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BOWL CITY YOUTH HOSTEL



2020





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Concept Development

This hostel is inspired by culinary traditions of the Hakka culture. The motions of food traveling from plate to plate, of potted drinks pouring from vessel to vessel deeply informed the designs of the circulation. Sharing is at the heart of these motions, and the design intends to diffuse the spirit of sharing by creating spaces of gathering. Though out this hostel, the guests and local residents are inter-weaved by walkways that intersect and meet at public programs in "bowls". The design aims to immerse the guests fully into the local culture by respecting the traditional materials used in Tulos, and increasing interactions between the two groups. By interposing guest rooms with residential rooms, higher levels of interactions are engendered between guest and residents.

▲ Tulou Traditional Details Inspiration



Circulation Strategy

Each floor is internally connected via bridges; while across floor levels a system of stairs weave programs together, diversifying circulation.

Public programs are concentrated on the lower two levels, while the top two levels host local residents and hostel guest rooms. The bowls, where communal programs are accommodated, influenced the placement of the bridges and stairs. Just as a plate of food invites bodily movement across the table.



▲ Axonometric Floor Plan Diagram



HOSTEL SECTIONAL DRAWING





Program Scheme

The programs hosted on each level become increasingly private. The bottom two floors host all communal programs such as the reception, communal kitchens, laundry rooms, work rooms and performance space. The upper two floors houses both apartments for local residents, and hostel guest rooms with a variety of bed arrangements. Public outdoor lounges located in the center of these two floors aim to encourage social interaction between the two groups.

4th Floor

Guest Rooms Resident Rooms Open lounge Snack Bar Bathroom & Shower ADA Bathroom



3rd Floor

Guest Rooms Resident Rooms Lounge Snack Bar Bathroom & Shower ADA Bathroom Connective Bridge



2nd Floor

Laundry Work Room Lounge Kitchen & Pantry Communal Dining Bathroom & Showers ADA Bathrooms Connective Bridge



1st Floor

Reception Work Room Communal Dining Shared Kitchens Performance Space Staff Offices Bathrooms ADA Bathrooms





FURNITURE DESIGNS



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THE SQUARECIRCLE SHELF

MATERIALS

Oak, Painted Oak (biodegradable, VOC free), Wood Glue

JOINERY DETAIL

Mortise and Tenon, Dowelled Joint

CLASS

INT-731 Furniture Design & Fabrication

INSTRUCTOR

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PROJECT Shelving Unit Design





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THE HAWTHRON

MATERIALS

Oak, Painted Oak (biodegradable, VOC free), Wood Glue

JOINERY DETAIL

Biscuit Joint, Mitered Butt, Dowelled Joint

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PROJECT

Side Table Design

VOLCANIC POD RESIDENTIAL

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▲ Ramp System Concept Diagram

Concept

The second iteration of the marine dwelling project keeps the same principles of fostering a sustainable and holistic relationships between human habitation and marine life. Designed as a second home on the ocean, this floating residential is inspired by the various organic apertures of volcanic rocks that formed and expanding the Hawaiian islands.

The thresholds of interactions between rock and water is explored in two ways. First, the use of ramps as vertical circulation symbolizes the transformed experience of gravity we feel within and under water. Second, the density of wall systems transitions from solid to porous as the floors are positioned from below, on the surface of to above water level. This also alludes to the transformative effect weathering has on rocks over time.

▲ The Ekinoid Project as Vessel Base

▲ Concept Collage

Built-in Wall System

Interior Systems

The four levels are connected via a system of ramps. The space underneath are utilized in various ways into closet spaces, storage rooms, an underwater observatory, and the first floor living room. Built in furniture and adaptive wall systems allow for customization to accommodate the off-grid life style and unique interiors of the vessel.

