

ARCHITECTURE AND THE CITY

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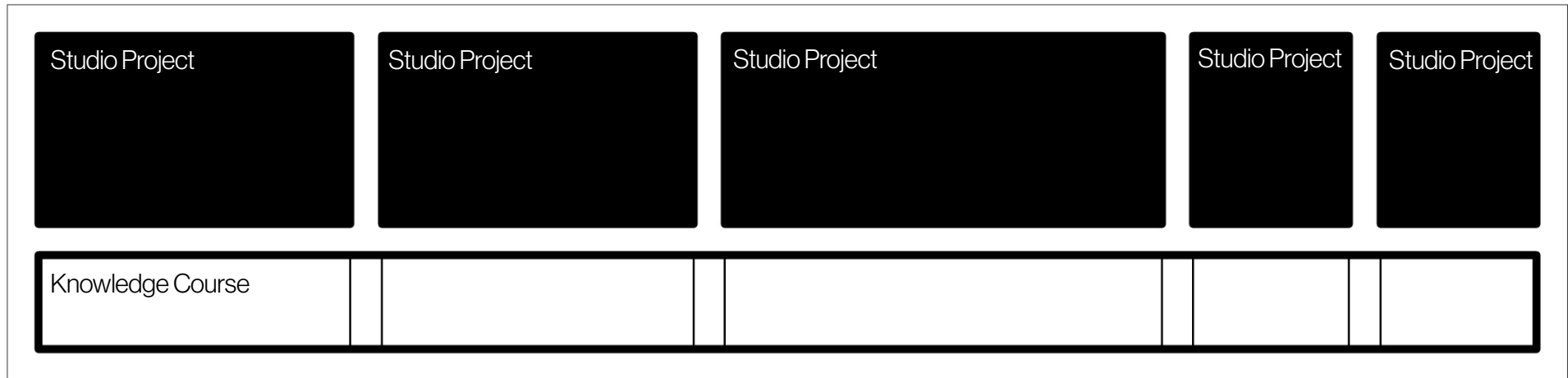
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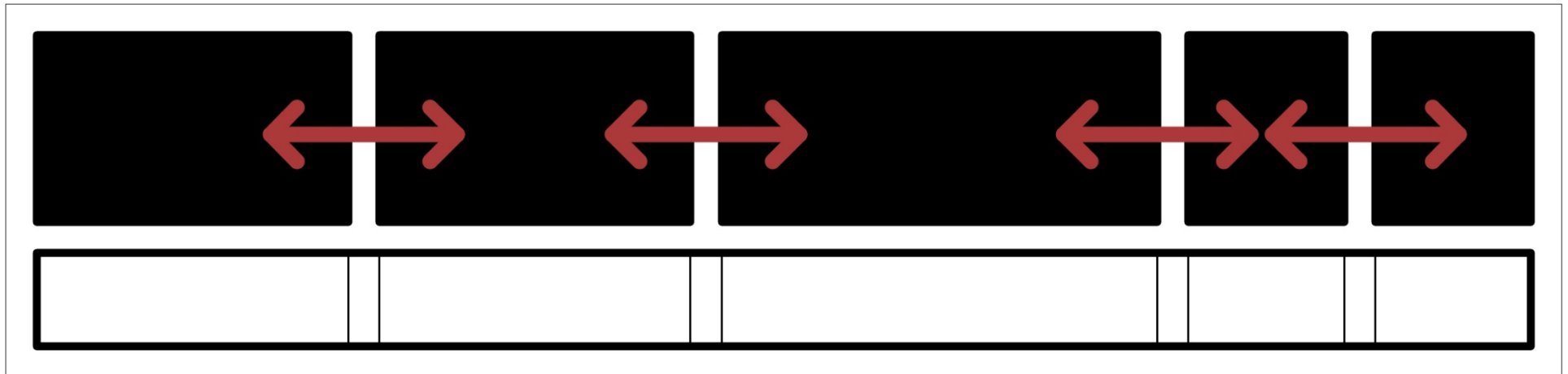
- A **collaborative studio** addressing **urban** and **architectural** topics across a **range of scales**
- Student groups will work on different **project briefs** in a **single studio space**.
- In autumn the theme will be **Culture in the City**
- **Study trip**

Superstudio model

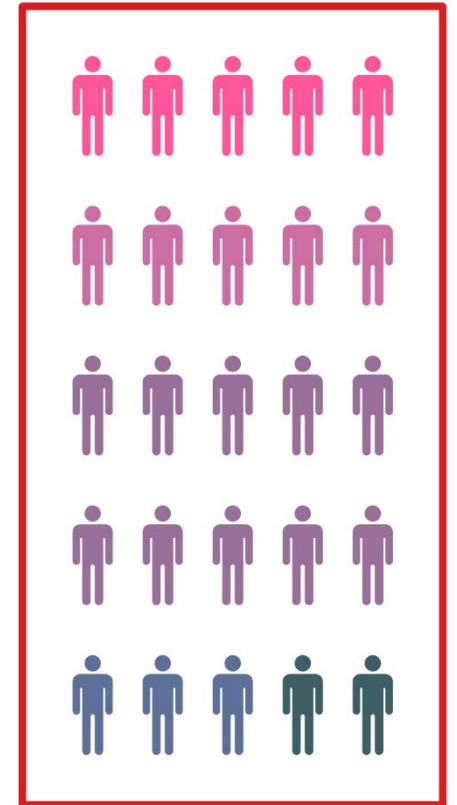
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Interaction Opportunities



Shared Studio



Co-ordinated timetabling

Commencement



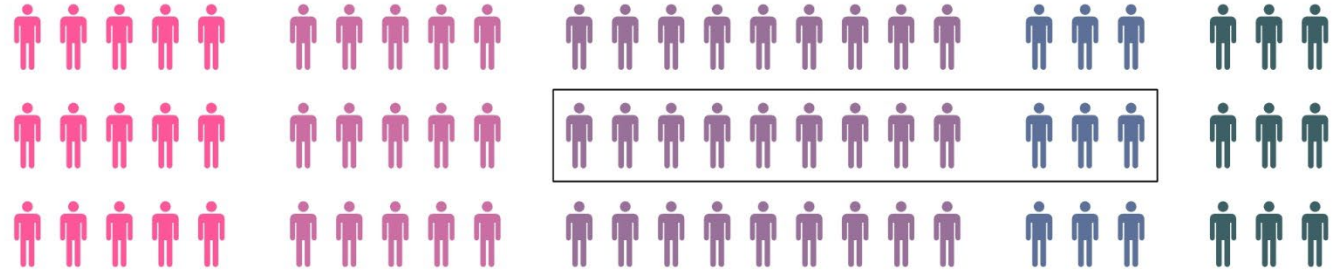
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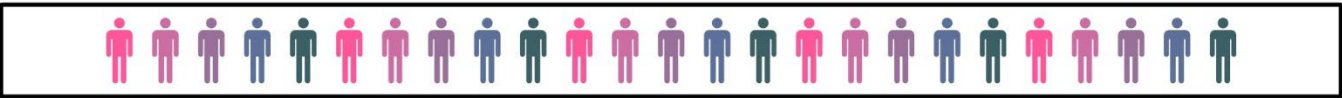
Mid-term Critiques



