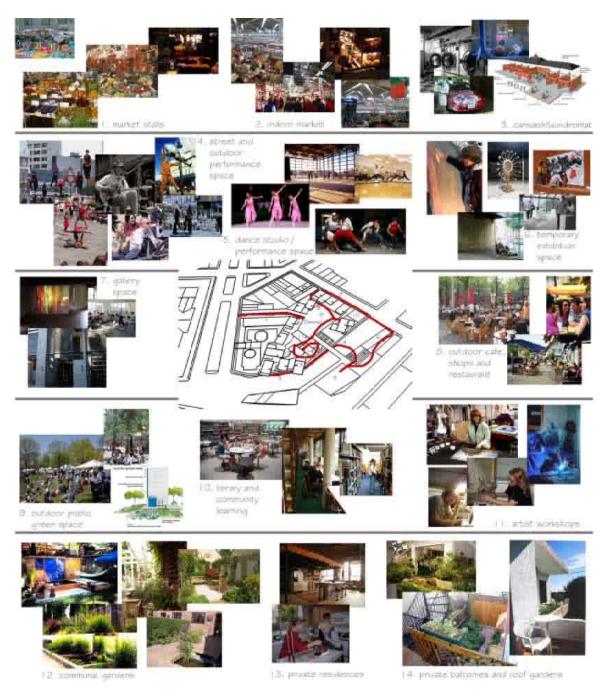
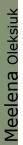
Meelena Oleksiuk Urban Village

This project aims to expose New Orlenians to a new type of community: an urban village. One where people work, learn, partake in cultural activities and live in the same place. This framework for a diverse community, will through job opportunities and cultural attractors provide an impetus for people to come back to New Orleans.

This type of project could be built on many other sites in New Orleans. By designing a heavy base, the more 'valuable' spaces (housing) are elevated above sea level (BFE) for most areas of the city. As discussed above, this intensification of program is becoming more desirable for other sites throughout the city. This project serves the surrounding neighbourhoods and relies on them in that respect, however, making this project as self-sufficient as possible, in terms of energy and water would set an important example for future projects of this type. Arranging the units in such a way that wind will passively cool them as much as possible, including a water catchment system that will serve both the residential and commercial spaces, while providing a community stepwell, and providing a design for the shutters that act as shading devices while simultaneously bringing indirect light deeper into the units, are the strategies employed in this project to achieve self-sufficiency.







