This lecture challenges the perception of structure as a purely bland utilitarian element, to one that is indispensable from functional and aesthetic perspectives. Where structure is thoroughly integrated into the making of architecture it plays significant architectural roles that engage the senses, hearts and minds of building users. Structural contributions to architecture contribute additional layers of richness to a design and enhance the realization of architectural design concepts.

The lecture begins with in-depth analyses of two very different buildings and then explores how structure enlivens architecture in the context of:

- relationships between architectural and structural form;
- building exterior;
- building function;
- interior architecture;
- structural detailing;
- the interaction of structure and light; and
- structural symbolism and representation.

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