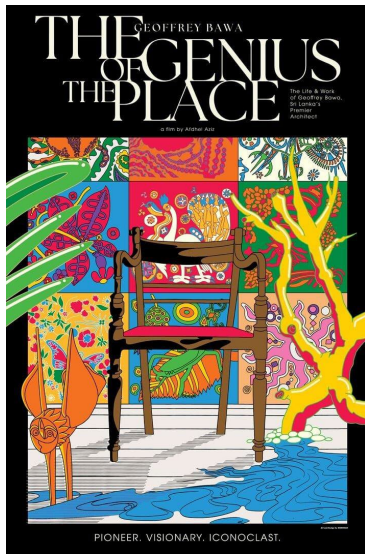




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“The Genius of the Place: The Life and Work of Geoffrey Bawa”

Join Studio One Eleven in collaboration with the LA Design Festival's *Docos on Design Series* at the Downtown Long Beach ArtWalk for an exclusive screening of the 2023 film celebrating the legendary Sri Lankan architect, Geoffrey Bawa. Directed by [Afdhel Aziz](#) and co-created by [Paul Vu](#), this film offers an intimate exploration of Bawa's iconic works, highlighting his profound influence on modern architecture in South Asia.

Date: Saturday, July 13, 2024

Time: 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Location: Studio One Eleven, 245 East Third Street, Long Beach, CA 90802

Parking: Free two-hour parking is available in the adjacent garage.

Geoffrey Bawa's architectural legacy comes to life in this captivating documentary, which delves into five of his most notable projects. From ocean fortresses to jungle palaces, each location reflects Bawa's ability to harness "the genius of the place" as a source of inspiration.

The screening will be followed by a panel discussion led by Studio One Eleven Urban Design Director Shruti Shankar, featuring co-director and editor Paul Vu and architect, Gerhard Mayer, who worked with Bawa in his early career. Gain insight into Bawa's creative process and the spiritual energy that infused his designs, as well as the filmmaking journey behind "The Genius of the Place."

Starting on July 15, the film will be streaming globally on Shelter. View trailer [here](#).

About Here and Now Agency: Paul Vu, director and founder of Here And Now Agency, brings his expertise as an award-winning designer and photographer to the visual storytelling of "The Genius of the Place." With a background in architecture, Vu's contributions enrich the film's narrative and aesthetic.

About Studio One Eleven and DTLB Design District: Studio One Eleven is an integrated practice of architecture, urban design, and landscape architecture, dedicated

to creating more livable, sustainable, and engaging cities. Actively involved in the local community, they participate in events and initiatives aimed at promoting arts, culture, and design in Long Beach and beyond. Studio One Eleven is located in the DTLB Design District, an emerging hub in downtown Long Beach that champions design-centric small businesses, makers, art galleries, and fosters a community of creatives who share a passion for design.

About ArtWalk: "The Genius of the Place" screening is hosted in collaboration with the Downtown Long Beach Art Walk, a quarterly event organized by the Downtown Long Beach Alliance (DLBA) that unites the entire Downtown and surrounding area, offering a distinctive platform for art enthusiasts to immerse themselves in a rich array of artistic expressions.

About LA Design Festival 'Docos on Design': Los Angeles Design Festival is the premier citywide, biennial event celebrating the vibrant culture and rich design history of Los Angeles. This multi-day, multidisciplinary festival fosters connections and showcases the creative spirit of the city.

'Docos on Design', is one of the festival's ancillary event series that offers a unique platform for community engagement and discovery, bringing people together to explore and celebrate the diverse world of design.

To register for this free screening, please [click here](#)