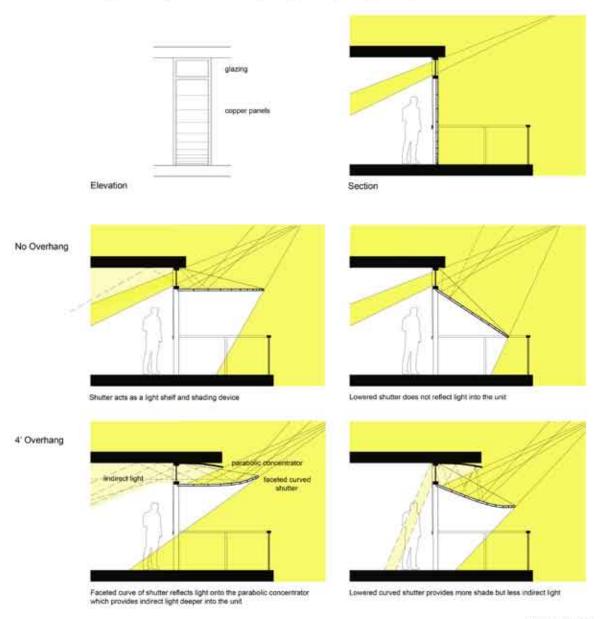
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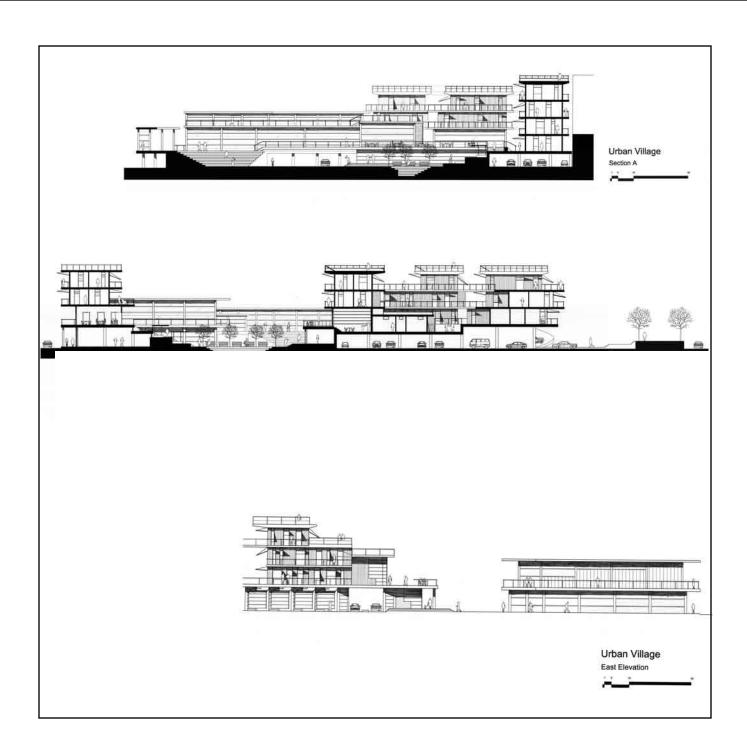
Solar gains represent the most significant factor for operating energy costs for this climate.

The goal is to design a method for reducing these gains while providing natural light and ventilation.



















Reilly Rabitaille Courtyard Communities

The proposed project seeks to address both the issue of job training and housing while at the same time reestablishing (or even creating anew) the sense of culture and community lost as a result of Hurricane Katrina. Temporary housing (at least initially) would cater to those who have lost their homes as a result of the hurricane and wish to seek new skills in order to better economically improve the lives of their families. Educational facilities located on site would provide job skill training for adults, as well as local cultural crafts or music. Both of these aspects would be allowed to develop in provided commercial and performance spaces, which would in turn bring in funds to support the facility. The basic goal of the community is such that after a few years of making connections with new people and having gained an adequate level of proficiency in a certain field, these previously blighted people might be able to move together to a establish a new community elsewhere in the city.

NEW ORLEANS: SITE FUTURE

SOME GRAPHICS FROM VARIOUS INTERNET SOURCES

PRESENT ISSUES:

SITE:

CULTURAL AND ECONOMIC JUNCTION RISK OF EVENTUAL, IF NOT IMMEDIATE GENTRIFICATION

CITY:

HOUSING NEEDED FOR DISPLACED KATRINA VICTIMS IMPROVED ECONOMIC BASE (NOT TOURISM)
RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF SENSE OF COMMUNITY FOR ALL IMPROVED EDUCATION STANDARDS FOR ADULTS AND CHILDREN



PROPOSED PROGRAM:

COOPERATIVE STYLE FACILITY THAT OFFERS TEMPORARY HOUSING, EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS ON JOB IMPROVEMENT, AND JOB MATCHING WHILE RESTORING LOST SENSE OF COMMUNITY BETWEEN THE NUMEROUS CULTURES SURROUNDING THE AREA



