

## **A box for Wittgenstein's window: Manchester, Cambridge, Berlin & Vienna.**

Ludwig Wittgenstein grew up in Vienna, studied aeronautics at the University of Manchester for four years where he flew kites in Glossop as part of his investigations. He studied to become an engineer in Technische Universität Berlin and then philosophy at Cambridge University where he later worked.

He built a wooden house near the small village of Skjolden, Sognefjord, Norway to allow him to think.

This is part of a larger project that aims to culminate with rebuilding the Wittgenstein house as a genuine artefact, using the materials from the house that still exist inside another house in Luster. The original windows are in safe storage in the village. We will be working with one of these original windows, through which Wittgenstein would have viewed the fjord and aim to take it on a tour of the universities that Wittgenstein is connected with.

The project will connect municipalities in Norway with the global community affected by Wittgenstein's work reflecting his creative, design and theoretical work.

The themes connected by the project include the architecture, philosophy, engineering, tourism, fine art, sustainability, archaeology, construction, logistics, heritage, and address preservation versus replication.

Wittgenstein's window needs a special box to both safely transport and present it.

The House project was initiated by Prof. Harald Rostvik of University of Stavanger / Bergen School of Architecture. The Window project will connect with MMU Special Collections and the CityVerve Internet of Things demonstrator Culture theme currently being led by Manchester School of Architecture.



Hytte Lusterfjord/Lusterfjord from Hytte foundations  
Ludwig Wittgenstein in Cambridge/Prof. Harald Rostvik (Bergen School of Architecture) with the window