



# Student and jury comments

This document documents a selection of comments made by students, as well as the statements from the jury, for each of the submissions to the Student Union Building 2040 contest in spring 2024<sup>1</sup>. These were published as part of the exhibition in the student union building on may 17:th to june 1:st. Questions regarding the contents of the document, or the contest in general, are best directed to the premises officer at [ha@chalmersstudentkar.se](mailto:ha@chalmersstudentkar.se).

## 1. Kårhuset - en utbyggnad

### Jury statement in swedish:

*“Ett vackert bidrag med tydliga arkitektoniska aspekter. Byggnaden ramar fint in Geniknölen och antyder till en större landskapsarkitektur, samtidigt som den visar på intresset att skapa stämningsfulla miljöer för studier och umgänge på campus. Bidraget hade växt ytterligare med en tydligare utvecklad programutredning och ytterligare undersökning av byggnadens funktioner.”*

### Jury statement in english:

*“A beautiful submission with clear architectural aspects. The building nicely frames Geniknölen and hints at a larger landscape architecture, while showcasing the interest in creating atmospheric environments for studying and socialising on campus. The contribution would have grown further with a more clearly developed program study and further investigation of the building's functions.”*

### A selection of student comments:

- *“ [This submission] lets the current structures remain untouched and notifieds the importance of Geniknölen and articulates and frames it”*
- *“I like the simplicity of suggestion 1”*
- *“Ett väldigt inlevelsefullt förslag som jag tycker skapar väldigt fina möjligheter för rum mellan byggnader och gator”*

## 2. Kårhuset 2040

### Jury statement in swedish:

*“En intressant programutredning som öppnar ögonen för hur en omgestaltning av interiören med minimal utbyggnad kan få kårhuset att bli mer levande. Genom att fokusera på de existerande värdena och hur de kan förhöjas tar förslaget ett helhetsgrepp inte enbart begränsat kring möjligheten till utbyggnad. En tydligare utvecklad arkitektonisk gestaltning utöver de stämningsfulla bilderna hade gett förslaget ytterligare lite tyngd.”*

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<sup>1</sup> For more information, see [www.chalmersstudentkar.se/nya-karhuset-2-0-arkitekttavling/](http://www.chalmersstudentkar.se/nya-karhuset-2-0-arkitekttavling/) (swedish) or [www.chalmersstudentkar.se/architecture-competition-2024/](http://www.chalmersstudentkar.se/architecture-competition-2024/) (english)



**Jury statement in english:**

*“An interesting program study that opens your eyes to how a redesign of the interior can make the student union building more vibrant with minimal expansion needed. By focusing on the existing values and how they can be enhanced, the proposal takes a holistic approach not only limited to the possibility of expansion. A more clearly developed architectural design in addition to the evocative images would have given the proposal a little more weight.”*

**A selection of student comments:**

- *“[This submission] has a nice way of adding without changing the existing structures too much”*
- *“I liked the warmth of suggestion 2”*
- *“I liked the concept of more clear and dedicated spaces in submission 2!”*

### 3. Student Kårridor

**Jury statement in swedish:**

*“Bidraget innehåller roliga och konkreta förslag och utgör en stark start på en ordentlig programutredning. Juryn uppskattar speciellt att bidraget bygger på förslag från engagerade studenter i huset, som utgör en central intressegrupp i projektet. Förslaget har potential att utvecklas ytterligare genom en utvändigt arkitektonisk gestaltning som bättre speglar den stora variationen i programmet.”*

**Jury statement in english:**

*“The submission showcases fun and concrete proposals and is a strong foundation to a proper program investigation. The jury particularly appreciates that the contribution is based on proposals from committed students in the building, who are a key stakeholder group in the project. Further development of the submission is possible through an exterior architectural design that better reflects the great variety of the program.”*

**A selection of student comments:**

- *“Större kårresturang, större pool, sky bar med mera!”*
- *“I think that the union building should have multiple different purposes and include both studying, fun, and committees. Everything and nothing all at once”*
- *“It would be amazing to have a student brewery and more sports facilities in the new Kårhus. I also like how you have more space to walk around the courtyard in this proposal”*

### 4. Chalmers (på) Taket

**Jury statement in swedish:**

*“Bidraget utreder på ett intressant sätt frågan om studieplatser, deras placering och vilka kvaliteter studenterna söker i dem. Planlösningen sticker ut med sina tydligt avgränsade rumsligheter och kopplingar mellan dessa. Ett tydligare resonemang kring hur förslaget hänger ihop med och påverkar de sociala ytorna i resten av byggnaden hade däremot gjort förslaget ännu starkare.”*



**Jury statement in english:**

*“The contribution explores the issue of study spaces, their location and the qualities students seek in them in an interesting way. The floor plan stands out with its clearly defined spatialities and connections between them. A clearer discussion of how the proposal relates to and affects the social spaces in the rest of the building would have made the proposal even stronger.”*

**A selection of student comments:**

- *“I liked the rooftop in submission 4”*
- *“I really liked the idea of café utsikten, it would be really nice with the view over gothenburg”*
- *“Kul idé att ta bron från Sahlgrenska och använda den!”*

## 5. Meet in the MATRIX

**Jury statement in swedish:**

*“Bidraget ger en intressant bild över hur kårhuset skapar en bättre kontakt med resten av Chalmers, och talar därigenom om något viktigt i själva själen av kårhuset och dess placering på campus. Bidraget har ett uttalat klimattänk och signalerar en öppenhet mot omvärlden. Programmet är flexibelt men utrymme finns för en djupare undersökning av vilka funktioner som behövs och hur de bäst får stöd i byggnadens utformning.”*

**Jury statement in english:**

*“The contribution provides an interesting picture of how the student union building creates a better contact with the rest of Chalmers, and thereby speaks of something important in the very soul of the student union building and its location on campus. The contribution has a pronounced climate mindset and signals an openness to the outside world. The program is flexible, yet there is room for a deeper investigation of what functions are needed and how they are best supported in the design of the building.”*

**A selection of student comments:**

- *“I liked that number 5 have a connection between SB-huset and kårhuset”*
- *“I like the multifunctional aspect of submission 5”*
- *“Creativity and hand drawings for the 5”*