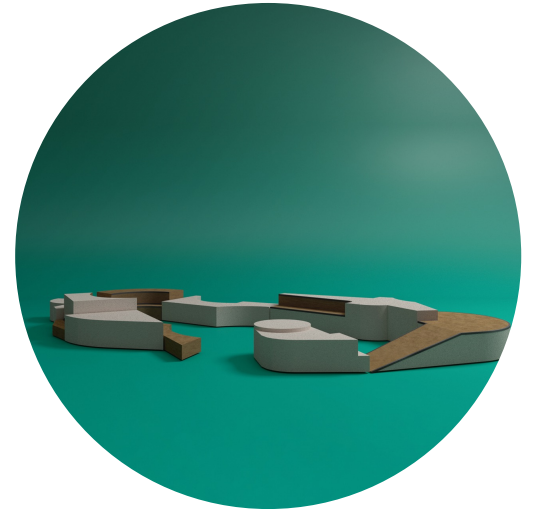
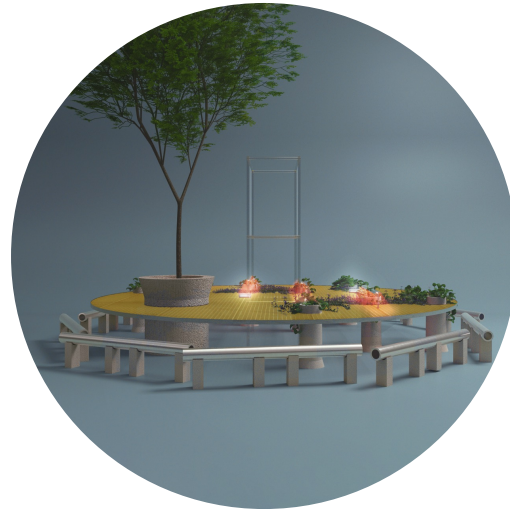
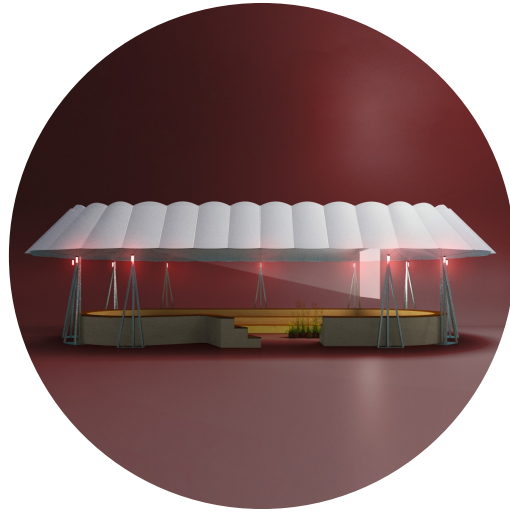


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CONNECT**  
Welcome everyone

## What?

**A trail of unique architectural installations across the City of London** that communicate a narrative about the changing Square Mile and provide spaces for cultural activations for people to participate in conversation about the future of the City

## Why?

- Test out new scenarios for how the public realm in the City of London can better serve its people and planet
- To activate the public realm and capture public imagination
- To celebrate the London Festival of Architecture's 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary
- Open up discussions about London and architecture to a public audience

## When

Summer 2024

# LFA London Festival of Architecture

## LFA2024 Destinations

### The City of London

The City of London is a uniquely rich combination of ancient and modern. It is recognised around the world for landmarks such as St Paul's Cathedral, Tower Bridge, and the Gherkin. Beneath these marvels of architecture, there is an immersive network of historic streets to uncover, with something interesting around every corner. Roman ruins lie beneath your feet and skyscrapers above your head. It's a place where you can be transported back in time and marvel at the future, all at once.

Home to a contrasting mix of architecture from all eras, the City of London is also a place of connection. From inception, people have come from all over the world to connect and collaborate. It has been a crucible of craft and ingenuity since merchants began trading nearly 2000 years ago. Never standing still, the City is easily accessible and now has even better transport links with the birth of the Elizabeth line.

For LFA's 20th anniversary, Urban Radicals, supported by AKT II engineers and millimetre fabricators, will create four public engagement platforms across the City of London. This trail of architectural interventions has been designed to facilitate conversations—from everyday interactions, to cultural podcasts and organised talks—that will prompt Londoners to actively engage in shaping the city's discourse, while celebrating the multiplicities which exist in the Square Mile. Alongside this exciting intervention will sit a series of tours, workshops and talks unpacking the history, present and future of the area.

