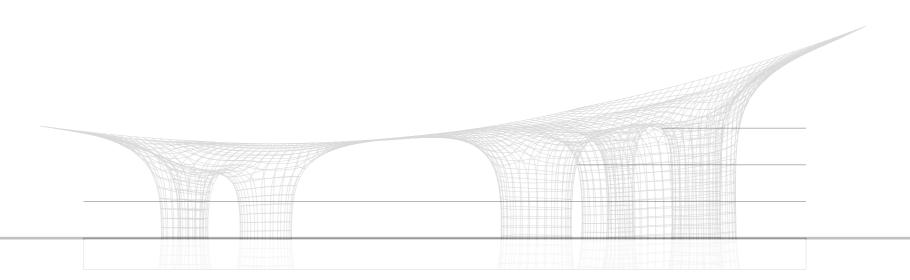
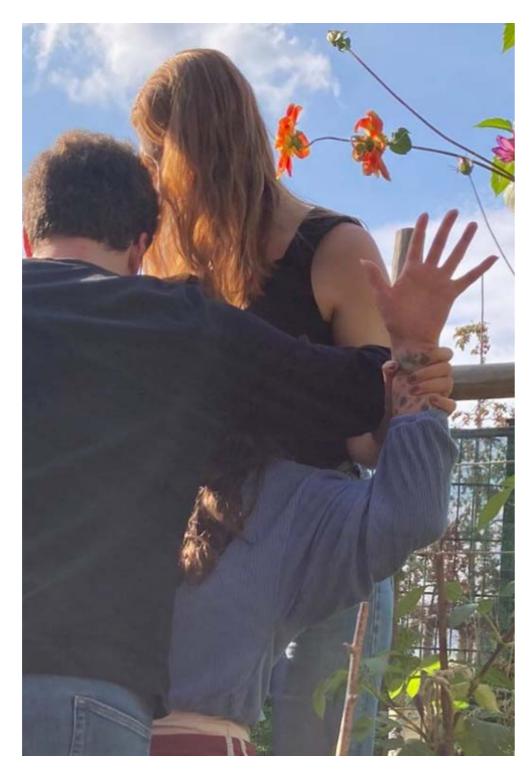
Get a room!

Sex & the Commons in Berlin



THE COMFORTABLE BODY WORKSHOP BERLIN





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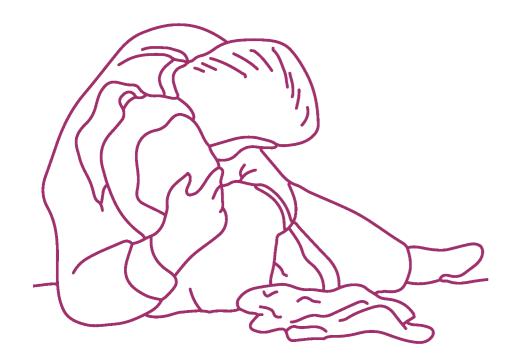
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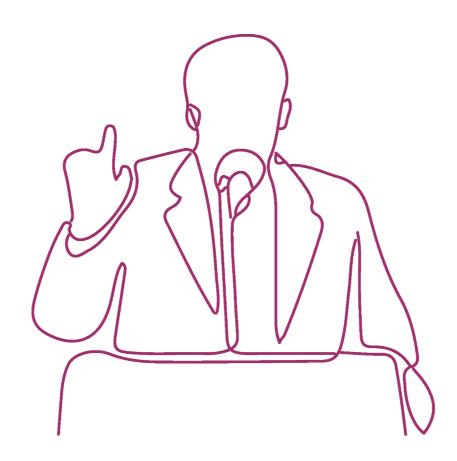
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THE PROBLEM