HOUSING SHORT TERM (2-4 YEARS) FAVORING KATRINA VICTIMS PERMANENT HOUSING FOR EMPLOYEES & ADMINISTRATION



EDUCATION

APPRENTICESHIPS WITHIN
COMMERCIAL SECTIONS
ADULT CLASSES FOR JOB
SKILLS (INTERNET,
ADMINISTRATION, ETC.)
DAY CARE



COMMERCE
ENCOURAGE LOCAL
BUSINESSES
OFFER APPRENTICESHIP
OPPORTUNITIES
GUARANTEED EMPLOYMENT
OPPORTUNITIES



COMMUNITY
RECREATE SENSE OF
COMMUNITY AND BUILD
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GROUPS OF PEOPLE

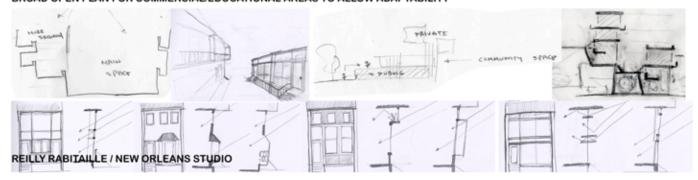


CULTURE
CELEBRATE NEW ORLEANS
CULTURE IN ALL ASPECTS

PROPOSED FORM:

NEIGHBORHOODS GATHERED AROUND A VARIETY OF COURTYARDS THAT ALLOW FOR DIFFERENT ENVIRONMENTS AND LEVELS OF INTIMACY

CENTRAL GATHERING SPACE THAT CONNECTS COURTYARDS WITH SOME ACCESS TO THE OUTSIDE PUBLIC BROAD OPEN PLAN FOR COMMERCIAL/EDUCATIONAL AREAS TO ALLOW ADAPTABILITY

