

## La Mia Casaclima Progettare Costruire E Abitare Nel Segno Della Sostenibilit

Prompted by important developments that have occurred since the publication of the third edition eight years ago, the newly updated TSCA Handbook provides anyone who manufactures, processes, distributes, or uses chemicals with a comprehensive look at their requirements under the Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA).

Since 1970, based in an isolated building situated on the peninsula of Posillipo, Pica Ciamarra Associati ([www.pcaint.eu](http://www.pcaint.eu)) has acted as a laboratory of architectural and urban design which has gradually incorporated new members and new energies over the time: using a multidisciplinary approach, the roots of the architectural practice lie in the intensive theoretical and practical work begun in the early 1960s by Massimo Pica Ciamarra. Since then the practice has been marked by a continuous relationship with Le Carré Bleu Feuille internationale d'architecture and leading members of the cultural milieu of Team 10: this has led to constant attention to everything that lies beyond form, to the relationship with contexts that also include non-spatial contexts, and to high levels of integration and dialectical discussion. According to Pica Ciamarra Associati, a design transcends the approaches of a single sector, providing simultaneous solutions to contradictory requirements, combining utopia and practicality. The poetics of the fragment: it mediates between architecture and the urban dimension; some designs also have the aim of becoming absorbed within a context as 'informed fragments'. This monograph is the result of an intensive period of work and consists of two interacting parts. It stems from research into the archive of the studio Pica Ciamarra and conversation with the members of the architectural practice. Organised diachronically, the book tells the long story, unfolding over a period of over fifty years of a team of Neapolitan architects and designers, who have maintained the lively spirit of the practice which is still geared towards the future. The textual and iconographic account tells a story and offers an interpretation that highlight the vibrant atmosphere of the studio, based on a consistency of thought and action, and fuelled by an interest in many different forms of knowledge. The contextualisation of the events related to the studio, as they unfolded over time, is wide-ranging, coherent and connotative. Antonietta Iolanda Lima, professor of history of architecture at the University of Palermo, has always tried, through theory, teaching and design, to disseminate the importance of history which can embracing innovation and tradition to an equal degree, forming a new architectural language. According to her view of architecture, history and design are closely connected, a 'single entity' as is reflected by her career. Since the 1980s, her academic work has gained increasing importance, a way of avoiding narrow sectoral approaches in the training of future architects, offering a holistic stance of the history of architecture and an architecture that contributes to shaping critical thought and a thriving cultural life.

Presents colorful paintings on split pages to allow young readers to mix up the pictures to make new artistic creations. On board pages.

Every five or six years, a different country takes the architectural lead in Europe: England came to the fore with High Tech in the early 80s; by the end of the 80s, France came to prominence with Francois Mitterand's great Parisian projects; in the 90s, Spain

and Portugal were discovering a new tradition; and recently the focus has been on The Netherlands. In this ever shifting European landscape, Italy is now set to challenge the status quo. Already home to some of the world's most well-renowned architects - Renzo Piano, Massimiliano Fuksas and Antonio Citterio – it also has many talented architects like Mario Cucinella, Italo Rota, Stefano Boeri, the ABDR group and Giuseppina Grasso Cannizzo, who are now gaining international attention. Moreover there is an extraordinary emergence of younger architects – the Erasmus generation – that is beginning to realise some very promising buildings of their own.

