



Living-in-dustry

Filling the voids created by industrial sites

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Conversation:

Current industrial sites within cities tend to act as uninhabitable voids (dead zones) that disconnect communities both physically and socially and are often pushed out to make room for new development. How can industrial sites be reimaged in order to better integrate them into our communities.

Stakes:

There is a missing architectural typology that could fill the voids and intertwine the programming of urban living and industrial production into a single network of buildings.

Betterment:

The mixing of urban living and industry could provide an urban production method that is more sustainable and transparent, with community incorporation at the forefront.

Profile:

When I began living in Downtown San Antonio I saw a great deal of industrial sites that were either still in operation or abandoned. These sites often were behind large gates, in the center of communities that had grown around them. This opened up a question of how these factories can become something that can better serve the communities.