#### ANEESHA DHARWADKER

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# Illinois School of Architecture + Department of Landscape Architecture

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

# **EDUCATION**

2012 Harvard University Graduate School of Design

Master in Design Studies (History and Philosophy of Design), Cambridge MA

2009 Cornell University College of Architecture, Art, and Planning

Bachelor of Architecture, Ithaca NY

### **DESIGN PRACTICE**

2017- Founder

Chicago Design Office LLC, Chicago IL

2014-16 Associate

Booth Hansen, Chicago IL

2012-14 Junior Architect

Safdie Architects, Somerville MA

2010 Junior Architect

CS&P Architects Inc., Toronto ON

2008 Intern Architect

Skidmore Owings and Merrill LLP, Chicago IL

### **ACADEMIC POSITIONS**

Fall 2018- Assistant Professor

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

Illinois School of Architecture and Department of Landscape Architecture, Champaign IL

2016-18 **Designer-in-Residence** 

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Department of Landscape Architecture, Champaign IL

2013-14 Adjunct Faculty

Boston Architectural College, Boston MA

2011-12 Research Associate

Urban India Initiative, Graduate School of Design, Cambridge MA

# **SELECTED HONORS**

2022 New Faculty Teaching Award

Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture

2020 Jury Shortlist

Emotions, Architecture, Opioids International Ideas Competition, hosted by Combo Competitions

For "Embrace: Venice Methadone Clinic"

2019 Second Place

2018 Chicago Prize Competition: Crossing the Line, sponsored by the Chicago Architectural Club

For "Crossing the Skyline"

Jury Shortlist

Disruptive Design Affordable Housing Competition, sponsored by the Chicago Housing Policy Task Force

For "Two-Plex"

2018 Finalist & Honorable Mention

Coexist: Rethinking Zoos International Ideas Competition, hosted by ArchStorming

For "Ecoregional Zoo: A Microcosm of the Mediterranean Basin"

With Conor O'Shea and Yizhen Ding

2015 Merit Award for Planning

American Society of Landscape Architects Colorado Chapter, Denver CO

For "Multi-Grid: Redefining the Spaces Between"

With Mike Albert, Fadi Masoud, Conor O'Shea, Victor Perez-Amado

2013 Burnham Prize, Third Place

Chicago Architecture Club and Chicago Architecture Foundation, Chicago IL

For "Bus Transit Authority," with Conor O'Shea

2013 Jury Finalist, People's Choice Award Finalist, and Honorable Mention

AIA Utah Young Architects Forum

For "Multi-Grid: Redefining the Spaces Between"

With Mike Albert, Fadi Masoud, Conor O'Shea, Victor Perez-Amado

2005 James E. Rice Jr. Award for Freshman Writing, First Place

Cornell University, Ithaca NY

For "The Nature of Truth and Time," an essay on "Pierre Menard, Author of the Quixote" by J. L.

Borges, written in the required first-year composition course

2004-09 Rawlings Cornell Presidential Research Scholarship

The Cornell Commitment, Cornell University, Ithaca NY

\$10,000 travel and work-study grant and \$2,000 annual tuition stipend

SUMMARY OF INSTRUCTION

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS SCHOOL OF ARCHITECTURE

Fall 2021 Design Communications 1: Representation in Landscape Architecture

LA 280 Core Undergraduate Course / 26 students

Capstone Seminar in Sustainable Design

FAA 430 Core Undergraduate Course / 10 students

Architectural Design and Urbanism

ARCH 371 Core Junior Design Studio / 14 students

Fall 2020 Design for COVID-19: Rethinking the American Campus

ARCH 574/LA 537 Elective Graduate Design Studio / 14 students

Global Design Practice: Themes, Critiques, and Radical Alternatives

ARCH 576/LA 587 Elective Graduate Seminar / 13 students

Spring 2020 Landscape Construction

LA 343 Core Undergraduate Course / 25 students

Fall 2019 Design III: Strategies for Architectural Design

ARCH 273 Core Sophomore Design Workshop, co-coordinated with Andrea Melgarejo de Berry

