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Housing Futures

A forum about new trajectories in residential architecture

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Clarendon Auditorium, Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre 2 Clarendon Street South Wharf Melbourne Vic 3006

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Program.

9.00 am	WELCOME Katelin Butler, editorial director, Architecture Media
9.15 am	KEYNOTE Karen Alcock, principal, MA Architects (Melbourne)
10.00 am	KEYNOTE Griselda Balian, partner, BAAG (Buenos Aires)
10.45 am	MORNING TEA
11.15 am	CASE STUDY: CULTURALLY EMPOWERED HOUSING PROJECT, EAST ARNHEM LAND Architect: Kieran Wong, The Fulcrum Agency (Perth). Client: Gregson Lalara, Traditional Owner of the Groote Archipelago and founding chairman, Anindilyakwa Housing Aboriginal Corporation (East Arnhem Land).
	CASE STUDY: ARKADIA, SYDNEY Architect: Koos de Keijzer, director, DKO Architecture (Melbourne). Client: Pedro Pan, development manager, Defence Housing Australia (Sydney).
	CASE STUDY: 443 QUEENS STREET, BRISBANE
	Architect: Elizabeth Watson Brown, design strategy leader, Architectus Australia (Brisbane). Client: Michelle Fitzgerald, development manager, Cbus Property (Brisbane).
12.45 pm	LUNCH
1.45 pm	IBA MELBOURNE LAUNCH
	IBA (Internationale Bauausstellung) Melbourne is a cross-institutional research project aimed at transforming housing provision in Melbourne. Alan Pert, director, Melbourne School of Design, University of Melbourne. Jill Garner, Victorian Government Architect and principal, Garner Davis Architects.
2.00 pm	KEYNOTE Maggie Ma, co-founder, Domat (Hong Kong)
2.45 pm	KEYNOTE Simon Allford, founding director, Allford Hall Monaghan Morris (UK)
3.30 pm	PANEL DISCUSSION Karen Alcock, Griselda Balian, Maggie Ma and Simon Allford with chair Stuart Harrison, Harrison and White (Melbourne).
4.00 pm	CLOSING COMMENTS Katelin Butler, editorial director, Architecture Media
4.15 pm	CLOSING DRINKS
	

Keynote Addresses.

Housing, homes or architecture?



AHMM remains sceptical of models of architectural practice focused on the idea of typological expertise. Instead it pursues the making of everyday architecture that is "ExtraOrdinary." An architecture that is both of this central idea and of the context in which it is situated. The practice therefore pursues opportunities to build out its research, be that in urban or rural situations; be it in a global city like London, an oil and prairie city like Oklahoma or a new technology hub like Hyderabad.

In this talk, Simon Allford will present a series of projects, large and small, that explore the potential for a mix of uses, the implications of the consideration of long-term adaptability, and how various tenures do, or do not, drive an idea for the architecture of the home. In each of these projects the focus will be on "constructing the idea:" building as an incremental research project for the development of an architectural theory.

Apartments as home

Presented by Karen Alcock, Principal, MA and Co



How can we learn from the specifics of what we have, to build a better future for apartments in a local context? In a far larger sense, how can architects, developers and governments work together to change the focus of apartment development to achieve the best outcome for our cities?



Keynote Addresses.

Architectural responsibility

Presented by Maggie Ma,

Co-founder, Domat

Hong Kong is widely reported as the most unaffordable city in the world to live in. Although roughly 30 percent of the population lives in subsidised public rental housing, there is a great need for more options for affordable private housing for lower-income people. Subdivided homes are an example of an undesirable "solution" that appears in the city as a direct response to the laissez-faire housing market and its demand.

Maggie Ma will share Domat's works for people living with limited means, including modifications to subdivided homes and new social housing developments in Hong Kong. Due to constraints of the projects, options for design are often limited, as well as being morally debatable. At the same time, can we ignore the situation, or say it is not our responsibility as an architect?



Towards a denser, friendlier city

Presented by Griselda Balian, Partner, Buenos Aires Arquitectura Grupal (BAAG)

In Buenos Aires, the third most populated city in Latin America, 74 percent of households are apartments. Recently the urban planning code has been changed, allowing a significantly higher density, and a more compact city with less patios and open spaces. The metropolitan area is growing at pace, while elsewhere towns are closing down.

In this scenario, how can architects think about improving the city? How can we generate an integrated and friendly environment between private and common spaces? How to grow and densify without losing the identity and the way of life of a neighbourhood? Griselda Balian will present multi-residential complexes, single family households and other projects by BAAG studio, focusing on strategies used to tackle these challenges.



Other Talks.

