Development Of Temple Architecture In India With Reference To Orissa In The Golden Age 1st Published

What can we say about 1 Kings 6-8 that attributes the construction of the temple in its full glory to Solomon? Peter Dubovsky approaches these texts from the diachronic point of view by investigating evidence gathered from the ancient Near East demonstrating that temples were often changed. He analyzes biblical texts indicating that the first temple underwent some important changes. This result leads to the final step of his investigation: he offers a minimalist version of a chronological development of the first temple and ventures to offer a more nuanced model. This conclusion, on the one hand, should be ultimately confronted with the results of archaeological excavation once they become available; on the other hand, this study can point to some nuances that only a text can preserve and no archaeologist can ever unearth. The book is an authoritative treatise on artistic heritage of India during the Golden epoch of Guptas. Based on extensive field study, the work highlights on neither to unknown aspects of great and glorious plastic and sculptured traditions.

The book aims at studying the architectural aspect of the Orissan temples. It gives a clear idea of the silpa shastra in particular, as important sources for the study of Orissan architecture. The author has arranged the material according to specific topics such as classification of soils upon which the temple is to be built, auspicious ceremonies and classification of temple types and their constituent parts. The text's analysis of system's proportion of various temples types is also presented in an admirable manner. An introduction to the book surveys the development of temple architecture in Orissa to enable the students, scholars and other readers to understand the characteristic features of the art.

While the concept of "type" has been present in architectural discourse since its formal introduction at the end of the eighteenth century, its role in the development of architectural projects has not been comprehensively analyzed. This book proposes a reassessment of architectural type throughout history and its impact on the development of architectural theory and practice. Beginning with Laugier's 1753 Essay on Architecture, Unexpected Affinities: The History of Type in the Architectural Project from Laugier to Duchamp traces type through nineteenth- and twentieth-century architectural movements and theories, culminating in a discussion of the affinities between architectural type and Duchamp's concept of the ready-made. Includes over sixty black and white images.

Study conducted in Kolar and Bangalore districts of Karnataka, India. Alayam means a temple. While temples have been built in India and elsewhere for millennia not many people know about the grand science and philosophy behind the construction. At the back of the concrete structure and design of a temple stands a subtle and lofty ideal – affirming the presence of the Ultimate Truth – in a symbolic and tangible manner.

Towards the end of the eighteenth century, a lone pilgrim reached Gujarat and joined a small ashram in Loj. In time, his followers not only accepted him as the leader of the ashram but also as the manifestation of deity and called him Swaminarayan. His followers increased rapidly and today Swaminarayan Hinduism is a transnational religious movement with major centers in India, East Africa, UK, USA, and Australasia. In a first multidisciplinary study of the movement, this volume provides new and vital information about its history, theology, as well as its transnational development, and brings forth current academic research from fields as diverse as the arts, architecture, sociology, and migration studies, among others. It analyses the philosophy, conduct, and principles that guide Swaminarayan Hindus and provides a case study of the historical and social processes of adapting religious traditions to shape new identities in response to evolving social, economic, and political changes.

This edited volume is a compilation of the 'built environment' in response to many investigations, analyses and sometimes mere observations of the various dialogues and interactions of the built, in context to its ecology, perception and design. The chapters concentrate on various independent issues, integrated as a holistic approach, both in terms of theoretical perspectives and practical approaches, predominantly focusing on the Global South. The book builds fabric knitting into the generic understanding of environment, perception and design encompassing ‘different’ attitudes and inspirations. This book is an important reference to topics concerning urbanism, urban developments and physical growth, and highlights new methodologies and practices. The book presumes an understanding unearthed from various dimensions and again woven back to a common theme, which emerges as the reader reads through. Various international experts of the respective fields working on the Global South contributed their latest research and insights to the different parts of the book. This trans-disciplinary volume appeals to scientists, students and professionals in the fields of architecture, geography, planning, environmental sciences and many more.

Study in the context of art and architectural tradition of India.

