

BUILDING THE GUARD POST

A construction workshop that focuses on reclaimed woods.

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“The question of resources in the realm of building materials has recently become more imminent than ever before. Architects & Designers are faced with certain responsibilities regarding decision-making in choosing the “right” materials, while on another hand balancing with the economical cost of the project. The difficult situation we often find ourselves in is affected by the reality that being green isn’t always the cheapest and easiest. For thousands of reasons why this is set-up to be so in the grand-scale of things we won’t get into it now, for what we can do is modest in shaping our own immediate surroundings. Such as the guard post in front of our very own faculty.”

Since it cannot effectively withstand the strong Thai summer sun and rain during the rainy season, the existing guard post is essentially simply a tent. Since the guard's belongings are scattered over the open area, things could become lost. Our faculty guards demand room, mobility, a suitable workstation, and shade protection from the sun and rain. These are the requirements that we must develop while developing. Begin generating ideas, making sketches, and trying out prototype forms.



The project's goal is for the students to create a mobile security post that will be placed in front of the architecture faculty parking lot. to be able to discover more about the origins of the material. must be able to modify designs and construction methods to include recovered materials. to acquire woodworking abilities. additionally to have firsthand experience with teamwork in preparation and execution.

We have developed a one-day programme to look for what we need in Ayutthaya with the help and cooperation of our collaborators, บริษัท เวิร์ด ออฟ เวิร์ด จำกัด and นายรณหม ดวงใจ. The students had a great chance to think about possible future material concepts thanks to the study trip to the boatyard and reclaimed wood business. We found a really nice example of an ideal boat prow. Therefore, rather than starting from scratch and creating new structures, we chose to use it as our basic basis and focus more on adaptation and renovation. The majority of the wood components are still in their original form. The course instructor and a qualified construction worker will oversee the building process, which will take place in Studio Grains & Grammes' wood workshop.



With the help of this project, we students have had the wonderful opportunity to collaborate with one another and explore areas beyond our comfort zones. As we get closer to the finish line, the picture becomes more evident. The guard post at the architecture faculty may only be the beginning of this arduous path, which may involve other projects in the future. It can grow to include the renovation of every guard station at Chulalongkorn University to make them functional and able to house everyone who needs to utilize them.



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