

## MAY HIGHLIGHTS

FRI 05/07  
9:00 AM EDT**AFTER CONCRETE:**  
*REDEFINING MATERIALS  
AND ENERGY IN THE  
ANTHROPOCENE*Presentations by **On Barak, Lola Ben Alon, David Benjamin, Nimrod BenZeev, Felix Heisel, Ateya Khorakiwala, Gabriel Lee, Reinhold Martin, Kiel Moe, Sophia Roosth, and Dan Steingart.**

Organized by Lucia Allais and Forrest Meggers

May 7, 9am

Virtual

For over a hundred years, reinforced concrete has served as a paradigm of wondrous materiality: natural yet human-made, liquid yet permanent, technically specialized yet easy to use. But this myth is beginning to crack physically and conceptually. As part of a multi-year research project co-directed by **Lucia Allais**, Associate Professor at Columbia GSAPP, and **Forrest Meggers** (Princeton), this event asks participants to rethink concrete historically and technically.

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## FUTURE STREETS



May 10, 12pm

Virtual

*Future Streets: Lessons and Paths Forward from Open Streets*

This conversation among community leaders, designers, advocates, and policymakers will focus on the future of Open Streets in New York City. Speakers include **Leslie Davol, Danny Harris, Leslie Ramos, Emma Silverblatt, Shane Algieri, Erick Gregory, Emily Weidenhof, Dr. Christian V. Braneon, and Green Corridor Youth Leaders** from the Washington Heights Expeditionary Learning School (WHEELS).

Co-hosted by the Center for Resilient Cities and Landscapes at Columbia GSAPP, Transportation Alternatives, the Urban Design Forum, Van Alen Institute, and Columbia University's Environmental Justice Climate Just Cities Network.

[More info](#)CONGRATULATIONS GSAPP  
CLASS OF 2021!

Visit the [2021 Commencement](#) page to watch a recording of the ceremony and browse photos of the on-campus celebration.

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## 2021 END OF YEAR SHOW

The *2021 End of Year Show* showcases speculative renderings, immersive videos, compelling data visualizations, audio-based interviews, and more

Presented entirely online, Columbia GSAPP's *2021 End of Year Show* celebrates and showcases student work from across the School's degree programs: Architecture; Urban Design; Urban Planning; Historic Preservation; Critical, Curatorial, and Conceptual Practices; and Real Estate Development. The work on view critically explores today's most pressing issues at the intersection of climate, social and racial equity, and the impact of novel forms of technology on the built environment. The exhibition has launched with work from the Fall 2020 and Spring 2021 semesters, and will be further expanded in August with additional works completed during the Summer 2021 semester.

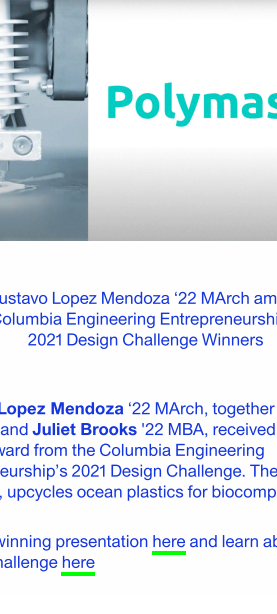
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## GSAPP RECOMMENDS

MSUP Program Director and Professor **Weiping Wu** will deliver the lecture "Paying for Urbanization: Land Finance and Impacts" on May 7 at 12pm as part of the University of Albany Confucius Institute's Virtual Speaker Series. Register [here](#).

The **Urban China Network, GSAPP Urban Planning Program, and Columbia Global Centers | Beijing** announce a call for creative essays and design projects that identify urban issues and solutions related to COVID-19 in China by May 31, 2021, 11:59pm Beijing / 11:59am NYC. Details [here](#).

## NEWS



Professor Andrew Dolkart Wins Prestigious Lucy G. Moses Preservation Leadership Award

The New York Landmarks Conservancy's Lucy G. Moses Preservation Awards are among the highest honors for outstanding preservation accomplishments in New York City. **Andrew Dolkart**, Professor of Historic Preservation at Columbia GSAPP, is being honored this year for his decades of service to the field and to his students.

To mark this occasion, **Emily R. Kahn**, a graduate of the M.S. in Historic Preservation program, interviewed Professor Dolkart about his work and the significance of this award to him. Read their conversation [here](#) and join us virtually in celebrating Professor Dolkart at the awards ceremony on May 6 at 6:00pm by registering [here](#).



