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JoLA is the journal of the European Council of Landscape Architecture Schools (ECLAS). It is compiled by an editorial team of academics appointed by the council. JoLA is published three times a year and features regular and themed issues.

JoLA's aim is to support, stimulate, and extend scholarly debate in landscape architecture, cultivating the diverse identity of the discipline by welcoming contributions addressing any aspect of landscape architecture. It fosters research methodologies specific to landscape architecture and aspires to expand the range of communication modes for research.

In particular, JoLA addresses the interface between academic research and professional practice. As the ECLAS journal it has a European base, but is internationally oriented and seeks to both draw in and contribute to global perspectives.

JoLA accepts original articles, previously unpublished and not being considered for publication elsewhere. On receipt of a submission, editors make an initial decision on its suitability for publication. Manuscripts for each of the three sections Articles, Thinking Eye, and Under the Sky are then blind peer reviewed by at least two referees. Book reviews are subject to editorial review. Prospective authors are welcome to discuss their proposals with the editors before making a formal submission. All successful submissions are copy-edited and proofread in consultation with editors and authors before publication.

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Articles

Articles are typically 6,000 words for regular issues and 6,000 words for theme issues, including the notes.

Ensure that each new paragraph is clearly indicated. Limit hierarchies to first-order headings (bold) and second-order subheadings (italics).

Under the Sky

Deciphering projects is as intimately linked to conception and design as reading is to writing. This scholarly critique section aims to develop critical reading of projects as a basis for landscape architecture research. Critique is intended as a way to stimulate debate and to make a contribution to theory building in landscape architecture.

Critical reading of any built landscape architecture project—under the sky—may be submitted, on any scale from territory to garden, anywhere in the world. The selected project(s) should not simply be described as a finished product, but also interpreted in light of site transformations and the original commission. Different stakeholders' (commissioning clients, users, and the like) and designers' points of view should be discussed.

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Thinking Eye

Thinking Eye aims to support critical investigations into visual concepts, methodologies and media, and to promote scholarly discourse on the visual culture of landscape architecture by publishing experiments and methodological innovation, including practices and ideas drawn from the fine and other arts and related design and environmental disciplines that have demonstrable relevance for contemporary landscape architecture theory and practice.

Submissions are peer-reviewed, and critical rather than merely illustrative. They comprise predominantly visual material, with text in a supporting role. Successful submissions will demonstrate contextual understanding, rigour, and original ways of visually documenting, conceiving, evaluating, or changing perceptions of landscape, by addressing an issue pertinent to contemporary theory or practice.

Visual material will normally be accompanied by a concise text, not exceeding 500 words, to provide an introduction and a substantive context for and guide to the visual essay. Each figure, image or other visual component may in addition have a title and/or caption of up to 100 words. Existing and archival images may be used, although authors must submit evidence of appropriate permissions with their essays (see Copyrights and Illustrations section below for further information).

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- Title of book
- Location: Publisher, Year of publication
- Number of pages, Number of colour and b/w illustrations
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- Venue
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American publishers: Add the State after the place of publication only if there might be confusion

Chris Reed and Nina-Marie Lister, *Projective Ecologies* (Cambridge, MA: Harvard University Graduate School of Design / New York: Actar Publisher, 2014).

Kristine F. Miller, *Design on the Public: The Private Lives of New York’s Public Space* (Minneapolis: University of Minnesota Press, 2007).

Paper in a journal

Catharine Ward-Thompson, ‘A Projective Approach to a Language of Landscape Design’, *Landscape Review* 4/2 (1998), 27–40.

Theses and Dissertations

J. Keith Murnighan, ‘Beatrice’s Smile: Allegory and Mimesis’, PhD dissertation (Duke University, 1999).

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LE:NOTRE, ‘Landscape Education. New Opportunities for Teaching and Research in Europe’, le-notre.org/public/about-lenotre.php, accessed 10 October 2011

Online electronic books, monographs, and transcriptions of printed works

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Field Operations et al., *Lifescape: Fresh Kills Landfill to Landscape Design Competition*, Staten Island, New York [design and report], New York City Department of City Planning nyc.gov/html/dcp/pdf/fkl/fien1.pdf.

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Example

1 Paul Churchland, ‘Epistemology in the Age of Neuroscience’, *Journal of Philosophy* 84 (1987), 137–138.

2 *Ibid*.

3 Otto Neurath, ‘Unified Science and Psychology’,

in: Brian McGuinness (ed.), *Unified Science* (Dordrecht: Reidel, 1987), 1–23: 9.

4 Tom Sorell, *Scientism: Philosophy and the Infatuation with Science* (London: Routledge, 1991), 114–115.

5 Churchland, ‘Epistemology’, op. cit. (note 1), 142.

6 Charles Hull, 'Logical Positivism', in: McGuinness, *Unified Science*, op. cit. (note 4), 159.

7 Sorrell, *Scientism*, op. cit. (note 4), 172–175.

Please use full names if possible. If you are quoting a specific page of an article in a journal or a chapter in a book, first note the range of the page numbers, followed by a colon and the specific page number:

5 Piet Oudolf and Noel Kingsbury, *Hummelo: A Journey Through a Plantsman's Life* (Amsterdam: The Monacelli Press, 2015), 60–65: 62.

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