

On Farming

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Bracket is a new book series that highlights emerging critical issues at the juncture of architecture, environment, and digital culture. Conceived as an almanac, the series looks at emerging themes that are shaping the built environment in radically significant, yet often unexpected ways.

"On Farming" looks at the capacity for architecture to address ideas and issues of productive landscapes and urbanisms. Once merely understood in terms of agriculture, today information, energy, labour, and landscape, among others, can be farmed. Farming harnesses the efficiency of collectivity and community. Whether cultivating land, harvesting resources, extracting energy or delegating labor, farming reveals the interdependencies of our globalized world. Simultaneously, farming represents the local gesture, the productive landscape, and the alternative economy. The processes of farming are mutable, parametric, and efficient. Farming is the modification of infrastructure, urbanisms, architectures, and landscapes toward a privileging of production.

Please join us for a presentation by Texas contributors Neeraj Bhatia, Jason Sowell, & Ned Dodington followed by a Book Signing and Reception.



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