Architecture, Design & Composition Studio

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PROJECT 1 PRESENTATION GUIDELINES / REQUIREMENTS

1) GENERAL

-- Use any appropriate medium approved by your instructor (B+W strongly recommended for most drawings). Drawings must be CLEAR, BOLD, read well from 10ft, reproduce well, and distinguish between line weights! -- Avoid duplicating information on multiple drawings. Each drawing should show a very different view or reveal different elements or ideas. Never draw the same thing merely at two different scales.

-- Design an overall layout for your presentation to fit on the assigned paper sizes and within 44"x88".

-- Clearly label all drawings with the drawing name only (North Elevation, Section A-A, etc.). For lettering, trace over mechanically produced type, or use stencils, or computer generated text on sticky-back; avoid handwriting! Keep it simple & unobtrusive. Avoid labeling individual rooms. (see attached examples)

2) SITE PLAN (1/16")

-- Orient with North arrow UP

-- Show roof plan of your building on the site plan

-- Show as much context as possible, including extent of all other structures, tree canopies and other site fixtures lightly

-- Establish a relationship between building and site with paths, plnting, parking, etc.



3) FLOOR PLANS (1/4") -- At least ONE 1/4"=1'-0"

floor plan, with accurate and evocative rendering of wall thickness, columns, bath fixtures, windows,

door swings, built-in furniture, counters, stairs, glass, etc.

-- Orient with "Project North" UP

-- Clearly distinguish walls that are cut versus short walls or railing through line weight (cut pieces HEAVY) -- Indicate important overhead features like skylights, prominent beams, double height spaces, roof overhangs, etc. with dotted lines.

-- Ground floor plan should indicate all paths or sidewalks to your building! Avoid "floating" buildings.

-- Indicate section cuts on plan with SIMPLE angled-arrow line (A~) outside of the plan of your building, and label them "A" and "B" (see attached guide).

-- Be sure to show cut-line for all stairs on ground floor, but entire stair on second floor plans. For each stair show a small arrow starting from the main floor, and labeled either "Up" or Dn" (see attached guide). -- Avoid labeling rooms; functions should read from the plans. Draw minimal furnishings only if necessary!





4) SECTIONS (1/4") -- At least ONE (preferably more) 1/4"=1'-0" <u>section</u> through important and evocative parts of your building, especially floor or ceiling level changes, stairs, windows and doors, skylights, ramps, etc.

-- Pick sections that are different from the elevations, so that each drawing reveals different ideas.



-- Clearly distinguish elements that are cut versus things in elevation through line weight (cut items HEAVY)

-- Show interior and exterior elevations as appropriate in the background of your section

-- Show a HEAVY ground line on either end of your building. Do not show foundations!

-- Pay special attention to floor, ceiling and roof thickness to create realistic looking sections.

-- Work to make building edges realistic, especially the cornices, parapets, railings, skylights, windows, etc.

-- Label sections "Section A" and "Section B," etc.

5) ELEVATIONS (1/4")

-- At least ONE (preferably more) 1/4"=1'-0" elevation showing the important exterior features of your building -- <u>Contextualize</u> building: show planting and buildings lightly as they appear around and behind your design -- Label elevations "North Elevation", "South Elevation"... -- Render materials only if you have time, and if you are

confident that it will improve your presentation.



8) DIAGRAMS

-- Be sure diagrams are clear, large enough, and about an idea not otherwise obvious!





8) INTRO REMARKS

-- Prepare a 1-2 minute introduction of the MAJOR concepts of your design. Stick to the essentials. Don't wander. Don't walk us laboriously through every room. Do not read your intro. "Less is more."

7) MODEL(S)

-- Everyone must create at least one physical model at 1/8" scale, representing interior & exterior spaces. If you build a site model, render the building as a <u>rough massing model</u> in chipboard or similar.

-- Supplementary computer models are encouraged, especially for non-orthogonal designs. You can EITHER print out 3D drawings (consider both rendered and skeleton frame drawings), OR a live "fly-through" at review -- Models should be <u>carefully crafted</u>, with attention to details to reveal the <u>meaning</u>, <u>physicality</u>, <u>materiality</u> & <u>experience</u> of your spaces and design intentions!

-- Show the <u>space</u> and <u>spatial relationships</u> outside and inside.

-- Keep models <u>abstract</u> but evocative. Use 1-3 materials only. Models are NOT imitations of reality, but independent re-presentations.
-- Be sure the model clearly shows the ground around the building. Avoid creating floating model.

