

"CALL FOR ENTRIES"

Landscape Design Competition
for the
Students of Architecture



ISOLA
KERALA CHAPTER
CELEBRATING

WLAM

In the month of April

Rethinking of
**'The Breathing Spaces in
Urban Neighborhoods'**

As a part of celebration of the World Landscape Architecture Month(WLAM), Indian Society of Landscape Architects (ISOLA) presents the design competition for the architecture students (UG & PG) of Kerala

PRIZE: WINNER Rs 15,000 RUNNER-UP Rs 10,000

Link to register:

<https://forms.gle/9mMWnrp6csnpfeHEA>

Last date for registration : 25/3/21

Last date for submission : 20/4/21

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About ISOLA's WLAM celebration

Indian society of landscape architect (ISOLA) Kerala chapter celebrates the World landscape month being celebrated in the month of April as part of national event of ISOLA to create awareness on Landscape.

Competition objectives

The objectives of the competition is to create awareness about the importance of the open space in the urban environment to the Architectural students and to establish the role of landscape architecture in day today life.

Design Requirement

Participants should select an open space in an urban neighborhood and redesign it for the public usage. Site area may range from 5 to 50 cents.

Eligibility

- The students from Architectural institution from Kerala can participate in the competition.
- Students with maximum of 3 person in a group is allowed.

Competition Expectations

- Realistic and modern approach of Design is expected from the design outcome.
- Appropriate design explanation need to be conveyed through the sketches and drawings, (walkthrough is preferable).

THE BREATHING SPACES IN URBAN NEIGHBORHOODS

The act of breathing is the utmost indication of life while the halt of breath marks death. The cities of today are not breathing but wheezing due to the suffocation caused by concrete masses. Built spaces that we create and occupy are only containers of air, which cannot breathe on its own. Breathing spaces, in contrast, are open spaces within and around the built fabric, formed naturally or designed scientifically to enable the city to breathe fresh air. The breathing spaces can range from micro to macro level such as courtyards, open spaces around the buildings, walkways, open parks, riverbanks, seashores, forests, etc.

Open spaces are being considered as the 'lungs of cities' since the advent of the modern period. But today in this pandemic period, breathing spaces have more vital roles than serving as lungs alone. When our normal is added with a face mask, the air we breathe holds value more than ever before. Breathing spaces ensure intoxication and purification of air which is now essential for not only personal health but for public health more importantly. These spaces are of paramount importance to be incorporated within the built spaces when people are caged within mechanically ventilated glass boxes of the workplace.

Earlier when open spaces were instrumental for social gathering, today they play a key role in socially distancing people in the overcrowded cities with concrete jungles. Moreover breathing spaces are crucial for the psychological and mental well-being, when people are affected by stress and isolation.

The recurrence of floods, landslides, and life-threatening ailments in Kerala are reinforcing the urgent need to preserve and ensure the breathing spaces in urban areas. The unscientific encroachment of eco-sensitive and fragile lands has caused unpredictable repercussions to the monsoon climate of Kerala. Even in this context when calamities line after one another, improper construction practices are not odd to the villages and natural ecosystems such as forests, paddy fields, riverside, etc. As a result of this, not only cities but the land of Kerala is becoming devoid of breathing spaces and needs to use oxygen cylinders and face masks.

Hence the need of identifying the open space in our neighborhood and converting them to the usable space for the urban population for creating new & better Breathing spaces.

Competition Guide lines

- The design cannot contain third party copyright materials and cannot include idea from previously published works.
- It is necessary that the individual or group who participates to come up with original design ideas

Submission guidelines

- The participants are required to submit their design via email: Isolaldc@gmail.com
- The subject should read as LDC sheets Submission> Name
- For the group the group's coordinator names should be mentioned

In the Description of the email the following to be mentioned:

1. Name of the group coordinator
2. Name of the other members
3. Contact numbers
4. Name of the institution
5. Institution code
6. Dummy number provided for the competition

- The sheet should be a single PDF format less than the file size of 22 MB
- The sheet should have relevant drawing detail to explain the design intentions
- A concept write-up not more than 100 words required to include in the sheet
- The maximum of 3 sheets allowed in the PDF, The video link of Walk through (max 3 min) if any, need to be sent along the mail.
- No information about the name of the individual or institution is allowed in the PDF in order to maintain the complete anonymity in the evaluation process.
- Dummy number provided for the competition need to be mentioned in the PDF sheets

Accolade

- A Winner & Runner-up will be selected by the Jury Panel Process.
- The jury being as constituted by the ISOLA Kerala Chapter
- Along with the recognition of the Participation the Winner & Runner-up will be awarded with Rs.15,000 & Rs.10,000 respectively.

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