Culturally empowered housing projects – East Arnhem Land, NT

Presented by Kieran Wong, Co-founder and Partner, The Fulcrum Agency

Despite significant Territory and Federal Government investment over the past decade, health, education and housing outcomes in Indigenous communities remain poor. In particular, limited Traditional Owner involvement and lack of climatically and culturally responsive housing design has resulted in sub-optimal housing outcomes and growing frustrations within the various communities that comprise the Groote Archipelago, East Arnhem Land, NT.

Over the past four years,
TheFulcrum.Agency has been working with
the Anindilyakwa Land Council to
significantly improve the lives of
Indigenous people across the Groote
Eylandt Archipelago through better
housing design and health hardware. By
travelling regularly to the archipelago, The
Fulcrum Agency has been able to engage
directly with traditional owners and
community stakeholders, developing a
deep understanding of the complex social
and cultural patterns underpinning each
community and building strong
relationships in the region.

In this Case Study, Kieran Wong and Gregson Lalara will discuss their unique approach to delivering planning and housing projects across the Groote Archipelago in East Arnhem Land. This work is unique and extraordinary, combining long-term community planning and cross-cultural co-design processes. The presentation will describe how this work is a radical shift from historic colonizing governance processes, moving toward a truly community-led and culturally empowered program of projects.

443 Queen Street, Brisbane

Presented by Elizabeth Watson Brown, Design Strategy Leader, Architectus Australia

Elizabeth Watson Brown will share 443 Queen Street, a project that she says will be the new benchmark in high-rise residential architecture for the subtropics - truly a "building that breathes."

The project is a radical departure from traditional "sealed" residential towers. The open-cluster plan of pavilions within generous, lush habitable gardens maximizes natural light and air, views for all and superior privacy. Shared zones such as arrival gardens, lobbies and walkways are airy gardens. Common plant and services are therefore minimized and each residence can autonomously tune and monitor energy use. This ensures 443 Queen Street halves the usual energy consumption of traditional residential buildings in Brisbane.

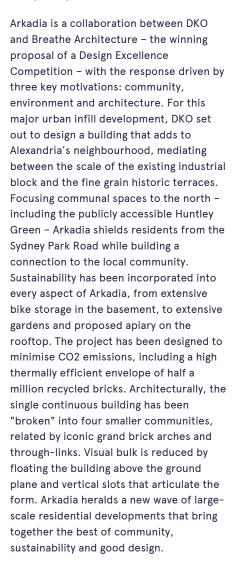
The project capitalises on its unique riverside site and generously provides public open space and a connection from the city to the river. This is rational, responsible and responsive subtropical architecture of a type that we hope is replicated throughout the city for the benefit of all.



Other Talks.

Arkadia, Alexandria







Case study clients.

Gregson Lalara

Gregson Lalara represents the client for planning and housing projects across the Groote Archipelago in East Arnhem Land. At Housing Futures, he will present the project alongside Kieran Wong of the Fulcrum Agency.

Gregson is a Warnindilaywaka man and a traditional owner of the Groote Archipelago in East Arnhem Land. He is the founding chairman of the Anindilyakwa Housing Aboriginal Corporation (AHAC) and a Traditional Owner representative and board member of the Anindilyakwa Land Council. Gregson has worked tirelessly to advocate for better housing, infrastructure and planning for the townships and satellite communities of Groote and has played a pivotal role in engaging with community members on housing design, masterplanning and implementation.

Michelle Fitzgerald

Michelle Fitzgerald represents the client for 443 Queen Street,

Brisbane. At Housing Futures, she will present the project alongside Elizabeth Watson Brown of Architectus.

Michelle Fitzgerald is a development manager at Cbus Property. She is currently the development manager of 443 Queen Street, a unique project that will be a new benchmark in environmentally driven high-rise architecture.

Before joining Cbus Property in 2013, Michelle commenced her career in architectural practice after achieving an honours degree in architecture from the University of Queensland and a Bachelor of Science (Arch) degree from the University of Newcastle.



Pedro Pan represents the client for Arkadia, Sydney. At Housing Futures, he will present the project alongside Koos de Keijzer of DKO Architecture.

Pedro Pan is a senior development manager at Defence Housing Australia and has carriage of the overall project delivery responsibilities for a number of apartment and mixed-use projects. This includes Arkadia, a high-quality residential development consisting of a mix of 152 studios, one-, two- and three-bedroom and terrace-style apartments in a prime inner-city suburb of Alexandria. Designed with strong focus on sustainable principles, the project features extensive use of recycled bricks, solar panels, and the reuse of rainwater for irrigation to communal areas.



Panel discussion chair.

Stuart Harrison

Stuart Harrison is a Melbourne architect who has worked in architectural practice, teaching and media.

Stuart in an advocate for good design and the re-use of buildings and believes in a strong link between history and contemporary practice. He is director of Harrison and White Architects, has worked extensively in public radio and authored three books on housing.

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