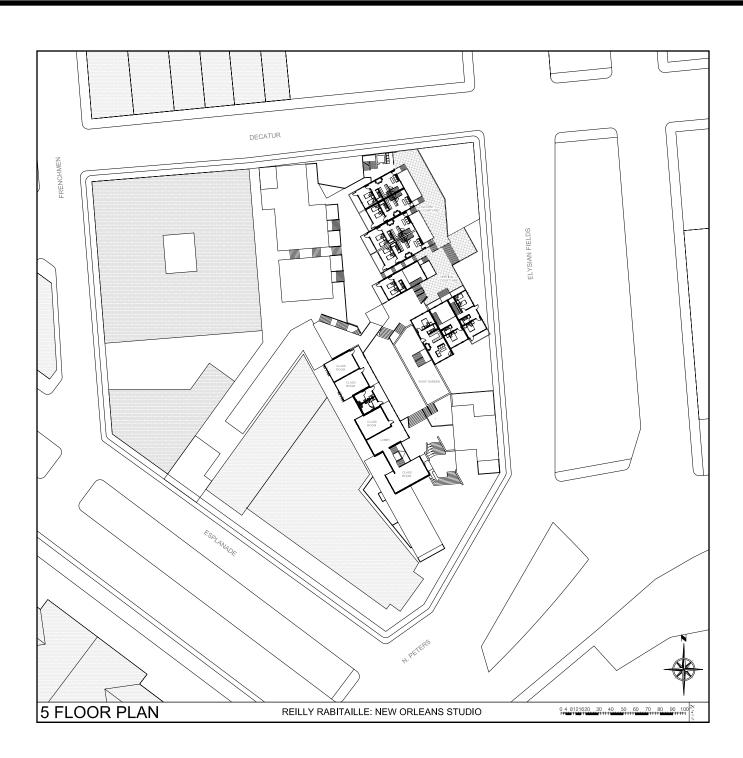


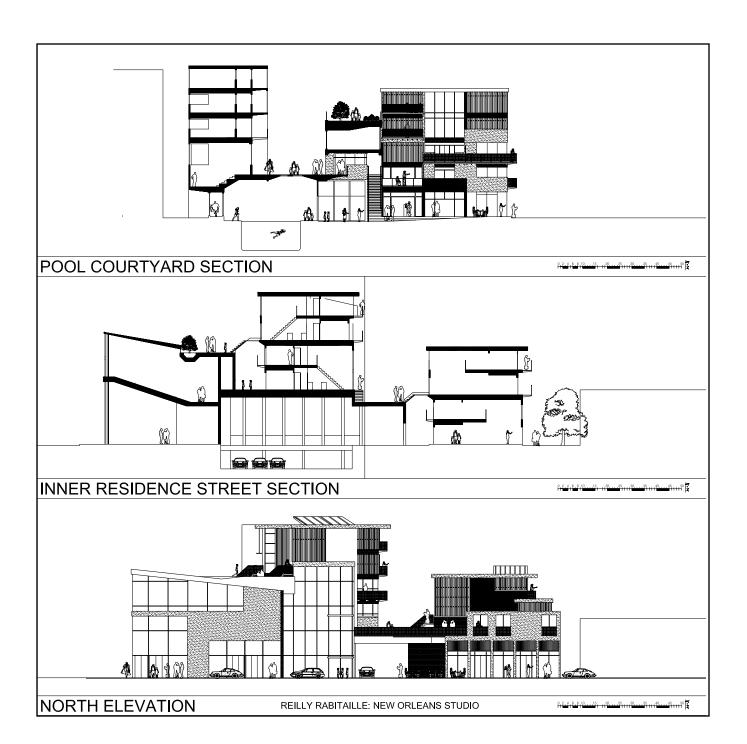
NEW ORLEANS: SITE COURTYARDS SOME GRAPHICS FROM ALTERNATE SOURCES INDUSTRIAL COURTYARD WHICH SERVES AS STORAGE FOR LOCAL BUSINESS POSSESSES DOUBLE FLOOR QUALITY WHILE MAINTAINING OPEN "COURTYARD" FEEL PARKING ACCESS TO COURTYARD OF LOCAL HOTEL ACCESS TO LODGINGS FOR LOCAL HOTEL. **ESPLANADE** CREATES SOLITUDE IN NOT COURTYARD PER SE, BUT PRIVATE ACCESS INTIMATE SPACE NARROW PASSAGE BETWEEN POSSESS SOME COURTYARD BUILDINGS SERVES AS SECONDARY HAS FEEL OF SMALL VILLAGE QUALITIES SUCH AS ACCESS TO INTERIOR COURT. OVERLOOKING BALCONIES AND SEMI ENCLOSURE SPACE, WHILE ACCESSIBLE FROM STREET CREATES FEELING OF QUESTIONS APPROPRIATE PRIVATE OWNERSHIP COURTYARD SIZE AND DEFINITION PRIVATE COURTYARD (RESIDENCE?) SIGNIFICANT AREA USED FOR THE CREATION OF PRIVATE GREENSPACE HOTEL DE LA MONNAIE NORTH COURTYARD LAMPPOSTS AND PATIO SETTING OFFERED FOR LEISURE OF GUESTS. LEGEND GREENSPACE INDUSTRY (STORAGE) LEISURE PARKING HOTEL DE LA MONNAIE SOUTH COURTYARD * DARKER SHADES INDICATE COVERED SPACES OFFERED POOL WITH FOUNTAIN FOR THE LEISURE OF HOTEL GUESTS. SERVED AS COOL REFUGE FROM OUTSIDE ENVIRONMENT



















Patrick Rhodes-Vivour A Communal Whole

My visit to New Orleans made me appreciate the importance of community to its residents and how the climate facilitates community building and social interactions.

The architectural reaction to the climate creates Spaces and volumes such as courtyards and porches that exists to manipulate the climate. These produce interstitial space with several layers and transitions that occur between the street and the front door, the corridor and the courtyard, the public and the private as a by-product.

My design approach is to mediate the interaction, intertwining and layering of overlapping volumes and uses by creating one volume within which smaller volumes exist and interact .These smaller volumes, consist of housing units, a library, a gallery and commercial space for shops and offices all of which are porous and permeable to the flow of space. I intend to create a cluster of communities, in an arrangement that provides micro-level private open spaces which come together to form a communal whole that fosters interaction and Community development.

New Orleans "Coming Together"

01 - The city inspires

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The existence of these interstitial spaces encourages interaction due to the hidden dimension.



Economic Cycle & Programme.



