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Reyner Banham

For the Machine:

“The creation of monumental structures is no longer the dominant technology in architecture.”

“What defines the symbolic places and spaces of Las Vegas – is pure environmental power.”
For Infrastructure:

“The opportunity for projecting a future infrastructure lies in bundling multiple processes with spatial experiences ... as open systems, adaptive and responsive to environments and occupation.”

Lola Shephard
For the Material:

“Moving from abstraction toward evidence offers a model for architecture’s capacity to mobilize... its primary domain of knowledge... where form, material and aesthetics can actually have effects on the world”

Meredith Miller
For Representation:

“What if the reality promised to us by the new condition of climate change is nothing more than an evolving agglomoration of representations — to offer unconventional relationships between the real and the abstract”

Neyran Turan
For the Aesthetic:

“There exists a specific sensory experience that holds the promise of both a new world of Art and a new life for individuals and community”

“[The aesthetic] promises a political accomplishment that it cannot satisfy”

Jacques Rancière
On Sustainability:

“At its core, the conception of "environment" developed in twentieth-century pedagogy and practice presumed that environments can and should be controlled by an apparatus of equipment and expert calculation.”
On Sustainability:

“[Sustainability] seeks to naturalize capitalism as a primitive, primordial and embryonic construct, akin to the origins of civilization itself.”

Esther Choi
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