Cavity of Choice

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Choice

Diversity

Tolerance

Society values
Research / Theme

Masterplan

Cavity of choice
Research / Theme
Formality
marked by a form or ceremony, specific

vs.

Informality
not according to the prescribed, suitable for customization

* Dictionary
Program
adding hybrid program, increasing density

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Unprogrammed
integrate space for customization
a concentration of formal spaces/buildings, generates an explosion of informal 'in-between' space.
Informal use
Masterplan
1970: Search for a compact city (C’70)

1950s: Post-war modernism (BroekBakema)

1920s: Aim for monumentality

1970-now: reaching for the sky
ABN: monument

urban living room: informal

ring

don: monument

urban block
Informal space

urban living room: informal

ring

ABN: monument
don: monument

urban block

Informal space
Cavity of Choice

- Position
- Composition
- Materialization
1. Position
Tolerance

Formal
Choice

Formal

Informal
Formal
Order / ritual

Informal
Anarchy / free choice
Formal
Order / ritual
Stable

Informal
Anarchy / free choice
Unstable
Formal
Order / ritual
Stable
Seclusion

Informal
Anarchy / free choice
Unstable
Interaction
2. Composition
Maximizing contact surface

Program
Plan principles

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Repetition
Inversion
Cavity
Excavations

'Foyer'

'Arena'

'Theater'
I created the cavity, 
now the choice is up to you!