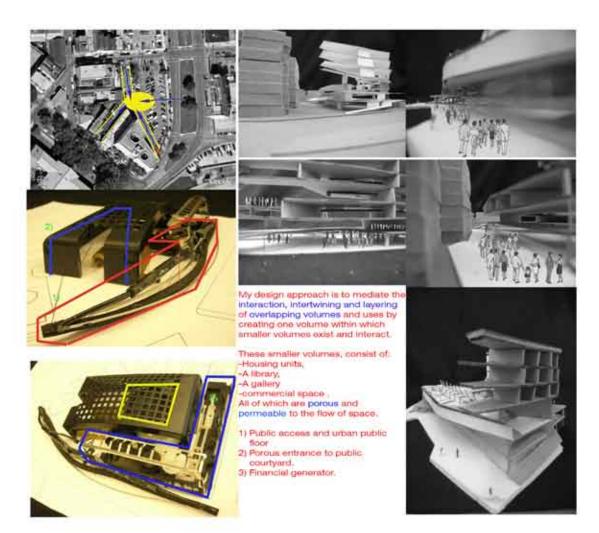
Organization of transitions.







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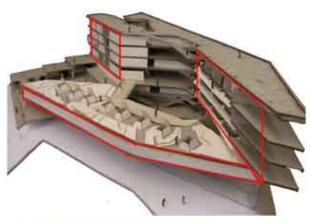




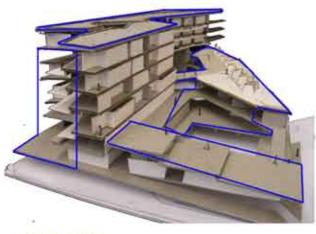
New Orleans "Coming Together" 03 - Generation of Form & Devices to foster the development of community,

Possible Location of three communities.

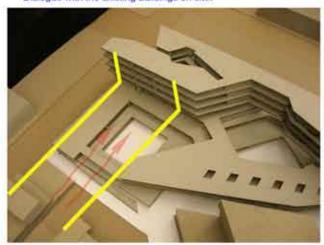


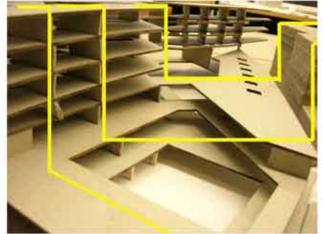


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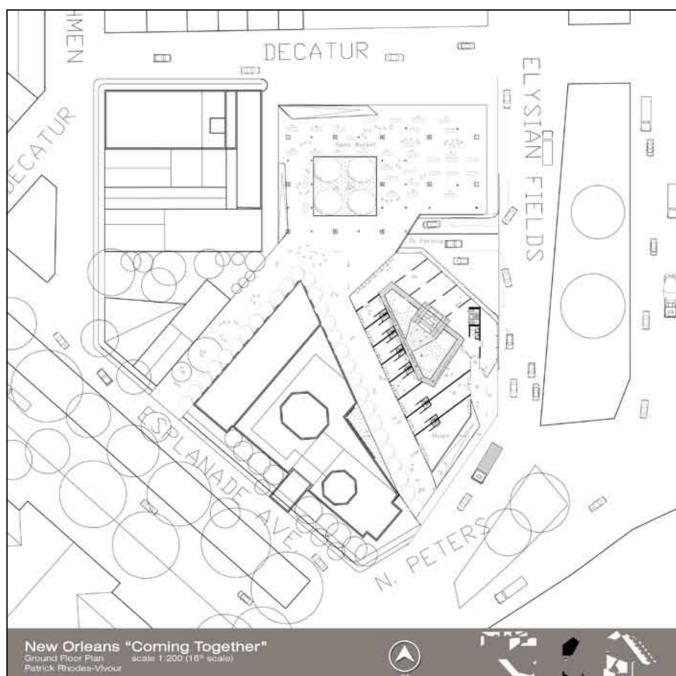


