CONCLUSION

Distinctive opinions are emitted throughout our book about the status of women in architecture. In order to improve the situation, several suggestions have been presented. One of the suggestions proposed was to create a school of architecture for women and directed by women. Several of our panelists also claimed that women architects should try to start their own firms as early in their career as it is possible. And yet, there were some who maintained that it is viable to share offices with men. No single voice can absolutely predominate. By bringing together the different puzzle pieces of our points of view, we may be able to get an understanding of the bigger picture.

Although divergences were expressed throughout the book, there were also major THREADS of commonalities. As a basic canvas, our panelists all appeared to be very much concerned with people’s welfare. The conversation went from homelessness to a respect for nature, from safety in the street to personal value systems, and from single parent households to community groups. This discussion tends to support the fact that women value people, environment, and society.

We hope our book awakens your energy to improve the status of women architects. We hope it sensitizes you to the current situation. More than anything, we hope you will remember new names of women architects and their work.