



INTO TRASTEVERE

INTERNATIONAL DESIGN WORKSHOP

FACULTY OF ARCHITECTURE, SAPIENZA UNIVERSITY OF ROME
ROME, VALLE GIULIA, JUNE 30TH-JULY 4TH, 2014

For the eighth consecutive year, the International design workshop at the Faculty of Architecture, Sapienza University of Rome will take place between Monday, June 30th, and Friday, July 4th. Students will collaborate in mixed groups under the supervision of instructors from Rome and Myongji University.

This year's workshop project will be centered on a crucial urban space in Trastevere, Piazza Giuditta Tavani Arquati. Located at the main convergence between the Lungotevere, Viale di Trastevere, and Via della Lungaretta, the square is a nodal point in the neighborhood, but it is nevertheless a sacrificed location, where open space are unduly colonized by parked vehicles, restaurants have invasive outdoor structures, and the northern fringe of the square is characterized by a large vacant lot.

DESIGN THEME

Although Trastevere is widely recognized as one of the most popular neighborhoods in Rome's historic center, many of its urban spaces suffer from the lack of a strong structure, and the scarce control exercised over the use of open areas have increasingly led to their occupation on behalf of private subjects. Little care is provided for the universal and flexible fruition of these spaces, which are "hijacked" by invasive functions throughout the day.

In this context, the design programme will be mainly aimed at identifying appropriate, flexible and lightweight design solutions to accommodate the various activities which take place within the urban space during the course of the day. Public and private interest alike have to be considered, respecting the historical character of the square while providing space and possibilities for all other legitimate uses.

WORKSHOP ORGANIZATION

Students will work in groups of three or four, mixed between the participating schools. The workshop will take place in a reserved space in the “Valle Giulia” building, which will be freely accessible. Students will be expected to work from 10:00 to 18:00, although during the final stages they might have to prolong working hours. Every student should have an own laptop computer and other drawing tools; facilitation will be provided for printing.

WORKSHOP PROGRAM

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY
Mo 30.6	10:00	Workshop opening, Aula Fiorentino, Valle Giulia Presentation of site and program, Design groups are formed
	14:00	Site visit
Tu 01.7	10:00-18:00	Student groups begin working under the supervision of tutors
We 02.7	10:00-18:00	Design work
Th 03.7	10:00-18:00	Design work
Fr 04.7	10:00-14:00	Design work
	15:00-18:00	Final presentation of designs
