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Multisensory Design. The Communication of Atmospheres

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Introduce

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The designer of atmospheres can 'create qualities' and alter 'moods'. However, her/his role is more than that. Atmospheric design is not just about the manipulation of affective qualities through different materials, objects, and forms. Co-produced by designer and participants, atmospheres are the interplay of sensual, social and cultural elements. By focusing on this broader view of atmospheres, designers may intervene in social life by creating spaces, settings, and artefacts that contribute to wellbeing, sense of place, and active imagination.

Susana Alves is environmental psychologist with a PhD in Architecture (University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee). Overall, her research work focuses on examining people's perceptions and interaction with natural environments with the aim of using nature for health promotion and psychological well-being. She has engaged in research in various topics in Environmental Psychology and am currently addressing the notion of atmosphere—in its theoretical, methodological, practice-related aspects. She currently working on a paper to investigate the atmosphere of folk ceremonies in Italy.

She taught and conducted research in diverse countries (Brazil, USA, UK, and Turkey) and is currently a visiting professor at the Università degli studi della Campania Luigi Vanvitelli in the department of architecture and industrial design.

