



New Haiti Villages: Steven Holl Architects, Guy Nordenson and Associates, Matthias Schuler, Transsolar, Jean Henock Beauchamps Araby Smyth

By Steven Holl

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in Haiti, on January 12, 2010, Steven Holl had the idea of

devoting the next Pamphlet Architecture book to solutions for rebuilding the architecture and infrastructure of the country.

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Holl in 1977, Pamphlet Architecture 31: New Haiti Villages

presents Steven Holl Architects vision for a new way of building

in Haiti, with contributions from leading structural engineer Guy

Nordenson and Matthias Schuler of climate engineering firm

Transsolar. To avoid making architecture that would just repeat

the problems of the past, Holl asked the following questions to

guide his design: 1. How should Haiti rebuild? 2. If the political

corruption before the earthquake was problematic, what now? 3.

Can urban/architectural expression be by Haitians? 4. Will

outside engineers build pragmatic strongboxes? 5. Can the

poetry of Haitis wind and sea, its colors and vegetation, its sky,

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