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The COAC joins forces with the MNAC and 'Construint a la Sala' to bring architecture closer to schoolchildren

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The COVID-19 pandemic has made it necessary to turn **Architecture Week** into an online event. *Aprendre des de casa* ^[2] (Learning from home), the online version of our traditional architecture workshops, made it possible for many children to learn about architecture from their homes through activities organised by architects.

With the aim of getting architecture into schools, the Barcelona branch of the COAC has this year joined the *Construint a la sala* (Building in the room) project of the National Art Museum

of Catalonia, which, now entitled **Construint a les escoles** (Building in schools), is committed to taking its traditional workshop, which used to be held at the MNAC, into schools.

Workshops in Barcelona schools

More than **800 children** from **14 schools** in the **10 districts of Barcelona** between the second and fifth years of primary school built the house of their dreams in line with the slogan "Live, work, play". The activity was aimed at giving children a creative voice to explain their experiences during lockdown, and was supported by more than 40 teachers and 40 architects, as well as other professionals from the sector.

The workshops were held during the first fortnight of December 2020 and later on there will be an exhibition of the models selected during the workshops at the National Art Museum of Catalonia (MNAC) and the Architects' Association of Catalonia (COAC).

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