Nicholas Fox Weber, for thirty-three years head of the Albers Foundation, spent many years with Anni and Josef Albers, the only husband-and-wife artistic pair at the Bauhaus (she was a textile artist; he a professor and an artist, in glass, metal, wood, and photography). The Alberses told him their own stories and described life at the Bauhaus with their fellow artists and teachers, Walter Gropius, Paul Klee, Wassily Kandinsky, Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, as well these figures' lesser-known wives and girlfriends. In this extraordinary group biography, Weber brilliantly brings to life the Bauhaus geniuses and the community of the pioneering art school in Germany's Weimar and Dessau in the 1920s and early 1930s. Here are: Walter Gropius, founder of the Bauhaus, the architect who streamlined design early in his career and who saw the school as a place for designers to collaborate in an ideal setting . . . a dashing hussar, the ardent young lover of the renowned femme fatale Alma Mahler, beginning when she was the wife of composer Gustav Mahler . . . Paul Klee, the onlooker, smoking his pipe, observing Bauhaus dances as well as his colleagues' lectures from the back of the room . . . the cook who invented recipes and threw together his limited ingredients with the same spontaneity, sense of proportion, and fascination that underscored his paintings . . . Wassily Kandinsky, the Russian-born pioneer of abstract painting, guarding a secret tragedy one could never have guessed from his lively paintings, in which he used bold colors not just for their visual vibrancy, but for their "sound" effects . . . Josef Albers, who entered the Bauhaus as a student in 1920 and was one of the seven remaining faculty members when the school was closed by the Gestapo in 1933 . . . Annelise Else Frieda Fleischmann, a Berlin heiress, an intrepid young woman, who later, as Anni Albers, made art the focal point of her existence . . . Ludwig Mies van der Rohe, imperious, decisive, often harsh, an architect who became director—the last—of the Bauhaus, and the person who guided the school's final days after SS storm troopers raided the premises. Weber captures the life, spirit, and flair with which these geniuses lived, as well as their consuming goal of making art and architecture. A portrait infused with their fulsome embrace of life, their gift for laughter, and the powerful force of their individual artistic personalities.

Passive House Details introduces the concepts, principles, and design processes of building ultralow-energy buildings. The objective of this book is to provide design goals, research, analysis, systems, details, and inspiring images of some of the most energy-efficient, carbon-neutral, healthy, and satisfying buildings currently built in the region. Other topics included: heat transfer, moisture management, performance targets, and climatic zones. Illustrated with more than 375 color images, the book is a visual catalog of construction details, materials, and systems drawn from projects contributed from forty firms. Fourteen in-depth case studies demonstrate the most energy-efficient systems for foundations, walls, floors, roofs, windows, doors, and more.

This is your first book of art! Grab it, flip through the pages, turn it upside down?what do you see? Scribbles and splotches, shapes and letters, signs and lines? You're the artist: mix and match the patterns paintings by simply turning the page. Use your creativity and imagination - and most importantly, have fun! From the New York Times bestselling author of Press Here comes a new interactive book for pre-school children. The Big Book of Art features different colors, shapes, and patterns on pages that have been cut in two, presenting hundreds of possibilities for unique combinations. Young artists will delight in creating their own masterpieces time and time again.

Il presente volume esamina e analizza il tema di grande attualità, sia sul fronte della ricerca che su quello delle metodologie di progettazione architettonica, degli edifici «a energia quasi zero», ovvero delle costruzioni edilizie di nuova concezione realizzate con un compounds di materiali e di tecnologie ad altissima prestazione, la cui principale caratteristica consiste nel fabbisogno energetico molto basso, o quasi nullo e, peraltro, coperto in misura molto significativa da energia proveniente da fonti rinnovabili, prodotta all'interno del confine del sistema. Il presente lavoro di ricerca è frutto di un'intensa attività di indagine ed approfondimento che vede da tempo gli autori impegnati nelle tematiche dell'innovazione e della sostenibilità, anche nella prospettiva del trasferimento dei loro risultati al mondo produttivo. Per la completezza ed il grado di approfondimento dei temi trattati, ne emerge una guida utile per gli operatori del settore, mentre, per il taglio espositivo adottato dagli autori, il volume può risultare di interesse anche per quei professionisti che, pur non operando direttamente nel settore, si vogliono accostare ad una tematica interessante, ma complessa, quale la sostenibilità ambientale degli edifici ad energia zero.

This book consists of the Student's Book without answers with CD-ROM which contain all the material for the listening activities. It 10 topic-based units which contains speaking activities. The CD-ROM contains skills, grammar, vocabulary and listening exercises.

