

Reading Response #3

Tschumi

Relationship between Architecture and Performance

According to Tschumi, architecture should not be defined and placed under an umbrella of structure, solidity and stillness. He wants architecture to be redefined as activating space through the movement of bodies. To achieve this, he used the challenges of each project and transforms them as the focus point of his work. He broadens his view beyond the “stereotypical architecture” and looks into different fields as inspiration in order to make the space functional for its intended use, a performance space, as well as a fluidity of motion.

Tschumi states “the end purpose is to have a great building—or potentially the effect the society in which the building is located”. He appreciates when architecture serves as a placement of interaction amongst people and the materials.