sexual crimes





sex is politicised & suppressed





pleasure gap

95% hetero men

89% gay men

86% gay women

65% hetero women

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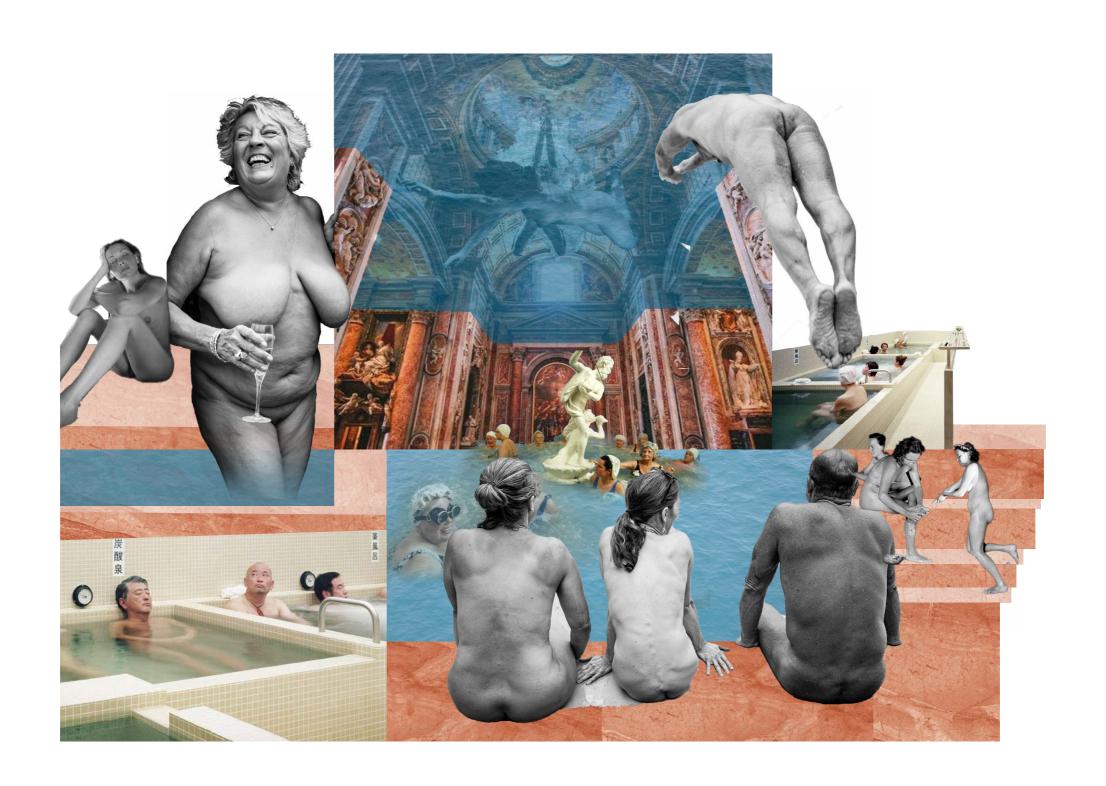
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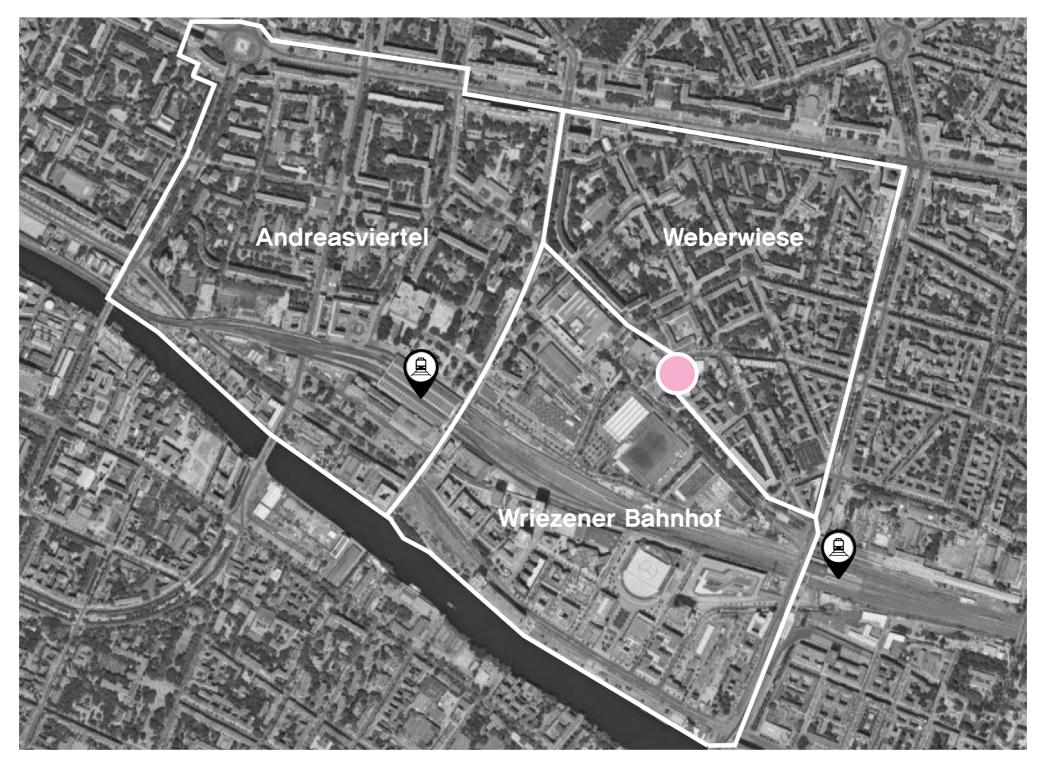
