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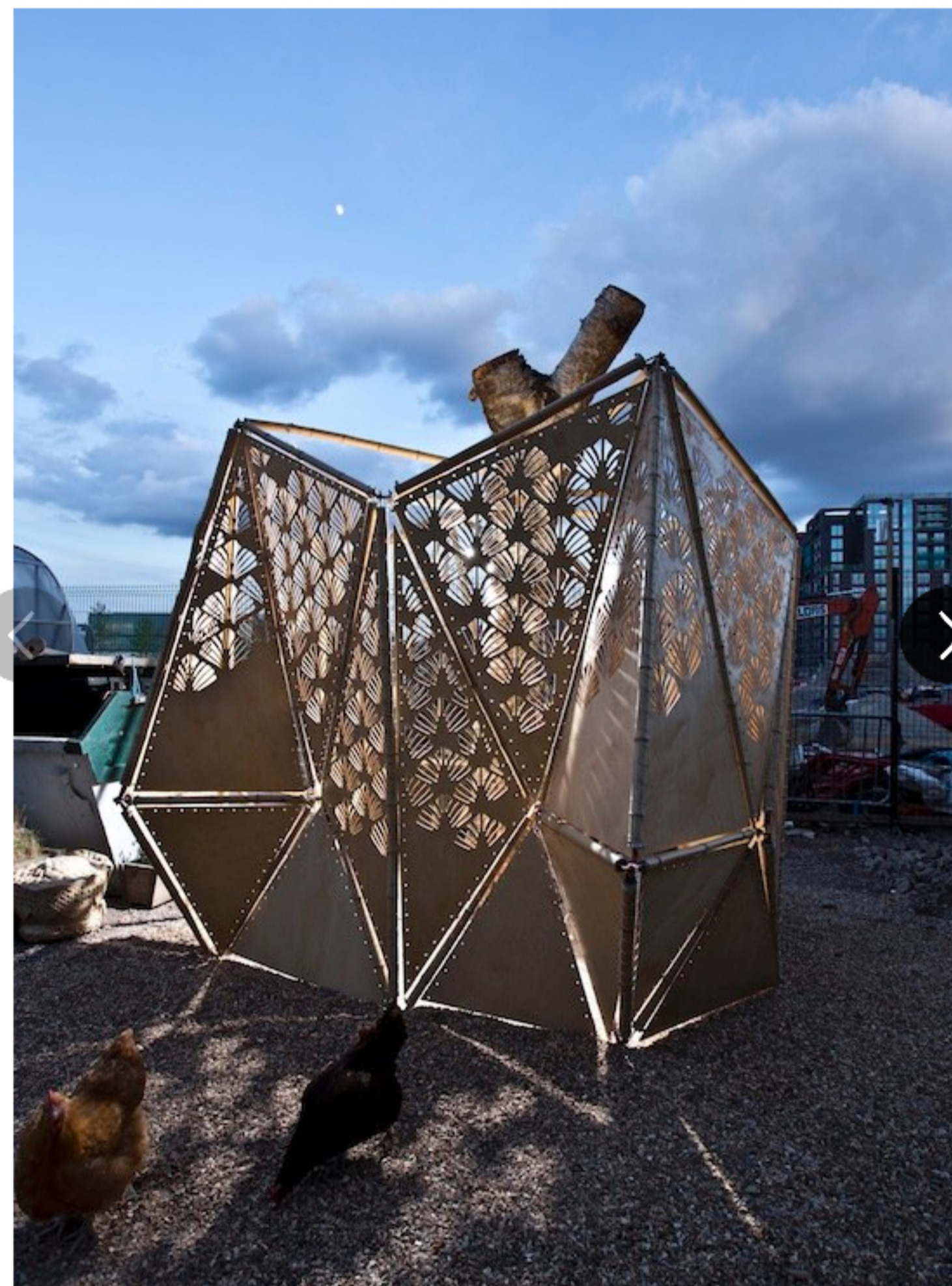
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### A PORTABLE GARDEN SPROUTS UP IN LONDON'S KING'S CROSS

Text by Natalia Rachlin | July 27, 2015



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Skip Garden's Chicken Coop.

Photo: Jan Kattein

In a state of perpetual redevelopment, London's King's Cross seems to offer up new architectural discoveries and innovative urban planning solutions from one week to the next. One of the latest additions to the neighborhood comes courtesy of the prestigious Bartlett School of Architecture, whose students have built seven outdoor structures within the Skip Garden, a movable urban garden and community space that changes its location depending on land available.

Intended to offer undergraduates hands-on project management and design experience as they respond to a real client and brief while also providing event and learning spaces for garden visitors, the collaboration between [Global Generation](#)—the educational charity organization that runs the garden—and the Bartlett has resulted in some truly innovative small buildings.

From the Glass House Lantern by Rachael Taylor—a vertical growing and dining space made from reclaimed sash windows built around scaffolding fashioned from a shipping container—to the Chicken Coop by Valerie Vyvial, a birch and bamboo home for the garden's three chickens, the students worked with sustainable materials across all seven projects.

"We were interested in exploring the idea of 'design by making' as a way of engaging the community," says Julia King, who together with Jan Kattein runs Bartlett's architecture design units and instigated the collaboration with Global Generation. "The process is more important than the final product."

*The Skip Garden is open Tuesdays to Fridays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Tapper Walk, King's Cross, London; [kingscross.co.uk](#)*

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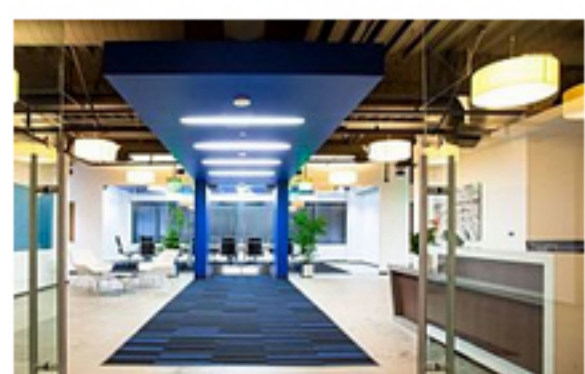
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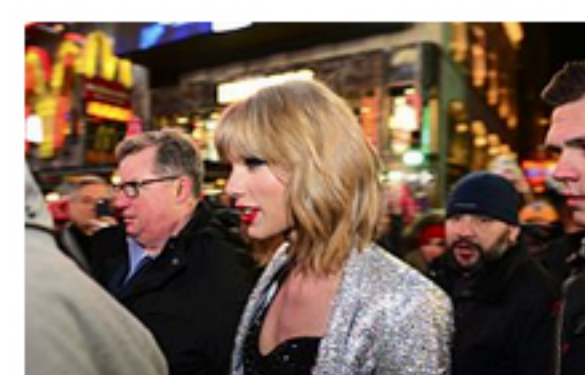
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