This book provides a methodological framework to set properly the thermal enhancement and energy efficiency in historical buildings during a renovation process. It describes the unique thermal features of historical properties, closely examining how the building materials, structural elements, and state of conservation can impact energy efficiency, including sample calculations and results. It also describes means and aims of several fundamental steps to improve energy efficiency in historical buildings with an experimentation on a case study. This timely text also introduces leading-edge technologies for enhancing the energy performance of historical buildings, including the potential for integration of co- ad tri-generation though micro-turbines, photovoltaics and solar collectors and their compatibility with architectural preservation.

This book, based on authoritative sources and reports, links environmental communication to different fields of competence: environment, sustainability, journalism, mass media, architecture, design, art, green and circular economy, public administration, big event management and legal language. The manual offers a new, scientifically based perspective, and adopts a theoretical-practical approach, providing readers with qualified best practices, case studies and 22 exclusive interviews with professionals. A fluent style of writing leads the readers through specific details, enriching their knowledge without being boring. As such it is an

excellent preparatory and interdisciplinary academic tool intended for university students, scholars, professionals, and anyone who would like to know more on the matter.

Leggerezza, riciclabilità, economicità, transitorietà, naturalità, sostenibilità, progettualità, trasformazione, manualità, innovazione, temporaneità. Sono solo alcuni degli attributi utilizzati per descrivere carta, cartone e cartoncino, da sempre parte del nostro vivere quotidiano. Oggi anche le performance di questi prodotti sono cambiate, grazie ad una ricerca - aziendale e universitaria - capace di proporre, verificare, diffondere e sviluppare applicazioni innovative che raccontano, fra l'altro, la creatività del Paese.

Interessato da anni al linguaggio e alle tecnologie d'uso dei materiali sia tradizionali che contemporanei, il Lab MD dell'Università di Ferrara ha promosso, in collaborazione con aziende o associazioni e consorzi di produzione, esplorazioni e sperimentazioni sui modi d'impiego consolidati dei materiali a base cellulosa, promuovendone evoluzioni e applicazioni inedite, innovative nella contemporaneità, dal packaging, all'arredamento, al design for children, al fashion design, all'allestimento e all'architettura.

A castaway on a rocky island is captured by a gang of evil men He was born Conan of Orme, but Orme is no more. When nuclear war causes the oceans to swallow up the Western world, Conan escapes by chance, washing up on a craggy, desolate isle. After years of privilege, island life is a hard adjustment, but he grows strong—learning to fish, to make fire, and to befriend the birds. On moonless nights, he screams into the darkness, tortured by a loneliness he cannot overcome. One day, a ship appears on the horizon, and Conan believes himself saved. But for this young survivor, trouble is just beginning. The ship belongs to the New Order, cruel rulers who are rebuilding Earth through brute force. They send their new slave to the cutthroat city of Industria, intending to break his spirit. But Conan finds power on the island, and with it, he will remake the world.

This comprehensive report focuses on the fact that millions of people in poor countries remain uneducated and illiterate - which prevents them from developing the skills they need to escape poverty. The book looks at the underlying causes of the problem and sets out a clear agenda for reform.

This book is both a high-level popularization and a critical appraisal of the methods scientists use to investigate the physical world.

Eco-efficient Construction and Building Materials reviews ways of assessing the environmental impact of construction and building materials. Part one discusses the application of life cycle assessment (LCA) methodology to building materials as well as eco-labeling. Part two includes case studies showing the application of LCA methodology to different types of building material, from cement and concrete to wood and adhesives used in building. Part three includes case studies applying LCA methodology to particular structures and components. Reviews ways of assessing the environmental impact of construction and building materials Provides a thorough overview, including strengths and shortcomings, of the life cycle assessment (LCA) and eco-labeling of eco-efficient construction and building materials Includes case studies showing the application of LCA methodology to different types of building material, from cement

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This book highlights the value of sustainability science in newly emerging and innovative approaches to research, education, capacity building and practice in order to transform rhetoric into impact sustainability. Presenting case studies from various industries, sectors and geographical contexts targeting the seventeen (Sustainable development Goals (SDGs) outlined in the 2030 Agenda, it provides insightful recommendations to create sustainable impact while at the same time achieving the global goals. The book addresses the fundamental question of how sustainability rhetoric can be transformed into impact sustainability research, education and capacity building and as a result, how existing approaches in science, curricula and practice are mitigating the demands emerging from addressing global sustainable development in an impactful and innovative manner. Providing recommendations for impact sustainability in science, curriculum on how to address pressing sustainability issues and contribute toward achieving the SDGs, this book is an essential reference for both academics and professionals.