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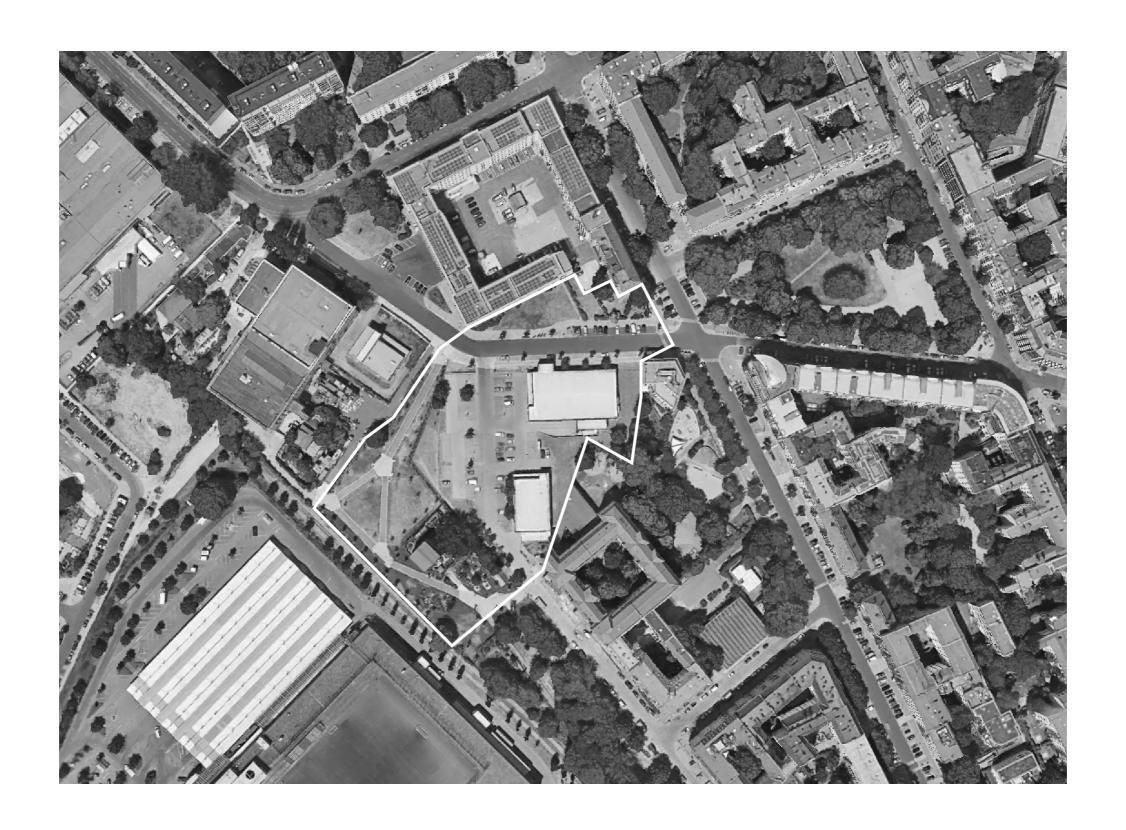
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