

The Department of Landscape Architecture at Rutgers University, the Consulate General of Switzerland in New York and the NJ and NY Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects cordially invite you to the Arctober* book launch of

The Landscapes of Dieter Kienast by Anette Freytag

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Book Signing and Reception

Dieter Kienast (1945–1998) is a key Swiss figure in European landscape architecture. Amidst a striking change in the relationship between society and nature in the 1970s, he sought a synthesis between design and ecology. As a designer, planner, researcher, and professor, Kienast dedicated his life to create open spaces to enhance the wellbeing of both human beings and plants. Critiques of urban planning, processes of participation, and the significance of spontaneous urban vegetation played just as prominent a role in these discussions as did art, architecture, and literature. In the context of our current existential crisis his ideas are gaining a new momentum.



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