Vital: Using the Weather to Bring Buildings and Sustainability to Life

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This video-animated talk explains how the natural movements of the sun, wind and rain can be used to improve the well-being of building occupants and raise awareness of sustainable living practices. In demonstrating how buildings can be designed to reconcile their traditional role as protection from the weather with the inclusion of its movement, it shows how - at the same time as separating us from the natural world - architecture can also be a means of reconnecting us with nature.

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