



Architecture Days 2010: A delightful and popular anniversary special

In 2010, the Architecture Days took place throughout Austria for the **fifth time**, this time under the motto “1:1”. For the two days of May 28th and 29th, scores of architecture buffs were once again underway throughout the provinces, actively participating in over **1,000 program events**.

In **Vorarlberg**, 700 yellow “display copy” balloons brandishing the Architecture Days 2010 logo hovered above the numerous buildings, thus attracting a record high number of visitors. Each structure was nominated by 96 municipalities and could be viewed during the event days.

Vienna continued with its long-standing tradition of teaming up with Bratislava. The *Schiffsstation* by fasch & fuchs and the *Hotelturm PS1* by Jean Nouvel, both located on the Danube Channel, were stormed by visitors. The Vienna public was equally enchanted by the diverse tours of private buildings and living spaces as well as the *Guter Jahrgang* series of works by young architects.

Things got hot in **Carinthia** at the *Schwitzender Symposium* (sweaty symposium) in the Roman thermal baths in Bad Kleinkirchheim, where the audience could relax at high temperatures while listening to stimulating lectures and conducting heated discussions.

In **Salzburg**, the rush to participate in guided tours that made it possible to experience various religious spaces of different faiths from an architectural point of view was especially great.

Burgenland was also very happy with its visitor numbers: from the symposium to the bus tour to the architectural festival, the public partook in all events with gusto.

The closing celebration of the “banale” in the former *Haus der Architektur* in Graz in **Styria** turned out to be the absolute highpoint of the Architecture Days 2010.

“Farmer Finds Architect”, a tour focusing on rural building, was met with particular interest in **Upper Austria**, as did the guided tour “Architecture Goes to School”, which included a viewing of the *Volkschule Mauth* (Mauth Elementary School) in Wels, previously awarded with the National Prize for Architecture and Sustainability.

In **Tyrol**, a variety of construction sites attracted a great number of visitors. In the Walther-Park in Innsbruck the *Ich will an den Inn* platform was deconstructed with fabulous creative energy and subsequently transformed into new objects, which were promptly seized by the audience.

Lower Austria dauntlessly ventured with a fully occupied bus all the way to Budapest and also offered a highly interesting series of film screenings in Krems.

Throughout each and every province, the young adult and children's programs were once again a great success. The Architekturzentrum Wien counted over 470 visitors at its children's events.

The **next opportunity** to participate in Architecture Days across Austria will be in **2012**.

Traditionally, Vienna's event program was as always the most comprehensive, providing a wide array of formats and means of discovery.

The program this year included **themed tours, single viewings, neighborhood walks, young adult and children's events, architecture on film and open studios**.

Many tours were held twice to enable maximum flexibility when selecting individual itineraries! Numerous single buildings (or even double packs!) rounded out the tours and opened up a wide variety of possibilities to put together a personal event program.

As in past years, the Viennese GB Stern – *Gebietsbetreuungen Stadterneuerung* (local urban renewal bureaus) – participated in the Architecture Days 2010 with a substantial and highly varied events program.

Residential Construction in Vienna

Die Bremer Stadtmusikanten als Terrassenhaus

(residential building)

Architecture: ARTEC Architekten (Bettina Götz, Richard Manahl)

Client: Neues Leben Gemeinnützige Bau-, Wohn- und Siedlungsgenossenschaft

Frauenwohnprojekt [ro*sa] Donaustadt

(housing project for women)

Architecture: Köb&Pollak Architektur

Client: WBV - GPA Wohnbauvereinigung für Privatangestellte

Occupant: Verein Frauenwohnprojekt [ro*sa] Donaustadt

Karree St. Marx - KSM Wohngebäude

(residential building)

Architecture: querkraft architektur

Landscape Architecture: 3:0 Landschaftsarchitektur

Client: Bauhilfe

Karree St. Marx – Wohnhausanlage Viehmarktgasse

(residential complex)

Architecture: Geiswinkler & Geiswinkler Architekto

Landscape Architecture: 3:0 Landschaftsarchitektur<

Client: Sozialbau AG

Sanierungsprojekt Kaiser Ebersdorferstraße

(renewal project)

A tour through a renewal project unique in Austria – thermic upgrading of the existing building to low-energy standards combined with a rooftop addition in an innovative passive house system.

Zieglergasse 61 – Living and working in a former back lot industrial building

A former printing plant converted to unusual apartments designed according to the wishes of the occupants – using the restored flat roof as a deck.

Architects: Paul Jung, Fabien Barthelemy und Martin Andorfer

New Living in Old Houses – Residential Rehabilitation

A stroll through the 12th district to a few successfully revitalized apartment buildings, each with very different renovation goals.

Heterogeneous Living on the Westgürtel – A walk between the 7th, 15th and 16th districts

Passivhaus-StudentInnenheim (student residence hall) Kandlgasse 1070 Vienna

Architecture: Atelier 4 architects

Project developer: ÖSW (Österreichische Siedlungswerk)

Operator: OeAD (Österreichischer Auslandsdienst)

Wohnprojekt 55+ Grundsteingasse (residential project), 1160 Vienna

Project planning: Bauträger WBV

Architecture: Klerings, raum & kommunikation Korab KG

Conversion of a pre-Gründerzeit era building into a residency for people 55 years of age and older, in close coordination with the future occupant group.

Wohnen der Nationen (Living of Nations), Brunnengasse 54-56, 1160 Vienna

Project planning: NMPB Nehrer, Medek u. Partner Architects: ZT GmbH

A newly-built subsidized building for occupants of various origin, located near the Yppenheim building.

Excursion through houses and periods in Brigittenau

- Tour of the "Engels-Hof"
- Haus Forsthausgasse 26A
- Haus Leystraße 25 - 27,

Stuwerviertel – a neighborhood in transformation?!

The Stuwerviertel as a target area for urban development, a highly greened, high-density residential area.

- Passivhaus Jungstraße 14, former Wilhelmkaserne
- Messe-Caree Nord, Ausstellungsstraße

Many more tours and viewings were held of roof extensions and small houses on the outskirts of the city.