



9.17 La Fragua, Havana.

waterfront redevelopment in the absence of a comprehensive plan is radical in that it suggests a more precise role for planning and design. Given the nature of contemporary society such precision is a way to guarantee a greater rate of success. It also allows for integration of old character with new expression.

Amsterdam is also remarkable for its acceptance of new expression in the architecture of its waterfront development. In North America, we have an obsessive desire for everything to be the same, to reduce everything to the lowest common denominator. Modern development must obey strict guide-

9.18 Boats in Amsterdam.

