

Building Partnerships for Urban Change

The Journal of Urban Culture Research and the Urban Research Plaza

We would like to introduce to you our international peer-reviewed Journal of Urban Culture Research (JUCR), published jointly by Chulalongkorn University (Bangkok) and Osaka City University and invite you to submit papers to our Journal.

Since early 2010 we have been publishing two volumes annually spanning the diverse areas of urban culture. We have covered topics ranging from mapping local living cultures in Bangkok to art therapy initiatives following Japan's tsunami disaster and art activism projects for the urban under privilege offered by the Art for All Foundation. In these times of rapid urbanization JUCR and its founding organization the Urban Research Plaza (URP) feel a special commitment towards improving urban living conditions

We welcome the shift that has been taking place in many corners of the world toward an economy of creativity and have taken steps toward exploring and proposing designs for a participatory "cultural city" focusing on innovative model projects of social and cultural planning. This includes the concept of a "green city" to withstand the effects of global warming and environmental disasters, while reducing its own impact.

Through its many activities of urban outreach our Faculty of Fine and Applied Arts of Chulalongkorn University has shown the way for universities to become "urban generators" working to design and redesign urban environments for the enhancement of cultural continuity and social justice. To explore the ways and means toward improving such activities worldwide the FAA and the URP cordially invite you to participate at our yearly international Forum of Urban Research taking place at the beginning of March on our campus and from 2015 in the middle of September at the Interuniversity Center, Dubrovnik.

The below websites provide the details about participating at our conferences and submitting papers to our Journal.

Journal of Urban Culture Research– www.cujucr.com

Urban Research Plaza – Bangkok, Thailand – www.urp.faa.chula.ac.th/urp/Welcome.html

Urban Research Plaza – Osaka, Japan – www.ur-plaza.osaka-cu.ac.jp/en/about/index.html

Interuniversity Center - Dubrovnik, Croatia - www.iuc.hr