



ASSEMBLE December 2022

«Residential Houses at Park Freienstein»

Our next ASSEMBLE event takes us to Glarus, where Atelier Freienstein recently completed four residential houses in a historic park. The high-maintenance park was in danger of being completely overbuilt after the family that owned the property for several generations could no longer care for it. The architect Reto Fuchs, who is based in Glarus and has researched the history of the city intensely, developed a project from this, which supplemented the composition of park, main house and garden studio with four terraced single-family houses at the southern end of the park, thus preserving the identity of the site. The new terraced houses now present themselves as a self-confident counterpart to the historic Villa Freienstein. At the same time they consolidate the urban identity of Glarus, which, together with La-Chaud-de-Fonds is the only gridded city of Switzerland.

The 2600 sqm park now serves all residents as a communal open space, a novelty in the canton of Glarus. On the total 3500 sqm plot, where only 3 people used to live, 24 live today - 9 of them children. The project thus achieves the seemingly paradoxical undertaking of simultaneously protecting and densifying a historic spatial ensemble. The project exemplifies how increased climate protection, historic preservation, physical density and population density can be combined.

Looking forward to your registration!

«ASSEMBLE» – the S AM event program for architecture trainees

«ASSEMBLE» is a monthly free event program, open to interns and trainees from S AM member offices

Date/Time: Saturday, December 3, 2022, 13:00
Treffpunkt: Oberdorfstrasse 2-8, 8750 Glarus
Kosten: Free – the event is kindly sponsored by Computerworks
Anmeldung: Mandatory via email to event@sam-basel.org



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