

Timeless Way

What is a pattern?

Patterns are Invariant
Identifiable

Pattern discovery

Pattern exist at all scales
Steps
Place it
Draw it
Name it
Describe it

3 part rule

Context Define the context
Where the system of forces exist
Where the pattern will balance

Problem What are the Forces
Conflicts
Systems

Solution
When does it work
Where does it work
How does it work
What forces does the pattern balance?

Patterns linked together

Hierarchy
Complete

Pattens for all forces

Psychic
Social
Psychological
Economic
Nature
Design
Biology
Human need
Politics of public agencies
Ecological
Fear and danger
Construction

Natural growing process
What people do in gardens

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