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Landscape Design Portfolio Selected projects 2005 - 2015



"Hi, my name is Heike...

I am an imaginative person who comes up with all sorts of unusual ideas and plans. One of my stand-out characteristics is the unwillingness to follow the beaten track: I pursue originality, progress and advancement.

Being curious and observant by nature, I often know what is going on around me but I am not afraid to ask further questions to deepen my analytical understanding. My experience in project organization and leadership helps me in making necessary decisions, taking the next steps, and delegating others if necessary.

I can work independently but I prefer a team-oriented approach. My excellent communication skills gained while working in interdisciplinary and international project teams have enabled me to easily adapt to dynamic environments as well as differing work constellations.

While demonstrating a great capacity for work, I am ambitious to overcome hurdles - often with a smile on my face and with humor. I am a fast and self-motivated learner, always interested in solving difficult tasks as well as finding detailed solutions and design alternatives. I have good judgement, an eye for detail, an open and optimistic mind.

My professional work is a vocation and plays a great part in my life. You will find more details about my career and expertise on the following pages as well as on my homepage:

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Field Urban design, Linear parks, Transportation and infrastructure planning, Pedestrian bridge design

Location South Tel Aviv, Israel

Size Park: 9 ha / 22 acres; Bridge: 30 m / 23 yard / 98 foot

Year 2012 - 2014

Stage Concept design, Design development, Preparation for building council permit and international bid

Tasks Landscape plan, Grading plan, Typical sections, Planting schemes, Design alternatives, 3D model

Tools AutoCAD, SketchUp, Photoshop, Illustrator, Hand sketching

Team NTA - Tel Aviv Light Rail, Israel Antiquities Authority, GASH Traffic planning, various architects

Rails Boulevard & Nechushtan Bridge

View from Nechushtan Bridge towards Chelouche Bridge / Landscape photography.



Informational sections and structural plan for the development of a linear park above two tunnels / Illustrator and Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



Urban Plaza at the entrance to Yafo



Urban square with light service structures / sculptures



Viewpoint above the vehicle portal



Landscape development plan, sheet 1: Sections 1 & 2 for international bid / AutoCAD.





Landscape development plan, sheet 2: Sections 3 & 4 for international bid / AutoCAD.

Rails Boulevard



Scheme for soil depth / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.



Scheme for planting design / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.













14 Different approaches for the new bridge design / Hand sketches.

New construction design for a pedestrian bridge between Neve Zedek Tower and Amzeleg Street

The bridge for pedestrians and cyclists connects between the historic Neve Zedek neighborhood and the contemporary Neve Zedek Tower.

The bridge is visible from East to West from a great distance with the historic Chelouche Bridge in the background, and from West to East with the skyline of Tel Aviv in the background.

Nechushtan Bridge has very thick and heavy appearance, it is very dominant in the urban fabric.

Program and design of the "Landscape line"

Due to the layout of the bridge and the views together with the historical Chelouche bridge, there is a desire to strengthen its presence in the planning area:

The new bridge is to become "a horizontal line in the urban landscape" without bows or vertical strings attached.

The bridge bottom will be seen by users of the new "Rails Boulevard", that is designed as a linear park on the parking area, and thus requires special care.

Aim of the redesign is a sleeker construction made of steel with a wooden deck and a floating railing to emphasize the horizontal line.



Cut-out wood box / Hand sketch.





Existing design: Concrete





Nechushtan Bridge

Length: approximately 30 m / 32 yard / 98 foot Width: approximately 5 m / 5.5 yard / 16 foot Height: approximately 3 m / 3.3 yard / 10 foot Height difference between the two sides: 1 m / 1.1 yard / 3.3 foot Longitudinal gradient: 3 %

Existing bridge: Massive concrete base and frame construction with a bended steel railing / AutoCAD, Photoshop, Photo documentation.





Design alternative 1: Steel







Alternative 1: Simple and minimal I–Profile metal construction with wood deck and bended steel railing / AutoCAD, Photoshop, SketchUp.







Design alternative 2: Wood box







Alternative 2: Simple I–Profile metal construction with wood deck and front cover from pine - a sculpture in the landscape with a floating facade / AutoCAD, Photoshop, SketchUp.





Design alternative 3: Zigzag







Alternative 3: Firandel construction with wood deck and irregular front cover from pine beams creating a sculpture in the landscape and interesting shadows / AutoCAD, Photoshop, SketchUp.









Design alternative 4: CorTen





Alternative 4: Firandel construction with wood deck and front cover from corten sheets in retrospect to the Turkish Railroad / AutoCAD, Photoshop, SketchUp.



Design alternative 5: Squares





Alternative 5: Firandel construction in white color with orthogonal steel beams covered from the inside with a stainless steel net / AutoCAD, Photoshop.

Nechushtan Bridge







Alternative 6: Firandel construction with diagonal steel beams covered from the inside with stainless steel net emphasizing the railroad history / AutoCAD, Photoshop.















Field Campus design, Residential design, Urban parks

Location North Tel Aviv, Israel

Size 4 ha / 10 acres

Year 2012 - 2014

Stage Concept design, Design development, Construction documents

Tasks Landscape concept, Design alternatives, Landscape plan, Grading plan, Construction details

- Tools AutoCAD, Illustrator, Photoshop
- Team Moshe Zur Architects, Palmoni Architects, Seminar HaKibbutzim

Kibbutzin College & in the Park

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The edcational and residential compound integrated into the urban green fabric / Architectural rendering with landscape design input.



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Preservation of existing trees

Planning and design challenges



Technical infrastructure in the underground



Implementation of pedestrian and bicycle paths



Transition between public and private areas



Integration of stormwater management

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Project location in the urban fabric of North Tel Aviv / Illustrator on GIS base.

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Concept of a highlighted path system in an urban forest / Online image research.

