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News

Greetings from RaA!

Last couple of years was very eventful filled with some great experiences & endeavours which we would like to share with you through our newsletter '**NarRaAtives**'!

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&
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CMIS

Kalapatti, Coimbatore

Located in a beautiful setting facing the Kalapatti lake in a natural surrounding, Chandramari International School (CMIS), is an innovative campus fostering holistic learning, where students learn in nature in various forms through - play, leisure, creativity, and beyond.

The outdoor landscaped spaces created by connecting with nature, encourages exploration and learning in a free and informal manner, while tropical greens serve as a connecting element throughout the school.

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Jayavilas Beach House

Sayalkudi, Ramanathapuram

With the pristine Sea and majestic Palmyras defining the context of the site, the landscape was planned and executed to merge the designed realm with the natural.

Grandsteps highlighting the entrance of the woodhouse, earthy red pathways to complement the greens & blues, and rustic gazebos added to the overall ambience of the landscape spaces.

Mounds & naturalistic planting were used to soften the hard edges of pathways, allowing for a gradual transition into the lawn spaces.

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La Palmera By the Sea

Motel and Ecoresort

KRPuram, Sayalgudi, TN

The Site and Surroundings possesses a distinctive scenic quality, adorned with sand dunes and groves of palmyra trees.

The landscape Master Plan is inspired by the unique site context- coastal sand dunes and palm trees, creating a distinctive cultural landscape.

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Thamirabarani

Sholinganallur, Chennai

The landscape courts created in a traditional style with earthy tones enhances the spatial experience.

Entrance landscape flanked by Chettinad columns transpires as a visual symphony integrating traditional architecture with nature.

In the evening, strategically placed warm lighting enhances the rich tones of the terracotta, creating an inviting ambiance.

Native broad leaf planting gives a dramatic experience.



Vellore International School

Kayar, Chennai

Building on the school's vision, "INTERNATIONAL PEDAGOGY, INDIAN CULTURE", the outdoor learning spaces had the "5 THINAIS" of landscape as the concept manifesting the values of the PLACE and CULTURE in the landscape.

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Apartments

Chamiers Road, Chennai

The landscape design aims to create spaces that enhance the quality of life for residents and provide a sense of nature and relaxation.

Each of the landscape spaces is designed with a unique theme contributing to the overall identity and imaginability of the community spaces.



Erode Villa

The curvilinear villa landscape charms with a blend of manicured expansive lawns and gardens.

The centerpiece is a Water feature that gently cascades with layered planting and an iconic sculpture.

Stepping stones around the enchanting lily pond invites & guides one to explore the water's edge.

The terrace landscape recreates the charm of an Indian village square with four distinct tree courts providing shaded retreats.



Infosys Prakriti Park

Pocharam, Telangana

The Landscape Master plan for Infosys Prakriti Park, a 25 acre Institutional Campus, was designed not only to complement the architecture but also to complement the natural topography & rocky nature of the site.

Landscape Spaces were designed to integrate the outdoor and indoor, providing much needed breakout spaces in an office campus.

Considering the harsh weather conditions of the site, the landscape design included elements taking care to specifically improve the microclimate of the site.

The site provided a canvas with boulders & rocks, highlighted in the form of rock courts & rock gardens.



Residence

Akkarai, Chennai

Landscape design integrates the five Elements of nature in myriad ways to create visually aesthetic and harmonious outdoor spaces.

The landscape spaces were divided to Emphasize the 5 elements of nature Air, Fire, Water, Earth, Space. Grandeur at every scale was explored. A curvilinear water feature with cascading fountains at the entrance, a double height courtyard at the first floor level.



Villa

Anna Nagar, Chennai

The villa landscape features Entrance court, Contemplation court, Peripheral garden and a tree court that add a serene ambience to the property.

Entrance Court , sets the stage for an immersive experience with intricate paving patterns, elegant sculptures, and a tranquil water feature, creating a sense of grandeur upon arrival.

The Contemplation court, is a serene and peaceful outdoor space surrounded by lush greenery, gentle fountains, and a perfectly manicured garden, which provides an ideal spot for meditation or simply enjoying the calming sounds of nature.

The Peripheral garden gracefully encircles the villa, providing a picturesque walking route that allows to appreciate the beauty of the landscape.

The careful integration of these elements not only adds visual interest but also provides a harmonious connection to nature.



Villa

Nungambakkam, Chennai

Set in a tight urban context, a curvilinear landscape structure was proposed to enhance the sense of space. A multiplicity of experiences is derived from various themed gardens at different levels. They also act as the connecting element across the vertical levels.



SRM AP University

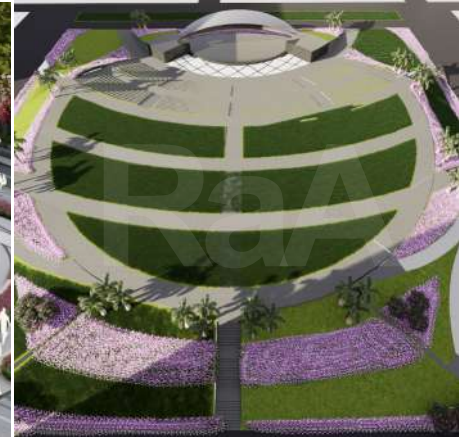
Phase - 2, Amaravati

3 different plazas of varying scale, context, and usage is designed with each one having a unique experience.

The Entrance Plaza provides the much needed grandeur for the main entrance to the university - Dramatic sloping berms with a clearly defined axis culminates in a gathering space.

The Academic Plaza nestled between 4 blocks, is designed to be a purely student centric break out space. This space was envisaged with a more human scale - providing informal seating berms & a central water feature with planting framing the entire space.

The Cultural Plaza was designed to satisfy the requirement of a large scale outdoor theatre, with a capacity of around 3000 people.



Our Project - SRM University AP, receives IIA TN AWARD!



Our project

SRM UNIVERSITY AP, PHASE - 1

Amaravati

received the

WINNER AWARD

INDIAN INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS

TAMIL NADU AWARDS 2022



**IIA TN
AWARDS
2022**

LANDSCAPE PROJECT B

Large Scale - Site Area above 1 acre



Our Project - RIPON BUILDING, Chennai receives the ISOLA AWARD !



Ar. Ravikumar Narayan receiving the “CONSTRUCTION INDUSTRY AWARD - 2022” from Hon. Governor of Tamil Nadu, Shri. R.N.Ravi in the presence of Shri. GV.Selvam, VP of VIT University.



Our Project - Chennai's Greenest School - VIS got inaugurated

Team RaA along with Ar. Sanjay Mohe and the Mindspace team.



Workshop Sessions @ RaA

Workshops with Clients & Architects are always collaborative, thought provoking & path leading !



Field Visit to Gratitude Farm, Pondicherry

It was fun & learning together along with Team MTA Architects during the visit to the Organic Farm at Pondicherry headed by Major Ved Prakash Sharma .



Academic Events



SEP 2022 - Guest Lecture at Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Education, Krishnan Koil.



OCT 2022 - Guest Lecture at Measi Academy of Architecture, Chennai.

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APR 2023 - Webinar on Architecture for VIT, Vellore.



NOV 2023 - Jury Sessions at CEPT University, Ahmedabad.

Field Trip for Achireum

What a Great day it turned out to be...
a day-long workshop on a cultural
project with the client & the team...
presentations, brainstorming sessions
& a case study site visit... a day filled
with learning & fun !



CMC, Vellore

Excited to be engaged with the Landscape Master Planning of a 100 years old Healthcare campus!

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