



## akiya houses workshop



**activity** WORKSHOP SUMMERSCHOOL ETSAB  
Akiya Workshop is a program that includes **construction, architectural** and **landscape** themes during two complementary workshops:

The first activity will be in **September** in Vandellòs and their surroundings. Taking on practical learning of traditional building stone techniques, to the regeneration of rural obsolete tissues, looking for contemporary alternatives with the intention of activate the territory. Through the construction of an ephemeral pavilion and planning an art performance, the workshop should be a space for sharing ideas and possibilities between international students and local people.

The second activity will take place in **February** 2017 at Yanaka Chou neighborhood in Tokyo. In contrast to isolated abandoned Catalan houses, the workshop in Japan take on the problem of abandoned Akiyas wooden houses built with traditional techniques. Consequently large urban areas are being degraded, so the second workshop is focused on how other ancient architecture can hold new social activities. Reading both tissues and analyzing why they are being abandoned will help us to understand the identities of the different tissues and allow us to elaborate specific projects.

The high interest of the program is reflected in building a thought and projecting the preservation of the identity, expressed through ancient building techniques in complementary scenarios: empty, open and rural space in Vandellòs and full, closed and hiperurban space in Tokyo. *“There are things that should be preserved, but are overlooked for their natural existence.”*

**dates and venue** **14th to 19th September 2016** at Barcelona School of Architecture (ETSAB)  
**19th to 25th February 2017** at Waseda University of Tokyo

**vacancies** **10 free placements** for ETSAB student's enrolled in:  
ARQ (pla 94) / GARQ (pla 2010) / GEARQ (pla 2014) / Màsters Universitaris de l'àmbit de l'Arquitectura / Màster Universitari en Paisatgisme

**program** Visits & excursions / Field work / Lectures / Workshop

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**enrollment** FOR REGISTRATION > UNTIL **25 OF JULY**  
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94 plan: 3 LE credits  
All students: assistance diploma