



TOWARD AN AMAZONIAN RELATIONAL URBANISM

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LECTURE

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This lecture examines Belén, a self-built amphibian neighbourhood in Iquitos, Perú, to theorise an Amazonian Relational Urbanism. Using *sentipensante* threads, storytelling, and visual methods, it shows how Belenians co-produce place through human, more-than-human, and ecological interactions.

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