

AGENDA

2017 Taliesin West Symposium

SHELTER: REDEFINING REFUGE

November 17, 2017

8:00 AM – 9:30 PM

DAY 1

Approved for AIA Continuing Education System – LU/HSW – 8 Units

8:00 AM – 8:15 AM

Opening Remarks

Location: Pavilion

Speaker: Christopher Lasch, Dean, The School of Architecture at Taliesin

Topic: **Redefining Shelter: Open, Beautiful, Sustainable Refuge**

An introduction to our speakers and dwellings as refuge in contemporary architecture.

8:15 AM – 9:00 AM

Presentation

Location: Pavilion

Speaker: Brian Mackay-Lyons – Principal, Mackay-Lyons-Sweetapple Architects, LTD

Topic: **Respect for Context: Climate, Landform & Economics in Dwelling Design**

The visually dynamic use of recycled materials for residential projects and sensitive transitions from dwelling interior to natural surroundings, including the importance of siting within the natural environment, are explored in this presentation.

9:00 AM – 9:45 AM	Presentation	Location: Pavilion
	<p>Speakers: Nick Russo and Brad Wray – Directors, Branch Studio Architects</p> <p>Topic: <u>Changing Attitudes Towards Minimalist Low Impact Dwellings.</u></p> <p>In Australia, the housing market is characterized by the world’s largest houses, arranged in soul-less suburban sprawl, creating a flabby, inefficient and undisciplined built environment. Russo and Wray’s minimalist alternative dwelling spaces focus on economy of space and being built to last. This presentation examines their low impact design principles, including creative adaptive material re-use and reclaimed space, that are changing attitudes towards residential design.</p>	
9:45 AM – 10:30 AM	Presentation	Location: Pavilion
	<p>Speakers: Xavier Vendrell, Rusty Smith – Director & Associate Director, Auburn University Rural Studio</p> <p>Topic: <u>Rural Studio: Educating the Citizen Architect</u></p> <p>Drawing from 20 years of leadership in the area of public interest design, Rural Studio has been at the forefront of affordable housing best practices that foster community growth, health, and sustainability. This session provides an inside look at how Rural Studio continues to evolve, addressing the ever-emerging complexities of impoverished rural community housing and related legal compliance while educating its students as citizen architects.</p>	
10:45 AM – 11:15 AM	Morning Break	Location: Pavilion
11:15 AM - Noon	Presentation	Location: Pavilion
	<p>Speaker: Beatriz Colomina, Professor of Architecture, Princeton University</p> <p>Topic: <u>Horizons</u></p> <p>Dr. Colomina will discuss the polemical horizontality of Frank Lloyd Wright’s architecture within the context of the relentless horizontality of modern architecture, starting with the more philosophical question of the impact of horizon in human shelter.</p>	

Noon – 12:30 PM

Morning Speakers Panel Discussion

Location: Pavilion

Topic: **Creating Refuge: Methods + Means**

Moderator: Christopher Lasch, Dean, The School of Architecture at Taliesin with Brian Mackay-Lyons, Nick Russo, Brad Wray, Xavier Vendrell, Rusty Smith and Beatriz Colomina

12:30 PM – 1:30 PM

Lunch

Location: Pavilion

Slideshow: **The Free and Open Shelters of Democracy: In Memoriam for Tony Puttnam**

Frank Lloyd Wright called his work “poetic architecture” -- the metaphor of sheltering trees, articulation of landscape, interior flow, and play of light were pivotal in his “destruction of the box.” Tony Putnam, Frank Lloyd Wright Senior Emeritus Fellow, Fellowship Instructor, and Principal of Putnam Architects, Inc., captured a host of images of Wright’s design sources, including shells, spider webs, and “the house of varying opacities,” exploring the uses of history and archetype forms in “the overlay of time,” at Taliesin, Taliesin West and elsewhere over his half century career, that provide a fascinating and intimate insight into Wright’s concepts of shelter.

Book Signing

Brian Mackay Lyons and Ada Toll/Guisepppe Lignano will be available to sign copies of their new books at the end of the lunch break.

1:30 PM – 2:15 PM

Presentation

Location: Pavilion

Speakers: Ada Tolla and Giuseppe Lignano, Principals,
LOT-EK

Topic: **O+O (Objects + Operations)**

Breaking with traditional single-use structure concepts, LOT-EK has deeply explored energy efficient hybrids, blurring boundaries of public and private spaces via modular mixed use. Utilizing adaptive upcycling that allows for playful skewed angularities, natural lighting, sustainable cross-ventilation and vivid colors, this presentation explores LOT-EK's intelligent, beautiful, strong structures and prefabricated mobile dwellings.

