

# TACTICAL URBANISM AS A CATALYST FOR DEMOCRATIC URBAN SPACES.

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## ABSTRACT

This article aims to investigate the concept of tactical urbanism as a new way of building democratic urban spaces over the traditional city-making strategies. This discussion operates through the reflection about the role of architects and urbanists in this multidisciplinary context that enables citizens to participate actively in the decision-making process. Case studies of ephemeral interventions and reuse of overlooked urban spaces in the cities of São Paulo, Collingwood, Hamburg and London are presented under the theoretical framework of urban sociology. In this way, this study investigates how new forms of public spaces and interventions performed in today's cities allow citizen-driven spaces and the emergence of urban amiability.

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