Philadelphia University School of Architecture and Design Symposium Features Noted Architects
Lise Anne Couture and Laurie Hawkinson Speak on Practice + Teaching + Theory + Practice


Lise Anne Couture’s award-winning firm Asymptote expands the boundaries with work ranging from urban to computer-generated design. She and her partner, Hani Rashid, are recognized internationally for their work in virtual environments and published a book entitled Flux in 2002. Couture received her Master of Architecture from Yale University. She is a Professor of Architecture at Parsons School of Design in NY and has held numerous visiting professor appointments at institutions such as Princeton, Harvard and Columbia Universities.

On Wednesday, March 31, 2004 at 6:00 pm, Couture will be speaking at the Tuttleman Center at Philadelphia University. Her presentation, Surface Tension, is sponsored by Hillier Architects of Philadelphia.

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Architect Laurie Hawkinson is principal in the New York firm Smith-Miller + Hawkinson whose projects range from complex interiors to multi-use buildings, many of which are recognized for their interpretation and sensitivity to cultural needs and ideas. Hawkinson received her Masters in Fine Arts from the University of California at Berkeley and her Architecture degree from The Cooper Union in New York. She is an Associate Professor of Architecture at Columbia University and has held visiting professor appointments at institutions such as Harvard and Yale Universities and Parsons School of Design.

On Wednesday, March 31, 2004 at 6:00 pm, Hawkinson will be speaking at the Tuttleman Center at Philadelphia University. Her presentation, From Object to Territory, is sponsored by Vitetta Architects of Philadelphia and Shepley Bulfinch Richardson and Abbott Architects of Boston.

The Symposium, Practice + Teaching + Theory + Practice, is sponsored by the School of Architecture and Design at Philadelphia University and is free and open to the public.

Philadelphia University, founded in 1884, is a private university with 3,500 part- and full-time students from 38 states and 42 countries. The University offers more than 40 undergraduate and graduate degree programs leading to the bachelor of science, bachelor of architecture, master’s degrees and a doctoral degree in Textile Engineering and Science. Academic programs encompass architecture, design, business, textiles, fashion, science and health.

Media is cordially invited to cover this event. For more information or directions, please contact Emily Spitale at 215.951.2851.

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