Urban Planning, Urban Mobility and Gender

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Where I come from



(Southeast)



JAIME LERNER (1937-2021)

BRT (Bus Rapid Transit) Ecologic city



BRT (Bus Rapid Transit) axis



Low Density

Mainly Residential

ZR2

ZR3

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One-way Road

(Traffic flow, 60 km/h)

ZR4





Tanguá Park

Botanical Garden

The official discourse does not represent the reality of the <u>entire</u> city.





Spatial segregation

Social inequality > poverty





Architect and Urban Planner (PUCPR 2006)



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Oscar Niemeyer

Paulo Mendes da Rocha



There were 212.000 urban architects registered in Brazil in 2020.







Architect and Urban Planner (PUCPR 2006)

71%

was concentrated on Southwestern and Southern regions

Source: CAUBR, 2021



The average salary of white men (R\$ 5,590.00) was almost double that of black women (R\$ 2,888.00).





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(Abroad) Master's degree - Eco-polis: Participatory Processes and Collaboration Methodologies for Local Development





Representative Democracy

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Participatory or Deliberative Democracy

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Participatory or Deliberative Democracy

Be part of discussion spaces promoted by official agencies. (Miguel, 2017) It characterizes the guiding principles for insurgent planning practices as counter-hegemonic, transgressive and imaginative. (Faranak, 2016)

Insurgent Planning

Patterns of mobility in Brazilian Cities





Source: Magalhães, 2018

Women's mobility

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The main mode of transportation for women is by public transport and by foot.



The lower the socio-economic status of women, the more they use these modes to commute.



Women's mobility and safety considerations

Survey of 590 women, in 2021 (Leão, 2022)

80%

do not feel safe in public spaces.



Safety is the most important factor in their mobility decisions



use public spaces for commuting only



are more concerned about how to move around than male family members or male friends.

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A woman's age influences her security relationship with the city.

Whether or not the woman has children also influences her relationship with safety in the city.

How do we respond these conditions?

Multi-layer & multi-scale activities



A couple of examples

Proposal for the 'Neighborhood Plan' (undergraduate thesis)



The scale of the Neighborhood Plan allows for design related to everyday life.

The proposal indicates measures related to:

- Housing
- Mobility and transport
- Public equipaments (as schools, gyms, women's centre, etc).
- and urban safety issues (land use and public spaces).

Master plan proposal Source: Magalhães, 2018.

Proposal for the 'Neighborhood Plan'



- Pedestrian priorization
- Infrastructure for cyclists
- Speed reduction
- New public equipaments
- Urban furniture





DETALHAMENTO

LOCALIZAÇÃO

Intersection detail Source: Magalhães, 2018. -'Safe Stop' for women

Municipal Law No. 6695/17

The Municipality of Maceió in the state of Alagoas has enacted a law that allows bus drivers to drop off passengers on places outside the regular bus stops after 8 p.m. so that women can safely disembark closer to their homes.

> Training for night-time bus drivers Photo: Evinho Silva/Ascom SMTT, 2023.



'Equal Pay Law' for women and men

Federal Law No. 1085/23

It aims to ensure equal salaries for women and men.

Signing of Federal Law No. 1085/23 Photo: MDS, 2023.



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As feminine practices of 'social production of space'

'Salvemos o Bosque da Casa Gomm'









Plantation activities Source: SBDG, 2013.







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Source: Goto, 2013.





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Harvest celebration in the labyrinth-garden Source: SBDG, 2016.





Harvest celebration in the labyrinth-garden Source: SBDG, 2016.

Weekly mosaic workshop





Source: SBDG, 2014.











Source: SBDG, 2014.





Maxixe Machine show Sourcee: SBDG, 2016.



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Book trading fair



Source: SBDG, 2014.







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Taking responsibility for our trash





Source: SBDG, 2016.

Public infrastructure





Source: Fotografando Curitiba, 2019.







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Why this is feminist urbanism (or urbanism with a gender perspective)

Feminism is about the "why"



LEARNING (not judging)

- We know that planning processes are a reflection of the society in which we live in.
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- We know the consequences of these practices.
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- We need to have 'The Right to The City'.

Source: Josue Escoto, on Unsplash (2023).

Feminism is about the "why"



IN FAVOR OF (not against)

 Imagining futures and putting energy towards those futures.

Source: Mehdi Sepehri, on Unsplash (2023).

Urban Feminism is about "how" we act

- Perspectives from everyday life (micro-scale)
- Inclusion of marginalized groups in urban planning
- Women using public spaces are indicators of the quality of those spaces
- Doing together as groups and as society



Urban Feminism is about "how" we act



SYSTEMIC VIEW

- We know that life is greater than the sum of its parts, so it is necessary to overcome the binarity of thought and act from a holistic point of view.
- Technics are necessary but are not the most important thing (at all)

Thank you! Obrigada!



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