This open access book presents theoretical and practical research relating to the vast, publicly financed program for the construction of new schools and the reorganization of existing educational buildings in Italy. This transformative process aims to give old buildings a fresh identity, to ensure that facilities are compliant with the new educational and teaching models, and to improve both energy efficiency and structural safety with respect to seismic activity. The book is divided into three sections, the first of which focuses on the social role of the school as a civic building that can serve the needs of the community. Innovations in both design and construction processes are then analyzed, paying special attention to the Building Information Modeling (BIM) strategy as a tool for the integration of different disciplines. The final section is devoted to the built heritage and tools, technologies, and approaches for the upgrading of existing buildings so that they meet the new regulations on building performance. The book will be of interest to all who wish to learn about the latest insights into the challenges posed by, and the opportunities afforded by, a comprehensive school building and renovation program.

For public access to electric energy, exploitation of high-voltage networks is inevitable. Meanwhile, high-voltage engineering plays a basic role in designing and operating network insulation. On the other hand, modern high-voltage engineering trends are developing environmentally friendly and recyclable insulators. Recently, nano-doping of environmentally friendly polypropylene/inorganic nano-composites has shown improvement to its characteristics and increased the use of HVDC insulation. In this book, research is carried out on nano-doping effects on the performance and future development of polypropylene nano-composites. Also, the characteristics of CF<sub>3</sub>I gas and its combination with nitrogen by experimental results are investigated. Installation of capacitors may result in voltage increment at the point

where the capacitors are connected to the network. This issue is important when a harmonic resonance has occurred. The harmonic resonances may lead to voltage stress on the power network insulation. The book also discusses the effect of harmonic resonance on the insulation.

A unique, insightful study of the effects of the internet on urban architecture predicts major changes in telecommunication infrastructure, highways, corporate buildings, and personal dwellings in the near future.

An awe-inspiring collection of contemporary homes designed to foster a connection with the essential elements of landscape Living in Nature showcases a selection of architect-designed houses that have something fundamental in common: a special relationship with the natural world. Each of the book's 50 homes is carefully chosen for its stunning location, whether cocooned within the earth itself or soaring high amongst treetops, surrounded by cooling waters, or resisting the desert heat. With a wealth of photographs showcasing each house inside and out, Living in Nature offers inspiration -- and tranquillity.

ICT Innovations for Sustainability is an investigation of how information and communication technology can contribute to sustainable development. It presents clear definitions of sustainability, suggesting conceptual frameworks for the positive and negative effects of ICT on sustainable development. It reviews methods of assessing the direct and indirect impact of ICT systems on energy and materials demand, and examines the results of such assessments. In addition, it investigates ICT-based approaches to supporting sustainable patterns of production and consumption, analyzing them at various levels of abstraction – from end-user devices, Internet infrastructure, user behavior, and social practices to macro-economic indicators. Combining approaches from Computer Science, Information Systems, Human-Computer Interaction, Economics, and Environmental Sciences, the book presents a new, holistic perspective on ICT for Sustainability (ICT4S). It is an indispensable resource for anyone working in the area of ICT for Energy Efficiency, Life Cycle Assessment of ICT, Green IT, Green Information Systems, Environmental Informatics, Energy Informatics, Sustainable HCI, or Computational Sustainability.

In the very near future energy-efficient building will be the rule rather than the exception. Insulating glazing, multi-functional facades and organic solar cells are examples of important new developments in the field of solar thermal technology, photo-voltaics, heating and ventilation technology which are suitable for a wide range of uses from large-scale urban-planning projects to individual single family houses, and can make significant contributions to the conservation of natural resources in sustainable building. Carefully selected articles provide information on planning methods and techniques which will enable the user to assess and apply appropriate measures. The essays are complemented by a selection of built examples which demonstrate innovative solutions and the importance of an

integrated planning process in realized projects, complete with full plans and large scale details.

