

## LENI SCHWENDINGER: BIOGRAPHY

Leni Schwendinger Light Projects, Ltd. creates lighting environments for architectural and public spaces all over the world. These works energize architecture, landscape and transportation and transit infrastructure with the ultimate objective of connecting people to each other and to their surroundings, especially during the nighttime hours. For over a decade, her Light Projects studio has been a magnet for professional multi-disciplinary collaborations - with project-specific design teams staffed by architects, engineers, and graphic designers committed to Leni Schwendinger's vision and perfectionist mandate.

Balancing technological sophistication, solid project management and artistic verve, the Light Projects methodology has produced a distinctive series of interactions with clients ranging from state and municipal agencies and architectural and engineering firms to museums and events planners. The Light Projects' installations have garnered awards from professional societies such as the American Institute of Architecture, American Society of Landscape Architects, Illuminating Engineering Society, International Association of Lighting Designers and Society for Environmental Graphic Design.

Light Projects studio has enjoyed extensive press and media coverage, most recently in *Architectural Lighting* and *Stir* magazines. In December 2006, Leni Schwendinger will be a featured participant in the Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum's *National Design Triennial: Design Life Now*, an ongoing exhibition program presenting the most innovative American designs in a variety of fields, including product design, architecture, furniture, film, graphics, and new technologies. Profiled in films and international publications, Schwendinger has also received awards, including the prestigious "NYFA" (New York Foundation for the Arts). She has lectured and taught widely throughout the United States, Europe and Japan, and is currently on the faculty of Parsons School of Design, Department of Architecture, Interior and Lighting Design.

Recently completed projects include *Chroma Streams; Tide and Traffic*, Kingston Bridge, Glasgow, Scotland UK and *Dreaming in Color*, Marion McCaw Hall, Seattle, WA. Historic projects currently underway are Coney Island Parachute Jump, Brooklyn, NY and Hoboken Ferry Terminal, Hoboken, NJ. Museum projects include a new art wing at the Brooklyn Museum of Art, Brooklyn, NY and *Fashion in Colors* at the Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum, New York City, NY.