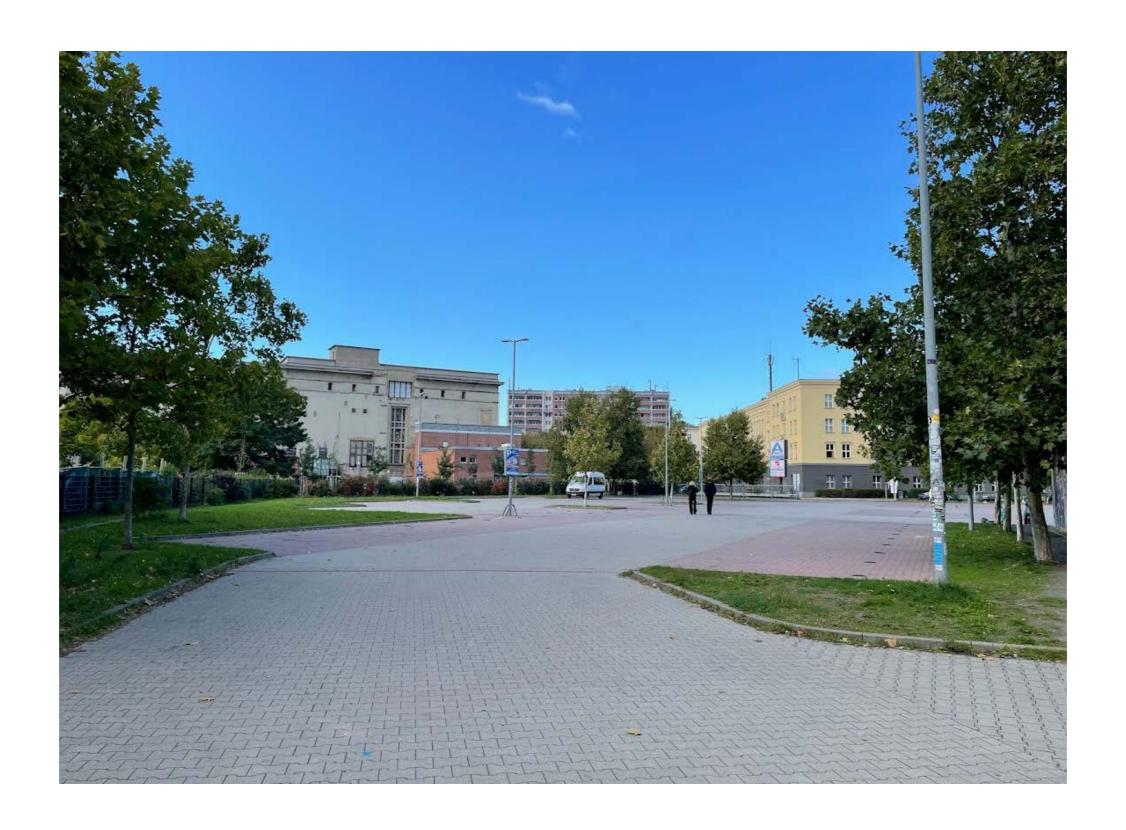
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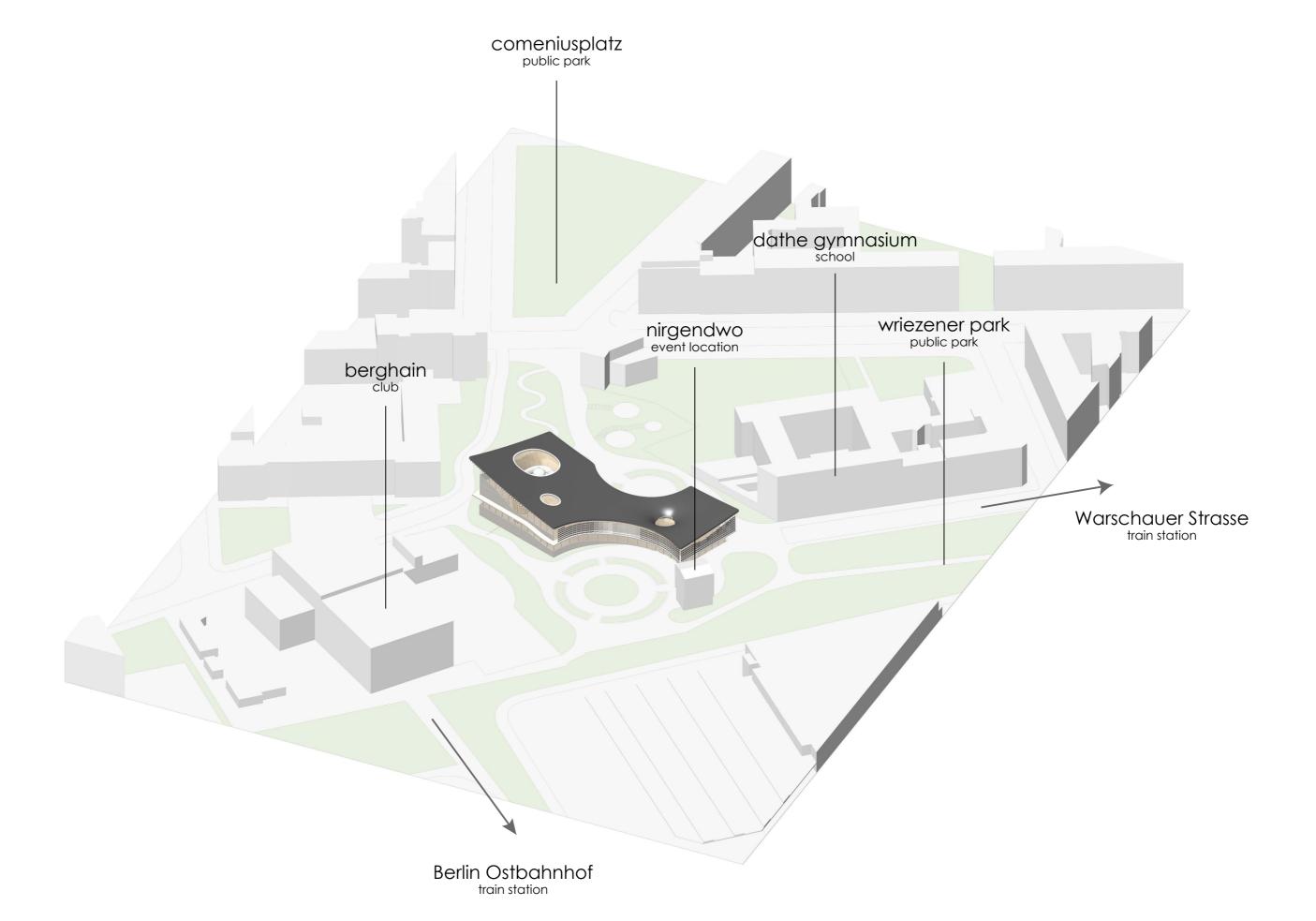




