



The Influence of Islamic Architecture on the work of Jørn Utzon

Jørn Utzon's work incorporated lessons from traditional cultures, and his travels allowed him to experience and draw from many traditional influences including Mesoamerica, China, Japan, and Islam. His work shows a clear understanding of the principles that were inherent in traditional Islamic architecture and a creative and inventive reinterpretation of them in buildings and elements of all scales.

This talk looks at those aspects of Utzon's work that are drawn from Islamic culture. It examines influences from both the grand formal buildings - mosques and palaces; as well as vernacular architecture - the courtyard house, the town layout, the modular nature of cellular construction, and the sculptural expression of traditional forms such as wind towers.

Peter Mould was the NSW Government Architect from 2006 to 2012. He has over 40 years experience in Australia and overseas in both the private sector and government. He regularly sits on design juries for competitions and projects in Australia and internationally. He has served on the Central Sydney Planning Committee, NSW Heritage Council and chaired its Approvals Committee, was Deputy President of the NSW Architects Registration Board, and a Councillor for the International Union of Architects. His projects have received numerous awards for architecture, urban design and adaptive reuse. His experience is in the design, documentation and construction of major public architectural and urban design projects. He writes and lectures on architecture with a particular interest in Islamic Architecture.

Time & Date: Tuesday 18th February 2020, 5.30pm for 6pm start

Cost: Members \$15, non-members \$20 all payable through Eventbrite link below

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Venue: GML Heritage, Australia Council Building, 372 Elizabeth Street, Surry Hills, 2010 (corner of Cooper Street)

RSVP: by Friday 14th February 2020. Bookings are essential as places are limited.

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