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• **Mæ architects explore and examine ideas for places, people and the city with Shumi Bose**

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**Mae Architects**

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- This is the first book on mae Architect's philosophy, vision and work, presented in an unconventional mix of essays, conversation and images
- mae Architects is an up-and-coming British firm demonstrating an innovative, fresh approach to a diverse range of projects

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