Intermediate weeks -
formal or informal
collaboration + study trips



Final Review + Assessment



Topic: Culture in the City



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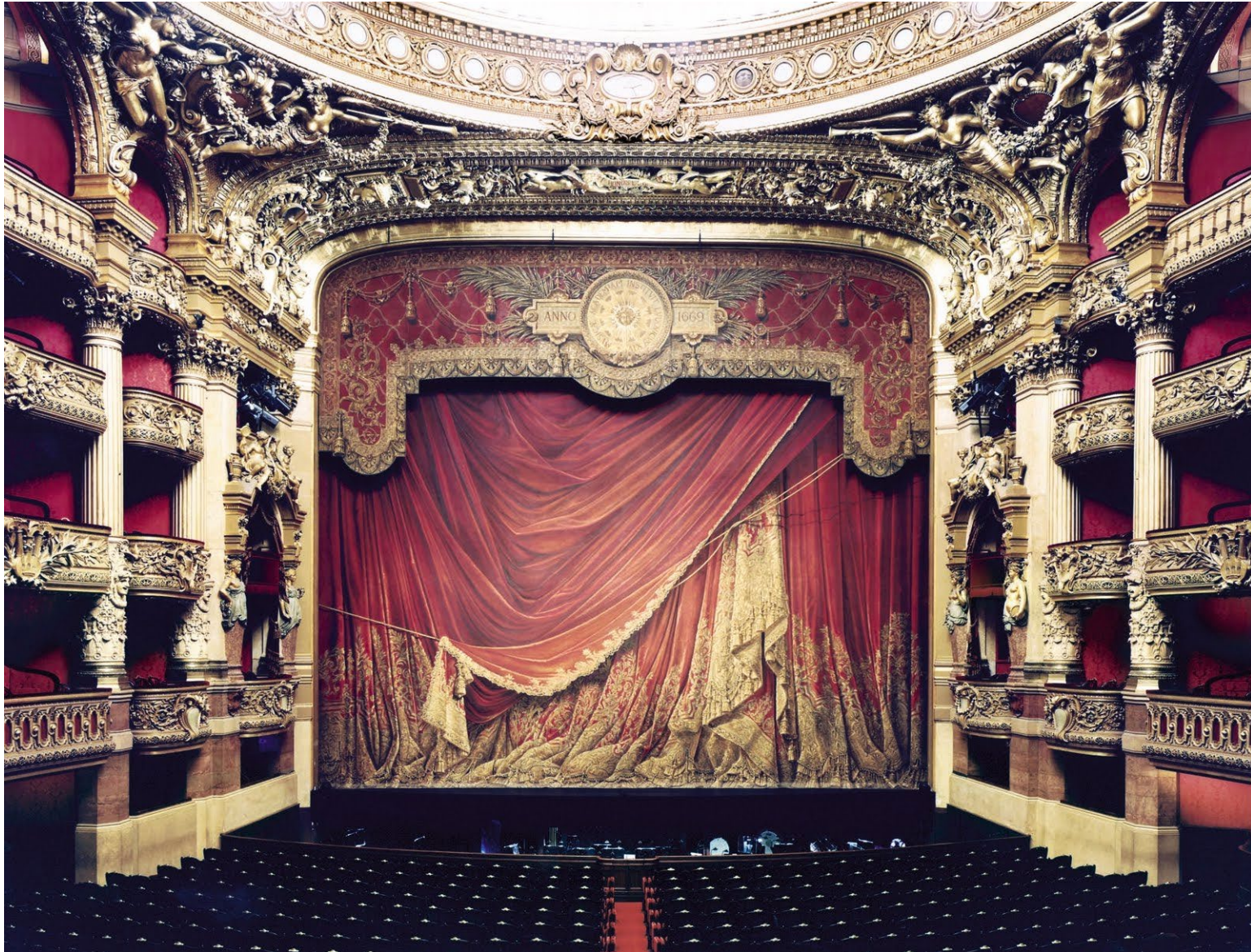
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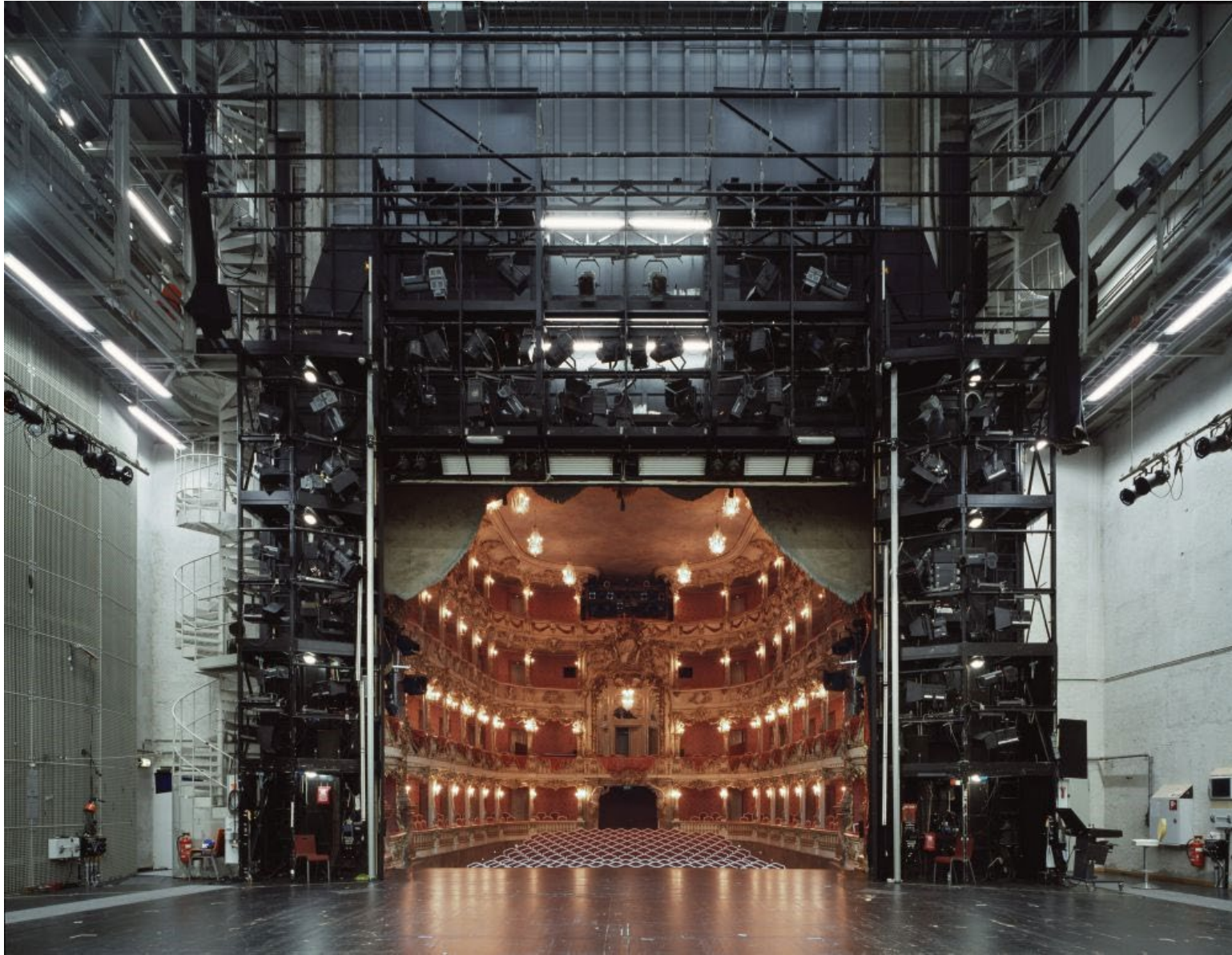
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'Palais Garnier Paris XXXI 2005'
Candida Höfer



'The Fourth Wall'
Klaus Frahm



'Louvre 2, Paris, 1989'
Thomas Struth

Museum why ?

The International Council of Museum's

The current definition:

“A museum is a non-profit, permanent institution in the service of society and its development, **open to the public**, which acquires, conserves, researches, communicates and exhibits the tangible and intangible heritage of humanity and its environment for the purposes of education, study and enjoyment.”

The proposed definition:

“Museums are democratising, **inclusive and polyphonic spaces for critical dialogue about the pasts and the futures**. Acknowledging and addressing the conflicts and challenges of the present, they hold artefacts and specimens in trust for society, safeguard diverse memories for future generations and guarantee equal rights and **equal access** to heritage for all people.



'Pergamom Museum IV, Berlin 2001'
Thomas Struth



'Louvre 4, 1989'
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Museum why ?

Past

Culture
History
Identity
Power

Present

Democracy
Relevance
Networks
Generator
Art Production

Future

Narratives for
sustainable
futures



'Restorers in San Lorenzo Maggiore, Naples 1988'
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Space - Object

Museum	Total objects	% exhibited	Exhibited artefacts
Nasjonalmuseet	400.000	2%	8.000
Glasgow museums	1.400.000	2%	28.000
Tate Gallery	70.000	20%	14.000
Whitney museum of American art	23.000	10%	2.300
Le Louvre	519.400	8%	41.552

2% vs 98%. "Planlegging av magasiner til nytte for brukerne: for formidling, forskning og publikum
– med bevaring for øye" Barbara Ida de Haan, 2019.