Joseph Rykwert is one of the major architectural historians of this century, whose full humanistic understanding of architecture and its historical significance is unrivaled. *The Dancing Column* is certain to be his most controversial and challenging work to date. A decade in preparation, it is a deeply erudite, clearly written, and wide-ranging deconstruction of the system of column and beam known as the "orders of architecture," tracing the powerful and persistent analogy between columns and/or buildings and the human body. The body-column metaphor is as old as architectural thought, informing the works of Vitruvius, Alberti, and many later writers; but *The Dancing Column* is the first comprehensive treatment to do this huge subject full justice. It provides a new critical examination of the way the classical orders, which have dominated Western architecture for nearly three millennia, were first formulated. Rykwert opens with a review of their consequence for the leading architects of the twentieth century, and then traces ideas related to them in accounts of sacred antiquity and in scientific doctrines of humor and character. The body-column metaphor is traced in archaeological material from Egypt, Asia Minor, and the Levant, as well as from Greece, drawing on recent accounts by historians of Greek religion and society as well as the latest discoveries of archaeologists. Perhaps most important, Rykwert reexamines its significance for the formation of any theoretical view of architecture. Chapters cover an astonishing breadth of material, including the notions of a set number and a proportional as well as an ornamental rule of the orders; the theological-philosophical interpretation of antiquity on which the domination of the orders relied; the astrological and geometrical canon of the human figure; gender and column; the body as a constantly refashioned cultural product; the Greek temple building and the nature of cu

Tra le azioni poste in essere al fine di contrastare l'avanzare del degrado ambientale, pregnanti sono risultate quelle avviate nell'ultimo ventennio dal mondo della produzione edilizia che ha attivato, a tal fine, una vigorosa riorganizzazione delle fasi di progettazione, gestione e dismissione dell'organismo edilizio. In tale contesto ha assunto particolare interesse l'approccio al progetto dell'edificio nZEB, soggetto alla massima efficienza ecologica e al minor consumo energetico. Il soddisfacimento di tali requisiti, indotto da Direttive Europee e Normative Nazionali, indirizza verso organismi architettonici progettati e realizzati in modo da ridurre i consumi e nel contempo risultare capaci di produrre energia da fonti rinnovabili. In quest'ottica l'utilizzo di un Vademecum può risultare un idoneo strumento di indirizzo in grado di facilitare la disamina dei dati relativi alle analisi ambientali, al fabbisogno di energia, al sistema tecnologico e costruttivo dell'edificio nZEB rispetto a specifiche e compatibili ipotesi progettuali.

For more than half a century, Erwin Panofsky's *Perspective as Symbolic Form* has dominated studies of visual representation. Despite the hegemony of central projection, or perspective, other equally important methods of

representation have much to tell us. Parallel projection can be found on classical Greek vases, in Pompeiian frescoes, in Byzantine mosaics; it returned in works of the historical avant-garde, and remains the dominant form of representation in China. In *Oblique Drawing*, Massimo Scolari investigates "anti-perspective" visual representation over two thousand years, finding in the course of his investigation that visual and conceptual representations are manifestations of the ideological and philosophical orientations of different cultures. Images prove to be not just a form of art but a form of thought, a projection of a way of life. Scolari's generously illustrated studies show that illusionistic perspective is not the only, or even the best, representation of objects in history; parallel projection, for example, preserves in scale the actual measurements of objects it represents, avoiding the distortions of one-point perspective. Scolari analyzes the use of nonperspectival representations in pre-Renaissance images of machines and military hardware, architectural models and drawings, and illustrations of geometrical solids. He challenges Panofsky's theory of Pompeiian perspective and explains the difficulties encountered by the Chinese when they viewed Jesuit missionaries' perspectival religious images. Scolari vividly demonstrates the diversity of representational forms devised through the centuries, and shows how each one reveals something that is lacking in the others.