124 students / 9 sections

Fall 2018 Architectural Design and the Landscape

ARCH 373 Core Junior Design Studio / 11 students

International Design Practice: Themes, Critiques, and Radical Alternatives

ARCH 576/LA 587 Elective Graduate Seminar / 21 students

UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

Spring 2018 Landscapes of Dependence

LA 336/438 Elective Vertical Design Studio / 12 students

**Landscape Construction** 

LA 343 Core Undergraduate Course / 16 students

Fall 2017 Urban Studio: Community and the Post-Industrial Landscape

LA 335 Core Junior Design Studio / 17 students

Design Communications 1: Representation in Landscape Architecture

LA 280 Core Undergraduate Course / 24 students

Spring 2017 Landscape Construction

LA 343 Core Undergraduate Course / 20 students

**Empire of Extraction** 

LA 390 Elective Undergraduate Seminar / 5 students

Fall 2016 Urban Studio: Community and the Post-Industrial Landscape

LA 335 Core Junior Design Studio / 18 students

Design Communications 1: Representation in Landscape Architecture

LA 280 Core Undergraduate Course / 24 students

BOSTON ARCHITECTURAL COLLEGE

2013-2014 Designed Adjacencies

C1 Elective Graduate Design Studio / 13 students over 2 semesters

STUDENT ADVISING

DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

2019-2020 Yexuan Gu

"Discerning the Role of Geodesign in Landscape Architecture: Exploring Its Relations With Systems

Thinking and Resilience and Its Role in Planning Support System (PSS) Technologies," University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Department of Landscape Architecture. Committee member.

MASTER OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE THESIS

2021- Sareen Ohannessian

"Superkilen: Friction Fitting In," University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Department of Landscape

Architecture. Committee chair.

2017-2018 Saloni Chawla

"Walking the Faithscapes of Varanasi, India: Pilgrimage of the Panchkroshi Yatra," University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Department of Landscape Architecture. Committee member.

**INVITED DESIGN JURIES** 

2021 Fall Integrated Urbanism Studio (Final Review)

John H. Daniels Faculty of Architecture, Landscape, and Design, University of Toronto

Roberto Damiani, Assistant Professor

2020 Spring Moravian Tile Works/Fonthill Visitor Center (Final Review)

Antionette Westphal College of Media Arts & Design, Drexel University

Kyle O'Connor, Adjunct Faculty

Architectural Studio 2 (Final Review)

J. Irwin Miller Architecture Program, Indiana University

Etien Santiago, Assistant Professor

2018 Fall Pool Rules (Final Review)

Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Designed Objects (AIADO), School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Ann L. Lui, Assistant Professor

2017 Fall Center on Civic (Final Review)

Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Designed Objects (AIADO), School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Jennifer Park, Lecturer

2016 Fall City Amplified (Final Review)

Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Designed Objects (AIADO), School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Paola Aguirre, Lecturer

2016 Spring Interior Architecture Undergraduate Studio (Final Review)

Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Designed Objects (AIADO), School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Carl Ray Miller, Associate Professor

2015 Fall Arch/InArch Design Communications Section 1 (Final Review)

Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Designed Objects (AIADO), School of the Art Institute of Chicago

Ann L. Lui, Artist-in-Residence

Arch/InArch Design Communications Section 2 (Final Review)

Architecture, Interior Architecture, and Designed Objects (AIADO), School of the Art Institute of Chicago

John S. Clark, Adjunct Faculty

Dynamics and Processes of Place (Midterm Review)

Program of Landscape Architecture, Illinois Institute of Technology

Conor O'Shea, Visiting Assistant Professor

2014 Fall Dynamics and Processes of Place (Midterm Review)

Program of Landscape Architecture, Illinois Institute of Technology

Conor O'Shea, Visiting Assistant Professor

2013 Summer Landscape Architecture Studio (Midterm and Final Reviews)

Graduate School of Design Career Discovery Program

Conor O'Shea, Instructor

2012 Summer Architecture Studio (Final Review)

Graduate School of Design Career Discovery Program

Aviva Rubin, Instructor

Landscape Architecture Studio (Final Review)

Graduate School of Design Career Discovery Program

Conor O'Shea, Instructor

Urban Planning Studio (Final Review)

Graduate School of Design Career Discovery Program

Justin Stern, Instructor

# **INVITED LECTURES AND PANELS**

2022 New Faculty Teaching Award

ACSA Annual Conference presentation, "New Historical Narratives" panel

Co-panelists: Solmaz Kive (University of Oregon) and Marcelo López-Dinardi (Texas A&M University)

Moderator: Marc Neveu (Arizona State University)

# Decolonizing the Design Canon

Cornell University Department of Architecture, ARCH 5302: Theories and Analyses of Architecture II

#### 2021 Decentering the Canon in the Architectural Library

Panel event hosted by the Ricker Library of Architecture and Art, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Co-panelists: Charles L. Davis II (University at Buffalo) and Leila Anna Wahba (Architecture + Design Museum, Los Angeles) (Mar. 23)

### Designing a Post-Pandemic Future

"Post-Pandemic Chicago: A Strong and Resilient Second City" Alumni Donor Event Office of the Vice Chancellor for Institutional Advancement, University of Illinois (Feb. 24)