'Audience 4 (Galleria Dell Accademia), Florenz'
Thomas Struth

Potential Projects

Ecosystems of Culture in the City



- Students will appraise the existing institutions or networks and will develop urban strategies or architectural programmes within the city: formal and informal institutions; sites for production, storage and consumption of culture; service and technical infrastructure etc.
- Participating students will analyse and represent the existing ecosystem within the city. In addition, they will develop urban and architectural strategies that will enhance this ecology.

The Architecture of Culture



- Participating students will develop and represent architectural design solutions for a cultural building programme and associated city spaces.
- Potential project is for the rehabilitation, transformation and expansion of the Nationaltheatret in Oslo.
- The final submission will require the comprehensive description of the overall architecture, key interior spaces and associated technical proposals.

Scales of Operation







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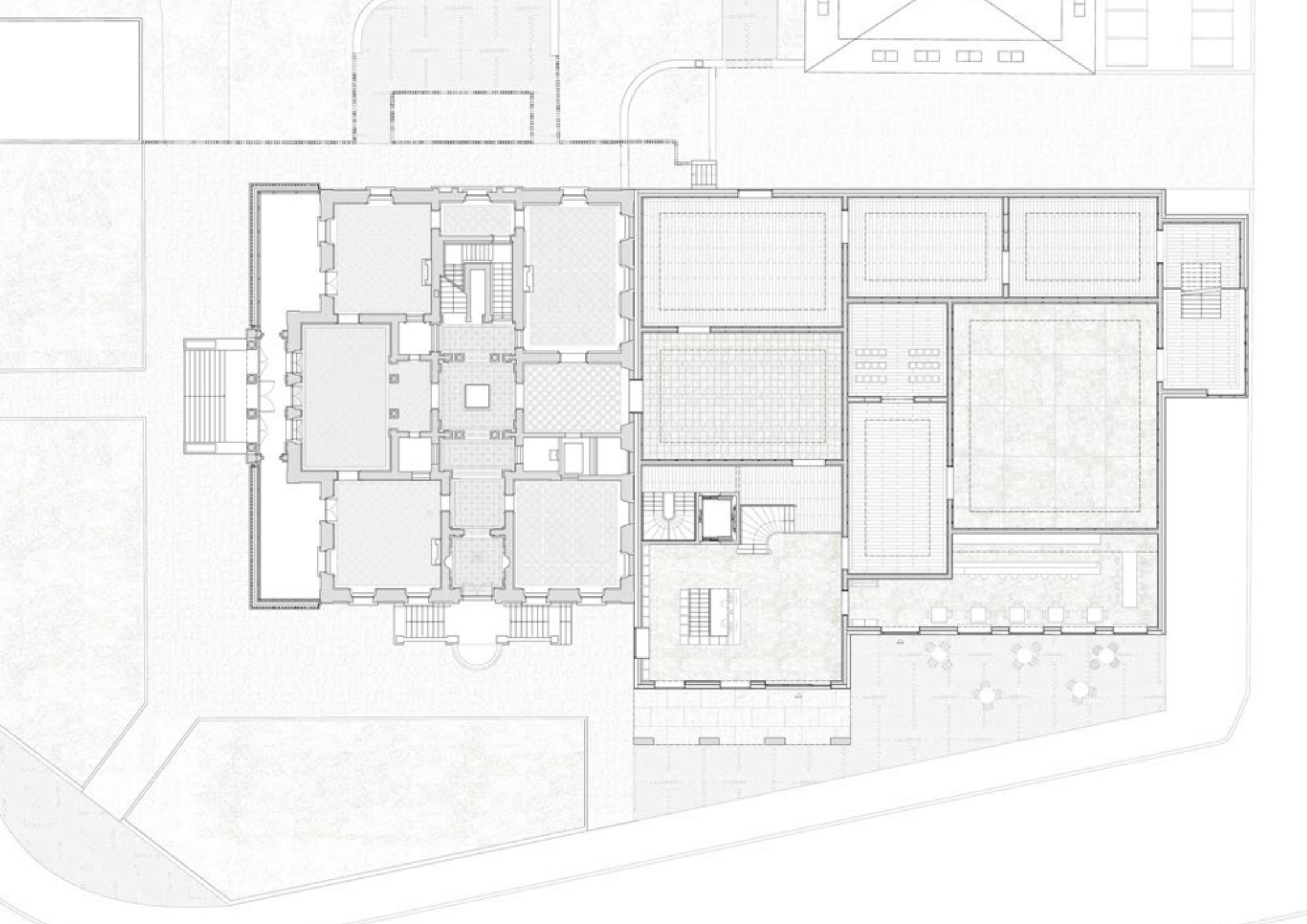
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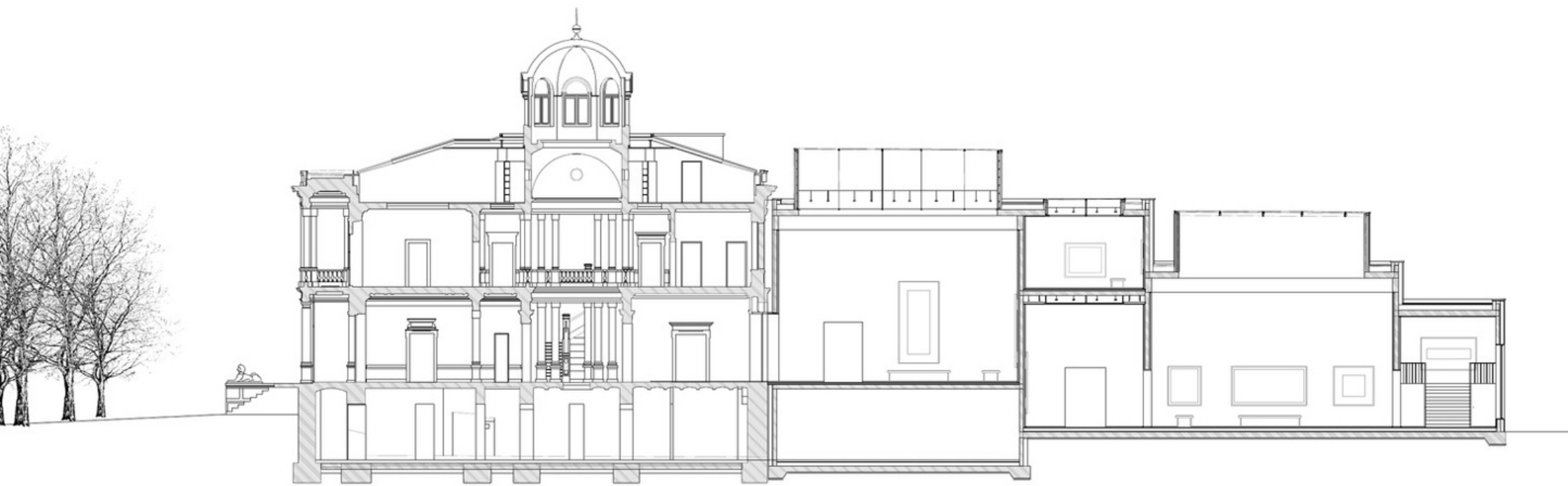
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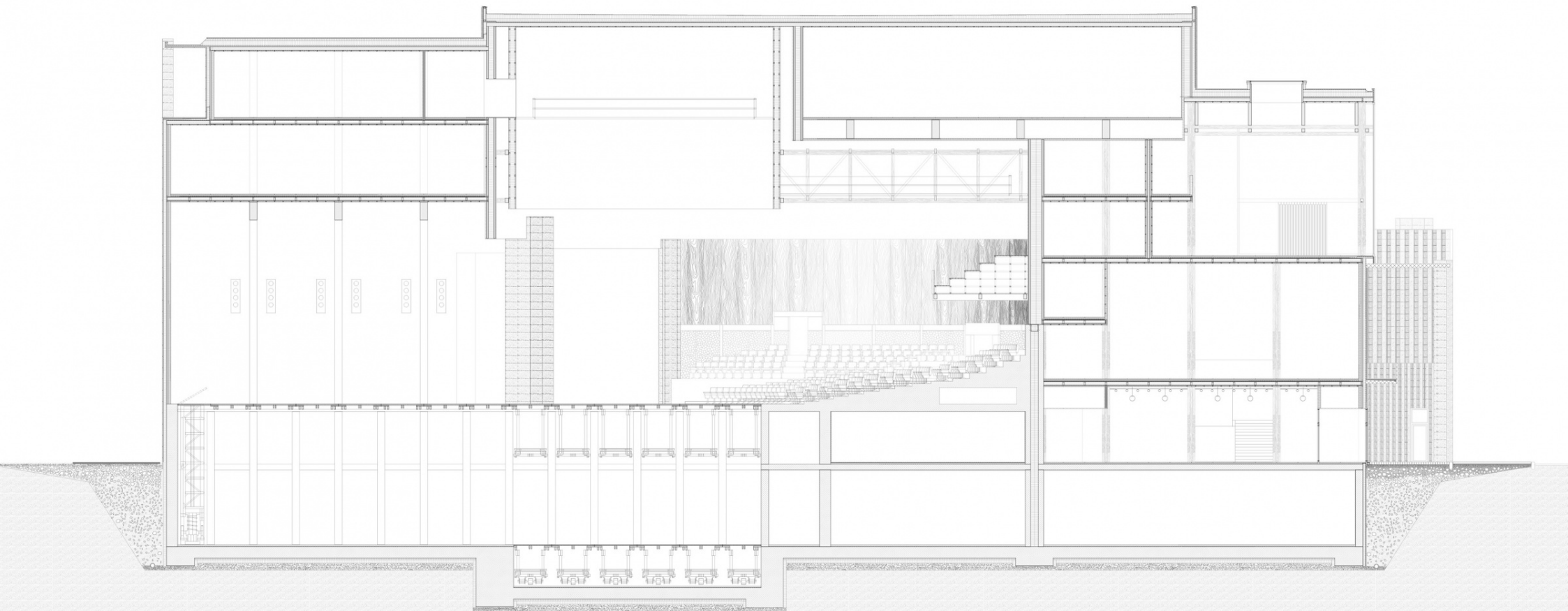