Path system within a green fabric / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.

Alternative 1: Paths within a Green Fabric



Stormwater runoff plan / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.



The concept including trees and central meeting areas / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.



Concept of different elevations combined with a geometric pattern / Online image research.

A zigzagging path system like a canyon / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.

Alternative 2: Cracks in the Terrain



Important meeting areas along the paths / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.



Additional water areas for stormwater management and privacy reasons.



Concept of integrating modern urban agriculture with education and leisure / Online image research.

Division into urban agriculture in the North and urban forestry in the Southern part of the compound / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.

Alternative 3: Urban Agriculture & Forestry



Stormwater management combined with public water features.



Public meeting areas in centrtal locations / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.



Transition between public and private

Contact area A: Residential entrances



Paley Park, New York / Online image research.

Alternative 1: Pocket Gardens

Isolating the private entrances both visually and acoustically from the public park by creating "landscape rooms" including tall vegetation, walls with water features etc.

Design principles for the residential neighborhood

- Planned as an integral part to the adjacent public open space
- Fenceless separation between private and public open spaces
- Areas with public access will be characterized by narrow lanes and limited encounter zones
- Gardening on the roof of the parking lot: Trees will be planted by raising the landscaping areas



Design alternatives for the private building entrance areas / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



Private Garden Design / Online image research.

Alternative 2: Crossing over Water

Making the private building entrances seemingly less accessible by adding desgned obstacles, such as stepping stone crossings over low level water features.



Universidad Polytecnico, Barcelona / Online image research.

Alternative 3: Different elevations

Making the private building entrances in the planning area more visually exclusive by means of ramps and enclosed sitting areas.







Concept of walking through waves or dunes of changing planting areas / Online image research and Photoshop.



The updated_municipal transportation program calls for an additional bicycle path through the park / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.

Redesign: Soft Transition in the Urban Stream



The combined concept design including planting, pathways and plazas.



Creating spaces for temporary uses and expanding sections of the park from an open educational space to the wide public.

Design principles for the public park

שדרות ישראל רוקח

-Planning of wetlands in areas designated for the collection of runoff water - Integrating areas for sports activities in acoustically isolated zones Establishing a public square with an amphitheater as an open-air classroom and meeting area for the Kibbutzim College

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Final landscape development plan 2014 for bid / AutoCAD.

Transition between public and private

Contact area A: Public park



Meeting area in front of the gym / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



Meeting area in front of the college for students and the public / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



Detail of the pedestrian path made of brushed concrete.



Detail of a curbstone as invisible border.



Typical section of the public park with a broadwalk in the center / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.







Transition between public and private

Contact area B: Street towards the college











Field Educational design, Environmental design

Location Tel Aviv University, Israel

Size 4,000 sqm / 4,784 sq yard / 43,055 sq foot of built area

Year 2012 - 2014

Stage Design development, LEED certification process, Construction documents, Building observation

Tasks Landscape plan, Vegetation plan, Construction details, LEED materials, Supervision and Documentation

Tools AutoCAD, SketchUp, Photoshop, Office, Photography

Team Axelrod-Grobman Architects, Chen Architects and Architect Dr. Joseph Cory of Geotectura

First LEED Platinum certified building in Israel (92), Israeli Green Building Standard - Diamont level, 2012 Architecture of Israel competition (2nd),

2014 Israeli Association of Builders' Excellence Awards (1st)

Porter School of Environmental Studies



Impressions of the entrance area: Sitting wall, Bustan terraces, Constructed wetland / Photo documentation.





Cladding:

Pavings, walls and coverings will be in light colors that do not absorb heat and reflect it into the environment.

Runoff water:

The entrance area of the building consists of an entry pathway and other hard surfaces. Infiltration areas will absorb the runoff water and collect it into an aquifier.

There is another infiltration area on the lower level near the auditorium.

Wood chips cover	
Bright color paving	
Bicycle Path	
Vegetation	

LEED principles: Materials design scheme



Vegetation:

- Maximum use of gardening space for air purification and noise protection

- Use of water-saving local vegetation

The area designated for vegetation is not great but it is important for the sound functioning of public space while maintaining the principles of saving water and providing shade.

Bustan terraces serve as typical local orchards with sitting walls inbetween.

The additional vegetation at the edge of the kurkar cliff will be carefully integrated into the existing flora.

Vegetation design scheme / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



The constructed wetland / Hand sketch on 3D model base.



Vegetation scheme for the different pools.



Illustration of the entrance / SketchUp and Photoshop.



The kurkar wall with stairs / Hand sketch on 3D model base.



Construction detail of the kurkar wall next to the pools.



Example of a natural kurkar cliff / Photo.


EcoWall / Hand sketch on architectural render base.



Vegetated wall with planters. / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



EcoWall illustration / Photoshop on architectural rendering.



Indoor greenery / Hand sketch on architectural render base.



Climbers on the ground level / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



Case study: MFO Park Zurich, Switzerland / Photo.



Landscape development plan / AutoCAD.

LEED plan: Anti-heat reflection / AutoCAD, Illustrator.



Vegetation plan / AutoCAD.



Irrigation plan / AutoCAD, Illustrator.



Porter School of Environmental Studies



LEED scheme: Water circulation / Photoshop.



LEED plan: Green roof design principles / AutoCAD.



Planting on the roof / Construction documentation.



Reducing building heat and reducing the need for artificial air, experimental areas for students to examine the uses of a green roof in all its components, garden will serve as a pleasant surrounding for open air classes on the wood deck.

The use of succulents and local vegetation is cost-effective in terms of water consumption. $\mbox{Green roof landscape plan / AutoCAD}.$







Green roof vegetation plan and plant list / AutoCAD, Excel.

