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Alexander Luckmann is a Ph.D. student in the History of Art and Architecture at the University of California, Santa Barbara. He researches modern and contemporary architecture in Germany and the United States, with foci on religious architecture, historic preservation, and the relationship between architecture and landscape. He is co-guest editor of a special issue of *Art in Translation* on "Constructing and Reconstructing Twentieth-Century German Architecture." He has written on contemporary issues in architecture and society for publications including *Slate*, *The Architect's Newspaper*, and the *Cleveland Review of Books*. He previously worked as a landscape designer at Michael Van Valkenburgh Associates.

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Nathan Shui is a Ph.D. candidate in Architectural History, Theory, and Criticism at the University of California, Berkeley. He received his March degree in 2017 from the National Institute of Applied Sciences of Strasbourg, France. Shui studies the emergence and disappearance of everyday queer spaces in contemporary urban China, exploring the localized sexual culture and sociality embedded in these spatial histories and the ways in which they challenge and complicate Western-centric queer epistemology. Before starting the Ph.D. program, Shui practiced as an architect in France, Hungary, and China.

Rachel Winter is the Assistant Curator at the Eli and Edythe Broad Art Museum at Michigan State University, and an art historian of contemporary West Asia and North Africa. Winter recently curated the major exhibition *Blind Spot: Stephanie Syjuco*, which was supported by the Terra Foundation for American Art, and was part of the curatorial team for exhibitions featuring Zaha Hadid Design and LaToya Ruby Frazier. She is now co-editing the forthcoming book *Samia Halaby: Centers of Energy* (working title) with Elliot Josephine Leila Reichert, which will accompany exhibitions at the Eskenazi Museum of Art and the MSU Broad Art Museum in 2024. Concurrently, Winter is completing her Ph.D. in art history at the University of California, Santa Barbara, where her dissertation explores how art museums in the US and the UK came to be interested in the idea of contemporary art from the Middle East beginning in the 1970s.