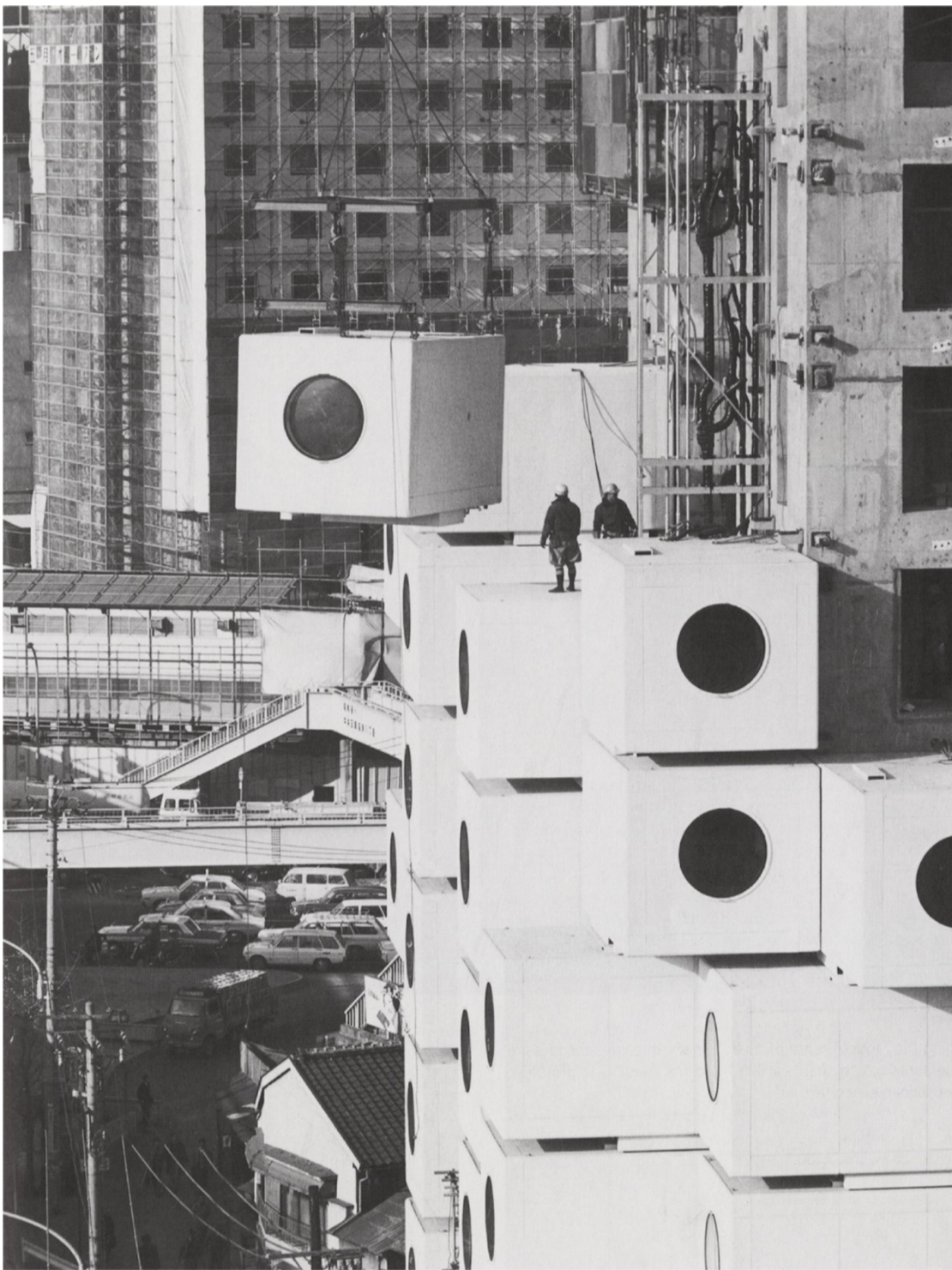


Call for Focus Work

Japanese Structural Design / Matsui Gengo



Nakagin Capsule Hotel (arch. Kurokawa Kisho, eng. Matsui Gengo). Source: Ohashi Tomio

The Chair of Structural Design in collaboration with the Chair of Architectural Behaviorology are offering the opportunity to conduct a focus work (Vertiefungsarbeit) on the topic of history of Japanese structural design. The protagonist of this work will be the structural engineer Matsui Gengo (1920-1996), one of the most renowned structural designers of the past century, yet still largely unknown outside Japan. His work in collaboration with architects such as Kurokawa Kisho, Kikutake Kiyonori, Ito Toyo, or Ban Shigeru resulted in the creation of some of the most iconic buildings of 20th century Japanese architecture. The focus work will provide an opportunity to investigate the work of Matsui from different points of view, also with the possibility to consult unpublished material coming from Matsui's personal archive.

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