

19-04-2013

THE WICK  SESSIONS

8.00PM

10: THE NEW

STOUR SPACE
7 ROACH ROAD
FISH ISLAND
LONDON E3 2PA

LOCALISM

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ABOUT SESSION NO. 10

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This session will look at the ways in which the local community can have an impact in key decisions regarding the development, regeneration and conservation of the area. The session is co-organised with Isaac Marrero-Guillamón, Editor of The Wick newspaper and co-editor of The Art of Dissent.

The Session will be followed by a 9.30pm screening of Tom Metcalfe and John Rowley's film *The Wick* at See Studio.

The Wick: Dispatches from the Isle Wonder: Two film-makers arrive in the post industrial wasteland known as Hackney Wick to document this 'Isle of Wonder' as it falls under the shadow of the Olympic behemoth. You can watch the trailer at www.thewickfilm.com

WHERE

Talk: Stour Space, 7 Roach Road, Fish Island, E3 2PA
Screening: See Studio, 13 Prince Edward Road, E9 5LX

WHEN

19th March 2013 19:00pm-21:00pm

HOW MUCH

Wick Sessions are free and open to anyone who wants to take part. Venues change with every evening.

RSVP

No RSVP needed

PARTICIPANTS

JULIET CAN will introduce Stour Space, its history, ethos, aims, challenges and future vision as a social business. Her involvement began as a volunteer consultant supporting the organisation with its fundraising, governance and growth. As the current Manager of the organization, her role is to develop services, relationships and key strategic goals within Stour Space. www.stour.space.co.uk

LEE WILSHIRE will provide a whistle stop tour of some of the measures introduced by the 2011 Localism Act, from the 'Right to Build' to 'Community Councils' via 'Neighbourhood Plans', looking at what they mean for communities. As part of the team at Stour Space, Lee will provide an overview of how they are using aspects of the new legislation in their struggle for sustainability.

SUE BROWNILL will present findings from an ongoing research on neighbourhood planning in Oxfordshire and London. The project examines the experiences of these communities, in terms of the extent to which power and control is actually being devolved to localities and the varying capacities of 'neighbourhoods' to engage with the localism agenda.

OLIVER GOODHALL and HOLLY LEWIS will reflect on their recent project, The Open Office, and what relevance they might have to Hackney Wick. Operating on a walk-in basis, The Open Office was part 'Citizens Urban Advice Bureau' and part functioning practice. It offered an approachable and dynamic forum for public discussions about architecture, planning and communities. Also creating a forum to explore topics relating to the Localism Act and the emergence of neighbourhood planning. www.wemadethat.co.uk

DAVID KNIGHT will argue that more fundamental changes must take place if planning is to become something that people understand and use as part of everyday life. The talk will draw on examples of 'popular planning' derived from David's ongoing research at the Royal College of Art.

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R-URBAN

R-Urban is a bottom-up strategy that explores the possibilities of enhancing the capacity of urban resilience by introducing a network of resident-run facilities. It initiates locally closed ecological cycles that will support the emergence of alternative models of living, producing and consuming. R-urban is supported by the EU Life+ Programme of environmental governance. The project partners are AAA, Paris (coordinator), the City of Colombes and public works, London. www.r-urban.net

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