'As we move towards the 2016 zero carbon target in house building, Passivhaus construction looks like becoming not just popular in the UK, but commonplace. This is a no-nonsense and engaging introduction on how to do it.' Kevin McCloud

The *Passivhaus Handbook* is an essential guide for anyone wanting to realise a supremely comfortable, healthy and durable home with exceptionally low energy costs. Passivhaus design focuses on getting the building fabric right, to achieve ultra-low energy consumption in the most cost-effective manner. The approach is relevant to a wide range of building types and climates. Passivhaus methodology can be combined with elements of other building standards, such as the UK's Code for Sustainable Homes (CSH), or with other sustainable building goals, such as a commitment to using low-impact or natural building materials. Whether you are building an extension, retrofitting your house or starting from scratch, and whether you are new to low-energy design or already have some experience, this book will help you navigate around the potential pitfalls and misconceptions. It brings together current thinking and best practice. The book includes:

- A clear explanation of the underlying building physics and terminology.
- Detailed information on key elements of Passivhaus: avoiding air leakage, designing out thermal (cold) bridges, moisture management and ventilation strategy.
- Practical advice on setting up a project, including developing a motivated project team.
- A discussion of economic considerations and the policy context in the UK.

As pressure on global resources increases and energy prices continue to rise, the Passivhaus approach, proven over 20 years, meets the challenge of ultra-low-energy building for the future. Passivhaus is the fastest growing energy performance standard in the world, with almost 50,000 buildings realised to



date. Applicable to both domestic and non-domestic building types, the strength of Passivhaus lies in the simplicity of the concept. As European and global energy directives move ever closer towards Zero (fossil) Energy standards, Passivhaus provides a robust 'fabric first' approach from which to make the next step. The Passivhaus Designers Manual is the most comprehensive technical guide available to those wishing to design and build Passivhaus and Zero Energy Buildings. As a technical reference for architects, engineers and construction professionals The Passivhaus Designers Manual provides: State of the art guidance for anyone designing or working on a Passivhaus project; In depth information on building services, including high performance ventilation systems and ultra-low energy heating and cooling systems; Holistic design guidance encompassing: daylight design, ecological materials, thermal comfort, indoor air quality and economics; Practical advice on procurement methods, project management and quality assurance; Renewable energy systems suitable for Passivhaus and Zero Energy Buildings; Practical case studies from the UK, USA, and Germany amongst others; Detailed worked examples to show you how it's done and what to look out for; Expert advice from 20 world renowned Passivhaus designers, architects, building physicists and engineers. Lavishly illustrated with nearly 200 full colour illustrations, and presented by two highly experienced specialists, this is your one-stop shop for comprehensive practical information on Passivhaus and Zero Energy buildings.

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The definitive biography of Cristiano Ronaldo, named Football Book of the Year at the Cross Sports Book Awards 2016 Fully updated to include the 2017-18 season and Ronaldo's transfer to Juventus Cristiano Ronaldo is one of the greatest footballers of all time, a dream he pursued from the age of just twelve when he left his humble origins on Madeira behind. It wasn't long before he had the biggest clubs in Europe knocking on his door, but it was Manchester United who won the race for his signature. Under the tutelage of Sir Alex Ferguson, Ronaldo developed into the complete footballer and athlete, winning three league titles and a Champions League along the way. He then became the biggest galáctico of them all when he transferred to Real Madrid for a record-breaking fee. Unprecedented success in the Champions League and a record-equalling five Ballons d'Or followed, before his sensational move to Juventus in the summer of 2018. Guillem Balagué, respected football journalist and expert on the Spanish game, provides the definitive account of a twenty-first-century footballing icon.

Good architecture is no longer about simply designing a building as an isolated object, but about meeting head-on the forces that are shaping today's world. Architecture Is a Social Act: Lorcan O'Herlihy Architects [LOHA] addresses how the discipline can be used as a tool to engage in politics, economics, aesthetics, and smart growth by promoting social equity, human interaction, and cultural evolution. The book features 28 projects drawn across LOHA's nearly 30-year