2:15 PM – 3:00 PM

Presentation

Location: Pavilion

Speakers: Carlos Bedoya and Abel Perles – Principals,
PRODUCTORA – Mexico City

Topic: **Architecture as Resistance**

The mere fact of occupying or putting something new in a site is an act of "resistance" that generates a meeting of two circumstances, permitting greater understanding of both. In the broadest sense, the idea of refuge is a form of resistance that allows us to protect and shelter human beings, but this also provides an opportunity for self-criticism and reflection. PRODUCTORA explains their simple formal strategies to generate a condition of resistance and their impact in rethinking architectural building design.

3:00 PM – 3:30 PM

Afternoon Break

Location: Pavilion

3:30 PM – 4:15 PM	Presentation	Location: Pavilion
	<p>Speaker: Mark Wigley, Professor and Dean Emeritus, Graduate School of Architecture, Planning and Preservation, Columbia University</p> <p>Topic: <u>Usonian Radio Architecture</u></p> <p>Dr. Wigley will examine the revolution of architectural shelter made by radio waves initiated in the 20th century and ongoing in the 21st century, using Frank Lloyd Wright as the paradigm.</p>	
4:15 PM – 5:00 PM	Afternoon Panel Discussion	Location: Pavilion
	<p>Topic: <u>Redefining Adaptive Reuse</u></p> <p>Moderator: Christopher Lasch, with Ada Tolla, Giuseppe Lignano, Carlos Bedoya, Abel Perles and Mark Wigley</p>	
5:00 PM – 6:00 PM	Break	
6:00 PM – 7:00 PM	Cocktail Reception	Location: Cabaret/Pergola
7:00 PM – 8:30 PM	Black Tie Taliesin Evening Dinner w/ Presentation	Location: Atrium
	<p>Speaker: Stuart Graff – President & CEO, Frank Lloyd Wright Foundation</p> <p>Topic: <u>FLW Foundation’s Restoration Activities at Taliesin West</u></p>	
8:30 PM – 9:00 PM	Evening Performance	Location: Cabaret
	<p>String Quartet</p> <p>Presentation Coordinator: Effi Casey, Taliesin Director of Music, Senior Frank Lloyd Wright Fellowship Member</p>	

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DAY 2

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8:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Continental Breakfast for Speakers, School Faculty and Participants	Location: Pavilion
9:00 AM – 10:00 AM	Presentation Topic: <u>The Fellowship Shelters of Taliesin</u> Speaker: Keiran Murphy, Historic Researcher, Taliesin Preservation, Inc. An exploration of the creation and adaptive repurposing of existing farm structures into apprentice and Senior Fellowship housing at Taliesin in Spring Green, Wisconsin.	Location: Pavilion
10:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Presentation Topic: <u>The Apprentice Shelters of Taliesin West</u> Speaker: Ari Georges, Principal, Lindal Corp./Om Design Studio An examination of the evolution from Wright's original Triptych tents through the subsequent development of apprentice-designed minimalist shelters in the Sonoran Desert at Taliesin West.	Location: Pavilion

11:00 AM – 11:30 AM

Presentation

Location: Pavilion

Topic: **The Student Capstone Projects at Taliesin West**

Speaker: Carl Kohut, Carney Logan Burke Architects

A brief overview of the contemporary process and recent School of Architecture at Taliesin Master's Capstone Thesis design/build projects.

11:00 AM-1:30 PM

Taliesin West Shelter Walking Tour/Tea

Location: Taliesin West
Campus/Pavilion

A guided walking tour of desert Apprentice Shelter Sites, including Cornelia's Shepherd's Tent, Brittlebush, the restored Dodge Triptych Tetratent, Lotus, Redroof, Hanging Tent, Octalya, Minero, Skybox/Barrel, The Hook, Japanese, Prozillo, Helixa, Strawbale, Subterraneo-SunkenWrap, Icarus, INcognITo, Desert Perch, Glasshouse, and Treehouse. Tour begins and ends at the Pavilion, with Taliesin Tea and refreshments being served, hosted by Senior Fellowship Members, Minerva Montooth and Indira Berndtsen, assisted by School Faculty and Graduates before/after touring.
