



Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions
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JUST SPACE(S)

Exhibition and Symposium
Organized by Ava Bromberg and Nicholas Brown

www.justspaces.org

September 26 - November 18, 2007
Opening | September 26, 2007, 7-10pm



Photo: MacArthur Park, Los Angeles, May 1, 2007 (Helen Campbell)

(September 8, 2007) Everyday we confront spaces that don't work – from our neighborhoods and parks, to our prisons, pipelines and borders. In this exhibition and programming series, artists, scholars and activists reveal how these spaces function – and dysfunction – making way for thought and action to create just societies and spaces.

Just Space(s) aims not merely to show what is unjust about our world, but to inspire visitors to consider what the active production of just space(s) might look like. It asks a crucial question: “How do we move from injustice to justice exactly where we stand – in our neighborhoods and our institutions, at the level of the body, the home, the street corner, the city, the region, the network, the supranational trade agreement and every space within, between, and beyond?”

The exhibition presents some of the most compelling and effective contemporary artistic and activist work linking critical theory and ethical and creative practice. A library/infoshop and symposia and event series extend the scope and scale of the main exhibition. By transforming LACE, in part, into an active learning environment, *Just Space(s)* seeks to provide visitors with tools to consider alternatives to the reactionary political discourse that tends to dominate and frame our conceptions of justice - and constrain our abilities to imagine and implement it.

For more information and programming schedule visit: www.justspaces.org

Just Space(s) builds upon the recent publication of a special volume of *Critical Planning* (UCLA Journal of Urban Planning, Volume 14, Summer 2007) on the theme of spatial justice, which also serves as a companion to the show.

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ABOUT LACE

LACE (Los Angeles Contemporary Exhibitions) is a nonprofit contemporary art center located in the heart of Hollywood. Internationally recognized as a pioneer among art institutions, LACE curates and produces art and events that inspire the public imagination and engage with timely issues that shape local and global life. **www.welcometolace.org**.

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JUST SPACE(S) CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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(All events are at LACE unless otherwise noted)

Details on program participants are on

www.justspaces.org/symposia.htm



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Wednesday

09.26.07 – Opening Reception
7:00 – 9:00 pm

Saturday

10.06.07 – Intersection Repair workshop with members of Portland’s City Repair
1:30 – 5:30 pm

Sunday

10.07.07 – Symposia Session #1 – Prisons and the Prison Industrial Complex
1:30 – 5:30 pm

Sunday

10.28.07 – Symposia Session #2 – Environmental Justice and Public Health
1:30 – 5:30 pm

Saturday

11.03.07 – Malibu Public Beaches Safari w/ the Los Angeles Urban Rangers
11:00 am – 2:30 pm (Meets in Malibu)

Saturday

11.10.07 – Symposia Session #3 – Economic Justice and the Right to the City
1:30 – 5:30 pm

Sunday

11.11.07 – Performance: LATWIDNO – Land Access to Which Is Denied No One
1:30 – 5:30 pm