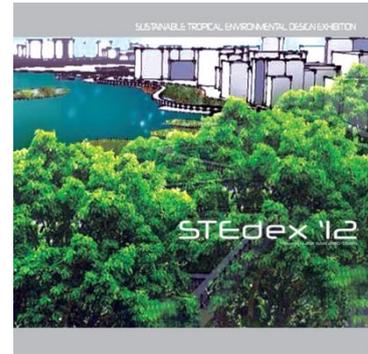


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Recreating Green Linkage

-Muhammad Hijaz Sanusi

The student has done a detail study on the site analysis and synthesis. The objective and goal of this project are well derived and clearly presented to overcome the site issues. The design strategy is well planned and explained. The wise selection of plants in the design is also well described which can create excitement to the people by using three senses: smell, view and touch.

-Norliza Mohd Yusof

Bizarre! The design description explains in every illustration made and the study itself carries profound work of a 4th year student. The thermal comfort study and its synthesis are well explained and these findings were transformed into physical design excellently. The excellent study is supported by skillful graphic communication and information of every proposal made suit to cater the site issues, especially climate change factors.

Star Trench of Green

-Muhammad Hijaz Sanusi

A thorough study on the site and site issues has been done. The project shows a very well derived project goal. The project forwards good design strategies by using planting to mitigate pedestrian comfort, but extra care is needed for the selection of plants especially on the strength of the tree structure and the root system as this involves the harsh surrounding environment and the trench structure's ability to bear weight. Overall this is a good presentation.

-Norliza Mohd Yusof

The concept idea on providing designated pedestrian routes at popular crowd spots at Star Hill is a good effort. Besides considering a typical solution on providing "pedestrian mall" to the area, this is a creative and bizarre idea. It solves many issues, in addition to creating a significant identity for Star Hill by having the Star walker and Star Trench. They are both unique and innovative ideas by the designer. Excellence work and study! Graphic communication presents the idea clearly and explicitly.

Child Friendly Neighborhood Design

-Muhammad Hijaz Sanusi

The student has done a very thorough site study. The design process was done and explained clearly. The design strategy is well planned and addresses the site issues. The goal and objective is interrelated. The student also shows high awareness on children safety while designing the area.

-Norliza Mohd Yusof

The proposal highlights the children's behavior towards their surrounding ambiance. Looking into the children's perspectives, the surrounding design shall be designed based on their ability, for instance, the anthropometric, safety, comfort, confident and delighted are their need and demands. The proposal has described the design solution of each aspect in 3D perspectives thus providing explaining and transforming the concept ideas into design solution. A complete presentation boards illustrate good analysis made to the study contents, and a confident translation of design ideas into physical design, in soft and hard landscapes. The master plan may seem as a 'typical' design but the illustrative perspectives describe the detailing. This project entails comprehensive and interesting design solution.

Johor Bahru Urban Waterfront Development

-Kashino Naohiro

Plan sequence goes right to left that contradicts with presentation sequence of left to right. Otherwise it will be well displayed. To which direction the developments should go must be identified with the designer's opinion. Expected users' population should be determined for appropriate design volume. Sustainability is not the topic in the study. Human scale innovation in landscape design is expected for this type of project rather than huge monumental structural amazement. Good presentation with attractive colour and graphics.

-Marek Kozlowski

This project requires more information about the existing state and the justifications for doing the project. More information is needed about the history of that specific part of Johor Bahru. Although more clarifications are needed on existing opportunities and challenges, it has provided clear goal and objectives and well illustrated design process and flow of design thinking. Good design proposals for the waterfront areas. However design proposals for streetscaping of Jalan Abu Bakar and the street approaches to the waterfront would certainly strengthen the project. Indeed, this project has inserted a good detailed plan of the proposed Marina. Overall, this project illustrates a good process and creative design thinking with a very good graphic presentation.