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A photo competition in Denmark challenges you to capture your city

Capture Your City is a photo competition open to everyone in Europe that aims to bring forward the hidden beauty of the European cities.

Close-cut lawns with ‘Keep off the grass’ signs – that’s the ‘nature’ we usually find in our cities. But can we find beauty in weeds and the less planned greenery too? A tree shooting up where it wasn’t supposed to, or wildflowers blooming in a road verge.

We buy and throw out more than ever before – from our homes and in the building industry, where we tear down buildings and replace them with new ones. But if we want more bees in our back yards and less construction waste on the curb, shouldn’t we get used to seeing the world around us with new eyes too?

In 2024 the Capture Your City theme is: New Beauty

If instead of newly painted white walls, we need to learn to live with patina and traces of the past – where can you find these in your city?

If our cities need more weeds and wild nature – how does the countryside, the forest or the beach coexist with the asphalt in your city? And maybe we humans are not the only creatures living in cities?

If we ought to share more things in the future – can you find new communities and ways of living in your city?

In 2024 Capture Your City is made in collaboration with the New European Bauhaus project Desire – an Irresistible Circular Society, and for the first time this year Capture Your City is open to everyone in Europe – and especially to the collaborating cities of Riga, Amsterdam, Milan, Turin, and Ljubljana. Can we find new beauty in the old Soviet buildings of Riga? Are there signs of wild nature in Ljubljana? Are there new ways of dealing with water in Amsterdam? Or foxes living in Turin or Milan?

When judging your photo, the panel will concentrate on:

A clear depiction of this year's theme.
Interaction between the physical framework and people.
An exciting composition.

The photo competition is supported by the philanthropic association Realdania and developed in collaboration with the New European Bauhaus project Desire – an Irresistible Circular Society. Desire is funded by the EU.

Photo Competition: 01 March - 01 May

Exhibition: 06 June - 01 October Bryghuspladsen by BLOX

Find more information here