

UCSD School of Architecture to sponsor forum on varying approaches to affordable housing May 12-13

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The design of appropriate housing environments and solutions developed in other cultures will be the focus of a spring architectural forum to be sponsored May 12-13 by the School of Architecture at the University of California, San Diego.

An international panel of architects known for innovative housing design in their respective countries will discuss "Housing Environments: A Cross-Cultural Perspective" during a 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. session May 13. A keynote speech by Balkrishna Doshi of Ahmedabad, India, at 7 p.m. May 12 officially will open the two-day forum.

Panel participants include Moshe Safdie, architect, Boston, Toronto, Montreal and Jerusalem; Felix Sanchez, architect, Mexico City; Theo Bosch, architect, Amsterdam, and Witold Rybczynski, architect and educator, Montreal. Each of their presentations will be followed by discussion sessions led by architects and social scientists from Southern California.

Architect Safdie, while perhaps most widely known for his design of Habitat for Expo '67 in Montreal, will talk about his work designing housing in Israel. Designing for a similar climate though an entirely different culture, Sanchez will share his projects and thoughts about designing housing in Mexico. Dutch architect Bosch, who worked for many years with Aldo Van Eyck, will show some of his designs of housing for the Netherlands, a country whose innovations in housing are universally recognized. Rybczynski, a professor at McGill University in Montreal, will explore ways to create an affordable home in North America in the 1990's.

Among the architects and social scientists responding to the presentations will be UCSD School of Architecture Dean Adele Naude Santos, whose architectural practice and research have centered on housing both within and outside the United States; Rob Wellington Quigley, a San Diego architect whose recent local housing projects have won numerous awards, and University of Southern California professor Dana Cuff, whose expertise is in the sociology of architecture.

Other respondents will be Craig Hodgetts, Los Angeles architect; William Curtis, architectural historian, France; John Mutlow, architect, USC; James Holston, anthropologist, USC; Nezar Alsayyad, architect, UC Berkeley; Michael Meeker, anthropologist, UCSD, and Michael Meister, art historian, University of Pennsylvania.

To supplement the discussion, the School of Architecture is hosting an exhibition of selected housing projects designed by the forum participants. The exhibition will be open to the public free of charge from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. May 14-24 (except Sundays) at the School of Architecture on the Matthews Campus.

The forum will be held in the Price Center ballroom, and the keynote address the preceding evening in the Price Center Theater. Registration for the forum is \$50, which includes parking, the keynote address and a

reception which will follow May 12, all speaker and discussion sessions and a picnic lunch May 13, and the exhibition in the School of Architecture either day. (Registration after April 26 is \$60 and will be on a space available basis.) An additional \$5 is being charged for those who wish to stay for a reception from 5:30-7 p.m. in the School of Architecture following the forum. The fee for the May 12 keynote address and reception alone is \$10, including parking.

Further information may be obtained by calling the School of Architecture at 534-5305.

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