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SCI-Arc Shanghai Launches with a Summer 2016 Design Course Intensive



Steven Ma of Xuberance will lead the Three Month Digital Design & Fabrication Program

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Los Angeles, CA (May 6, 2016) – SCI-Arc is pleased to announce the launch of SCI-Arc Shanghai's inaugural program. Beginning summer 2016, the SCI-Arc Shanghai Satellite Program will offer a creative and intensive fabrication and design experience for all students interested in pursuing a career in architecture and is intended to jumpstart a graduate education at SCI-Arc. The intensive will run from June 3 – August 12, 2016 and the deadline to apply is May 27.

This program is designed for students, architects, designers, artists, and individuals of all backgrounds who wish to engage with new techniques of complex geometric modeling in digital design, advanced fabrication techniques of additive manufacturing, and robotics. It offers new means for design inquiry where participants will actively use and explore computational tools both in stages of concept and practice.

As part of Director Hernan Diaz Alonso's directive for the global expansion of the school, SCI-Arc Shanghai is intended to expand SCI-Arc's outstanding reputation for architectural education and speculative learning to a broader audience. "SCI-Arc has become a mature, vital, and innovative institution operating on an international stage," Diaz Alonso said. "We're getting the school more and more involved on a global level."

Distinguished graduate Steven Ma (M.Arch '08) principal and founder of China's first 3D Printing Design Brand, Xuberance Co.Ltd, will lead the program. Students will have access to the digital fabrication lab from Xuberance and the Architecture Institute of China's Shanghai Campus including a state of the art 3D printing and robotic lab.

Check out sciarc.edu/shanghai to register and to learn more about the program.

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About SCI-Arc Southern California Institute of Architecture (SCI-Arc) is dedicated to educating architects who will imagine and shape the future. It is an independent, accredited degree-granting institution offering undergraduate and graduate programs in architecture. Located in a quarter-mile-long former freight depot in the Arts District in Downtown Los Angeles, the school is distinguished by its vibrant studio culture and emphasis on process. SCI-Arc's approximately 500 students and 80 faculty members, most of whom are practicing architects, work together to re-examine assumptions, create, explore and test the limits of architecture. SCI-Arc faculty and leadership have garnered more than 500 national and international design awards and recognitions, including Progressive Architecture awards, American Institute of Architects (AIA) awards, and the prestigious Jencks and Pritzker architecture prizes. SCI-Arc is ranked 1st in computer applications and 2nd in design in the *2013 America's Best Architecture Schools* survey from DesignIntelligence, and #1 graduate and undergraduate architecture school in Western U.S. SCI-Arc is located at 960 E. 3rd Street, Los Angeles, CA 90013. www.sciarc.edu