

# SUSTAINING PUBLICS LOGBOOK

## A VERY NORDHAVN MAY! – MAY AND JUNE 2024

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May and June have been full of collaborations and workshops for the Sustaining Publics project. The team has been working together with the Urban Intervention Studio (UIS) from the Landscape Architecture master's programme and participated in a Nature Walk with the partner pilot project at the Urban Living Lab – "Planning for People, Place, and Planet".

The latter took place on the **13th of May**, when we joined our colleagues from the Lab in their **exploration of Nordhavn's nature** and the perceptions and feelings we attach to different areas. Natalie Gulsrud, Sofie Burgos-Thorsen, and Csilla Duray guided us in the exploration and presented their selected data collection method – the Urban Belonging app. Through it, we were able to take pictures of the spots that spoke to us and describe and qualify the notions we attached to them. Being keen on anthropological visual practices ourselves, it was definitely an interesting method to explore!



*Nature Walk with the other pilot project in the Urban Living Lab, "Planning for People, Place, and Planet"*

During these two months, we also followed UIS' students in creating their **urban interventions in Nordhavn**. We joined the course by framing two workshops on using qualitative methods and applied cultural analysis in their creations. More specifically, we focused on how to **work with abstract concepts** concerning the development of Nordhavn—such as time, order, history, and global warming—and inform concrete design outcomes. We have truly enjoyed following their processes, culminating in a vernissage on the **12th of June**.

As summer arrives, we have dived head-first into the analysis and coding of the data we are receiving from our method "Calls from the Public". A big thank you to everyone collaborating and sending messages – we are eagerly looking forward to the interviews to come in the next months!



*Workshop with the UIS on using ethnographic methods to turn abstract ideas into concrete design solutions*



*Vernissage of the urban interventions*

## EXCITING NEWS FROM THE SUSTAINING PUBLICS PROJECT! – APRIL 2024

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This past April has been an exciting month for the Sustaining Publics project. Mark Vacher, Lærke Sivkjær and Carla Jiménez have been busy starting things off with both a workshop and a kick-off event for the participants of "Calls from the Public". This is a data collection method where people send texts about their experiences in city spaces directly to the project's phone.

The workshop took place on **April 9th**, where we had the pleasure of sharing the project with Applied Cultural Analysis Master's students. We discussed the use of visual ethnographic methods in our research and tested them out together.

Later, on **April 24th**, we hosted the big kick-off event for those who will be participating in Calls from the Public to help us create safer public spaces in Copenhagen.

A big thank you to everyone involved for your feedback and collaborative thinking. We're looking forward to continuing the research!



*Workshop on visual ethnographical methods*



*Co-directed picture as part of the testing of visual methods*



*Kick-off meeting for Calls from the Public*