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In a unique partnership, the Gensler Research Studio connected students from architecture and interior architecture with professionals at Gensler, the world’s largest architecture and design firm. Supported by Gensler and led by Rana Abudayyeh, the Robin Klehr Avia Professor of Interior Architecture, the studio challenged students to rethink urban environments.

**Detroit**

**Michigan Central Station**
Marta Kaczor, Architecture
Mckenna Pierce, Interior Architecture
Rachel Smith, Interior Architecture
Brendan Wallace, Architecture

An agrarian urban hub includes a solar energy farm with an incubator green wall system and drone landing pads for passengers. The project grows crops, culture, hybrid urban potential, and understanding between Detroit’s past, present, and future. This team received a Gensler Research Studio award.

**Los Angeles**

**Westside Pavilion**
Tara Dawson, Interior Architecture
Callie Elonen, Architecture
Kamila Leszczynska, Architecture
Carolina Irving, Interior Architecture

A former shopping mall becomes a dynamic mixed-use community hub that integrates retail, co-working spaces, test kitchens, a graffiti museum, a skateboard park, and a taxi-drone station. The proposal is sensitive to the adjacent neighboring residential areas and offers multiple public spaces.

**Miami**

**1111 Lincoln Road Parking Garage**
Christopher Brewer, Interior Architecture
Elizabeth Hankal, Interior Architecture
Lydia Russell, Architecture
Trevor Thompson, Architecture

Building on the original themes of a modernist multiuse property, a new resilient icon for Miami Beach caters to its diverse culture. The proposal combines bars, lounges, restaurants, and an open-air amphitheater with an urban fishery, bioreactor, and drone landing pads to create a new activity node that reflects the multifaceted context.

**New York City**

**Lever House**
Logan Guidera, Architecture
Jungyeon Park, Interior Architecture
Mary Quinn, Interior Architecture
Maureen Sotak, Architecture

The iconic Lever House serves as the site for a reimagined work-life dynamic, transforming the original building into a sculptural tower serving as a transportation hub, work space, hotel, innovation center, and future-forward landing spot for drone taxis. This team received a Gensler Research Studio award.

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