Carl Andre
Joseph Beuys
Dan Flavin
Donald Judd
Jannis Kounellis
Sol LeWitt
Richard Long
Robert Mangold
Mario Merz
Bruce Nauman
Robert Ryman
Lawrence Weiner

Peter Dog









ARCHITECTURE

The building begins with the premise that culture is conceptualized as a diversity of separate practices, each with its own culture. We create a program that demonstrates architectural models where their culture must take its place, be a productive industry. This does not mean to create an artificial set of differences, but to address them, to create an environment where our differences can gather.

The building serves as an establishment for this program's realization, the different cultures to meet, discuss and interact around the various disciplines. The architecture aims to embody the challenge of separate and culture through the incorporation of different spatial zones and conditions. It programs multiple community centers, three performance theaters and a public library to be realized within. Technically this challenge is addressed by a modular structure through the strategic use of primary concrete, with supporting secondary timber elements. The structure aims to highlight the separation of these different characteristics, through a combination of structural light, vertical and space.

The wrapping of forces and materials creates more challenge. It can lead to inefficiencies and doubling of structures, circulation and materials. It is the primary challenge to create a coherent scheme that addresses these different forms, and their impact.

STRUCTURE

The upper structure system is primarily masonry load bearing walls, with concrete rib deck spanning between, while the sub-structure is a concrete slab basecoat with pile foundations. The load bearing walls are 150mm deep, with 600mm wide, gaps or 200mm cores. These carry the primary load of the building, from floors to the foundations. As we move up the building, the central load is shed, therefore the piles that are. This thinning facilitates the necessary tectonic strategy of movement, to be used, to act. The concrete rib deck varies in depth, from 100mm to 300mm, depending on the span, while the pile deck remains constant at 200mm. The rib deck has a primary span longitudinally, while the secondary spans between piles. The deck is divided into 3000mm bays, with 600mm gaps in between for servicing.

Inset within the masonry outer frame is the timber structure, which hosts the interior chamber, providing three distinct zones and multiple interior volumes. These include a light-weight frame, made from CLT. It is supported by a timber structure on the ground floor, supporting a 1000mm deep rib deck. The timber structure volume can span columns, while from floor to floor members, load together with their blocks.

The main vertical circulation is the large space of the concrete structure on the second floor, the timber deck spans across this zone, and the timber structure of the timber window. The load path is simple, with loads passing to the steel and concrete deck, into the masonry piers, and then into the concrete substructure and pile foundation. The lateral stability is provided through their planes, on the ground floor to the masonry walls which prevent rocking, while on the upper floors in the concrete cores.

CONSTRUCTION

The primary construction system is load bearing masonry walls with concrete rib decks spanning between. The traditional load bearing masonry was used and is efficient to support a variety of uses, therefore masonry piers are used across the primary levels. The floor slabs are supported by the brick piers, while the timber floor is supported on top of the existing concrete floor, therefore the brick slab structure part the wall, creating itself to have no structural function. The building quality is necessary construction to be used, to be used. The program is formed from a mix of timber and concrete, with a timber structure on the ground floor. Concrete is used in the form of brick at the basement level, where it is used to be used.

The relationship between the concrete and timber is clear brick from the vertical wall, concrete rib deck from the horizontal slab, and timber from the space that is created. The vertical timber detail highlights this strategy, with the timber window frame sitting within the brick cavity, supporting the upper timber structure on the existing brick. The timber is used only in the central space, as a detail frame. This structure is a lightweight element, a mass of brick, facilitating a robust and optimized structure. It creates a separation and a point of transition between two contrasting materials.

The sequence of construction would start with the pile foundations. A base level of the ground, then the concrete core, and then the concrete rib deck. From the basement would be construction from in situ concrete. As you move up the building, each brick would be built, then the brick deck can top off. Therefore, you would only need to scaffold and form around them at a time. This is the foundation, then the timber structure on the second, and connected to the deck on level two. After which, the timber frame and finishes would be added, and made in place. To complete the construction, the timber frame and finishes would be added.

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENT

As a building with two large theatre spaces, and other smaller theatres, such as a workshop and studio there will be high energy consumption. Therefore the building will be designed to be a net-zero energy and high energy efficient. As a building of multiple spaces and multiple uses, the heating strategy can be focused in the conditioned space on either wing.

The building is both heated and cooled by a biomass thermal battery. This system is designed to be in both air flow, and pass a mass of exposed concrete walls. This battery system is the central core of the building, to ensure that the heat is stored in the thermal enclosure and to be used in the long term. The battery is a mass of concrete, with air flow through the mass of the floor. The battery is used to store heat throughout the building, through the thermal battery, to be used, to be used.

