

Lugar Comun - Monica Castillo, Jaime Ruiz Martinez

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Lugar Com n has proposed and materialised the following local actions:

1) Building a hall for meetings, workshops, talks and film screenings with help from volunteers.2) Implementing "guelaguetzas" (a model to create local and trans-territorial community bonds through open reciprocity), "mayordom as" (the development of communal solutions to individual problems), and a "moneylender service" (Lugar Com n lends money while borrowers pay the interests working there).3) Setting up a communal orchard. We are currently designing a model for exchanging produced vegetables.

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We work with a network of educational institutions and local initiatives such as: Doen Foundation, Comit s de Vida Vecinal, Universidad de las Am ricas, Escuela de Artes Visuales, "La Esmeralda", Universidad Iberoamericana, UABJO, ecoconstructores and Fondo Nacional para la Cultura y las Artes.

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