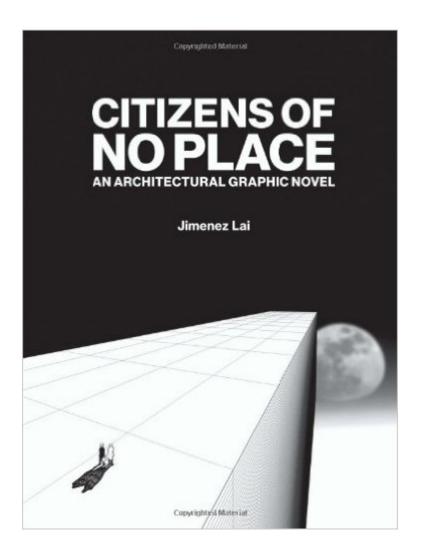
The book was found

# Citizens Of No Place: An Architectural Graphic Novel





## Synopsis

Citizens of No Place is a collection of short stories on architecture and urbanism, graphically represented using manga-style storyboards. Fiction is used as a strategy to unpack thoughts about architecture. Modeled as a proto-manifesto, it is a candid chronicle of a highly critical thought process in the tradition of paper architecture (especially that of architect John Hejduk and Bernard Tschumi's Manhattan Transcript). The short stories explore many architectural problems through the unique language of the graphic novel, helping usher the next generation of architectural theory and criticism.

## **Book Information**

Paperback: 143 pages Publisher: Princeton Architectural Press (May 23, 2012) Language: English ISBN-10: 1616890622 ISBN-13: 978-1616890629 Product Dimensions: 7.8 x 0.5 x 10.2 inches Shipping Weight: 10.6 ounces (View shipping rates and policies) Average Customer Review: 4.4 out of 5 stars Â See all reviews (8 customer reviews) Best Sellers Rank: #391,620 in Books (See Top 100 in Books) #139 in Books > Business & Money > Management & Leadership > Industrial #150 in Books > Business & Money > International > Foreign Exchange #405 in Books > Arts & Photography > Drawing > Cartooning

#### **Customer Reviews**

As a lover of both architecture and comics, I was disappointed by this book. The quality of the art/architectural drawings is not very good, in my opinion. In places images have been scaled down and blurred. Simple graphics are mashed and layered in close proximity to give the appearance of busy-ness and depth of content, but lingering to study these images in detail does not provide any increase in appreciation. Text is also inconsistently scaled in poorly chosen font. Much of the artwork is composed of simple line drawings that seem rushed, but there are a few select sections that show more potential and effort. I particularly thought that the chapter entitled "primitives" stood out as a compelling art style. Overall though, I found the artwork and general graphic clarity poor. The subject content I found to be equally poor. Composed of 10 chapters that are barely linked by theme and narrative, topics range from a young designer debating with a cigar-smoking developer over lawns, an ark in space with zero-gravity living quarters, a super-skyscraper built

outside of Earth's atmosphere, and floating island cities built by Scandinavians who wish to keep their culture pure and isolated. I found these topics to all be old-hat, well-worn topics that have been done better elsewhere, but if these subjects sound compelling to you, you will likely be disappointed in the artistic execution of these themes (example: The super-skyscraper is a large rectangular slab standing on end, and the space ark is a large rectangular slab lying flat). Several chapters end in groan-inducing flat "punchlines" evoking the comic medium. I can see myself as a freshman undergraduate architecture student finding some amount of the profound in these themes, but not today.

#### Download to continue reading...

Citizens of No Place: An Architectural Graphic Novel Architectural Graphic Standards (Ramsey/Sleeper Architectural Graphic Standards Series) Hollow City: The Graphic Novel: The Second Novel of Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children (Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children: The Graphic Novel) Back to War: Graphic Novel: Episode One (Corps Justice Graphic Novel Series Book 1) Miss Peregrine's Home for Peculiar Children: The Graphic Novel (Miss Peregrine's Peculiar Children Graphic Novel Book 1) Graphic Classics Volume 4: H. P. Lovecraft - 2nd Edition (Graphic Classics (Graphic Novels)) Architectural Regionalism: Collected Writings on Place, Identity, Modernity, and Tradition Architectural Graphic Standards, 11th Edition Architectural Graphic Standards Student Edition: An Abridgement of the 9th Edition The Wright Brothers: A Graphic Novel (Campfire Graphic Novels) The Adventures of Tom Sawyer: The Graphic Novel (Campfire Graphic Novels) Harry Houdini: A Graphic Novel (Campfire Graphic Novels) The Call of the Wild: The Graphic Novel (Campfire Graphic Novels) A Bag of Marbles: The Graphic Novel (Graphic Universe) (Junior Library Guild Selection) Home Rules: Transform the Place You Live into a Place You'll Love In the Kitchen with the Pike Place Fish Guys: 100 Recipes and Tips from the World-Famous Crew of Pike Place Fish Watching Great Meadow: A Place of Joy, A Place of Woe Smart Communities: How Citizens and Local Leaders Can Use Strategic Thinking to Build a Brighter Future (Essential Texts for Nonprofit and Public Leadership and Management) The Citizen's Guide to Planning 4th Edition (Citizens Planning) Upright Citizens Brigade Comedy Improvisation Manual

<u>Dmca</u>