history, a selection that underscores the direct connection between the development of consciously designed buildings and wider efforts to tackle issues that are relevant in a rapidly changing world. LOHA's projects range from tiny Santa Monica storefronts to vast urban plans in Detroit, Michigan, and Raleigh, North Carolina. From activating main streets, to designing housing of all shapes and sizes, to bringing hope to the homeless, to developing strategic plans for the future growth of cities, all of the work featured is represented within a larger social framework. Each case study is evidence of LOHA's mastery of scale, form, light, and space that gives people a true sense of place and belonging. Architecture Is a Social Act: Lorcan O'Herlihy Architects [LOHA] points the way ahead for both people and architecture. Features? A collection of 28 projects completed over nearly three decades gives readers thorough insight – both visually and conceptually – into the work of LA and Detroit-based firm Lorcan O'Herlihy Architects. An important contribution in a post-pandemic world, the book's main goal is to spark creative ideas and important questions about how architecture can be used in political engagement, smart growth and social structures, in order to improve our urban landscapes and elevate the human condition. Texts by O'Herlihy (Foreword), Frances Anderton (Introduction), Sinéad Finnerty-Pyne and Greg Goldin (project narratives and Afterword) are accompanied by illustrations and renderings by LOHA, and photography by Iwan Baan, Lawrence Anderson, Paul Vu, and others. The book is organized chronologically (starting in the 1990s and ending in 2020) and broken up into six sections, each representing a tipping point for the practice – periods in which LOHA's work was launched in new directions that brought new sets of challenges, all of which parallel significant historical events. Readers will gain insight into the practice's process when engaging a new project/site; understanding its history and context, and how it is informed by the culture and ecology of the people who live there.

In March 2003, Bernard Tschumi convened forty of the world's leading architectural designers and theorists -- Elizabeth Diller, Peter Eisenman, Zaha Hadid, Steven Holl, Rem Koolhaas, Greg Lynn, Winy Maas, Thom Mayne, Ben van Berkel, Mark Wigley, Alejandro Zaera-Polo, and many others -- for a conference at Columbia University. The exceptional array was asked to predict the conversations and directions of architectural practice in the 21st century. Speakers addressed the categories of current architectural discourse -- form, aesthetics, material, detail, politics -- and questioned their future validity. Other topics included architects' obsession with the detail, the possibility of practicing a politics of material, the definition of an avant-garde urbanism, the importance of form beyond its aesthetic value, and whether architecture can directly influence the social world. The State of Architecture brings together manifestos, musings, and meditations to capture the key polemics raised by this extraordinary convocation of thinkers.

From the largest global resource of new materials comes this innovative new book that connects materials to designers' needs. In each of the seven main sections, this highly illustrated book identifies key trends, looks to the future, and helps

design professionals select materials with the most potential for their specific projects. By defining a material based on its base composition rather than current use, Material ConneXion allows a designer to fully understand the potential and limitations for a material while conceiving of its new application. Organized to follow the model of the Material ConneXion library, the book's chapters are organized on seven base compositions including: Metals, Glass, Ceramics, Polymers, Natural and naturally derived materials, Carbon-based materials, Cement-based materials. The book includes quotes from 54 leading designers, architects, artists and thinkers worldwide, including Wolfgang Joop, Karim Rashid, Peter Marino, Greg Lynn, Gaetano Pesce, and Philippe Starck, that reflect upon the role of materials in contemporary design and identify their favorite materials. Additionally, the book includes an important reference section with a bibliography, glossary of technical terms, and lists of trade show and professional publication web sites.

In the last two decades, the conservation of resources and the effective use of renewable forms of energy - in particular solar energy - have become central themes for architects and urban planners. Now a Charter for Solar Energy, which gives a new direction to the profession, has been drafted by a group of leading European architects. Within this context a survey of important buildings and projects from recent years provides concrete examples of the use of solar energy and often reveals entirely new interpretations of it. The work of some 50 architectural practices, which includes housing, schools, offices, exhibition centres and urban plans, is represented. The survey concludes with some of the latest products and skin systems which have been produced to meet the needs of solar architecture. Published to mark the occasion of the 4th European Conference on Solar Energy in Architecture and Urban Planning, held in Berlin in March 1996, this book is a guide and vital source of information for all those in the building sector with an awareness of environmental issues.

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