Name	Amount	m ²	Irr.
Trees			
Plumeria grandiflora	1	1	1
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Climbers and ornamental			
grasses			
Trachelospermum	11	11	1
jasminoides			
Vitis spec.	4	0.7	1
Cortaderia selloana	3	3	1
Pennisetum setaceum	12	3.0	0
Pennisetum setaceum	16	3.25	1
"Atropurpureum"			
Succulents			
Aeonium arboreum	411	16.40	1
"Atropurpureum"			
Aeonium goochiae	180	7.20	1
Aeonium kiwi	331	13.20	1
Crassula coccinea	349	13.90	1
Crassula perfoliata	235	9.40	1
Echeveria carnicolor	167	6.70	1
Echeveria desmetiana	108	4.30	1
Kalanchoe tomentosa	341	13.60	1
"Pussy"			
Sansevieria zeylanica	118	4.70	1
Sedum nussbaumerianum	283	11.30	1
Sedum rubrotinctum	168	6.70	1
Senecio ficoides	501	20.00	1
Senecio mandraliscae	108	4.30	1
Senecio pyramidatus	73	2.90	1

Plant selection illustration / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



Colorful and varied succulent selection / Photos.

Field Historic site design, Hospitality design, Green walls and rooftops

Location Tel Aviv-Yafo, Israel

Size 1,700 sqm / 2,033 sq yard / 18,300 sq foot

Year 2012 - 2015

Stage Concept design, Design development, Permitting, Construtction documents, Observation

Tasks Landscape and planting plans, presentations, bid documents, construction details, supervision

Tools AutoCAD, Photoshop, Powerpoint, InDesign

Team John Pawson, London (design architect), Ramy Gil, Tel Aviv (execution architect), Daniela Reuveni (interior architect), RTLD (lighting design), RFR (Real estate holding), Israel Antiquities Authority

W Hotel Tel Aviv

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The historic building compound is located at the southeastern entrance to the Old City of Jaffa, one of the most beautiful spots in Tel Aviv, on the historic trading route from Jaffa to Egypt and to Jerusalem that became a major commercial street after the demolition if the city wall.

The French Hospital was established in 1879 as a monastery by Catholic nuns of the order of St. Joseph of the Revelation. It was located at the southwest corner of the city wall above the remains of the English Fort that was built at the beginning of the 19th century as part of a fortification system following Napoleon's retreat. The building served as a hostel for pilgrims, and later it expanded to become Jaffa's first modern hospital.

The entire compound consists of four main components:

- the U-shaped hospital building from 1879 with three stories, two galleries and a basement built in neo-Gothic and neo-Renaissance architecture
- a Bauhaus building extension constructed in 1935
- an L-shaped structure built in 1921
- a perimeter fence enclosing the open areas adapted as ornamental and vegetable gardens whose formal layout reminds of a bustan orchard.

In the 1970s the Government of Israel rented the hospital building as a mental institution until it was abandoned in 1995. Two years later overseas investors purchased the building in order to redevelop it into a boutique hotel and luxury apartment building for the Starwood Resort Group.

Beside the conversion of the historic building into 38 luxury apartments, a six-floor hotel and apartment building with 125 hotel rooms will be built on the site.

The project will have a total of 20,000 square metres of builtup space, including commercial space for the hotel's use.



View towards the French Hospital from the South-East / Historic photo.



View into the corridor and into the courtyard with the traditional bustan garden of the French Hospital / Historic photograph.



architectural concept narrative: continuum

day / shade / night / vibran infinite / continuous / expe nomad / journey / lightnes veils / layers / screens



Remnants of the city wall of Yaffa, Israeli Antiquities Authority / AutoCAD plan.



Element to be exposed and conserved

Element to be dismantled and lowered to the planned floor level

Element representing the destroyed wall by having a unique paving at the planned floor level floor

Element to be dismantled due to the need to allow entrance to the project in the location permitted according to the City Building Plan

LOWER ENTRY (NEW) BASEMENT -1 (EXIST.) -5.06++21.00 Above see level -3.85++22.21 Above see level



The fortress wall from the 13th century, partly laying underneath the compound building / Excavation documentation.

landscaping concept narrative: enclosed garden

song of Solomon / smell of the Bustan rose of the Sharon / lily of the Valley beds of spices / a piece of pomegranate standing behind the walls / looking outside the window



photo research.

Initial landscape concept 2009 / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.









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Geranium Spec



Jasminum Grandiflorum



Trachelospermum



Pandorea Pandorana



Delonix Regia



Lavendula Officinalis



Salvia Spec



Pandorea Jasminoides

Mandevilla Boliviensis



Citrus sinensis



Rosmarinus Officinalis

Plant selection / Online image research for client presentation in Powerpoint.





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Wall elevations in the courtyard / AutoCAD.



Landscape details plan, originally 1:100 / AutoCAD.

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Section of restored historic wall restoration / AutoCAD.

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Detail and section of green wall in the pool area / AutoCAD.





Section of stairs in the courtyard / AutoCAD.



Plan and section of travertine paving on the ramp / AutoCAD.

Isometry of sitting wall in the courtyard / AutoCAD.



Section of sitting wall in the courtyard / AutoCAD.



GIANT

the cultural history of the planning area: Jaffa Ora Online image research. Conceptual design for the movable planters:

a wooden shell construction that resembles packing boxes of Jaffa oranges, in three differenct sizes, made of recycled pine boards by a local carpenter, and a special irrigation inlet, made of PVC by Lechuza, filled with perlite drain substrate.

Ideas and components for the movable planters / Online image research, Lechuza catalog material.



