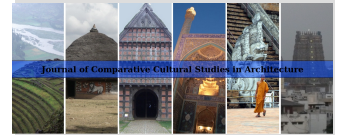


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Issue 7 _ 2013/14: AIR

Air is an important element for human beings as well as for all life in general. Fresh air to breath is essential, and therefore influences houses as well as settlements, villages and cities as a whole. Good ventilation is important for a healthy environment, and therefore the issues of air are discussed among town planners and architects at least for the last hundred years, when the Industrial revolution led to densely packed cities without proper ventilation.

But also outside the European discourse of health within a city, air is shaping cities and houses. In the absence of air condition, people invented many different systems to cool down the air, such as the wind towers of Iran (Bādgir) are impressive constructions to make the inner areas of homes comfortable, but also the water fountains in courtyard houses help to cool down the air. In cold regions the heated air will be led through circulation systems to use the maximum of the hot air. Both systems do not only effect the appearance of houses, and therefore shape the villages and cities. Such techniques to improve the micro climate are also used in the public open, from canopies to trees and the shape of roads. In this issue of JCCS-a the many different approaches, aspects and tendencies will be discussed.

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In evolutionary biology, it is believed that the triumph of human beings was mainly caused by the use of fire. By using fire it was possible to cook, an important issue for digestion and also health since bacteria were killed – a technique that cannot be used by any other animal until today. Being so important, fire plays until today an essential role in our lives, and with this in our environment. Hearths and cooking places are not only pure working spaces, but communicative places within a house. Fire is also used in many rites around the world, such as cremations, or are holy elements, like for the Parsi. On the other hand, fire is also destructive, when buildings and whole neighbourhoods can be destroyed by it. Therefore protection from and cautious use of fire shapes buildings and neighbourhoods. The many different aspects of fire will be outlined in this issue.

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