

Cultures, Communities and Design – A conference connecting planning, landscapes, architecture and people

The University of Calgary, CANADA

June 28–30, 2022

Abstracts: 01 July, 2021 (Early)

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Provocation:

'The Countryside' – a polemically generic term Rem Koolhaas has recently used to reposition debates about our cities to those of rural areas. While posited as 'new', it is, in reality, a well established mode of thinking. Through notions such as the peri-urban for example, geographers, sociologists, architects, urban designers and regional economists have all debated the urban-rural relationship for several decades. Under this framework we are obliged to consider the city and its architecture on its own terms, but also address the 'rural' in its particular context and, importantly, explore the parallels and mutual influences at play.

Issues:

According to this logic, the social, cultural, planning and design issues relevant in our cities find parallels outside the city fringe. Calgary, the host city of this conference, is a perfect example. It has heavy industry, a thriving business economy and a growing tourist sector. However, pockets of the city contend with poverty and gentrification. As a city, Calgary also 'pressures' its surrounding lands including the Rockies and the Banff nature reserve.

Publishers:

Cambridge Scholars Publishing, UCL Press and Routledge.

Themes:

Teaching + learning  
Design + Planning  
Society + Cultures  
Infrastructure + Building

Other dates:

Later Rounds of abstract submission will be opened in December 2022 and, based on demand, March 2022

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