Water level indicator Ensures complete watering control





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Field Restoration of a historic building from the 19th Century for residential use

ocation Florentin neighborhood, Tel Aviv, Israel

Size 1,000 sqm / 1,196 sq yard / 10,764 sq foot of built area

Year 2012 / 2013

- Stage Schemtic design, Design development
- Tasks Design alternatives, 3D model, Landscape development plan, Presentation to the private client
- Tools Hand sketching, AutoCAD, SketchUp, Photoshop
- Team Conservation architect: Amnon Bar Or

Chelouche House

Four different initial design proposals for the location of the swimming pool / Handcoloring with pencils on AutoCAD base plan.







Impressions of the historic elements during the restoration process: Street entrance, house entrance and side passage / Photographs.









Chelouche House



Different views of the shaded SketchUp model: Bird view, North-Eastern view, Southern view. Impressions from inside the SketchUp model: View from the garden entrance, View from the balcony, View from the pool.









Idea images of Mediterranean Garden Design / Online image research: Montecito, California; Alhambra, Spain; Porto Zante, Greece;

Design process from color-pen-on-paper sketches to a digital AutoCad landscape plan and a presentation poster with Photoshop.





Villa d'Este, Italy; Zichron Ya'acov, Israel; American Colony, Jerusalem.





Field Cultural Landscape, Community Forestry, Environmental Education, Public Participation

ocation Migdal HaEmek near Nazareth, Northern Israel

Size 420 ha / 1,038 acre / 1.62 sq mile

Year 2009 / 2010

Stage Consultation, Lauch, Conceptual design, Participatory process

Tasks Landscape development concept, Forest management plan, Workshops, Presentations

- Tools ArcGIS, Illustrator, Photoshop, Powerpoint, Excel, Landscape photography
- Team together with the Jewish National Fund (JNF-KKL) Israeli Land Use Authority

Master thesis with honors (GPA: 3.9) in Landscape architecture / Landscape planning

Balfour Community Forest



Community Forests

- Play an important role within the overall urban green space
- Represent nature close to where people live
- Offer unique recreational settings
- Provide special educational environments

Professional objective

- To link recreational use and forest management by elaborating a sustainable participatory development concept;

- To illustrate how a better understanding of the interrelations between the local communities and their peri-urban forest is essential for improving forest management and use and for enhancing local identity.

Community forest projects in Israel

Balfour Forest is a pilot project located at a sociogeographic clashing point between the following communities:

- Migdal HaEmek, a Jewish development town, founded in 1953, with 24,800 inhabitants;
- Yafia, a historic Arab town, founded ca. 1400 BC, with 17,500 inhabitants;
- Ginegar, a Jewish kibbutz,
- founded in 1922, with 500 inhabitants as of 2009.

There are differing opinions about Balfour Forest:

- "Neglected backyard of the town" proven by garbage dumping, vandalism, insufficient infrastructre;
- "Extended Jewish territory" as the forest was planted by Jewish pioneers on former Arab agricultural land;
- "Spiritual landscape" due to deep bonds to the forest land scape since its establishment.



Multiple layers of landscape analysis provide for a sustainable design / Illustrator and Photoshop on GIS base.



Migdal HaEmek - Yafia - Ginegar region

Accessibility / Green belt

Accessibility of the planning area as a part of the green belt around Migdal HaEmek, with connections to the forest network of the Nazareth metropolitan region in the the north and east.





Neglected picnic furniture on the northern fringe.



1948 Arab-Israeli War Memorial in the middle of the forest.



Ginegar cemetery offers tranquility and cultural heritage.



Balfour Forest is part of the Nazareth Hills green belt.



Balfour Forest

Strengths / Weaknesses: Landscape features

Conflicts between important vegetation areas, that are worthy of protection referring to their natural and physical values, and human activties in the forest and its adjacent environment.

Border	ine	Topog	raphy	H	ydrolo	9Y
1	Balfour Forest	1952	Contourline	E	-	Stream
	Private plot, stand or field	-	Topographic feature	al E		Intermitten stream
Use cor	nflicts and haz	ards				
Ŷ	Vandalism		2855	Commo	n litter	
	Over-Grazing		X	Hazardo	ius was	ite
C	Flaming		Ľ	Untreat	ed sew	age
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Important vegetation areas Geophytes



Persian Cyclamen



Cyclamen persicum Sun's-Eye Tulip



Crown Anemone Anemone coronaria



Nazareth Iris Iris bismarckiana



Batha







Aleppo Pine

Pinus halepensis

Coniferous trees

Deciduous trees





Listed Persian cyclamen in the western part of the forest.



Illegal grazing in the upper slopes of Balfour Forest.



Natural phrygana area on the eastern forest edge.



Illegal dumping site for construction waste near Yafia.



Balfour Forest

Opportunities: Development zones

Development suggestions regarding various activity zones / sites in and around the forest in cooperation with JNF-KKL as well as potential local stakeholders in Migdal HaEmek, Ginegar and Yafia.

Border line		opograp	hy	Hydrolog	У	
Balf	our Forest	19 ⁵ C	ontourline		Stream	
Privi stan	ate plot, d or field	T	opographical eature		ntermittent tream	
Developme	nt zones					
Tour	ism		Loc	okout		
Kibb	utz extension		Cul	tural heritage		
Road	d dismantling		Cer	metery extens	ion	
Ever	t zone		Ag	riculture		
Recr	eation / Play zo	ine	Pre lan	eservation of c dscape eleme	ultural nts	
Eco	ogical awarenc	55	Pla	narzone		
Rese of gr	Research / Preservation of green links		Par	Parking		
Potential de	velopment	sites				
B&B	B&B Ginegar		Ed.	Educational facilities		
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Soor	t facilities		wa	tchtower		



Accessible also for families and people with disabilities.



Semi-pastoral grazing for local goat and cattle farmers.



Meeting place for local teenagers and adults.



Residential expansion area at the forest fringe.

Balfour Community Forest



Balfour Forest

Concept (Part I): Landscape features and scenic views

Implementation of various educational routes with different kinds of lookouts that offer beautiful views into the re-designated and extended landscape of Balfour Community Forest and beyond.

