



Exhibition Press Release

Projects Review 2013

The Architectural Association's Summer Exhibition

22 June – 13 July

Architectural Association School of Architecture, 36 Bedford Square, London, WC1B 3ES, UK

Admission Free

Opening times

Monday to Friday 10am–7pm; Saturday 22 June 1-5pm; all other Saturdays 10am-5pm

Private View Friday 21 June, 6:30–8:30pm

- Major public summer exhibition from the world's most international school of architecture
- Showcasing some of the most radical and experimental thinking in architecture today
- Launch of the AA Book 2013, documenting the year's unique projects and events
- *FORMAT 3*, the live magazine event, is free to the public and includes discussion and talks

The Architectural Association's *Projects Review 2013* exhibition offers a unique opportunity to experience a year's work from 650 students, studying in design units and programmes at the world's most international school of architecture.

Since 1847 the AA School has been forming future leaders of architecture and design. *Projects Review 2013* is an opportunity to glimpse architecture's future in its most compelling and unexpected forms – through the creative minds of an emerging generation addressing the world's greatest challenges. Hundreds of drawings, models, installations, videos, 1:1 scale working prototypes, interactive media and performances will provide a snapshot of the latest experimentation and invention underway within the unique warren of spaces forming the AA's Georgian campus.

'At the AA architecture is pursued as a form of cultural knowledge, learning and enquiry. Year-long design projects and portfolios are the focus of each and every student, design unit and creative programme. Truly great schools don't just nurture and support architectural talent: they build audiences as well, out of which innovative ideas, visions and agendas emerge. The AA remains committed to not only understanding the complexities of the world today, but imagining specific nuanced alternatives to architecture as it is already understood. It is more urgent than ever to insist upon architectural schools as pedagogical spaces where students develop as intelligent committed and critical minds. The AA is such a space.'

Brett Steele, Director, AA School.

FORMAT 3 – July 2-17

The AA School's renowned public programme continues throughout the summer in the form of *FORMAT*, the third issue of the 'live magazine' looking at how cultural discourse is shaped. Organised by Shumon Basar, it will bring together artists, critics, writers, designers and performers in a series of innovative, reflexive events. Past formats have included Magic, Library, Chat Show, Cover Version, Protest, and Spam. Further info at: format.aa.school.ac.uk

Projects Review 2013 is the culmination of the AA's annual public programme, the world's liveliest programme of public exhibitions and events related to contemporary architectural culture.

School Website: aaschool.ac.uk

Exhibition Website: pr2013.aaschool.ac.uk

Publication: AA Book 2013, available from 21 June.

Press Information and Images

A set of Press Images is available to download from:

aaschool.ac.uk/Downloads/press_releases/press_images/ProjectsReview2013.zip

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Notes to Editors

The Architectural Association School of Architecture is the world's oldest and most influential architecture school. Since 1847 the AA has pioneered architectural education alongside promoting and advancing the profession and culture of the discipline. At the AA architecture is treated as a unique form of human enquiry. As the last remaining private independent school of architecture in Britain, the AA's students and teachers have gone on to become worldwide leaders of architecture. Through its unique unit-based system of teaching and its intensively collaborative team-based approach to learning, the school brings together disconnected worlds, fresh ideas and inspiring insights.

Alumni include Zaha Hadid, Rem Koolhaas, Richard Rogers, Will Alsop, Cedric Price and many others.

Honours Students 2013:

AA Diploma Honours awards and special prizes will be announced on 21 June.