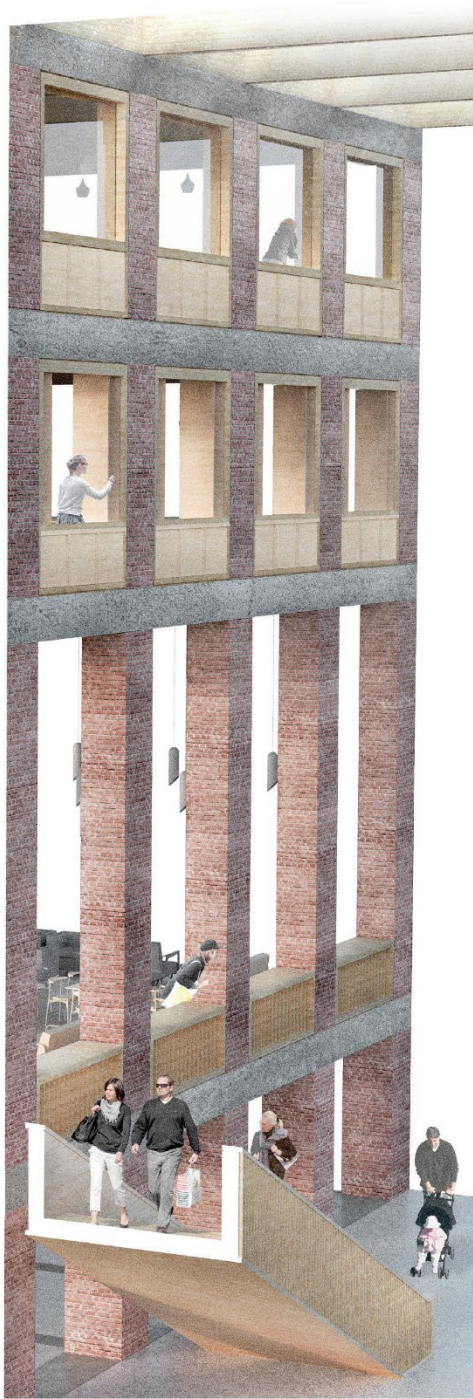
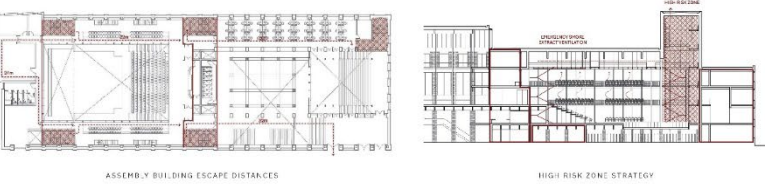
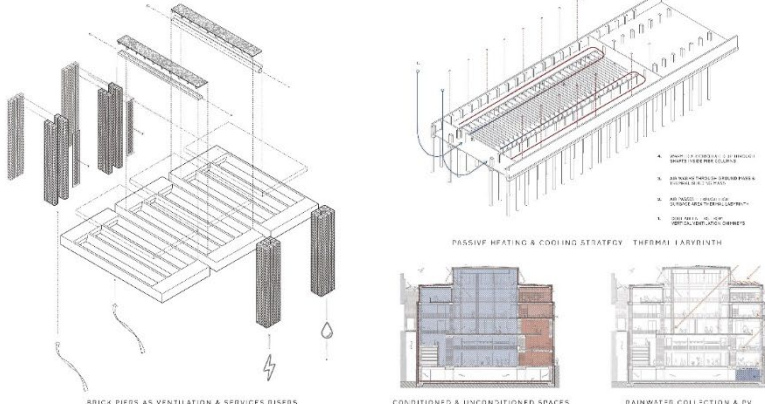
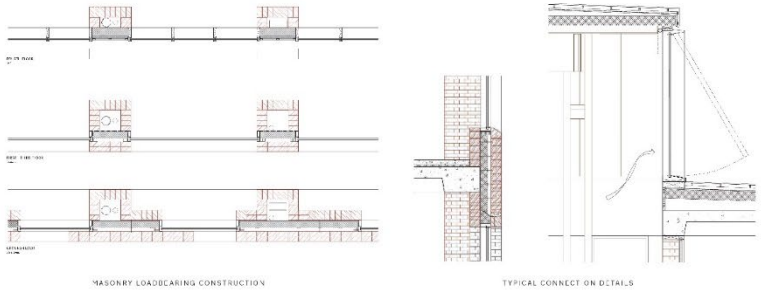
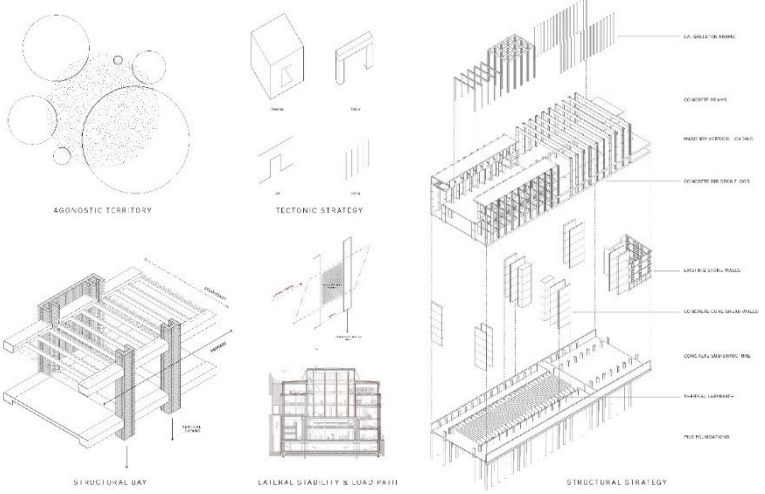
These brick piers also serve the building. While the water pipes through the heating and ventilation, the water pipes through the heating, HVAC, and water distribution. These are not connected to the floor through air of structural floor bays. In between each 3000mm concrete bay is a 600mm gap, with timber floor, and concrete walls, and concrete walls are connected, while the HVAC pipes are hidden but accessible if needed. The water and rainwater are carried through the pipes into the basement plant. There are no rainwater collection and grey-water collection, while they are used for toilet and sink, and for irrigation of the building.

Daylight is difficult to regulate in a deep plan building, without a clear elevation due to the proximity of the urban. Therefore the building has a series of light wells, with large spans of glass, and the central atrium double chamber bring light into the back of the plan. When working, there are both in other kinds to block out the glass.

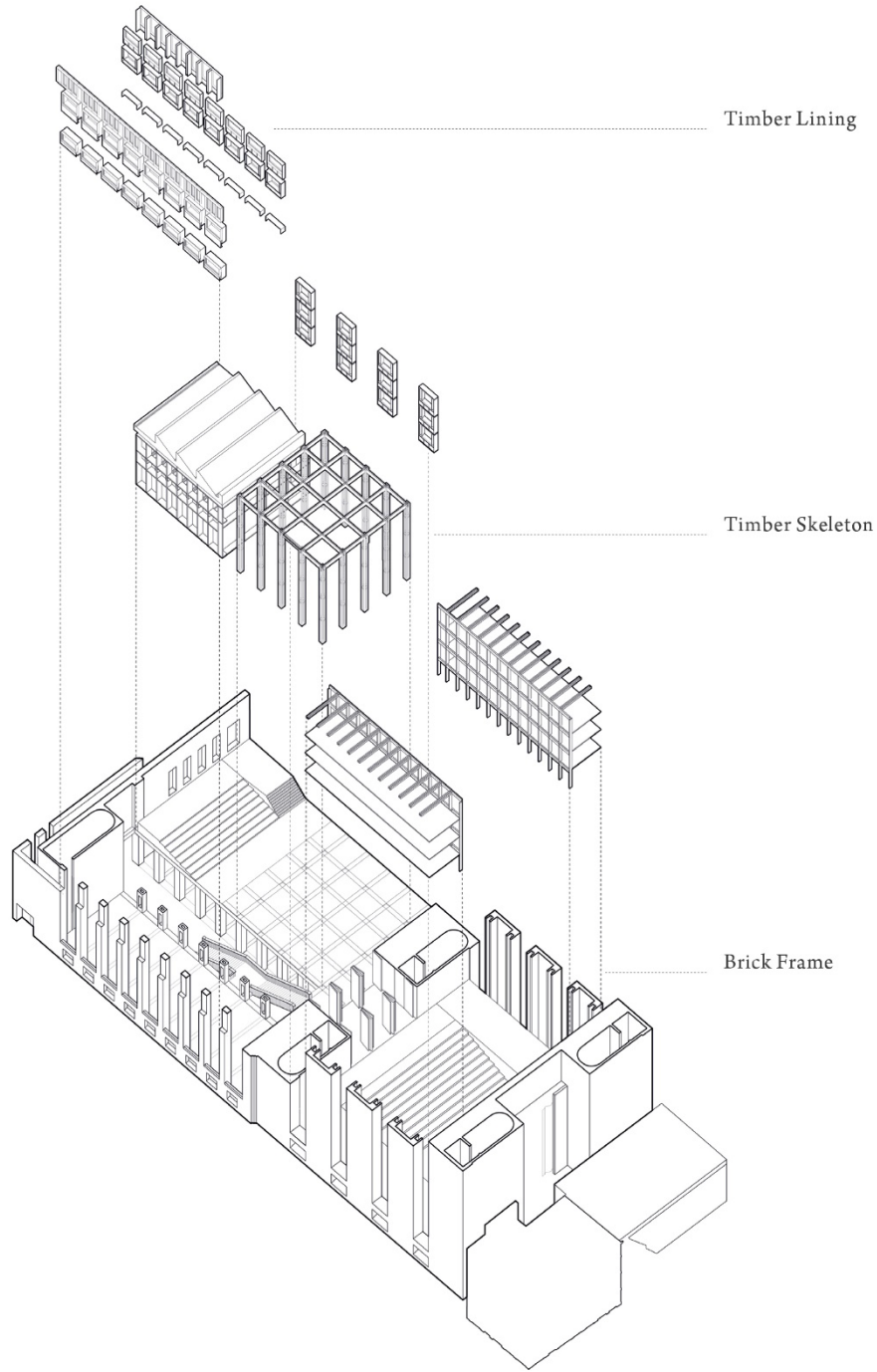
FIRE SAFETY

The fire safety strategy is designed so that there is no structural compartmentation between the primary spaces, to ensure fire containment. All buildings of this enclosure are in fire resistance, allowing through walls that are a standard building. The fire resistance data is based on a one-directional fire, and is based on the fire resistance data of the building, the distribution of the core, and the standard.