# **Architecture for Social Progress**

"Framing the Future" Spring 2021 Lecture Series

School of Architecture, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Feb. 15)

#### 2019 Crossing the Line Round Table

Pre-recorded talk featured at a panel discussion by the Crossing the Line competition jury

Partner program of the Chicago Architecture Biennial

Panel: Monica Chadha, Kevin Harrington, Carol Ross Barney; Moderator: Lee Bey

Chicago Architecture Center, Chicago IL (Oct. 15)

#### 2018 The Opioid Epidemic and the Built Environment

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign Extension School I-Hotel and Conference Center, Champaign IL (Nov. 15)

# Landscapes of Dependence

"A Millennial Manifesto: How Millennials Will Save the World" American Society of Landscape Architects Illinois Chapter Pritzker Pavilion, Millennium Park, Chicago IL (Aug. 23)

#### 2017 **New Territories for Architecture**

Illinois School of Architecture, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign IL (Nov. 30)

#### **Empire of Extraction**

Center for South Asian and Middle Eastern Studies, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign IL (Apr. 18)

#### 2016 The Agency of Design

Illinois School of Architecture, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, Champaign IL (Mar. 16)

# City of Edges: Discourses on Delhi

College of Architecture, Illinois Institute of Technology, Chicago IL (Feb. 9)

#### City of Edges: A History of Spatial Paradigms in Delhi 2014

"Critical Conversations Beyond the GSD" Lecture Series, Graduate School of Design, Cambridge MA (Mar. 6)

#### 2013 City of Edges

Annual South Asia Workshop, Yale University Macmillan Center, New Haven CT (Mar. 30)

### **EDITORSHIP OF JOURNALS**

#### 2017-Founding Editor, Transect

Issue 1, Spring 2017: WE

Contributors Paola Aguirre, Christopher Alton, Keefer Dunn

Issue 2, Spring 2018: PARTITIONS

Contributors D.N. Bhargava, Dongsei Kim, Avi Taranto

### ARTICLES (+ Peer-reviewed ^ Invited)

2019

2018

2022 + Dharwadker, Aneesha. "Design for Covid-19: Rethinking an American Campus and the Dilemma of the Second Wave." The Plan Journal 7:1.

^ Dharwadker, Aneesha. "Dystopia's Ghost," Places Journal.

^ Dharwadker, Aneesha. "Anti-Colonial Architecture," Places Journal Reading List Series. 2021

^ Dharwadker, Aneesha. "Global Design Practice: Themes, Critiques, and Radical Alternatives," Places 2020 Journal Reading List Series.

> + Dharwadker, Aneesha. "A Reading List for the End of Architecture," Dialectic VII: Architecture and Citizenship — Decolonizing Architectural Pedagogy (2019): 41-48.

^ Dharwadker, Aneesha. "Ort der Widersprüche (A Place of Contradictions)." Baumeister (December

2018): pp. 40-50. German.

+ Dharwadker, Aneesha. "City of Edges," Writing Cities Vol. 3: Limits and the Urban (2014): pp. 58-67.

2006 Dharwadker, Aneesha. "The Nature of Truth and Time," Discoveries #7 (2006): pp. 59-63.

**GRANTS** 

2019 NICU Design and the American Opioid Epidemic

Dharwadker, Aneesha (P.I.)

Research Support Award, Campus Research Board, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

\$21,195

Crossing the Skyline

Dharwadker, Aneesha (P.I.)

Project Completion Grant, College of Fine and Applied Arts, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign

\$4,850

2012 Con-temporary Urbanism: Mapping India's Kumbh Mela

Mehrotra, Rahul, and Eck, Diana (P.I.), Dharwadker, A., and Dharia, N. (Co-P.I.) Provost Fund for Interfaculty Collaboration, Office of the Provost, Harvard University

\$25,000 awarded for field research in Allahabad, India

2011 Shifting Grounds: Urban Morphologies in the Yamuna Riverbed

Dharwadker, Aneesha (P.I.)

Penny White Travel Award, Department of Landscape Architecture, Graduate School of Design

\$2,200 awarded for field research in New Delhi, India

2007 Rawlings Cornell Presidential Research Scholarship Travel Grant

Dharwadker, Aneesha (P.I.)

The Cornell Commitment, Cornell University

\$3000 awarded for field research in New Delhi, India

2005 Rawlings Cornell Presidential Research Scholarship Travel Grant

Dharwadker, Aneesha (P.I.)