This book is a systematic overview of the temple architecture built in eastern India between the ninth and sixteenth centuries. Spanning eight hundred years, it defines the tradition of Temple Architecture of eastern India and examines the traits of continuity and of disruption in the tradition. In the absence of many extant examples of temples in the region during this whole period, the study uses the architectural fragments and votive shrines housed in various archives and museums of the world. The study locates and identifies more than forty temples of the period up to 1500 CE, and goes on to document and analyze them in order to develop an understanding of a regional type of nagara temple. The study identified the presence of all three modes called latina, phamsana and valabhi of the north Indian nagara tradition of temple architecture. Another significant feature of the study is the analysis of the re-use of earlier Hindu-Buddhist architectural fragments in later Islamic structures in order to develop an understanding of the earlier architecture and to show how the re-use of such fragments influenced the architecture of the Sultanate period in a major way, forming the basis of an architectural vocabulary. In the concluding part, the origin and development of the Mughal period temples characterized by the chala, bangla and ratna types is explained, while emphasizing the continuities and elements of disruptions that had taken place since the beginning of the ninth century.

The foreword of the book is written by Dr. George Michell whose earlier edited two best known books on the architecture of the region: Brick Temples of Bengal (From the Archives of David McCutchion) PUP, Princeton, New Jersey, 1983 and Islamic Heritage of Bengal UNESCO publications, Paris, 1984.

A reprint with a new preface of the Harper edition (1977) of Michell's standard introduction. He explains the cultural, religious, and architectural significance of the temple, illustrating his points with many photographs, building plans, and
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Includes 82 stunning black-and-white images of rarely photographed structures. Published in association with the American Institute of Indian Studies

*A visually stunning exploration of the Deccan Indian architectural history* A matching companion book to Islamic Architecture of Deccan India (ACC Art Books, 2018)* Blueprint-style plans of temples accompany 300+ photographs* Contains maps guiding would-be travelers to these temple sites

This beautifully illustrated book showcases the Hindu and Jain temples of Maharashtra, Telangana, Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka built prior to the invasion of peninsular India by the Delhi sultans at the end of the 13th century. Unlike temples in many other parts of India, those of the Deccan are well preserved, with their wealth of figural and decorative carvings miraculously intact. They demonstrate the development of Indian sacred architecture and art over a span of more than 600 years. Focusing on some 50 historical sites, the Temple Architecture of Deccan India begins with artificially excavated "cave" shrines dedicated to various Hindu deities, before proceeding on to examine free-standing Hindu and Jain monuments sponsored by successive rulers of the Deccan. Attention is paid to the beautiful sculptures found on temple basements, walls, brackets and ceilings. Carved in crisp relief, and sometimes even in three dimensions, these carvings are among the greatest glories of Indian stone art. Among the featured highlights are the cave temple on the island of Elephanta, with its stupendous representation of three-headed Sadasiva; the colossal, monolithic Kailasa temple at Ellora, a technical feat unsurpassed in the entire history of Indian architecture; the magnificent columned pavilion at Hanamkonda, now currently being reconstructed; and the temple at Belur, with its exquisitely carved female figural brackets. Specially commissioned plans of temple layouts accompany 300+ photographs and clarify the succession of dynasties that governed the Deccan during the centuries covered here. Maps locate the temple sites, while passages of text illuminate the succession of dynasties that governed the Deccan from the 7th to 13th centuries. Educational, accessible and beautifully illustrated, this book will be of interest to anyone fascinated by Indian architecture.

