ABSTRACT

CREATIVE PROJECT: Transforming the Urban Village in Guangzhou into an Urban Park

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This study examined the opportunities for transforming the urban village within Guangzhou’s urban core into an urban park, creating a green open space for the dense built environment.

Two main phases are contained in this study. The first phase consists of an exploration of a suitable method and design for reclaiming the “urban village” in Guangzhou by designing an urban park, in which existing design guidelines, design strategies for derelict structures on site, cultural and historic feature preservation, and design principles for creating a successful urban park specific to Guangzhou will be discussed. The second phase consists of the development of the design concept for the transformation of the urban village to an urban park. It includes researching the selected urban village in Guangzhou, specific urban context of this project, and developing the master plan and detailed landscape design for this urban park.