

9th October 2026

Huerto Roma Verde

MEXICO CITY

FESTIVAL.

FEMSTIVAL CDMX | Celebrating Feminist Urbanism

A day dedicated to celebrating, questioning, and imagining the city through a feminist lens bringing together urbanists, artists, designers, researchers, and curious city-makers from Mexico City and beyond.

The Gendered City is bringing FEMSTIVAL to Huerto Roma Verde in Mexico City!

registration starts at

11:30 PM

THE GENDERED CITY

OPENING REMARKS

ENGLISH

12:00 –12:20

We open FEMSTIVAL by asking a simple question: What does it mean to design cities differently?

Nourhan Bassam introduces FEMSTIVAL as a space for urbanists, designers, researchers, artists, activists and communities to come together, not simply to discuss the problems of cities, but to experiment with different ways of seeing, mapping, occupying and transforming them.

PLACE DISCUSSIONS

ENGLISH

12:20–13:10

FEMINIST PLACE

English Conversation · 50 minutes

What makes a place feminist? - Feminist Place

A conversation about how we understand feminist place-making, and how we can move beyond simply adding women to existing urban models.

Nourhan Bassam

Festival Founder & Curator - Feminist Urbanist -
Founding director The Gendered City, Author.
Amsterdam

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Opening remarks

Abbie Clary

CannonDesign's Executive
Director of Health for All, in
Chicago.

Health + Place



Rae Halawany

Ethical data - participatory design
expert, founder AI works.
Amsterdam - NY



Guillermo Bernal

Founder Fundación Placemaking, director
The Place institute - CDMX

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Ricardo Lozano Villaseñor

Co-Director of What Design Can Do México,
He is also co-founder and creative director of
Cítrico Gráfico,

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WHAT
DESIGN
CAN DO

**ENGLISH &
SPANISH**

FEMINIST INNOVATION FACTORY

13:10–13:40

Lightning Talks · 30 minutes

Short, provocative presentations exploring new ways of thinking about movement, infrastructure, public space and the everyday city.

**MOVING
EXPERIMENTS**

**MI CALLE,
NUESTRA
CALLE.**

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Fernanda Rivera

Sustainable mobility and public policy
specialist in Mexico City.

Mobilizing Care

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Howard Chambers

Creator of Softwalks, a Fast Company Innovation by Design
Award winner, and holds an MFA from Parsons.

Soft
Walks

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Elba Ileana

Mexican Graphic designer, artist, and researcher
based in Puebla, Mexico.

Paseo Falda
Nijmegen

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FEMSTIVAL WORKSHOPS

13:40 – 14:40

FEMINIST WORKSHOPS

Parallel Hands-On Sessions · 50 minutes

Choose one of two workshops.

WHO TAKES CARE OF THE CITY? – Workshop 01 – English
¿Dónde encontraste sombra? – Workshop 02 – Spanish



WORKSHOP 01
WHO TAKES CARE OF THE
CITY?
Mapping the Invisible
Infrastructure of Care
Curated by 3x3 Co-Designers

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Language:
English



¿DÓNDE
ENCONTRASTE
SOMBRA?

Language:
Spanish

Oriana Durán

Angélica Pasten

WORKSHOP 02
A participatory and playful exploration of shade
as a climatic, spatial and relational condition.
Where do we find shade? Who has access to it?
Where do people stop, rest, meet and gather?

Luigi Barraza

LUNCH BREAK

14:40 - 15:30
Lunch Break

PLACE DISCUSSIONS

SPANISH
PANEL

15:40–16:20

Feminist Urbanism Across Territories

A cross-cultural conversation bringing together feminist urban practices from Mexico, Latin America and beyond.

Luciana Renner

Director Fundacion
Placemaking

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Leticia Leda Sabino

Founder and Director of Walkability Instituto
(Instituto Caminhabilidade)

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Martha Laura Peña

Urban Public Policy Specialist -
Panelist - Coordinadora de
Relaciones Institucionales y Alianzas

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ONU  HABITAT
POR UN MEJOR FUTURO URBANO

Daniela Nunez Ruiz

Knowledge Management Coordinator,
Mexico, Cuba and Central America, UN-
Habitat

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FEMSTIVAL EXPERIMENTAL WORKSHOPS

16:20-17:20

FEMINIST WORKSHOPS

DEEP LISTENING® WALK

With Katherine Beaman · New York

What happens when we stop looking at the city and start listening to it?

A Deep Listening® Walk exploring the city through sound, movement, attention, atmosphere, and embodied experience around Huerto Roma Verde.

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THE FEMINIST CITY PLAY CARDS

FEMTOPIA

17:20 – 17:30 - Introducing femtopia

FESTIVAL CLOSING CIRCLE

17:30–18:00

What Do We Take With Us?

A collective reflection bringing together the ideas generated throughout the day.

Three questions:

What did you see differently today?

What will you take back to your city?

What needs to change next?

The final contributions are added to THREADS OF THE CITY, completing the collective installation.

WOMEN IN MUSIC & SPACE

18:00–20:00

**Feminist Celebration · Music · Connection ·
Dance. We close FEMSTIVAL not with
another panel, but with joy.
With Djs Lucianna & Nourhan**

