



## **PRESS ALERT**

### **For Immediate Release**

December 5, 2011

### **DesCours Continues with Unique, Free Public Programming**

#### **Film Screening, Party in Installation Sites, Happy Hour Specials and Tours!**

New Orleans, La. (Dec. 5-Dec.11, 2011) *DesCours* continues to celebrate its 5<sup>th</sup> anniversary with a second week of free public architecture and art events that further illustrate the purpose of *DesCours* – to showcase cutting-edge, experimental architecture, making it accessible and approachable by the general public and provide them with a dynamic, sensory experience.

Join DesCours at any of these public events:

#### **Monday, Dec. 5**

6pm-8pm | Film screening of *Brilliant Simplicity*, a presentation film by METROPLIS Magazine  
900 Camp Str. (Contemporary Arts Cent | New Orleans)

#### **Tuesday, Dec. 6**

6pm-8pm | *DesCours Happy Hour* at Ste. Marie  
930 Poydras Str. (Ste. Marie Restaurant and Bar)

#### **Wednesday, Dec. 7**

6pm-8pm | *Cocktails in Courtyard* featuring DJ Brice Nice and cocktails  
1445 Pauger Str.  
Installation 10 (Igor Siddique + Matt Hutchinson (Path/ISSStudio))  
*Bayou-luninescence*

#### **Friday, Dec. 9**

7:30pm-9:30pm | Tours DesCours, a guided tour of DesCours installation sites with founder and curator, Melissa Urcan  
1000 St. Charles Ave. (AIA New Orleans Center for Design)

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## **Friday, Dec. 9**

8pm-10pm | *Party on the Roof* featuring DJ Joey Button and cocktails

212 Loyola Ave. rooftop (Saratoga Building)

Installation 08 (Drew Shawver + Jonathan Marcantel + Allison Bohl)

*Wetlands Immersion*

## **Saturday, Dec. 10**

6pm-10pm | *St. Joe Lofts Performance Extravaganza* with live musicians, acroats, singers, dancers and more

923 Constance Str. (St. Joe Lofts)

Installation 03 (Scott Berger + Rebecca Miller + Kevin Muni (MaMBo))

*Rendezvous*

Installation 04 (Jennifer Harmon (cyanitecture) + Spencer Kroll + Benjamin Thomas)

*Starfield* (in courtyard space #2)

## **Sunday, Dec. 11**

6pm-8pm | *DesCours Closing Party* with Sonic ambience provided by DJ Quintron

129 University Place (Orpheum Theater)

Installation 09 (Noa Younse + Steven Tsai + Carson smuts (SPACESHIP))

*inBloom*

For additional information on *DesCours*, including architects and artists, installations sites and special events please visit [www.descours.us](http://www.descours.us).

### *About AIA New Orleans:*

*Founded in 1911, AIA New Orleans is a non-profit whose mission is to represent, educate and serve the architecture profession and entire community as concerns the built environment. AIA New Orleans is a component of the American Institute of Architects (AIA), which serves over 80,000 professional architects. Serving over 500 local professional architects and associate members, the chapter hosts more than 75 events annually for its members and the public. Most recently, AIA New Orleans opened the 'AIA New Orleans Center for Design' which serves its members and the public by offering architecture and design education opportunities in the forms of lectures, a study center, special events, and more. AIA New Orleans Center for Design is the only dedicated architecture and design exhibition space in the state of Louisiana.*