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## Los Angeles

Between Architecture and Urbanization / Seminar Week

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## Marc Angélil

Professor of Architecture and Design in collaboration with Frank Escher

Team Guillermo Dürig, Frederick Kim Ciro Miguel, Michael Stünzi

> Number of Participants 17 to 24

> > Cost CHF 2300.-

The fall 2018 Seminar Week organized by the Chair of Professor Marc Angélil will focus on Los Angeles as the site of material and cultural experiments in the design and construction of residential architecture and its relationship to the broader urban context – from the post-war Case Study Houses sponsored by the journal Arts and Architecture, including work by Pierre Koenig, Eero Saarinen, Charles and Ray Eames, Richard Neutra, to mention just a few, to the work of John Lautner, Frank Gehry, and Morphosis – as well as, more recently, the spatial experiments of a new younger generation of architects.

Additionally, the Seminar Week will offer a glimpse into the sprawling megalopolis of the Los Angeles metropolitan region, its banal and ordinary fabric covering most of the city's geography and punctuated by peculiar 'other places' either for entertainment (such as Universal Studios), spiritual contemplation (such as the Crystal Cathedral), or cultural institutions (such as Frank

Gehry's Disney Concert Hall). While spending a substantial amount of time in cars driving in a sort of contemporary dérive across the Los Angeles plain, we will also venture south to the city of San Diego to visit Louis Kahn's Salk Institute.

Frank Escher, architect and author of *John Lautner, Architect*, will show the group a number of houses by Case Study Movement architects as well as by John Lautner.

Marc Angélil and his partner Sarah Graham will welcome the group for a BBQ at their home in the Hollywood Hills, just below the Hollywood Sign.