

## Objects and Technologies of Schooling (Brisbane, 17 Apr 19)

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OBJECTS & TECHNOLOGIES OF SCHOOLING is a travelling international workshop collaboration between the University of Queensland's Architecture Theory Criticism and History Research Group (ATCH) and KU Leuven - SRN Texts-Buildings.

Despite a growing interest in institutional histories and key educational figures, the complex processes that transformed architecture's pedagogies in the 20th century are still under-theorised. This workshop widens the geographical scope beyond local institutional histories and sets out to discover the very distinct materialities and technologies of schooling as active agents in the making of architectural school. Speakers will study graphic images, studio tools, experiments and events, lecturing devices and material infrastructures by which architect-educators and students produced and expressed ideas in 20th century educational contexts. By focusing on the visual and oral, rather than the textual means by which architectural knowledge was generated and disseminated in the past, they will scrutinise the unstudied link between traditional institutional studies, intellectual or conceptual studies and material/visual culture studies.

### PROGRAM

1.00 PM - 1.20 PM

Elke Couchez and Rajesh Heynickx:  
Introduction

### SESSION 1

1.20 PM - 1.40 PM

Deborah van der Plaats and John Macarthur, University of Queensland:  
A Quiet Revolution. Robert Percy Cummings' unpublished talks (1930-1970)

1.40 PM - 2.00 PM

Lee Stickells, University of Sydney:  
Little Living Labs. Ambitions in student design-build experiments of the 1970s

2.00 PM - 2.20 PM

Rajesh Heynickx, KU Leuven:  
Wölfflin's Blasting Apparatus. Tracing the projector in architectural historiography

2.20 PM - 2.50 PM

Discussion

2.50 PM - 3.15 PM

Afternoon Tea

## SESSION 2

3.15 PM - 3.35 PM

Paul James, University of Queensland:

Joseph Rykwert's Object Lesson at the Ulm School of Design

3.35 PM - 3.55 PM

Elke Couchez, University of Queensland:

Alfons Hoppenbrouwers's Visual Pedagogy. Reading Space and Time through the Painting

3.55 PM- 4.20 PM

Discussion

4.20 PM - 4.30 PM

Short Break

4.30 PM - 5.00 PM

Julia Gatley, The University of Auckland:

Concluding Remarks

Registrations are now open! Please visit the website for more information and the full programme: <https://www.architecture.uq.edu.au/objects-technologies-schooling>

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