As a large building with open and spaces, the primary fire will use the light height spaces for the primary fire, so the fire can be contained. There are not fire walls, or a complete separation system for fire containment, to be used in the building. There are not fire walls, or a complete separation system for fire containment, to be used in the building. There are not fire walls, or a complete separation system for fire containment, to be used in the building. There are not fire walls, or a complete separation system for fire containment, to be used in the building.



Timber Objects
Internal Street Facade



Nesting of Elements



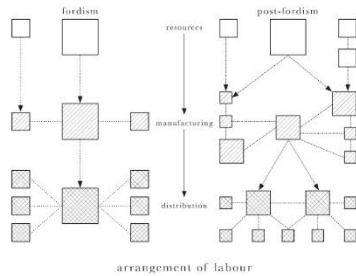
Timber Skeleton
Public Square Facade

thesis

Today the digital world gives everyone access to a vast network of resources and connectivity, which has brought about new modes of labour. Primarily Labour was a Fordist approach, where workers and resources would arrive at the place of work, and revolve around a rigid framework. New formations of labour are arising such as the 'gig economy', where free-lancers, home-workers and temporary jobs are more common. The industrial city was built around places of labour and at the heart of the civic realm.

"Glasgow history is in making, in craftsmanship. Its legacy is in buildings."
Toby Webster

My project attempts to create a new civic building in Merchant City, Glasgow, that accommodates space for creative practices to occupy and adapt. By bringing the act of crafting and creating into the public realm, the process can become the performance itself.



spatial organisation

The concept was to have a very open and accessible ground floor in which the public could access and view into creative hubs, who's program spills out into the public realm.

By creating an avenue through the site the intention would be to encourage people to walk through and explore. This central space also acts as the fly-tower, where people would see sets, unfinished constructions and artwork. Each hub of activity (Creation, Performance & Exhibition), act as pavilions sitting within a supporting mass of program.

tectonic strategy

Basing the structure around the program & activity, two structural grids formed. One open and flexible, supporting the main program with the intention to be adapted over time. The second being more rigid and permanent, acting as the servant spaces to afford high flexibility within the other.

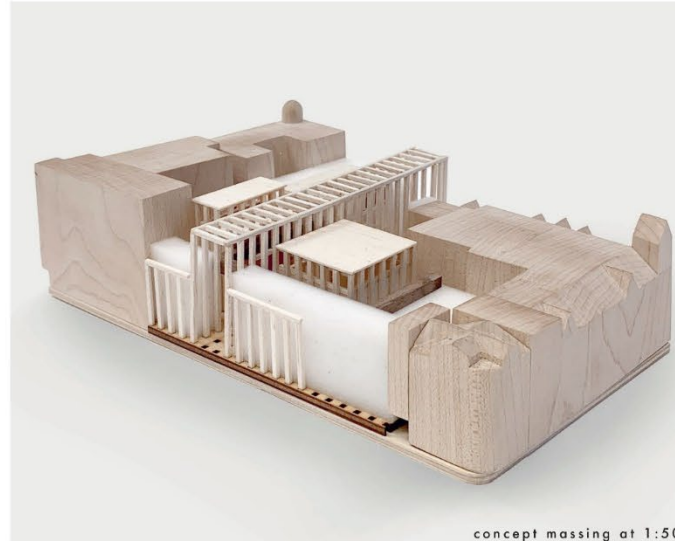
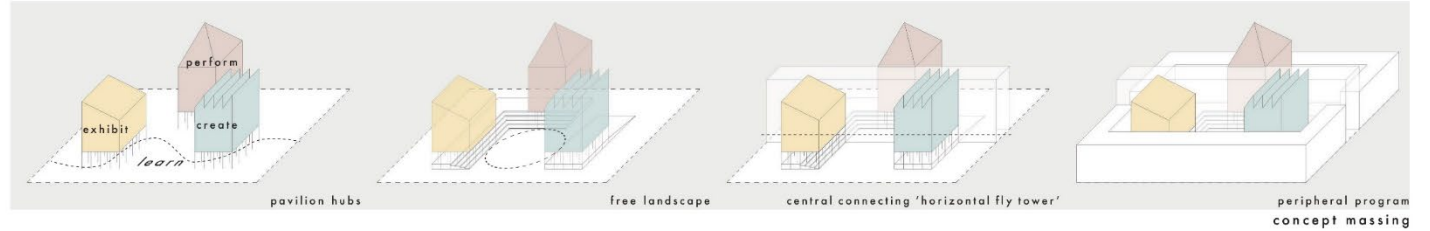
For the light structure, the use of timber would be suitable as it can be assembled and de-constructed by hand, and is typically the structure is very legible. By making the structure and connections readable (and also non-permanent), it might encourage users to adapt it to their activity.

For the heavier structure, the use of concrete blocks would achieve the mass intended to contrast the lighter frame, but also not feel too precious and again act as a legible "honest" structure.

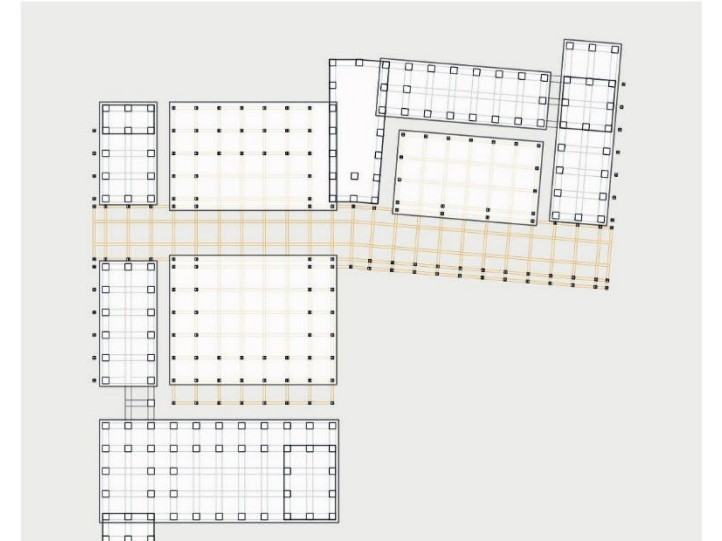
expected issues

Because of the deep plan and high surrounding built environment, bringing light into the structure will be important.

To achieve the size of spaces to accommodate the program, investigation into large spanning structures will be needed. Also heating and ventilating these spaces will be paramount, by differing the systems for each area of activity, a greater efficiency might be possible.



concept massing at 1:500



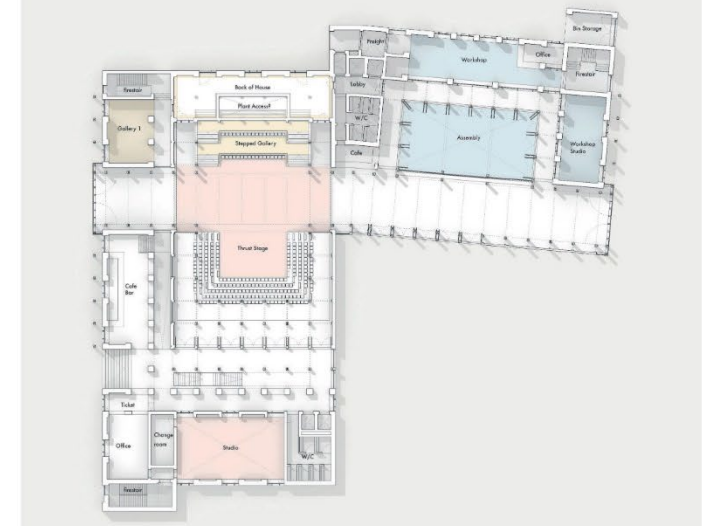
tectonic relation | structure to program



timber skeleton precedent



masonry mass



1:500

ground floor

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structure

timber structural strategy

The main structural issue is achieving the 19m high uninterrupted volume of the horizontal fly tower which is needed to carry gantry cranes, spanning a 7m distance.