The Cornell Commitment, Cornell University

\$2000 awarded for field research in Chandigarh, India

### **COLLABORATIVE ARCHITECTURE MONOGRAPHS**

2014 **Safdie** 

Victoria, Australia: Images Publishing, 820 pp.

With Safdie Architects, Pentagram

Role: Content Editor and Project Manager

2013 Reaching for the Sky: The Marina Bay Sands Singapore

Singapore: ORO Editions, 287 pp. With Safdie Architects, Pentagram Role: Copy and Design Drawing Editor

# FEATURED DESIGN WORK

2015 **Bus Transit Authority** 

Aneesha Dharwadker and Conor O'Shea

Association Vol. 7. Ithaca NY: Cornell University College of Architecture, Art, and Planning (2015).

www.association.aap.cornell.edu

2011 New Geographies: Imagining a City-World Beyond Cosmopolis

Nicholas Croft, Aneesha Dharwadker, Mariusz Klemens, Elizabeth MacWillie, William Quattlebaum,

Trude Renwick, Mary Grace Verges, and Clementina Vinals

GSD Platform 4. Cambridge MA: Actar, 2011. p. 275-277.

www.gsd.harvard.edu

2011 An Archaeology of Perspective: Tempietto Underground

Aneesha Dharwadker, Aviva Rubin, Michail Vlasopoulos

Abitare Harvard Logbook

www.abitare.it

2010 MisReading the City: An Urban Proposal

Aneesha Dharwadker

Association Vol. 4. Ithaca NY: Cornell University College of Architecture, Art, and Planning (2011).

www.association.aap.cornell.edu

### **CREATIVE WORKS**

INVITED EXHIBITIONS

2020 Crossing the Skyline: Architecture, Literacy, and Incarceration

University of Illinois Main Library (Champaign IL), curated by the University Library Exhibitions Committee

Crossing the Skyline (Solo Exhibition)

School of the Art Institute of Chicago (Chicago IL), curated by Joseph Altshuler

2019 **2018 Chicago Prize Winners Exhibition** 

AIA Chicago (Chicago IL)

Project title: "Crossing the Skyline"

Disruptive Design Affordable Housing Shortlist Exhibition

AIA Chicago Small Project Awards, Artifact Events (Chicago IL)

Project title: "Two-Plex"

Form N-X00: New Forms for Citizenship

Invited online exhibition for the 2018 Venice Architecture Biennale

Submission title: "Native Citizenship"

dimensionsofcitizenship.org/#form-n-x00, curated by Iker Gil

2016 Wasteland

"50 Designers, 50 Ideas, 50 Wards," Chicago Architecture Foundation (Chicago IL) Exhibition for the CAF 50th Anniversary curated by Urban Lab, June-December

In collaboration with Hinterlands Urbanism + Landscape

2013 Next Stop: Designing Chicago BRT Stations

Chicago Architecture Foundation Burnham Prize Exhibition (Chicago IL), June-August

**BUILT ARCHITECTURAL WORK** 

2017-20 FirstFollowers Learning Lab

Chicago Design Office, with Hinterlands Urbanism and Landscape

Location Champaign IL Client FirstFollowers Role Design Principal

2017 Just Like New Retail

Chicago Design Office Location Hyderabad, India Client JustLikeNew.in Role Design Principal

2016 Skokie Country Club Swimming Complex

Booth Hansen Location Glencoe IL Client Skokie Country Club Role Project Designer

Palmolive Storefront Renovation

Booth Hansen Location Chicago IL Client Draper and Kramer Role Project Designer

MEDIA AND PRESS

2022 "Architecture in the Symbolic Realm: Troubling the Remaking of New Delhi's Central Vista with Aneesha

Dharwadker." Architecture Talk podcast with host Vikram Prakash.

https://www.architecturetalk.org/home/125ad

2021 Interview with Ray Stevens about Surfside condo collapse, WLS Radio 890 AM Chicago, 5 July.

Interview with Bruce St. James about Surfside condo collapse, WLS Radio 890 AM Chicago, 29 June.

Interview with Jon Hansen about Surfside condo collapse, WGN Radio 720 AM Chicago, 25 June. https://wgnradio.com/pinch-hitters/university-of-illinois-at-urbana-champaign-architecture-professor-pro

foundation-likely-the-reason-for-the-miami-building-collapse/

2019 Madden, Sidney. "Community Combats Opioid Crisis." The Daily Illini,14 November.

Interview about Landscapes of Dependence design studio.

2018 Mortice, Zach. "Labyrinths of Dependence." Landscape Architecture Magazine, 12 June.

Feature on Landscapes of Dependence design studio, including interview.

https://landscapearchitecturemagazine.org/2018/06/12/labyrinths-of-dependence/