Border li	ne	Topography Hydrology
R. AL	Balfour Com. Forest	🔊 Conture line 🔤 Stream
	Private plot, stand or field	Topographical Intermittent feature
Routes		
I CALIFIC T	Balfour Promena Dismantling of re	de ad no. 7756
	Eco Route	History Route
	Planar Route	Cycle Route
Forest s	tands (full / m	edium density)
		Aleppo-Pine (Jerusalem Pine) Pinus halepensis
		Calabrian Pine (Brutian Pine) <i>Pinus brutia</i>
		coniferous woodland var. spec.
		Mediterranean Cypress (Italian Cypress) Cupressus sempervirens
		mixed woodland var. spec.
		deciduous woodland var. spec.
		Red Gum Tree (River Red Gum) Eucalyptus camaldulensis
		Olive Tree or Carob Tree Olea europea Ceratonia siliqua
		Phrygana (Batha) var. spec.



View from the pasture field towards Jezreel valley.



Propsed viewpoint from the upper forest road into Wadi III.



View from the phrygana area towards Balfour Forest.

Balfour Community Forest


Balfour Forest

Concept (Part II): Activity zones and cooperating facilities

Implementation of various activity and development zones along the new routes as well as suggestions for parking and residential extension areas adjacent to Balfour Community Forest.

Border line	Topogr	aphy	Hydrology		
Balfour Forest	r Com.	Contour line	Stream		
Private stand o	plot,	Topographical feature	Intermittent stream		
Routes					
Balfou Dismai	r Promenade ntling of road no. 775	6			
Eco Ro	oute	•••••• His	story Route		
Planar	Route	Cy	cle Route		
Activity zones					
Tourism	Tourism		Awareness raising / Research		
Residen	itial extension	Cul	tural heritage		
Events	Events		Agroforestry / Intercropping		
Recreat	Recreation		Parking		
Cooperating p	oublic / private fa	cilities			
• 🤧 Visitors	Visitors' center / B&B		Forestry & Research		
Fire bri	Fire brigade		ication		
🔌 Stage	Stage		Listed monuments		
Recrea	tion	Bee	ehives		



The forest as recreational and learning space for children.



Volunteer group meeting in the forest.

Forest management plans for particular areas / Illustrator and Photoshop.

blossom

Annual Management Planning - Geophytes habitats, batha and pine stands in general



<u>harvest</u>

Annual Management Planning - Bustan, entrance area, groves and orchards in general



Balfour Community Forest



Balfour Forest

"Eco Route" and entrance area

Implementation of a medium-size educational walking route through various landscapes in the western part of the forest, partly on existing roads, partly on new footpaths.

Basics		Zones		Public	Public facilities	
5	Balfour Forest border		Entrance		Visitor center	
	Intermittent stream		Event		Stage	
	Contour line		Recreation		Maintenance	
-	Topographical feature		View corrid	ors 📲	Fire Brigade	
Access	Access Routes		Specific actions		ic actions	
1	Existing road		Eco Route	25.	Protection of geophytes	
	Planar access		Cycle Route		Planting of shrubs	
Activity	infrastructur	e	Forest	stands		
Å	Educational Route here: Eco Route Viewpoint Forest Classroom		Aleppo-Pine Pinus halepensis			
·*				Calabrian Pir	alabrian Pine <i>Tinus brutia</i>	
?			1	Pinus brutia		
¥	# Eucalyptus Bridge			coniferous woodland var. spec.		
ాం	Cycle Route			Mediterranean Cypress		
Ŧ	Picnic Grove			Cupressus sempervirens		
并	Adventure Grove			var. spec.		
Le.	Drinking Tab			deciduous woodland var. spec.		
(II)	Toilets			Red Gum Tree		
P	Parking		6-2-2	Eucalyptus camaldulensis		
	Bus stop			Carob Ceratonia siliqua		



A welcoming place for cultural events and festivities.



Open air classroom for local schools and youth groups.



Hammocks inside the Adventure Grove playground area.



The Flower Field cluttered with anemones in the winter.

Balfour Community Forest



Balfour Forest

"Balfour Viewing Tower" and "Demon's Hill Lookout"

Implementation of a 360° viewing tower and a lookout platform on two ridgetops in the eastern forest part along a large-size educational route through local cultural and spiritual landscapes.

Basics		Zones		Public	Public facilities	
2	Balfour Forest border		Research	3" ×	KKL Forest Lab	
	Intermittent stream		Recreation	14	Soccer team Yafia	
	Contour line		View corrido	ors		
Topographical feature				Specifi	c actions	
Access	þ.	Routes		**	Research open-air	
1	Existing road	•••••	History Rou	te	Protection of sensitive areas	
	Planaraccess		Cycle Route		Planting of shrubs	
Activit	y infrastructur	e		۲	Placement of local rocks	
	Educational R here: History F	oute				
?	Forest Classro	om	Forests	stands		
H	Viewing Tower			Aleopo-Pine		
·\$	Viewpoint			Pinus halepensis		
	Road crossing			Calabrian Pine Pinus brutia		
ోం	Cycle Route			coniferous woodland var. spec.		
ľ.	Drinking Tab			Mediterranean Cypress		
Ŧ	Picnic area			Cupressus sempervirens		
Œ	Toilets			Carob Ceratonia siliqua / Olive Olea Europea		
P	Parking			Garrigue / Phrygana var. spec.		



Sturdy picnic tables near the JNF-KKL Forest Lab.



Paths lined with rocks.

Proposal for Balfour Tower.



Wooden deck leading through the natur reserve area.