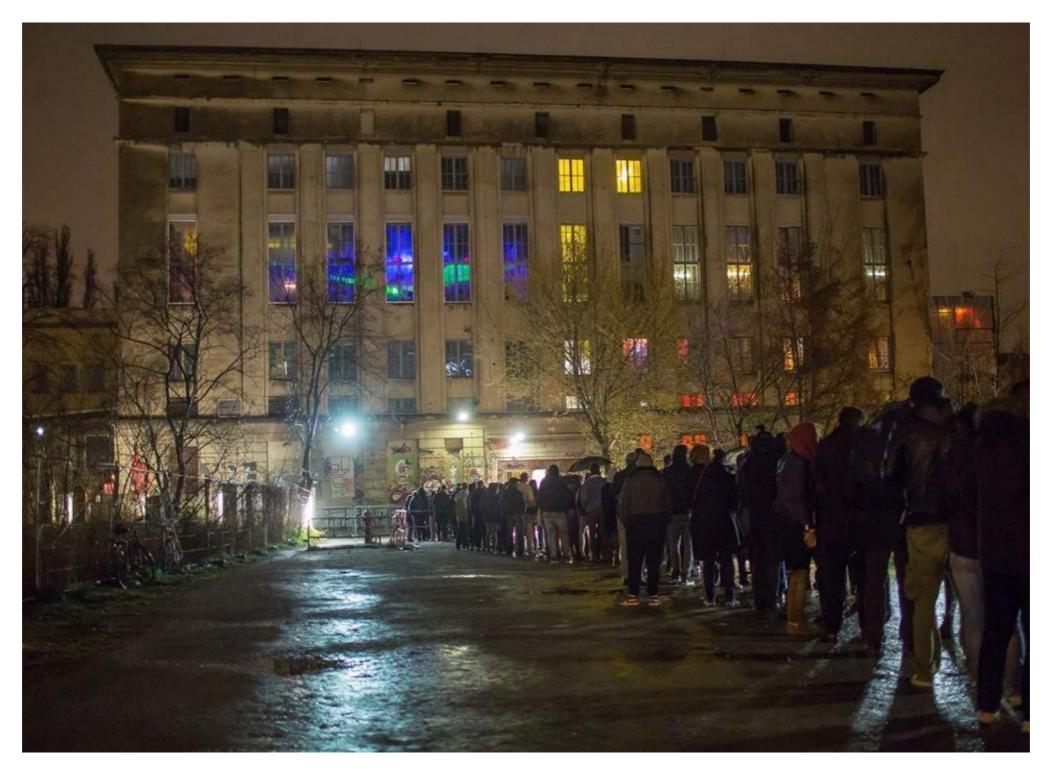




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The queque at Berghain

NIRGENDWO



Event location in Wriezener Park

WRIEZENER PARK



Homeless people in Wriezener Park

COMENIUS PLATZ



Community park with playground

PERSONAS



the youth

Noubia (15), from Friedrichshain

A teenage girl just starting to have sex. She has contracted anal chlamydia, because she extracted from porn that you should also have anal sex. With her parents and peers, she can not discuss the details of sex, so porn is her only frame of reference. Sex education at school also leaves much to be desired, this is only about the dangers of sex; how not to get pregnant, not to get an STI and not to become a victim of sexual violence. Talking about pleasure during sex is not discussed.



the disabled

Ruby (26), from Friedrichshain

She has a skin condition called hyperhidrosis which causes her to sweat excessively on her hands, feet and armpits. This condition made it difficult for her to form relationships, either with friends or a partner. Due to shame, she did not dare to have physical contact with those close to her. Currently, she has a girlfriend and is learning to accept and embrace her condition. Simultaneously, she became part of the FLINTA* collective and helps others to deal with shame, body image or any kind of personal struggles that dissolve out of heteronormative structures in workshops.



the queer

Chris (41), from Friedrichshain

He felt free from gender/gay stereotypes when comming to Berlin. "I can love man, but still be man." But really sturggled with that when he came out as gay. He wants to be an advocate and educator for queer activism, as he and his friends continue to be verbally & physically attacked. He works at Holzmarkt 25 & is a professional dancer where he preforms at Kitkat and Berghain, but also goes for leisure. He finds Berlin life very intense and wants more stability in a monagamous relationship, but finds it hard to find this in the gay scene he is involved in.