Axonometric Floor Plan Diagram

▲ Color Palette

Concrete Ramps, 1st and 2nd Floor Walls, Balcony Flooring

Custom Technogel Sofa 2nd Floor Library Seating

> Natural Finish Oak Built-in Wall Storage

Granite Dinning Room Floor, Kitchen Counter, Underwater Walls

Stainless Steel Airlock Doors, Equipment Storage Wall Cladding

▲ Material Scheme

Material Scheme

Continuing the color palette used in the previous marine housing project, the materials considered for this project follows a narrative of the weathering and increasing porous structure of volcanic rocks. A shift happens of form and lightness at the threshold between water levels. Notably, the submerged surface of the vessel will be coated with ph natural concrete that will instigate natural growth of local coral and marine plants. The residential will be using green energy produced by wind and solar energy, and also gives back to the environment by becoming a mobile artificial coral reef, accessible via the airlock scuba-diving room in the lowest level.

▼ Underwater Observatory

▲ West Facing Section

▲ 2nd Floor Library & Event Space

▲ 2nd Floor Parent's Bedroom

▲ 2nd Floor Parent's Bathroom

▲ -1st Floor Children's Bathroom

(4) PANEL MATERIAL CLOSE UP 12" = 1'-0"

2 ENLARGED PANEL ELEVATION 1 1/2" = 1'-0"

Custom Screen Design

A glass curtain wall system is explored to see the effect materiality has on atmosphere.

THE BACKYARD

Thesis Statement

This project proposes a childcare centered housing complex for family members transitioning out from incarceration in Los Angles. This design explores the role trust plays in forming communities through social activities. Schematically, the design amalgamates daycare centers seamlessly with apartments. Interior building systems intersect short term and long term residents with tactile and visual connections. The complimenting amenities help spatialize an internal economies of trust.

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LEASING TYPE DISTRIBUTION DIAGRAM

Equal number of long-term and short-term housing units maximizes the amount of quality social connections made as a community. Short-term leases target the immediate need for temporary housing upon release from prison. Longterm housing act as anchors for this microcosm, and contributes to solving housing insecurity.

RETHINKING BUILDING STRUCTURES

In the precedent research of prison interiors, certain building structures noticeably perpetuate feelings of distrust and reinforce negative assumptions towards the incarcerated population. Stair cases and brick walls will be adopted into the housing project, but re-imagined as elements that can foster trust between residents through visual connection and transparency of communal activities such as daycare.

CURTAIN WALL SYSTEM

Applied at daycare areas, transparency utilizes daylighting, adds visual interests for occupants, creates assurance for parents, and fosters trust.

KITCHEN WALL SYSTEM

Installed at each kitchen, the hallway facing wall creates visual connection, and offers opportunities for social interaction. The walls erode for trust to grow in it's place.

HALLWAY PATH SYSTEM

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The hallway garden path weaves together residents living in different unit types. It is also the main intersection for residents on their way to drop their kids at daycare, to school, the office spaces, the event rooms get mail, going to the gym, the playground or visiting neighbors.

PERFORATING STAIR SYSTEM

Interior stairs will be used as another oppertunity to create visual connections and creates transparency, which generates trust.

TRUST BUILDING VERTICAL SYSTEM

TRUST BUILDING HORIZONTAL SYSTEM

BACKYARD SYSTEM

Each unit will have a "yard" that connects their living rooms to the shared hallway garden. Adjacencies with other programs diversify the social interactions. And proximities to other unit's backyards foster friendship between members from longterm and short-term families.

Proximity To Public Parks

Commuting Population Density

SITE INFORMATION

BRADBURY BUILDING, 304 S Broadway, Los Angeles.

LEVEL 2 & LEVEL 4 PLAN

CONNECTIVE GARDEN PATH

LEVEL 3 & LEVEL 5 PLAN

LONGITUDINAL SECTION

INTERIOR

PERSPECTIVES

LEVEL 3 & 5 BACKYARD BETWEEN TWO UNITS

LEVEL 3 & 5 DAYCARE

LEVEL 2 & 4 DAYCARE CENTER FROM STAIR OPENING

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