

SIA Design Talk Series by Christina Thean & Warren Liu

Ms Christina Thean

Talk Title: P+A's architectural journey through the eyes of a graduate architect

Synopsis:

"It has only been in the last five years that the office has put more focus on design exploration, design development and detailing. Previously, it was more of a practical, bread-and-butter approach." Christina tells the tale of how Park + Associates' design approach had evolved since she first joined the firm as a graduate architect 15 years ago. The narrative describes the constraints the firm had experienced through the last economic downturn and how it had evolved in recent years.

Mr Warren Liu

Talk Title: Multiplicity in Design

Synopsis:

Given the current condition of globalization, the production of architecture is slowly leaning toward a form of universalisation. This condition is further exacerbated by the ubiquitousness of information technology and the present economy of Branded Architecture, a culture that promotes blatant consumption of images and an appropriation of mass. The result is an inevitable homogenization of architectural styles and concepts that are placeless, contributing to incongruous new urban environments. In reaction to this phenomenon, a search for deeper and more rooted form of architecture is needed, one that evolves out of its place, time, and context and less about creating a provocative product.

Architecture can emerge through a design process that is generated out of natural conditions of multiplicities. This approach sees architecture as an extension of a place and a context that addresses specific technological, geographical, programmatic, social, and economic conditions as a complex and inter-connected system. It is an attempt to fully embrace the polymorphic nature of individual architectural projects to allow their complexity, uniqueness and the "now-ness" to emerge from that process. The making of such architecture involves a strategic and sequential morphing of architectural form and space that seeks convergence, clarity, optimization, and resolution. It is through finding order in such a non-reductive, contentious and simultaneous manner, that architecture finds poetry and its particularity, an architecture that can potentially resonate with the site and context.

EVENT DETAILS

Date : 16 June 2016, Thursday
Time : 3.00pm – 5.00pm
(Registration will start from 2.30pm onwards with light refreshment)
Venue : Singapore Institute of Architects
SIA Theatre - Level 3
79B Neil Road (S) 088904
BOA-SIA CPD : 4 CPD points
Seminar fees : SIA Members* (Complimentary),
Non Members (\$140.00)
(fees inclusive of GST)
Closing date : 10 June 2016

* For SIA Members whose registrations have been confirmed, attendance is compulsory. Absentee/Cancellations 3 days or less before the event will be charged at \$20.00. Verbal notification of cancellation is not acceptable.

PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

2.30pm Registration with Light Refreshment
3.00pm Welcome Remarks by SIA
3.05pm **"P+A's architectural journey through the eyes of a graduate architect" by
Ms Christina Thean, Park+Associates Pte Ltd**
3.55pm **"Multiplicity in Design" by
Mr Warren Liu, A D Lab Pte Ltd**
4.45pm Q & A
5.00pm End of event

For more information, please contact SIA (**Ms Jacey Tay**):

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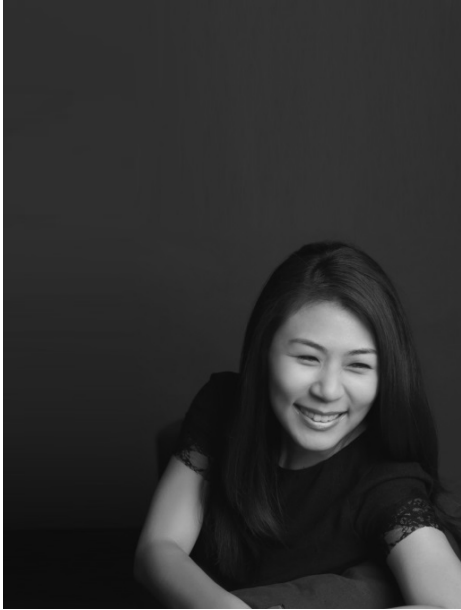
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Ms Christina Thean, Park+Associates Pte Ltd

When Christina Thean began her career at Park + Associates, like most fresh graduates, she was uncertain of her direction in the industry. The idealism that Architecture is about passion and the desire to create and inspire, gradually took form over time.

A firm believer of P+A's practice philosophy that each project is an opportunity to transform space into a delightful experience, Christina undertakes her role as Design Director with the aspiration and commitment to deliver experiences that transcend visual stimulation.

Since Park + Associates was founded in 1999, the firm has been awarded several prestigious accolades including the "Design of the Year" at the President's Design Award in 2015 and Design Award at the 14th SIA Architectural Design Awards. In 2014, the firm also competed against designers around the globe and emerged the winner of the category "Designer's Own Office" at the Best of Year Awards in New York.

Mr Warren Liu, A D Lab Pte Ltd

*Mr. Liu was a former Associate of DP Architects Pte Ltd from year 1994 to 2000, He joined Nikken Sekkei as a Design Principal between 2001-2003. Nikken Sekkei partnership was subsequently dissolved toward the end of 2003 and to facilitate the transition of projects handled by the office, WOW architects was formed with Mr. Liu as one of the founding partners where he also acted as the Design Director of the associated interior design firm Warner Wong Pte. Ltd., which focuses on hospitality interior design projects. In 2007, he left to set up Dlab (now renamed **A D Lab Pte Ltd**) which has become a research-based practice, centred on creating new or emergent designs by addressing the specific site, economics and programme of each individual project.*

Mr. Liu has won awards such as the Singapore Institute of Architects Design Awards (2010 and 2014), and conferred the AUDE's 20 Under 45 (year 2010). His works have also been featured in the prestigious AEDES gallery, Berlin, Germany in 2010 (organised by AUDE) and the ArchMarathon 2014, in Milan. In 2014, ADLab Pte Ltd, was presented the Asia Excellence Award 2014.

Mr. Liu served in the Panel of Examiners for the Board of Architects between 2012-2014 and taught in N.U.S School of Architecture as a part-time design tutor between 1997-2009. He currently serving as an appointed Member of the Board of Architects.



Application Form

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