Supported by



A cluster of city buildings, old and new © Destination City, City of London Corporation

**"The City and its architecture is an asset to London, the UK and the world. Whilst creating jobs, driving investment and supporting trade for the benefit of communities both domestically and overseas, it is also a destination for visitors and tourists who come to experience unparalleled culture and heritage.**

**On behalf of the City Corporation, we look forward to collaborating on this year's LFA and will ensure that everyone knows the Square Mile is the world's most innovative, inclusive and sustainable business ecosystem, as well as an attractive place to invest, work, live, learn and visit."**

**Chris Hayward, Policy Chairman, City of London Corporation**

# The City of London

## Event selection

### The City of London



Check out all City of London events by heading to [lfa.london/city](https://lfa.london/city) or by scanning the QR code



**Street Assemblies for the Square Mile: Speakers Plinth**  
Aldgate Connect with LFA  
3-30 June | Vine Street, EC3N 2PX

Beside the remains of the Roman wall at Vine Street, a series of plinths will encourage discussions held along a walkable route, referencing the ancient philosophical notion of walking whilst conversing.

Installation



**Street Assemblies for the Square Mile: Roundtable Culture Mile with LFA**  
3-30 June | 120 London Wall, EC2Y 5ET

Table 'In the Round' will host programmes which encourage discussion over food that, informally or formally, invites the public to sit down for discussion and deliberation, while also acting as a stage for public performance and roundtable discussions.

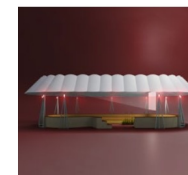
Installation



**Street Assemblies for the Square Mile: Archive Pod**  
EC BID with LFA  
3-30 June | Eastern Cluster

A mini seed museum showcasing an archive of seeds historically imported into London, will narrate stories of migration and cultural exchange. The intervention will also act as a two-person podcast space for dialogue, interviews, and public broadcasting.

Event type



**Street Assemblies for the Square Mile: Assembly Fleet Street Quarter with LFA**  
3-30 June | Playhouse Yard, EC4V 5EX

A street auditorium for public debate, discourse, screenings and gatherings.

Installation



**Carve / Create / Crimp / Colour**  
Velorose  
3-14 June | Velorose, EC1M 6EE

Explore artworks of two artists using everyday materials to make their fragmented abstractions - from landfill materials and packaging to prints and sculptures.

Exhibition



**Spitalfields, Aldgate and The Tower of London – Reimagined Through a Sikh Lens**  
A Little History of the Sikhs  
8 June | Tour commences from 135 Bishopsgate, EC2M 3YD

A walking tour through Spitalfields and Aldgate tells the stories of the early Sikh communities in the UK, reimagining the locations through a Sikh lens!

Tour



**Exploring the Lost Walbrook River: Tour Through the Hidden Heart of the City**  
SAVE Britain's Heritage  
15 June | City of London

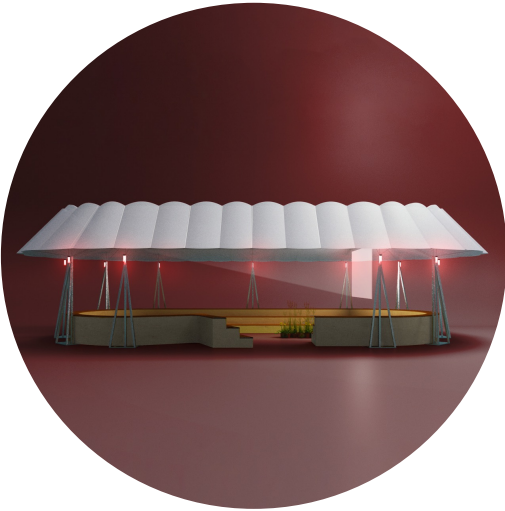
Tom Bolton will lead the way along the forgotten path of the 'Walbrook River', threading through the ever-changing urban fabric from Shoreditch, outside the City walls, to the Thames itself and delving into the historical, cultural, and architectural layers that define its course.