the religious

Dilara (31), from Neukolln

She, a Muslim woman, is about to get married and is nervous about having sex for the first time. She loves the man, but worries about what she should or should not do. She is also daunted by what her imam has preached; "a woman is not allowed to refuse to sleep with her husband". She has never masturbated before, but wonders how to handle her own pleasure. Within her own community, she cannot talk about this, so she wants to talk to an independent sex therapist.



the hetero guy

Thomas (21), from Kreuzberg

He is so stuck in "the standard heterosexual script" that when his girlfriend suggests anal stimulation he refuses. "Anal penetration is only something for gay men". Nor does his girlfriend get much pleasure from sex, because for him oral sex is just foreplay, and penetration "real" sex. From vaginal penetration, she does not cum. This places tension on their relationship, which he struggles with.



the East Berliner

Ana (69), from Prenzlauer Berg

She often goes to the KIEZ sauna, but regrets that they are all silent saunas and that there are not that many young people. She likes to socialise and explain about why women had better sex in the old GDR. She has lived her first 36 years under Communism and often complains that the new free market hinders Berliners' ability to develop healthy amorous relationships. "After my divorce, I had my job and my salary, and I didn't need a man to support me. I could do as I pleased."

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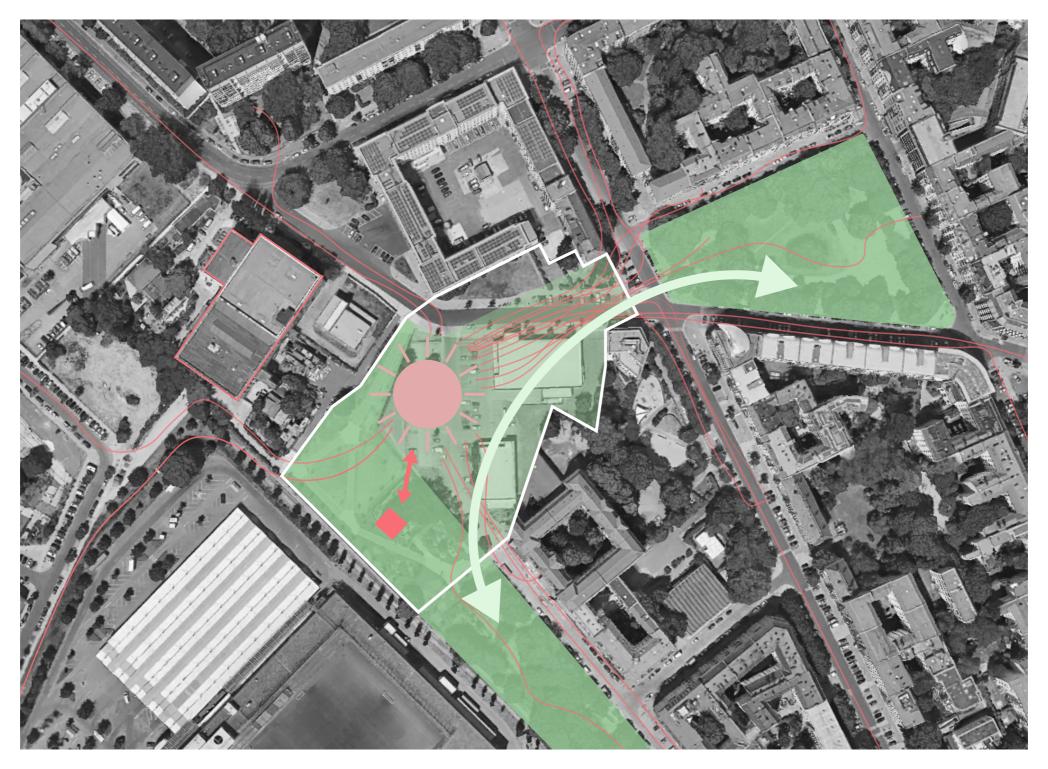
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SEXUAL EDUCATION & EXPERIENCE CENTRE

The **goal** is to design a public condenser that is a **inclusive and diverse** environment, representative of multiple instances and orientations. A place where the whole community can come together to **explore**, **learn**, **play**, and **debate**, fostering a deeper understanding of one 's own sexuality and the beauty found in the diverse expressions of others.

