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Suggested Reading List for BLA and MLA Students
Faculty Recommendations

- Amidon, Jane. *Radical Landscapes: Reinventing Outdoor Space*, 2001.
Beardsley, John. *Earthworks and Beyond*, 1998.
Berger, Alan. *Drosscape: Wasting Land in Urban America*, 2006.
Corner, James, ed. *Recovering Landscape: Essays in Contemporary Landscape Architecture*, 1999.
Corner, James, Julia Czerniak, and George Hargreaves. *Large Parks*, 2007.
Cosgrove, Denis and Stephen Daniels, eds. *The Iconography of Landscape*, 1989.
Cosgrove, Denis. *Social Formation and Symbolic Landscape*, 1984/1998.
Harris, Dianne and D. Fairchild Ruggles, eds. *Sites Unseen: Landscape and Vision*, 2007.
Hester, Randolph and Mark Francis, eds. *The Meaning of Gardens*, 1990.
Hester, Randolph. *Design for Ecological Democracy*, 2006.
Holt, Nancy, ed. *The Writings of Robert Smithson*, 1979.
Jackson, J. B. *The Necessity of Ruins*, 1980.
Jacobs, Jane. *Death and Life of Great American Cities*, 1961.
Kaplan, Rachel, Stephen Kaplan, and Robert Ryan. *With People in Mind: Design and Management of Everyday Nature*, 1998.
Kostof, Spiro. *America By Design*, 1987.
Kostof, Spiro. *The City Shaped: Urban Patterns and Meaning Through History*, 1991.
Leopold, Aldo. *A Sand County Almanac*, 1949/1989.
Louv, Richard. *Last Child in the Woods: Saving Our Children from Nature-Deficit Disorder*, 2005.
Lynch, Kevin and Gary Hack. *Site Planning*, 1986.
Lynch, Kevin. *Image of the City*, 1960.
Marx, Leo. *The Machine in the Garden: Technology and the Pastoral Ideal in America*, 1967.
McHarg, Ian. *Design With Nature*, 1969.
McPhee, John. *Control of Nature*, 1989.
Meinig, D. W., ed. *The Interpretation of Ordinary Landscapes*, 1979.
Mitchell, Don. *The Lie of the Land: Migrant Workers and the California Landscape*, 1996.
Pollan, Michael. *Second Nature: A Gardener's Education*, 1991.
Reed, Peter. *Groundswell: Constructing the Contemporary Landscape*, 2005.
Rogers, Elizabeth Barlow. *Landscape Design: A Cultural and Architectural History*, 2001.
Solnit, Rebecca. *A Field Guide to Getting Lost*, 2005.
Solnit, Rebecca. *Savage Dreams: A Journey into the Landscape Wars of the American West*, 1999.
Stilgoe, John. *Outside Lies Magic: Regaining History and Awareness in Everyday Places*, 1998.
Stilgoe, John. *Common Landscape of America, 1580-1845*, 1982.
Swaffield, Simon. *Theory in Landscape Architecture: A Reader*, 2002.
Thayer, Rob. *Gray World, Green Heart: Technology, Nature, and Sustainable Landscape*, 1994.
Thompson, George and Frederick Steiner, eds. *Ecological Design and Planning*, 1996.
Treib, Marc, ed. *Modern Landscape Architecture: A Critical Review*, 1993.
Treib, Marc. *Settings and Stray Paths*, 2005.
Tuan, Yi Fu. *Topophilia: A Study in Environmental Perception, Attitudes, and Values*, 1974.
Tuan, Yi Fu. *Space and Place: The Perspective of Experience*, 1977.
Waldheim, Charles, ed. *Landscape Urbanism Reader*, 2006.
Weilacher, Udo. *Between Landscape Architecture and Land Art*, 1996.
Whyte, William H. *The Social Life of Small Urban Spaces*, 1980.

Students are also encouraged to read about the works of individual designers including:

Thomas Church, Garret Eckbo, James Rose, Daniel Urban Kiley, Lawrence Halprin, Hideo Sasaki, Peter Walker, George Hargreaves, Martha Schwartz, Adrien Geuze/West 8, James Corner, Julie Bargman, Laurie Olin, Roberto Burle Marx, Kathryn Gustafson, and many more.

Please also see the following journals: *Landscape Architecture Magazine*, *Land Forum*, *Landscape Journal*, *Landscape Research*, *Journal of Landscape Architecture*, *Topos: European Landscape Magazine*