Student-designed pavilion *Avery SPOT* erected on Columbia University's Morningside campus

Columbia GSAPP is pleased to present the outdoor pavilion *Avery SPOT*, designed and constructed by students in the Spring 2021 seminar "The Outside Project" led by Professors **Laurie Hawkinson** and **Galia Solomonoff**. The structure features an LED-illuminated, 600-pound inflatable canopy above Avery Plaza, anchored by four steel beams in Avery and Fayerweather Halls and four anchor points.

Learn more about *Avery SPOT* [here](#).



Associate Professor **Anna Puigjaner**, co-founder of MAIO, and **Alina Abouelenin** '21 MArch launch Rebel Kitchens at the 5th Istanbul Biennial

The interview-based project reveals a new emergence of food apps that are transforming the social and culinary landscape in North Africa.

"With the emergence of the unregulated gig economy, and particularly food delivery apps, new social patterns and economic logics have flourished online, redefining preset gendered relationships and economic power structures. Despite their potential to be places of labor rights exploitation and wealth concentration, in countries such as Egypt, food apps are offering women empowerment, by turning their domestic kitchens into spaces of production. Through a curated soundscape of different anonymous voices from Cairo, *Rebel Kitchens* intends to provide a space able to visualize this complex reality." — Anna Puigjaner and Alina Abouelenin

Visit the [Rebel Kitchens website](#).



Gustavo Lopez Mendoza '22 MArch among Columbia Engineering Entrepreneurship's 2021 Design Challenge Winners

**Gustavo Lopez Mendoza** '22 MArch, together with **Ji Ku** '22 SEAS and **Juliet Brooks** '22 MBA, received Best Overall Award from the Columbia Engineering Entrepreneurship's 2021 Design Challenge. Their proposal, *Polymasa*, upcycles ocean plastics for biocomposite 3D printing.

View the winning presentation [here](#) and learn about the Design Challenge [here](#)

News: MSRED PROGRAM DIRECTOR AND ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR PATRICE DERRINGTON PUBLISHES "BUILT UP: AN HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE ON THE CONTEMPORARY PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF REAL ESTATE DEVELOPMENT"

News: HAYES BUCHANAN '21 MSUP AMONG 12 "COLUMBIA GRADUATES TAKING ON THE CLIMATE CRISIS" FEATURED IN COLUMBIA NEWS

News: CAITLYN CAMPBELL '21 MSCCCP FEATURED IN COLUMBIA NEWS' ARTICLE ON 2021 CAMPBELL AWARD WINNERS

News: ALEK TOMICH '21 MARCH FEATURED IN METROPOLIS MAGAZINE ARTICLE "FUTURE100: ALEK TOMICH ADDRESSES EQUITY IN THE BUILT ENVIRONMENT"

News: JENN CHANG '12 MARCH FEATURED IN CULTURED MAGAZINE ARTICLE ON THE "FUTURE OF ARCHITECTURE IN COMMUNAL LIVING"

News: GUILLERMO HEVIA GARCIA '20 MSAUD FEATURED IN METROPOLIS MAGAZINE ARTICLE "DESIGN IS AN EXPLORATION OF SCALE"

News: FACULTY THOMAS DE MONCHAUX LANCES "TEMPORARY MEASURES" PROJECT AS PART OF PLACES JOURNAL'S INAUGURAL CRITIC-IN-RESIDENCE PROGRAM

News: METROPOLIS MAGAZINE SPEAKS WITH SUSHMITA SHEKAR '20 MSAUD ABOUT HER URBAN DESIGN PROJECT—CO-AUTHORED WITH CLASS OF 2020 MSAUD ALUMNI HATEM AL KHATHLAN, EINAT LUBLINER, AND CHRIS ZHENG—IN "THE NEXT WAVE OF URBAN PLANNERS WILL PRIORITIZE SOCIAL CAPITAL."

News: GSAPP FACULTY CHRIS LEONG, DOMINIC LEONG '03 MSAAD, AND SEAN CONNELLY DELIVER VIRTUAL LECTURE "HAWAII NON-LINEAR" AT MIT

News: AVERY SPOT HIGHLIGHTED AMONG UNTAPPED CITIES' "10 NEW PUBLIC ART INSTALLATIONS IN NYC"

News: MSRED CLASS OF 2021 ALUMNI STEPHEN STECKEL, OLIVER SCHWALBE, AND JEFF ADLER FEATURED IN THE REAL DEAL ARTICLE "INFLUENCER CO-WORKING, KNICKS PRACTICE SPACE: THE FUTURE OF NYC REAL ESTATE?"

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