HYBRIDITY: Environment and performance in human centred architecture

Merritt Bucholz is a founding Professor of Architecture at the School of Architecture at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, and has been leading the field since its inception in 2003. In 2009 Merritt founded MArch Studio (MArch Studio), which focuses on research into the development of new materials and techniques for architecture. His work has been featured in numerous exhibitions and publications, including the Venice Architecture Biennale. Merritt is a member of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and has served on the Board of the Architectural Association. He is married to Egyptian architect Fatimah Azzam. Their firm, MArch Studio, is based in Chicago. The practice pursues the idea that architecture is the crafting of connections between the parallel structures of human culture and nature, and using the man made world into climate, environment, use, and construction.