When The Earth, the Temple, and the Gods first appeared in 1962, it was hailed by the critics for its erudition, historical imagination and boldness. Subsequently, this comprehensive study of Greek temples and site-planning has been widely accepted as a landmark of architectural history, for it offers an inspired and arresting insight into nature and function of Greek sacred architecture. Vincent Scully, one of America's most brilliant and articulate scholars, understands the temples as physical embodiment of the gods in landscapes that had for the Greeks been sacred. He takes the ancients' sacred places and sacred representations to find that the violent, the festive, the profane, the political, the social and the spiritual are all brought together in the Greek temple. The book examines the evolution of Greek temple architecture from the early palaces to the most important buildings of the Hellenistic period, the development of its structural forms, and its structural transitions. Its emphasis is on the Greek temple as a product of an eternal dialogue between man-made structures and the natural landscape, and he relates this interaction to our understanding of Greek culture from the pre-Greek Aegean to the Hellenistic period. Years of research and travel were devoted to The Earth, the Temple, and the Gods. Scores of sites were restudied on the spot, including many lesser-known sanctuaries throughout the Hellenic world. The study includes reconstruction drawings, plans, and maps along with its richly illustrated, detailed discussions of major sites.

This part studies the period of the Vijayanagara empire during the time in which the Sangama, Tuluva and Aravidu kings ruled over a substantial portion of Karnataka, Andhra and Tamilnadu. The volume begins with temple architecture in the decades immediately preceding the establishment of the Vijayanagara empire in the middle of the fourteenth century, and continues with the study of religious monuments of the lesser dynasties which succeeded Vijayanagara in Karnataka during the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries.

The Temple Architecture of India

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This work is the outcome of painstaking research on the evolution of stupas in Burma, Pagan Period, 11th to 13th centuries a.d. Burma known as the land of pagodas is nowhere so rich in the number of pagodas as in Pagan. The stupendous vastness of the ruins reminiscent of the glory that was of Pagan in its heyday inspired this study. The evolution traced back to the beginning of the stupa structure in India, deals with the various architectural phases (duly illustrated) it passed through ending with the final stage in the Rhwedagum Pagoda in Rangoon (Burma) known as the "Golden Pagoda" with its material survival into the aesthetic and spiritual side of the evolution. That religious architecture is a barometer of the material prosperity and social outlook of the people, besides being the handmaid of the spiritual aspirations of the devotees, is amply discernible in this study. The value of the art survey in this work is further enhanced by the inclusion of over 138 photographs. Moreover, besides the magnificent Pagan art, it gives a comparative view of the religious architectural development in the Asian countries contemporaneous with the Pagan Period.

This book examines the development of Roman temple architecture from its earliest history in the sixth century BC to the reigns of Hadrian and the Antonines in the second century AD. John Stamper analyzes the temples' formal qualities, the public spaces in which they were located and, most importantly, the authority in their designs. He also traces Rome's temple architecture as it evolved over time and how it accommodated changing political and religious contexts, as well as the affects of new stylistic influences.

This unique book presents a broad multi-disciplinary examination of early temple architecture in Asia, written by two experts in digital reconstruction and the history and theory of Asian architecture. The authors examine the archetypes of Early Brahmanic, Hindu and Buddhist temple architecture from their origins in north western India to their subsequent spread and adaptation eastwards into Southeast Asia. While the epic monuments of Asia are well known, much less is known about the connections between their building traditions, especially the common themes and mutual influences in the early architecture of Java, Cambodia and Champa. While others have made significant historiographic connections between these temple building traditions, this book unravels, for the first time, the specifically compositional and architectural linkages along the trading routes of South and Southeast Asia. Through digital reconstruction and recovery of three dimensional temple forms, the authors have developed a digital dataset of early Indian antecedents, tested new technologies for the acquisition of built heritage and developed new methods for comparative analysis of built form geometry. Overall the book presents a novel approach to the study of heritage and representation within the framework of emerging digital techniques and methods.

This volume examines the multifarious dimensions that constitute the workings of the Hindu temple as an architectural and urban built form. Eleven chapters reflect on Hindu temples from multiple standpoints - tracing their elusive evolution from wayside shrines as well as canonization into classical objects; questioning the role of treatises containing their building rules; analyzing their prescribed proportions and orders; examining their presence in, and as, larger sacred habitats and ritual...

The Present Study, Divided Into Two Parts, Deals With The Socio-Geographical Mosaic, The Racio-Cultural Background And Discusses The Factors Responsible For The Development Of The Wooden Temple Architecture In The Western Himalayas.