Balfour Community Forest Planning phase

Preparation phase



Urther planning, Branding & marke

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Formal participation in the background





Central organization

2009

Oct

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2010

Awareness group

...2015



Field Cultural landscapes, Historic site design, Regional planning, Landscape tourism

Location Arnhem, The Netherlands

Size 17 ha / 42 acre of 2,000 ha / 4,942 acre / 7.72 sq miles

Year 2007 / 2008

Stage Consultation, Launch, Conceptual design

Tasks Landscape development plan, Building redevelopment concept, Regional tourism concept

Tools ArcGIS, AutoCAD, Illustrator, Photoshop, SketchUp, Powerpoint, Landscape photography

Team Solitary elaboration as undergraduate thesis work after a student workshop participation

Engineering thesis (GPA: 3.7) in the undergraduate studies of Landscape Planning The cultural landscape of Deelen Airbase in the context of a 'Visible Past': Redevelopment concepts for the former military bases"Camp Koningsweg North" and "Seven Provinces"

Deelen Airbase



Cultural landscape element: A hangar that looks like a barn at Deelen Airbase / Landscape photography.



Documentation of examples of German WW2 camouflage architecture:

officer bunker at Sieben Provinzen; command building at Koningsheide; guard building at Klein Heidekamp; radio station at Groß Heidekamp; Diogenes command bunker; workshop at Koningsweg; Writsaert hangar; Adelaert hangar.



















Deelen Airbase

Conceptual design submission at the student competition: The Green Campus

The comprehensive redevelopment concept includes the establishment of a research center and facilities for exhibitions, conferences and environmental education inside the historic buildings on Koningsweg Nord, a state-of-the-art hotel for guests of the Southern Veluwe landscape right on the fringe to the new transient corridor towards the national park as well as modernized and additional dorms at the Seven Provinces site.

The existing cultural elements of the architecture as well as of the landscape will be highlighted and enhanced. The farm at the southern property border will be incorporated into the Green Campus in terms of a public-private partnership for organic and local agricultural produce.





The Green Campus: Entrance, Oak Avenue towards the hotel, the dorms in the periphery / Hand sketches with color pens.





Impressions of the student workshop and presentation of the conceptual design / Photo documentation.







Examples of valuable landscape features at Deelen Airbase:

Rhododendron and Juniper (Juniperus chinensis); Umbrella Black Locust (Robinia pseudoacacia umbraculifers); solitary European Oak (Quercus robur); Giant Sequoia groups (Sequoiadendron giganteum); Beechwood rows (Fagus sylvatica); Oak (Quercus robur) and Little-leaf Linden (Tilia cordata) avenues.



























Deelen Airbase

Three different conceptual redevelopment alternatives: Family & Healthcare, Aviation & History, Ecology & Hospitality / Illustrator and Photoshop on GIS base.





Field Regional planning, Urban planning and design, Rural landscapes, Demographic change

Location Naumburg, Germany

Size 66.3 sq km / 16,383 acre / 25.6 sq miles

Year 2005 / 2006

Stage Consultation, Launch, Conceptual design, Design development

- Tasks Feasable landscape development scenarios, Stormwater management, Landscape tourism plan
- Tools ArcGIS, AutoCAD, Illustrator, Photoshop, Landscape photography
- Team project studio (GPA: 3.9) with 2 other undergraduate students of Landscape Planning

Naumburg Future Scenarios



View from the surrounding agricultural fields onto the town of Naumburg / Landscape photography.





Naumburg Future Scenarios







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Adventure Playgound at Burghain . Sport Field To Elbenberg / Altendo V To Waldeck



Creating valuable open spaces and connections / Illustrator.

Converting open spaces previously used as parking lots into lush green spaces for the residents of the historic center / Photoshop.



Establishing views into the flood plain and highlighting the town wall / Illustrator.

A new lighting concept for the historic center emphasizes the town wall and provides guidance at night / Photoshop.



Field Urban design and regeneration, Project development, Design competition, Rural landscapes

Location Friedewald, Germany

Size 400 sqm / 478.4 sq yard / 4,305 sq foot

Year 2006 / 2007

- Stage Consultation, Launch, Conceptual design, Design development, Construction documents
- Tasks Integrated spatial, landscape and use concept, cost estimation, 1 model, 1 booklet, 2 posters
- Tools Hand sketching, AutoCAD, SketchUp, Photoshop, Indesign, Office, AVA Orca with Excel
- Team design competition (GPA: 3.5) with 2 other undergraduate students of Landscape Planning

Friedewald Square





Frontal bird view onto the planning site / Photography.



Municipal survey / GIS map.





Friedewald Square

Hand sketches for spatial analysis: roof shapes, entrances, windows, views, accessibility, division and uses. / Ink pens.

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Grading plan, originally 1:400 (resized) / Illustrator on AutoCAD base.









Sectional view to the West, originally 1:200 (resized) / Illustrator and Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



Sectional view to the North, originally 1:200 (resized) / Illustrator and Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



Landscape development plan, originally 1:200 (resized) / Photoshop on AutoCAD base.



Groundcover: Graveled turf and extensive flowerbed.

Highlighting elements: Dogwood and wild roses.
Lighting concept details: Spotlights towards the parking lot, tree illumination, well-lit bus stop / Idea images.





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Friedewald Square

Lighting concept plan / Photoshop on AutCAD base.

