

retreat center.

a center for mental, emotional and spiritual experience

“It is precisely at the level of spatial perception
that the most powerful architectural meaning
comes to the fore.” Steven Holl

Architecture is an instrument that brings out experiences, feelings and emotions. Phenomenology, which emerged in the field of philosophy and was effective in the field of architecture, deals with the sensualities revealed by physical space. The problem of phenomenology in architecture deals with the investigation of concepts such as perception and sensation. The aim of phenomenology in architecture is to connect a perceiving subject with the world through the experience of a perceived object.

Istanbul Kultur University 2022-23 Spring Term Graduation Project-Group 1 expects students to design a ‘Retreat Center’ through considering aspects put forward by phenomenologists. Students are encouraged to re-think space and its qualities not merely as physical but also as mental, emotional and spiritual. The aesthetic values and materials placed in the environment should support bodily and sensory experience. Remember that you are laying the groundwork for a spiritual journey!

place. kilyos/sarıyer

Group-1 Jury.

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