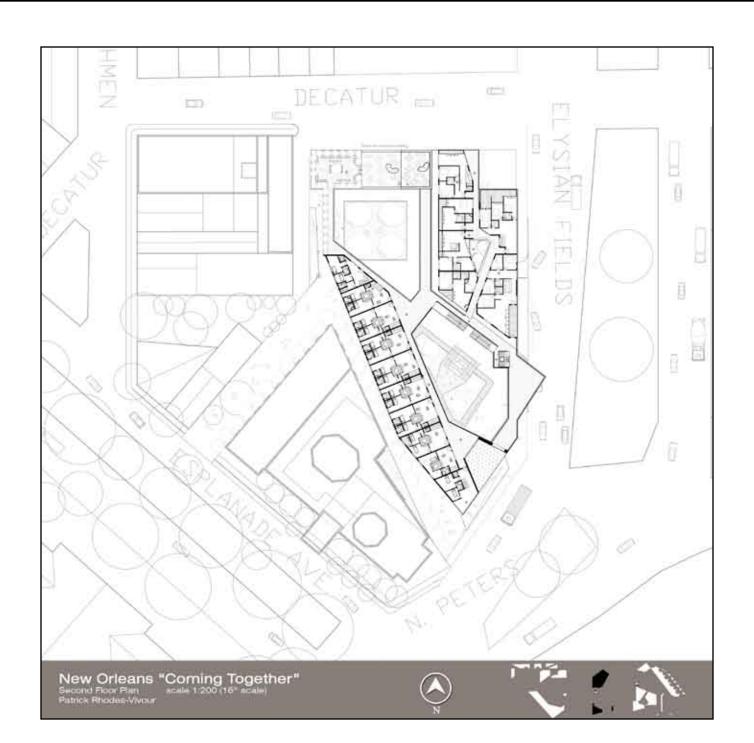
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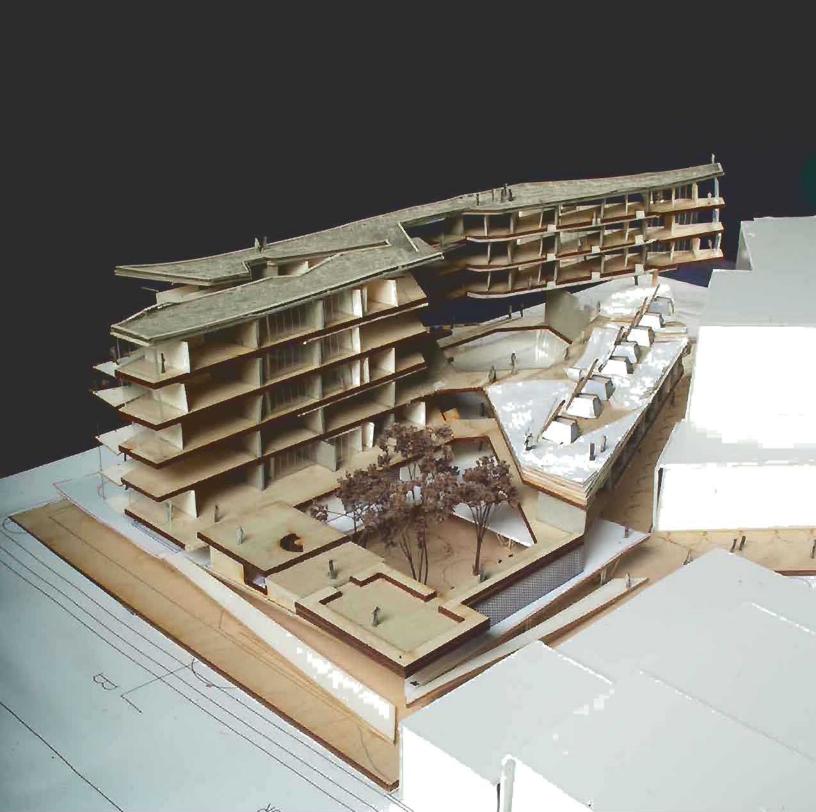


















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