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2	Kostengruppen	Anzahl	Einheit	€/ Einheit	€brutto
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NR Kostengruppe 500 Außenanlagen



Geländeflächen			3.490,00 €	3,10%
Bodenbearbeitung				
Bodenaushub und Lagerung	50 m²	10,00€	500,00€	0,63%
zusätzlichen Oberboden liefern und andecken	70 m ³	12,50 €	875,00 €	1,10%
niedrigen Bewuchs roden und umgraben	75 m³	4,00 €	300,00 €	0,38%
Pflanzarbeiten				
einfache Bepflanzung aus Stauden und Zwiebeln	70 m²	1,90 €	133,00 €	0,17%
einfache Bepflanzung aus Bodendeckern	70 m ²	3,00 €	210,00€	0,26%
Hecken				
Hainbuche (Carpinus betulus), doppelreihig	110 lfm	4,00 €	440,00 €	0,55%
Sträucher				
Rauhblättrige Rose (Rosa jundizillii)	12 St.	6,00€	72,00€	0,09%
Weißer Hartriegel (Cornus alba sibirica)	12 St.	5,00€	60,00€	0,08%
Bäume				
Eberesche (Sorbus aucuparia) als Hochstamm im				
Trio verpflanzt	18 St.	50,00€	900,00€	1,13%
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Design for the new bus stop / Hand sketches and idea image.

520	Befestigte Flächen			34.985,00 €	44,09%
520	Wege, Plätze, Kfz-Stellplätze				
	vorhandenes Betonsteinpflaster, rot, 10/10,				
	aufnehmen, reinigen und neu verlegen	610 m ²	20,00€	12.200,00€	15,37%
	Betonsteinpflaster, rot, 10/10, einbauen	50 m ²	25,00€	1.250,00 €	1,58%
	Betonsteinschmuckfäche (Wappen) einbauen	13 m ²	25,00 €	325,00 €	0,41%
	Betonsteinpflaster, grau, in Parkfläche neu				
	verlegen	210 m ²	20,00€	4.200,00 €	5,29%
	Läuferreihen aus Friedewalder Sandstein, 15/30	150 lfm	30,00€	4.500,00€	5,67%
	Rasengittersteine aufnehmen	230 m ²	5,00€	1.150,00 €	1,45%
	Sickerstreifen aus Natursteinpflaster	2 m ²	100,00€	200,00€	0,25%
	Schotterrasen	558 m²	20,00 €	11.160,00€	14,06%

530	Baukonstruktion in Außenanlagen			25.151,00 €	31,69%
530	Einfriedungen/Begrenzungen				
	Palisaden versetzen	23 m	28,00€	644,00€	0,81%
532	Außentreppenstufen				
	Außentreppen, Stahlbeton, 15x30x150	8 St.	132,00€	1.056,00 €	1,33%
	Geländer aus Stahl	2 m	154,00€	308,00€	0,39%
533	Mauern, Wände				
	Betonstützmauer, incl. Schalung und Bewehrung, D				
	= 50 cm	110,00 lfm	120,00€	13.200,00€	16,63%
	Außenwandverkleidung aus Gabionen 50/50 cm,				
	Maschenweite 10/10 cm	20,00 m ³	16,00€	320,00€	0,40%
	Füllmaterial Friedewalder Sandstein, 80/120mm	20,00 m ³	30,00€	600,00€	0,76%
534	Bushaltestelle und Infowand				
	Stahlrahmengestell, geschweißt, feuerverzinkt incl.				
	obere Riegel und Stiele aus Quadratrohr, 80x80				
	bzw. 60x60, Wanddicke 3,6 mm; untere Ringel und				
	Stiele aus Quadratrohr 60x60, Wanddicke 2,9 mm;				
	Elementhöhe 260 cm, Elementbreite 208 cm bzw.				
	392 cm; incl. Anschlussbleche und				
	Glashaltedeckleisten	1 psch	4 000 00 €	4 000 00 €	5 04%

Developer cost estimation according to DIN 276, third level / Excel.

Friedewald Square



Bird view from the street / Photoshop on model photos.



Construction sketch for the new fountain / Hand sketch, photo of the Friedewald Coat of Arms, idea image.



Ideas for sitting walls and benches / Catalogue material.



Zoomed view to the new fountain and street-level perspective of the proposed sitting walls / Photoshop on model photos.

Field Parametric design, Landscape construction, Paving materials and patterns

Location Kassel, Germany

Size 200 sqm / 2,150 sq foot / 240 sq yard

- Year 2007 / 2008 (two semester project studio)
- Stage Consultation, Lauch, Concept design, Design development, Landscape construction
- Tasks Design and implementation of a transition from volcanic to sediment structures
- Tools Rhino, Photoshop, Illustrator, AutoCAD, Laser cutter, CNC milling machine, concrete mixing tools
- Team final project studio (GPA: 3.9) with 1 other graduate student of Landscape Architecture / Planning

In a one-week construction workshop, the paving design derived from (partial) results of the first semester was implemented in the surrounding of the campus mensa. Parametric design with the support of animation and 3D modelling software as well as implementation into physical models by means of new construction techniques enabled the creation of continuous complex forms.

Paving Stones



Sedimentary rock: rather horizontal / lying + dissolving / bright / soft / amorphous / Online image research.

Volcanic rock: rather vertical / erected + hardening / dark / solid / angular / Online image research.

Design task: Sedimentation process of volcanic rock via parametric design

Volcanic rock rises from the earth. By means of multiple transformation processes, sedimentary rock is created which dissolves onto the ground.



Extruded volcanic rock formation / Rhino.

Fully sedimented volcanic rock / Rhino.

Design derivation and analysis: Sedimentary rock











Design derivation and analysis: Volcanic rock I







Finding characteristics of volcanic rock / Photoshop.





Design concept: Operative Transparenz

"When you see two or more pieces overlapping each other, and each one claims the common part for itself, one is confronted with a contradiction of spatial dimensions. In order to resolve this contradiction, one must assume the presence of a new optical quality."

Collin Rowe

In this design concept, transparency as a form of order becomes an instrument of form-finding. By moving a single element (a stencil), the present viewpoint changes accordingly.

The transparency as being an image changes in its appearance since the object to be observed changes by one move.

By a superposition of different patterns, different density levels are achieved. These increase or decrease the possibility to look through and / or the intensity of light. Consequently, one can create endless new (geometric) patterns by moving the stencils.