Two glulam members of 100x300mm make up each column with a second row of column for carrying the facade and creating lateral stability. The horizontal span is achieved with glulam beams of 100x300, two beams connect each set of columns creating a deep truss.

Cross bracing cables are used for lateral stability acting as Whipple truss. The longitudinal structural stability is achieved through shear walls when the timber structure connects to concrete cores.

The primary vertical members are the glulam columns that carry the weight from the horizontal members to the steel flitch connection into the concrete substructure. Primary beams span between the columns with secondary beams spanning between each truss. Tertiary members support the floor-plates and facade build-up.

mass structural strategy

The use of concrete blockwork as structural brings problems in achieving the strength needed to carry the weight of the 3-4 story structure. Large 800x800 blockwork piers at 3m centres are used to carry the vertical load to the concrete substructure.

The structure must also span up to 8m in places, so the use of pre-cast concrete floor plates are used. The floor plates span longitudinally between each blockwork pier, a 1200mm deep beam carries the load from the floor plate while also incorporating a service zone, ribbed beam floor plates span between each beam (ribs 750mm deep at 1000mm centres, floor plate 250mm thick).

The blockwork piers act as the primary vertical member. The pre-cast floor plate has primary-tertiary members, with the primary load-path spanning between each column, the ribbed deck spanning between each primary beam, and the slab acting as a tertiary span for the floor build-up.

Sub | Super Structure

The substructure is made up of a pre-cast concrete plinth, which holds the basement and plant which rest on pile foundations.

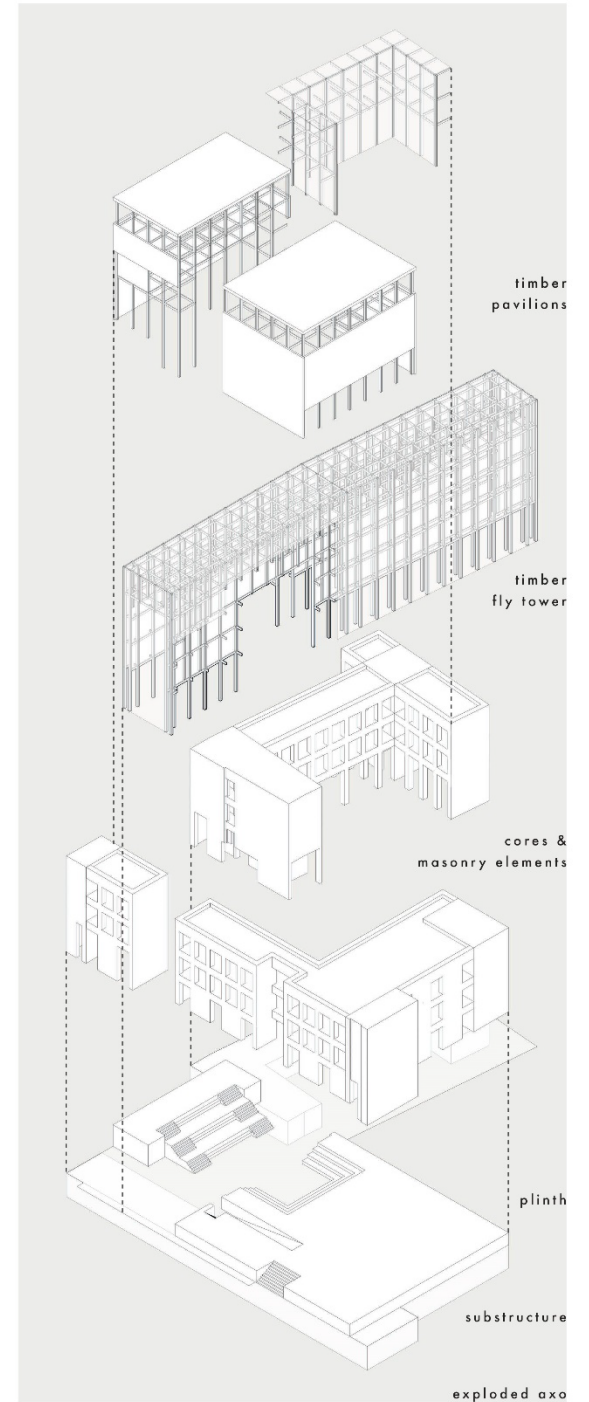
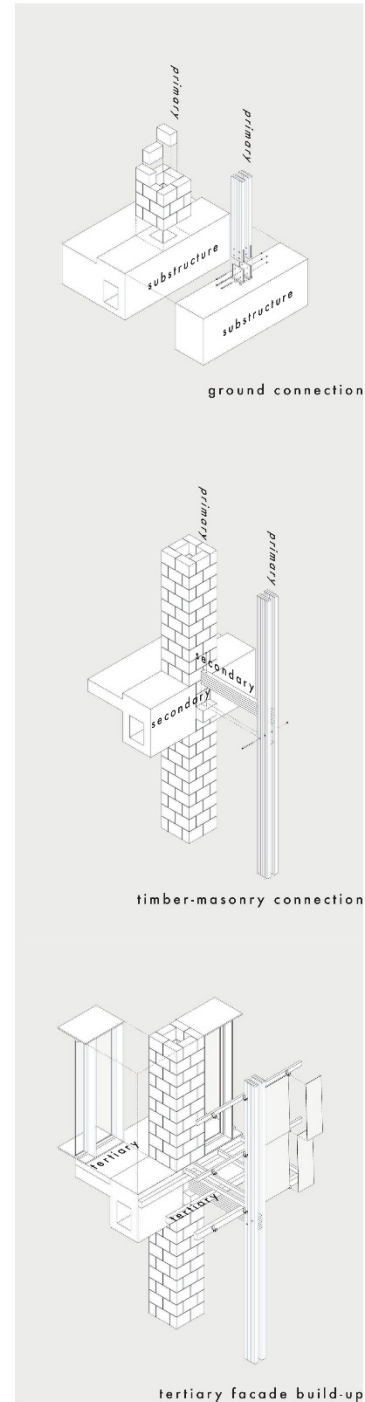
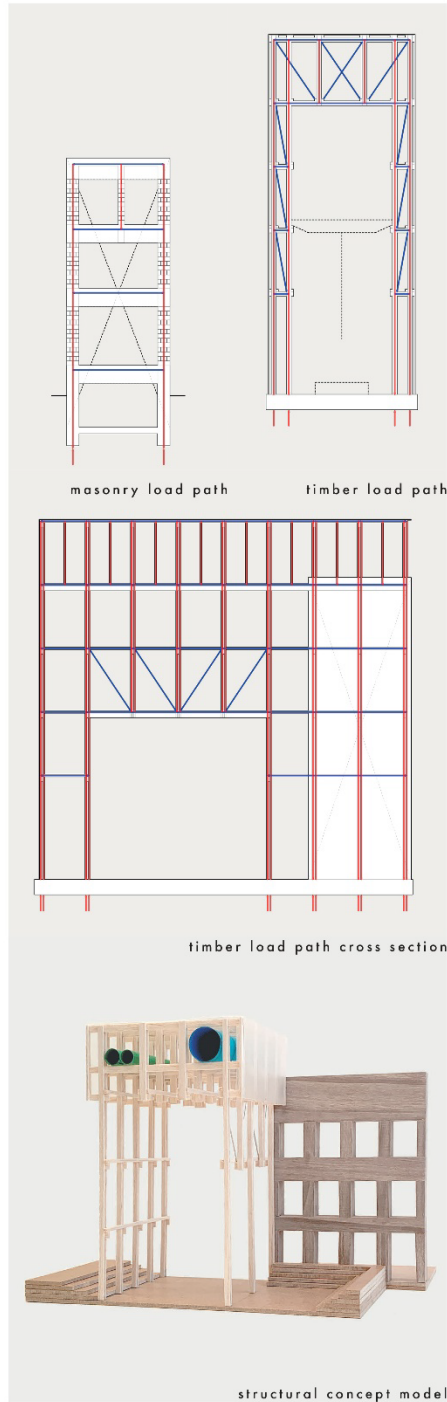
Concrete fire and wet vertical cores are constructed primarily at one end of each blockwork structure and along the timber fly-tower, to provide lateral stability through shear walls.

