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The SITE we will study and travel to during our seminar week is Palestine. Alongside local experts Dima Srouji, Naseer Arafat, Mirna Bamieh and Yousef and Elias Anastas we will study different places of material craft related to glass, soap, food, and stone.

Split into four groups related to the material of study, each group will have two pre-determined research sites; to understand the source material and to understand its production techniques. We will conduct these research trips at the start of the week, using the rest of the week as a laboratory to test ideas alongside local ateliers.

Each place of production will be allocated a budget to produce a spatial prototype based on the student's collaborative research: a space that is born from the site in its material consistency and that is constructed on that site, built, in harmony or contrast, to the previous gestures that have formed the geology of the place.

This seminar week is a research trip bound to the specific topic of Site Palestine. It is highly recommended for students on the course to take part, and they will have priority. The seminar week is also offered and open to external students to participate if there are available spaces. This seminar week is open to a maximum of 25 students.

Guests: Dima Srouji, Naseer Arafat, Yousef & Elias Anastas, Mirna Bamieh.

Expense category C, the cost will be approximately 750 CHF.

Prof. Anne Holtrop and assistants Yuiko Shigeta, Grace Prince, Stephan Lando, Philip Stöckler, Arturo López Ayala.