

publicspace European Prize for Urban Public Space 2010: Results

Barcelona, 31 March 2010

Dear Bürgerverein Salbke-Fermersleben-Westerhüsen e.V.,

It is my honour to inform you that your project "**Open Air Library**" has been declared joint winner of the European Prize for Urban Public Space 2010.

As you know, this Prize is an initiative that the Centre de Cultura Contemporània de Barcelona (CCCB) co-organises with the Architecture Foundation of London (AF), the Architekturzentrum Wien (Az W), la Cité de l'Architecture et du Patrimoine of Paris (la Cité), the Suomen Rakennustaiteen Museo of Helsinki (SRM), the Nederlands Architectuurinstituut of Rotterdam (NAi) and the Deutsches Architekturmuseum (DAM). The Prize aims to foster and recognise the process of recovering the public dimension of urban spaces in Europe, as well as their capacity for social inclusion and democracy-building in our cities.

This year, 303 projects from 32 European countries presented for the Prize. The jury formed by Mr. Rafael Moneo as President, Mr. Severi Blomstedt (SRM), Mr. Ole Bouman (NAI), Ms. Sarah Mineko Ichioka (AF), Mr. Francis Rambert (Ia Cité), Mr. Dietmar Steiner (AzW) and Mr Peter Cachola Schmal (DAM) has met on 25 and 26 March at the CCCB and decided to award the following projects:

Joint Winners:

- * Open-Air-Library. Magdeburg, Germany (KARO* with Architektur + Netzwerk).
- * Den Norske Opera & Ballett. Oslo, Norway (Snøhetta).

Special Mentions:

- * **Urban Activators: theater podium & brug, Grotekerkplein**. Rotterdam, The Netherlands (Atelier Kempe Thill architects and planners Atelier Kempe).
- * Paseo Marítimo de la Playa Poniente. Benidorm, Spain (Office of Architecture in Barcelona).
- * Passage 56 / espace culturel écologique. Paris, France (atelier d'architecture autogérée).
- * Casetas de pescadores en el puerto. Cangas do Morrazo, Spain (Irisarri + Piñera).

On behalf of the jury of the Sixth European Prize for Urban Public Space, I should like to offer you my warm congratulations on your award. We should be very pleased if you could join us for the prize-giving ceremony, which will take place at the CCCB in Barcelona on Friday 11 June, 2010, with Mr. Rafael Moneo presiding over the event.

Your project will also be included in the on-line European Archive of Urban Public Space (www.publicspace.org/en/archive) which brings together a selection of the best projects presented for our Prize, and aims thus to promote the value of public space in Europe.

Yours sincerely,

Josep Ramoneda Director