The blockwork and pre-cast floor-plate superstructure form the perimeter of the block, sitting on the plinth.

The timber fly-tower is constructed between the blockwork masses, which help with lateral stability and loading.

The timber pavilions sit between the fly-tower and blockwork masses. An extended block protrudes from the blockwork column to support the timber beam. The timber cladding and secondary structure help with lateral stability.

The exterior glass, timber and zinc skins sit on the timber and within the blockwork structure.



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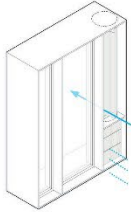
energy & environment

environmental factors

Due to the large size of the build and its spaces, ventilating and heating is integral to the design. To reduce the environmental impact of the building, less than half the building is heated regularly, with the larger spaces only being conditioned when in use.

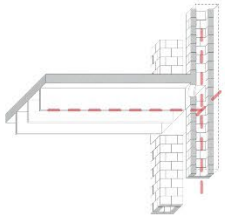
Integrated ventilation

The pre-built timber window boxes use built in openable shutters, plus passive ventilation through porous stone blocks to prevent drafts. Allowing the user to control their environment helps with thermal comfort.



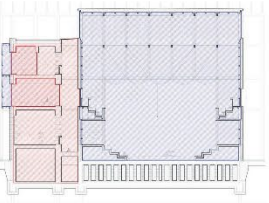
integrated services

The large blockwork piers are hollow to allow for vertical distribution of warm air extraction and mechanical ventilation. The deep floor-plates allow for servicing to run into each space. Electrical sockets drop from the ceiling to allow for open floor arrangement.



conditioned spaces

The layering of conditioned spaces help to reduce heat loss through the building fabric. The masonry portion of the building are heated with underfloor wet heating and the thermal mass of the floor helps to keep an even temperature. The large spaces are heated intermittently with dry heating, using a thermal labyrinth to warm the air and a heat exchanger to extract the heat from the stale air from the rest of the building. Plenum are used to pump heating under the seating.



water retention

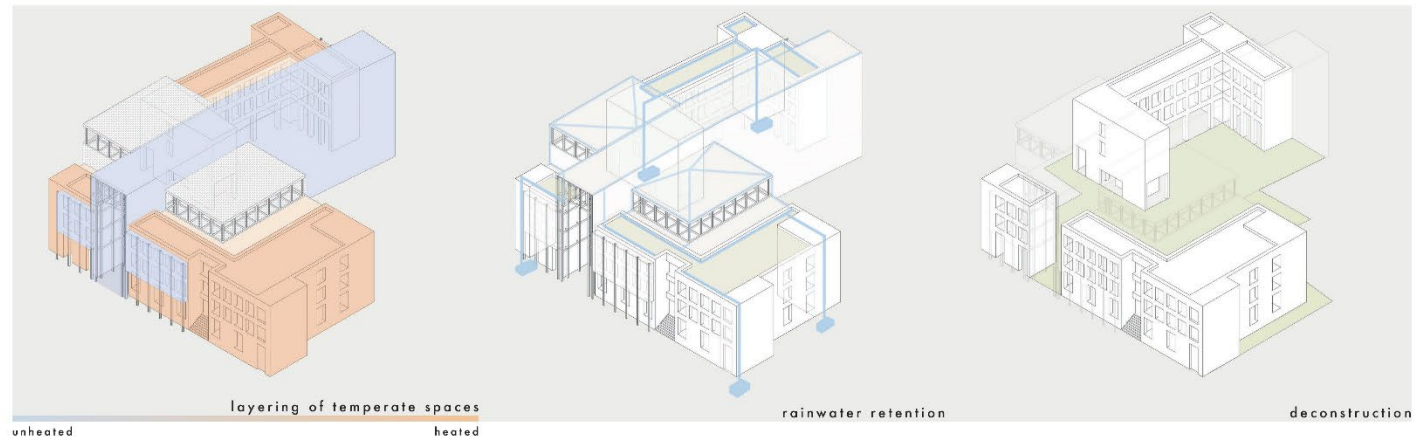
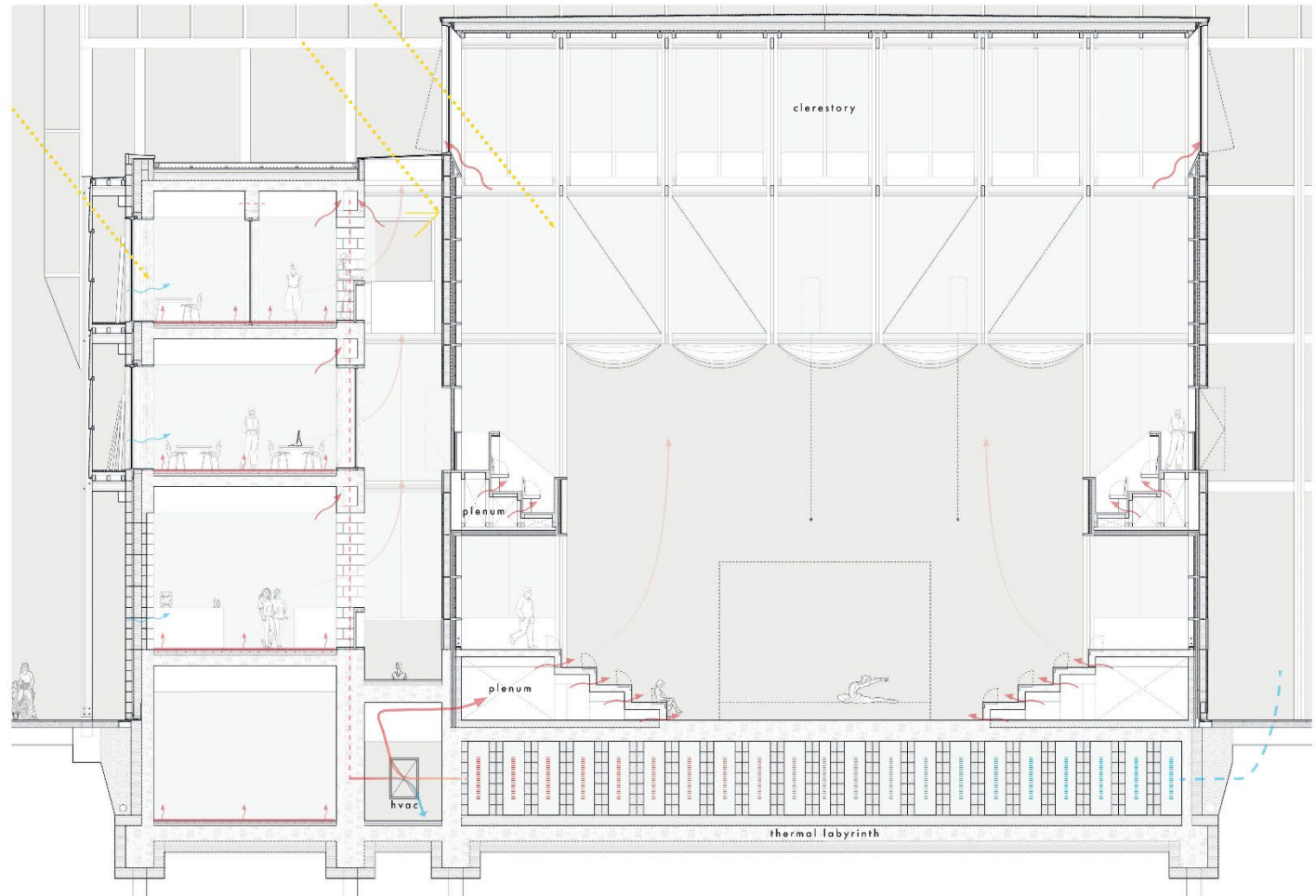
Green roofs help to retain the water, which is then distributed vertically through the wet cores and used for sink water and toilet flushing

future proofing

The building program aims to operate without the timber pavilions, if removed later in its lifespan. Lime mortar and pre-cast elements also allow for the building to be de-constructed.

light and environment

Due to the depth of the building and built up environment, the building is split up into thin floor plates to allow light to enter via atria. Each pavilion space has a clear story to allow top light through the timber structure.



unheated heated rainwater retention deconstruction