the City is a collection of stories from the constellation of elsewhere that are conjured into being by the city's wants and needs, fears and dreams.

## Notices

**2017/18 Applicants Open Day**

Our final Open Day for 2017/18 applicants will be held on Friday 13 January 2017 11.00 – 6.00, followed by a Public Programme event from 6.30. This is a school-wide event for anyone interested in joining our: One Year Foundation Course 5-Year ARB/RIBA recognised course in Architecture (at First Year, Intermediate (Part 1) and Diploma (Part 2) level

One of our 11 postgraduate programmes (MA, MSc, MFA, MArch, Taught MPhil, PhD and MPhil)

Events will be held throughout the day, and full details will be announced online.

**Application deadlines for the 2017-18 Academic Year**

Application deadlines for prospective students wishing to join in September 2017 are outlined below:

**Undergraduate School**

Friday 27 January 2017

Late applications close

**Graduate School**

Friday 27 January 2017

Early (Winter) applications close

Friday 10 March 2017

Late (Spring) applications close

For full details and to find out about our application procedures visit [aaschool.ac.uk](http://aaschool.ac.uk) and review the links under the APPLY heading.

**Student Registration for Term 2**

All students are required to undertake Registration for Term 2 on Monday 9 January in the Coordinator's Office as per the following schedule:

Undergraduate with Rachel Sim and Claire Hudspeth:

10.00 Foundation

10.30 First Year

11.30 Second Year

2.00 Third Year

3.30 Fourth Year

4.30 Fifth Year

Graduate with Nina El Touny and Clement Chung:

10.00–1.00 AAIS MA / AAIS MFA

DRL MArch Phase I

Em Tech MSc / Em Tech MArch

Phase I

H+U MA / H+U MArch Phase I

PhD (all)

2.00–5.00 HCT MA

LU MSc / LU MArch Phase I

Media Practices Taught MPhil

Projective Cities Taught MPhil

Phase I AND Phase II

SED MSc / MArch Phase I

Registration is mandatory for all students. Please bring proof of Term 2 fee payment. If there is any reason for a delayed return to School (unit/ programme study trip, approved extended vacation or extenuating circumstance) this must be confirmed in writing to the School Registrar stating the reason for the delay and the expected date of return: [belinda@aaschool.ac.uk](mailto:belinda@aaschool.ac.uk)

**AA Film Club**

*Hearts Of Darkness: A Filmmaker's Apocalypse* (1991)

directed by Eleanor Coppola, George Hickenlooper and Fax Bahr

*Wednesday 11 January, 6.30*

*AA Cinema*

## Week 1 Diary

**Term 2 Complementary Studies**

Please note that Term 2 CS courses commence this week. Check [aaschool.ac.uk](http://aaschool.ac.uk) for times and listings.

## Monday 9 January

**10.00 H&U Jury**

*Rear Second Presentation Space*

**12.00 LU Jury**

*Lecture Hall*

**6.30 MArch Jury Week Keynote Simon Smithson**

*Rear Second Presentation Space*

*Lecture Hall*

## Tuesday 10 January

**10.00 SED Jury**

*Lecture Hall*

**6.30 MArch Jury Week Keynote Ron Bakker**

*Lecture Hall, See Lectures & Events*

## Wednesday 11 January

**1.00 Emtech Jury**

*Lecture Hall*

**2.00 Design + Make Jury**

*Rear Second Presentation Space*

**6.30 MArch Jury Week Keynote David Benjamin**

*Lecture Hall, See Lectures & Events*

**6.30 AA Film Club**

*Hearts Of Darkness:*

*A Filmmaker's Apocalypse*

*AA Cinema, See Notices*

## Thursday 12 January

**10.00 AA DRL Jury, Day 1**

*Lecture Hall*

**6.30 MArch Jury Week Keynote Robert Stuart-Smith**

*Lecture Hall, See Lectures & Events*

## Friday 13 January

**10.00 End-of-Term Jury**

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*32 First Floor Front*

**10.00 AA DRL Jury, Day 2**

*Lecture Hall*

**11.00 AA Open Day**

*See Notices*

**2.00 Landscape Urbanism Lecture Series**

Jose Alfredo Ramirez

*LU Studio*

**6.30 MArch Jury Week Keynote Theodore Spyropoulos**

*Lecture Hall, See Lectures & Events*

All events take place at 6.30pm in the Lecture Hall unless otherwise noted

## MArch Keynote Lecture Series

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- Tue 10** Ron Bakker: We need to Talk to our Buildings
- Wed 11** David Benjamin: The Living
- Thu 12** Robert Stuart-Smith: Behavioural Production – A Swarm-Constructed Architecture
- Fri 13** AA Open Day  
*11am*  
Theodore Spyropoulos: Continuing the Experiment – Towards a Participatory Model for Architecture

Happy New Year from the AA,  
image Boris Meister

AA Members can access a black-and-white and/or larger print version of Events List by going to the AA website at [aaschool.ac.uk](http://aaschool.ac.uk). For the audio infoline, please call 020 7887 4111.

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