



EVIDENT USE

The objective of this project is to create an evolving topographical map in collaboration with the public, based on a compilation of gathered intelligence on the situation of public space in San Francisco. This will bring into question the dominant definitions of “public space” and “ownership”, focusing on San Francisco as a case study.

WE PROVIDE TOOLS

We are issuing tools to actively renegotiate the status and future of public space in San Francisco:

FIELD MAP: for orientation in exploring the territory (print-out of the Current Map)

SECTOR FLAGS: for marking the re-classified public space

DATA REGISTER: to record independent findings (on reverse of Field Map)



YOU CAN HELP

Volunteers are being recruited to locate, identify and respond to local sites in public use. The public is asked what public space is, how it is used and by whom. How do individuals experience the ownership of space? Can the visitor have an impact on the social construction of space?

Equipped with the tools we provide, Volunteers may use the Field Map to explore, place Sector Flags to mark a space, and Register their independent findings with our home base at Pond.

This collective profiling will superimpose multiple points of perception and engagement of socially constructed space onto the Current Map.

THE RESULT

The Current Map is an evolving, interactive street map, outfitted with flag icons corresponding to the data of each individuals' entry. This layering of information is reflective of collectively constructed space in San Francisco.

The Current Map is an analytical and a productive tool, identifying cause and effect of spatial divides in society by revealing the underlying social blueprints, and calling for their revision.



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