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The 10th edition of the **International Biennial of Landscape Architecture** will be held in Barcelona this September, under the title '**Performative nature**'.

The event will start on the 26th of September with the exhibition of the school projects at the ETSAB Barcelona School of Architecture. The 27th and 28th of September will be dedicated to the **symposium** [2], which will take place at the *Petit Palau de la Música*. The Projects exhibition will open on the 27th at the Architects' Association of Catalonia (COAC). Final presentations of the Rosa Barba Landscape Award will be conducted on the 28th. The last event will be a guided tour by bicycle around Barcelona, and will take place on the 29th.

Performative nature

Climate change denial, resource depletion, the retreat of democracy, the proliferation of intolerance and the vulnerability of people attacked in public spaces tempt us to fortify in the name of safety, to design defensive landscapes with defensive policies. Will tomorrow landscapes be as open, participatory, beautiful and sustainable as we imagined they could be? This moment of uncertainty, of regression, is no time for paralysis. It is time to perform, to become ecological and social activists in the shaping of our future habitats.

We need landscapes that embrace multi-performative natures. The spaces we collectively inhabit are opportunities for richer performances among people, places and natures. Tomorrow landscapes are indeed called to simultaneously perform ecological, social and political roles.

In addressing these challenges as designers, we must also rethink beauty to construct emotionally performative natures.

For further information, visit the Biennial website ^[3].

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