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BUILDING THE PUBLIC CITY



Temporary Public Space Installations Map Sept 8-16, all day long

- 1 Public space activation
- 2 Safe pedestrian linkage
- 3 **Block by Block: Minecraft Workshop** Sept 8-9, 9:30 - 18:00
Minecraft Exhibition Sept 16, 9:00-18:00
- 4 Public space activation & safe pedestrian linkage
- 5 Safe pedestrian crossing & Braam attractions map
- 6 Safe pedestrian crossing & alleyway activation
- 7 **Wits Planning Urban Design Studio Exhibition**
Sept 8-16, 9:00-18:00
- 7 Alleyway activation



Fak'Ugesi Festival Map Sept 8-16 (check Fak'Ugesi Website for more details)

- 1 **Labs & Free Workshops Hosted by Fak'Ugesi**, Sept 7-16, all day
Festival Official Launch & Exhibition Opening, Sept 8, 19:00 - 23:00
ColabNowNow by British Council Connect ZA, Sept 6-16, all day
Daring Curating: Int. Forum for Art & Tech in Africa, Sept 11-13, all day
A MAZE. / Johannesburg 2017, Sept 13-16, all day
Fak'Ugesi Conference, Sept 14, 9:00-17:00
- 2 **Market Hack**
Sept 9, 10:00-16:30
- 3 **Anti-Marathon** (Making Weekend Exhibit) Sept 11-12, all day
- 4 **Fak'Ugesi Beats Block Party**
Sept 16, 16:00 - 1:00



BiPC - Braamfontein

The City of Johannesburg, UN-Habitat, Wits University and a professional team will be kicking off a project called **Building the Public City** to coincide with the **Fak'Ugesi Festival in Braamfontein** from **September 6th to 16th**. Citizens are invited to participate through various means, including a **digital design workshop** as part of **UN-Habitat's Block by Block** programme on **September 8th and 9th**, and **mixed-reality design presentation on September 16th**.

Building the Public City puts citizens at the centre of an integrated framework through a participatory approach to public space design, implementation and management. This includes the public space design, as well as the development of co-management frameworks for public spaces amongst the stakeholders. The project will be exploring public spaces in **Braamfontein**, Hillbrow, and Diepsloot through participatory approaches, working towards public space design, capacity building, creating awareness, and facilitating social cohesion. Each of the target areas will use a different methodology to develop the spaces.

Kicking off in Braamfontein, a series of pop-up public spaces will be assembled to activate public spaces and test how the public uses these spaces during the **Fak'Ugesi Festival** being held from the **6th to 16th September 2017**. The pilot projects to be implemented will be intentionally small (in delivery and scale) and low cost interventions, undertaken in very defined and focused spaces, with very specific objectives and outcomes for each particular space.

In Braamfontein, a tactical urbanism' approach will be used, involving a small-scale and low-cost temporary installation of a series of pop-up public spaces and the networks between them, based on analyses done by the JDA, the professional team and students in the School of Architecture and Urban Planning at Wits. These temporary pop-up spaces

will be installed at the beginning of Fak'Ugesi on September 6th, and will be kept in place during the entire festival duration in order to test the proposed redesigns, understand use patterns, and develop an evidence-based long-term public space strategy for the neighbourhood.

During the same time period, on **September 8th and 9th**, **UN-Habitat's Block by Block programme will host an open design workshop** in which citizens are invited to use Minecraft, an easy-to-use 3D modelling programme, to help develop design ideas for a public space at the Eland sculpture and Stiemens Street between Bertha and De Beer.

Following the participatory input, the JDA and the professional team will coalesce the input and proposals into a single design proposal, which will be presented on the last day of the Fak'Ugesi Festival, September 16th. In the spirit of the Festival, this presentation will include cutting-edge digital technologies.

Participants will be able to view a digital model of the proposed interventions within the real space using mixed reality technology being piloted by Ericsson on this project. The feedback from this session will then again be input into a final design to be turned over to the City of Johannesburg for future implementation.

Use the map to track all the **BiPC** installations and the **Fak'Ugesi venues**, and.....

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Block by Block Open Digital Design Workshop Sessions Calendar:

Friday, September 8

- **1st Team Session** (Res. Wits Students) 9:30 - 11:30
- **1st Individual Session** (Open to Public) 11:30 - 13:30
- **2nd Team Session** (Res. Rosebank Students) 14:00 - 16:00
- **2nd Individual Session** (Open to Public) 16:00 - 18:00

Saturday, September 9

- **3rd Team Session** (Res. Rosebank Students) 9:30 - 11:30
- **3rd Individual Session** (Open to Public) 11:30 - 13:30
- **4th Team Session** (Res. Wits Students) 14:00 - 16:00
- **4th Individual Session** (Open to Public) 16:00 - 18:00

To Participate:

Pre-book the individual sessions open to public by using the online system for registration on the Quicket website: <http://qkt.io/BiPC>

or send an **SMS** to the phone number **079 746 9429** with your **name, surname & desired Block by Block sessions**.

