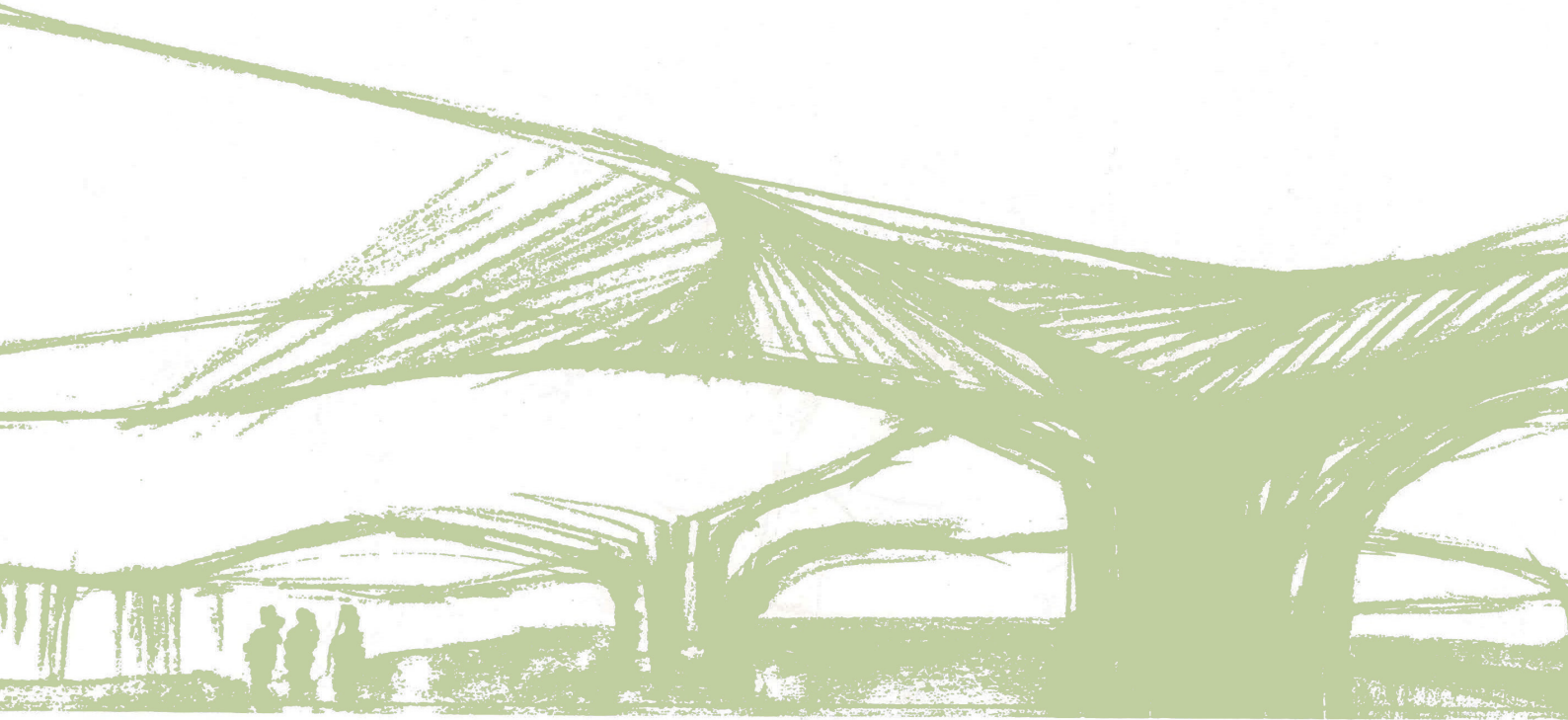


Creating Living Spaces

Weekend seminar
at the Alanus University
14th -16th March 2025



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The central task of architecture is to create spaces that support human life and are in harmony with the surrounding social and natural life. This task can be thwarted by time pressure, regulatory compliance, high construction costs or inadequate processes, but also because as designers we sometimes lack a direct connection to the people we are building for and the environment in which we are building.

How can we gain a sense for what is truly alive and awaken it within ourselves, thereby creating living spaces that support both, the natural life and people's social and inner life? We want to work on this question during this weekend seminar, focussing on a specific design task. Based on exercises of phenomenological perception, we will trace what is alive in us and the environment and shape this through a creative design process.

The programme will be enriched by contributions from the garden and landscape architect Hyco Verhaagen and the South African architect and researcher Wilfred Bohm.

The seminar is aimed at architects, garden and landscape planners, students and clients alike. We look forward to your participation!

Friday 14th March

- 15:00 Reception with coffee and tea
- 15:30 Welcome and introduction to the conference theme
- 16:00 Guided Tour around the Campus
- 17:15 Presentation: Designing living outdoor spaces (Hyco Verhaagen, NL/GER)
- 18:00 Sharing and conversations
- 18:30 Evening break
- 19:30 Presentation: Navigating Aperspective Space (Wilfried Bohm, ZA)
- 20:30 Sharing and conversations
- 21:00 Conclusion

Saturday 15th March

- 09:30 Introduction to the workshops
- 09:45 Workshops, Part 1
- 12:30 Lunch break
- 13:30 Intermediate sharing
- 14:30 Workshops, Part 2
- 16:00 Coffee break
- 18:00 Evening break
- 19:30 Theatre Performances

Sunday 16th March

- 09:30 Sharing of Workshop results
- 11:00 Coffee break
- 11:30 Workshop summary and outlook
- 12:45 End

Seminar location

Alanus University, Campus Johanneshof
Werkhaus Studio (1st floor)
53347 Alfter, Germany

The seminar is a joint initiative of the International Forum for Man and Architecture (IFMA), the Art Section at the Goetheanum, Dornach, Switzerland and the Architecture Department at the Alanus University, Alfter.

Costs

Student fee: €30*

Participant fee: €130*

(*including coffee, snacks on Friday and Saturday evening and lunch on Saturday in the university canteen)

Accommodation is not included in the seminar fee, room reservations can be made at the 'Alanus Werkhaus':
<https://werkhaus.alanus.edu/gaestehaus/zimmeranfrage.html>

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Reima Pietilä, Dipoli 1966
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