The art of Hinduism constitutes one of the world's greatest traditions. This volume examines the entire period, covering shrines consecrated to Hindu cults and works of art portraying Hindu deities and semi-divine personalities.

The optical corrections of the Doric temple were first mentioned by the Roman architect and writer Vitruvius. According to him they were meant to prevent optical distortions that otherwise would make the temple look faulty. This explanation has ever since been repeated by most scholars although some of them maintain that the corrections were actually implemented to bring vitality to the otherwise too static appearance of the temple. Tapio Prokollo, the author of this book is an architet and a historian of ideas. He claims that actually the corrections, as well as the other, specifically Doric features of the Doric temple, were simply means architects used to make the Doric temple an autarkic unity although it was composed of many - a unity in plurality. This ideal, based on the heroic outlook inherited from the heroic past, became the most fundamental ideal for the citizens of the Doric city-states along with the development of the polis. All of the most important features of life were organized according to this ideal the polis itself, its military organization, the hoplite phalanx, and - finally - the Doric temple, which was the ultimate symbol of the city-state. The Doric temple was developed from an uncertain beginning through
many, often contradictory, phases, until the final goal; the ideal of unity in plurality was finally achieved in classical temples precisely with the help of the optical corrections. The author also claims that the interpretation of Vitruvius was actually a misunderstanding of the words of Ictinus, the architect of the Parthenon, because of different ideals between the Classical Greece and the early Roman Empire. Book jacket. Through lucid visual analysis, accompanied by drawings, this book will allow readers to appreciate the concepts underlying designs that at first sight often seem bewilderingly intricate. The book will be divided into six parts that cover the history and development of the design and architecture of Indian temples.

A fully illustrated study of the Doric Temple of Athena at Assos, in modern Turkey. Bonna Daix Wescoat presents a complete inventory of the architecture and ornament, proposes a new reconstruction of the building, and situates the Temple within the formative development of monumental architecture in Archaic Greece. This two-volume work explains in detail the religious and spiritual significance of the temple by means of copious references to Sanskrit texts—both sacred and scientific. It depicts the Hindu Temple as not merely a heap of brick, stone or wood but a visible symbol of aspirations of pious men and women, the throbings of their hearts in religious fervor and their endeavor for the attainment of salvation. The first four parts of the work are devoted to the philosophy of temple architecture. Part V deals with the origin and development of the temple from the Vedic fire altars to the latest forms. Part VI discusses the pyramidal and curvilinear superstructures in the main varieties of the Sikha, the Sikha enmeshed in Gavaksas and the composite Sikha. Part VII describes the proportional measurements and the rhythmic disposition of the garba-grha and the vertical section. It discusses the proportions of the Mandapa and the types of temples described in ancient Sanskrit texts like the Bhratsamhita and the Samaranganasutrādharā. This most comprehensive and authoritative treatise of ancient Indian Temple Architecture will prove of immense help to the students of ancient Indian culture. Contents (Vol. 1) PART I: The Site, Part II: The Plan, Part III: Plan and Supernal Man, Part IV: The Substances of which the temple is built, Names and Origins of the Temple, Part VI. The Superstructure, Part VII: Proportionate Measurement and Varieties of the Temple (Volume 2) Part VIII: The Images of the Temple, Explanation of Plates, Appendix, Sources, Index, Plates I-IXXX.

This volume brings together scholars from a range of academic specializations to study a crucial element of Indian culture—the Hindu temple. Highlighting the importance of cultural politics, patronage, and ritual practice, this volume provides an appraisal of temple and religious life in the past through a variety of perspectives such as art history, archaeology, anthropology, political history. Divided into two sections, the first deals with the archaeology of the temple. It includes not just religious structures and standing monuments but also an analysis of the location of that religious architecture within the social domain. The second section discusses texts connected with asceticism and Bhakti traditions. It also explores the interaction between the religious architecture and the diverse interest groups like the worshippers, ritual specialists, patrons, and artisans.

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