Tour

# street assemblies for the square mile



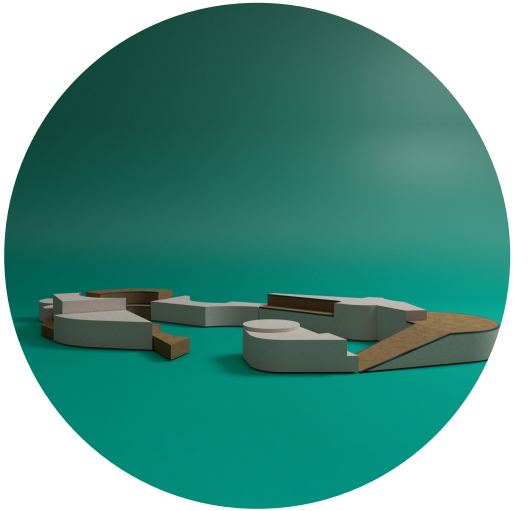
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assembly



roundtable



speakers' plinth





# speakers plinth

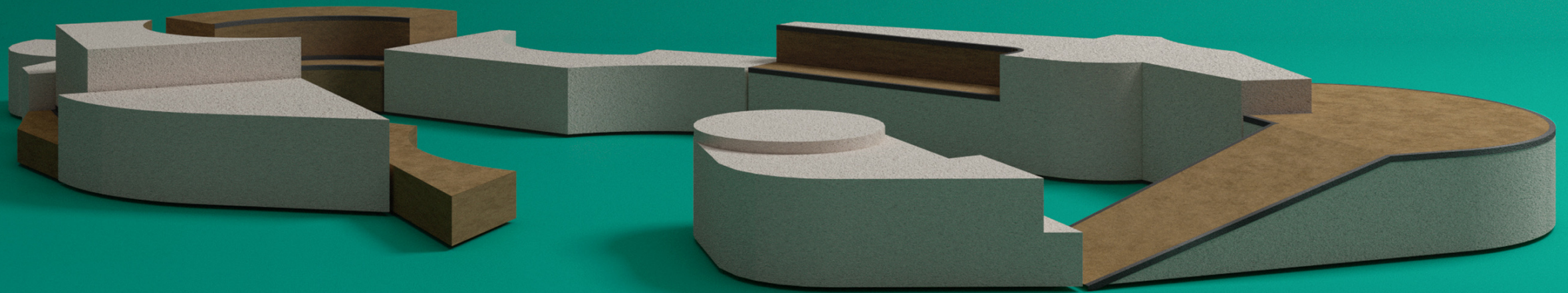
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Activations include:

- Performances by London Youth choir
- Walking tours e.g. Sikh history walking tour through Alldate







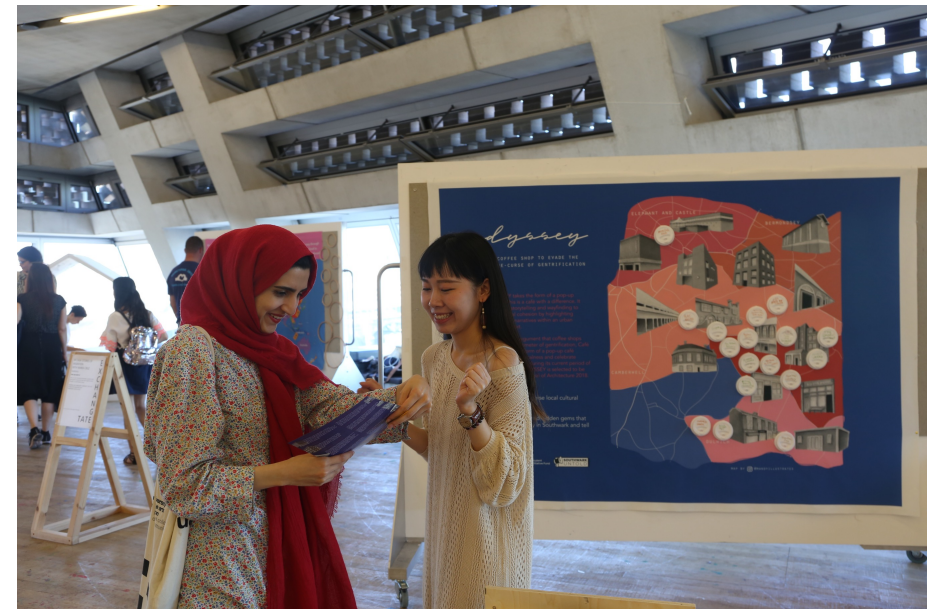


# archive pod

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Activations/related programmes include:

- Podcast recordings by Monocle / Scaffold / AJ / ACAN / NAW / Afterparti
- Migration History Walking Tour (organised by Migration Museum with City BIDs)









# roundtable

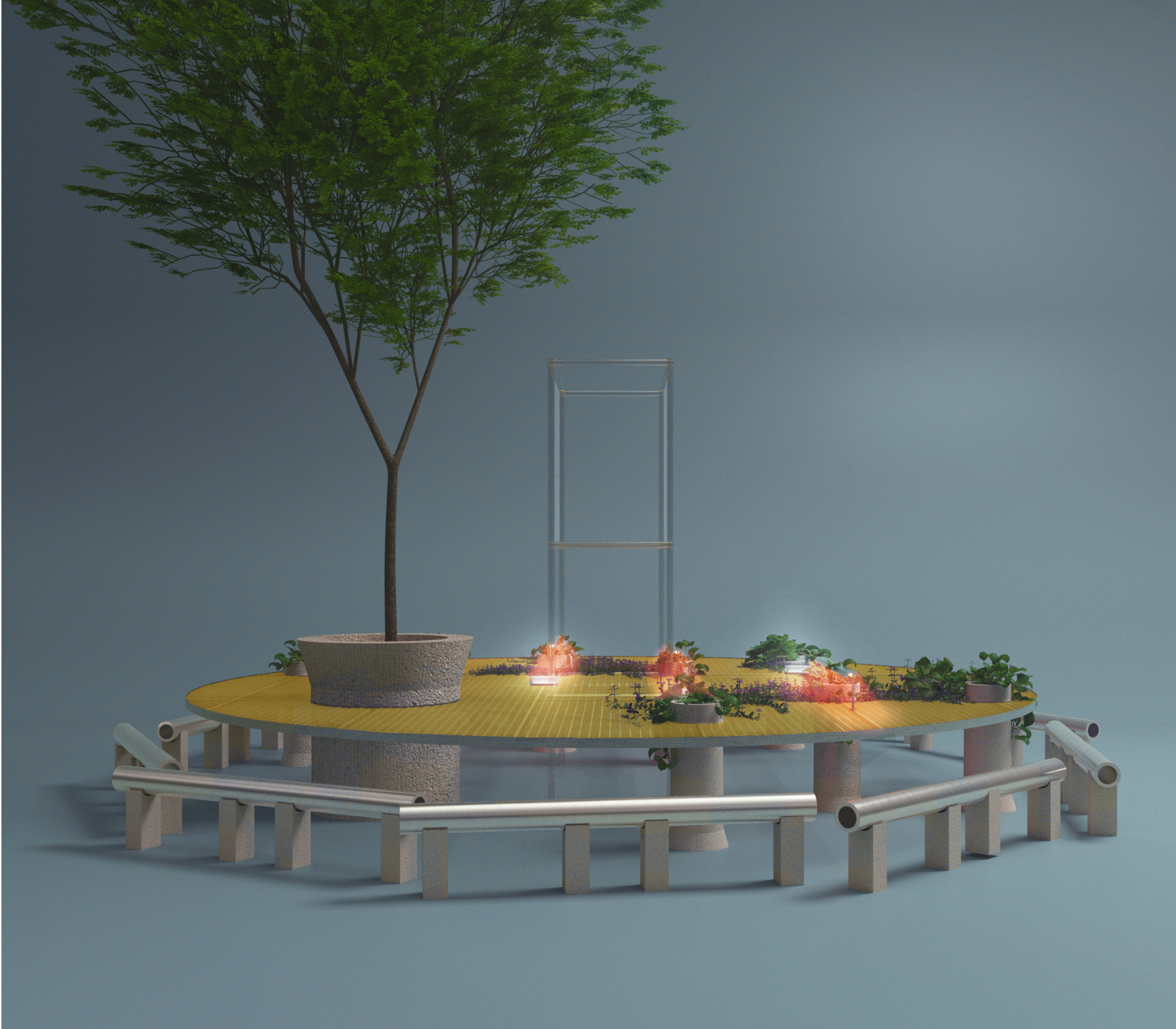
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Activations to include:

- Sustainability discussion hosted by AKTII engineers
- Student hosted discussions and workshops (LMU, UCL)









# assembly

A street auditorium for public debate, discourse, screenings and larger gatherings.

Activations to include:

- Saddlers Wells dance performance
- Green skills workshop (Climate Action Week)