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Instructions for the hexagonal patterned stencils / Illustrator.

4 base patterns and another 8 chosen variants, turned by 30 degrees and then additionally by 60 degrees / Illustrator.



Working steps: Color theory, Parametric design, CNC Milling

New patterns are being created by superposition of several hexagon stencils with different color saturations. Using a color saturation scale, the individual gray tones are being converted into elevation levels.

	100%	- 2,00cm
	87,5%	- 1,75cm
\leq	75%	- 1,50cm
	62,5%	- 1,25cm
\prec	50%	- 1,00cm
	37,5%	- 0,75cm
	25%	- 0,50cm
\prec	0%	- 0cm



The patterns are being transferred into Rhino 4.0. The resulting surfaces are being extruded topographically and processed additionally so that the sedimentation process can be noticed.



Side view / Rhino.

The Rhino plug in for the CNC milling machine converts 3D data into commands for creating 20x20cm hard foam models. Through the use of different drill heads, one achieves differently fine ablation and processing of the surfaces - similar to sedimentation process in nature.



Top view / Illustrator.



Top view / Rhino.



Design development: Metamorphosis of volcanic rock into sedimentary rock



Basalt colums at Giants' Causeway, Ireland / Online image research.



Hexagonal pattern with different gray saturations / Illustrator.





Perspective and side view of hexagonal pattern with multiple elevation levels / Rhino.







Perspective and side view of hexagonal pattern with image overlay / Rhino.

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Structure with 30 and 60 degrees turned overlays / Rhino.

Mid term: Preliminary design result



Karst field near Dent de Crolle, France / Online image research.







Design development: Continuation with (partial) results of the first semester



Stencils for pattern generation





Choice of pattern / Illustrator.



Sample of the paving pattern / Illustrator.

Double layer of hexogonal forms



Layered hexogonal forms with specific colour attributes / Illustrator.





Paving pattern / Illustrator.

9 basic components form the paving pattern / Illustrator.



The design idea is based on the findings in the previous winter semester. The approach to solving the first task was the metamorphosis of volcanic rocks into sedimentary rock via several stages. By the superposition of different shapes, new (geometric) patterns were created by means of tranlucence and layering. By rotations of the superimposed forms, new patterns evolved. This basic idea has been accepted as a starting point for continuous design work in the summer semester.

Out of the basic structures, a sample was picked for further processing. Although seemingly complex and opaque at first sight, its pattern can be traced down to 9 basic components. The basic components are repetitive since the entire pattern consists of twisted and layered hexagonal forms which dinstinguish themselves from each other by different gray values.

Through the repetition of its pattern, a laying template could be developed from the above nine basic components. The different basic shapes are being created as digital layers whose colour attributes were subsequently allocated to instead of the gray values in order to enhance optical clarity.

Infinite possibilities for generating new patterns / Illustrator.

By omitting or adding layers, new patterns can be generated frequently, the pattern formation is infinite. On the basis of equal rotation in 30 ° and 60 ° around a common center, additions arise among the basic shapes. The original hexogonal forms merge and transform into polygons. After each rotation, or after every time one turns the appropriate layer on or off, individual patterns emerge that look "static" at first sight: any pattern stands for itself.

By means of the rotation, the addition enables you to experience the transformation of the stones as a single dynamic image, without realizing that there are different patterns. Thus, the laying pattern changes from an initially static to a dynamic image. The basic components between the transformations either remain or change or disappear completely through addition with other layers.

After several experiments with different patterns, the following individual range has been selected. It consists of 16 forms which are determined by the transformation, and 9 basic components which are arranged in a special paving pattern. To enhance the aesthetics of the single transformed forms, a gradient from yellow to green was chosen.

Design development: Creation of a paving stone pattern



Single patterns merge via additions of layers and form dynamic transition zones / Illustrator.



A yellow - green gradient highlights the transformations of the paving stones / Illustrator.

Design development: Reduction to 98 paving stones





Illustrator on AutoCAD base.

Construction design: Position of the paving stones



Measuring the exact position of each paving stone / Photoshop.

Postioning the paving stones into individual concrete foundations / Photoshop.

Design presentation: Renderings of the paving stones on the campus slope



Two intertwined strings of paving stones, one leading to the bench "sweep", the other one connecting to the outdoor seats / Photoshop.

The entrance situation: the "sweep" bench is now connected to the surrounding through the paving and does not "swim" in the lawn anymore.



The exit situation: the "flowing forms" connect to the regular campus paving towards the library and the cafeteria / Photoshop.

The fresh colour gradient from yellow to green is visible all four directions and invites students to sit and rest on the lawn / Photoshop.

1. CNC Milling



















2.Thermo-Forming



















3. Pigment experiments



Pigment		Yellow I	Yellow 2	Yellow-Green I	Yellow-Green 2	Green I	Green 2
Yellow 910	%	1,00	3,00	2,25	١,50	0,75	
	g / Mixture	200,00	600,00	450,00	300,00	150,00	
Chromoxide Green	%			0,75	I,50	2,25	3,00
	g / Mixture			150,00	300,00	450,00	600,00
Ratio Yellow 910 /							
Chromoxide Green		100 / 0	100 / 0	75 / 25	50 / 50	25 / 75	0/100

Pigmentation mixture ratio of the 6 color levels, plus 15 kg sand, 5 kg white cement and approximately 5 l water per each mixture. Four of these mixtures (25 l each) were loaded into a concrete mixer (140 l). Between 2 (Yellow-Green 1, 5 big stones) to 6 (Yellow 1, 47 small stones) of these loads were needed for each color series / Excel.







4. Pouring concrete



















5. Site preparation



















6. Laying the stones



















7. Finishing





















"Landscapes evolve from the mind..." - Lucius Burckhardt -