How can architecture be used to create an experience that disrupts normative coding of sex, desire and gender in the context of Berlin?

URBAN STRATEGY









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our bodies



our brains



our relationships

CONCEPT MODEL



societal pressure

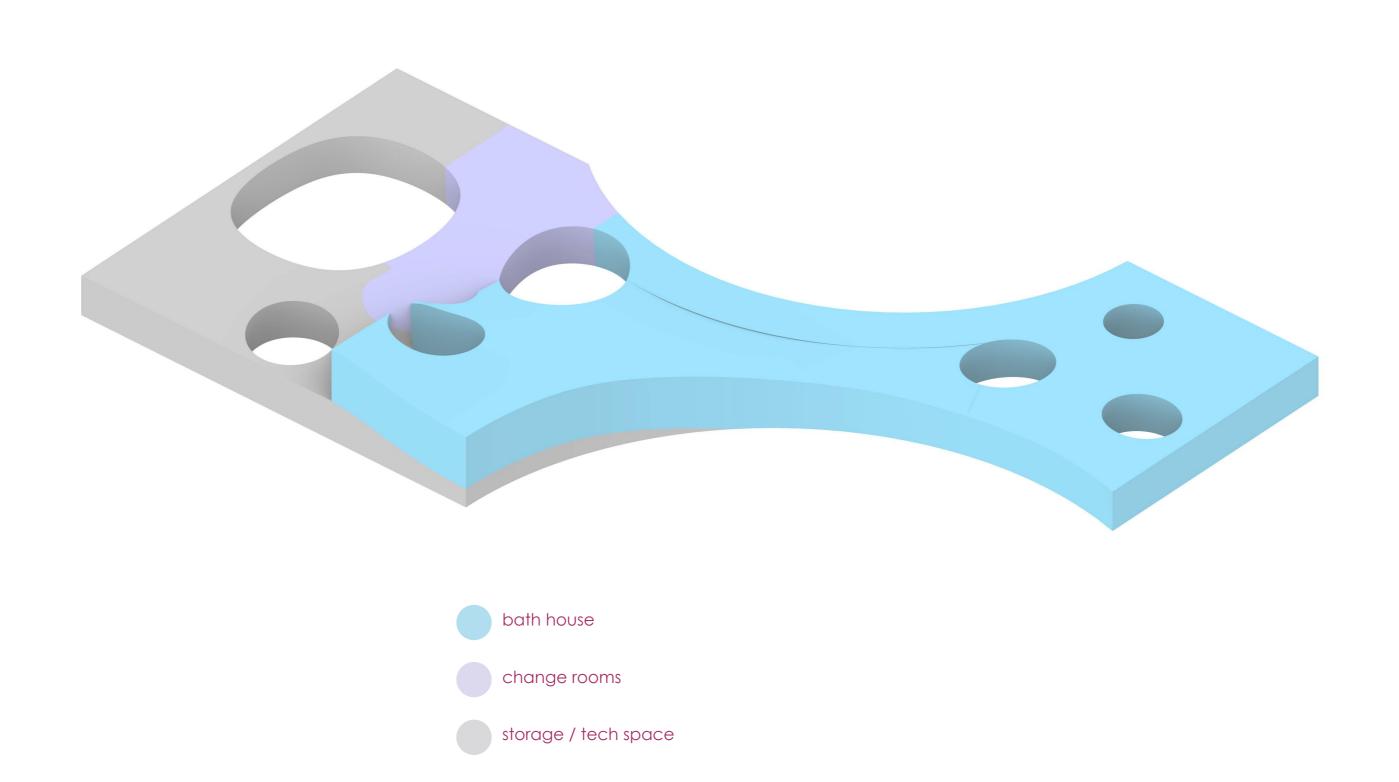


avoid & stop

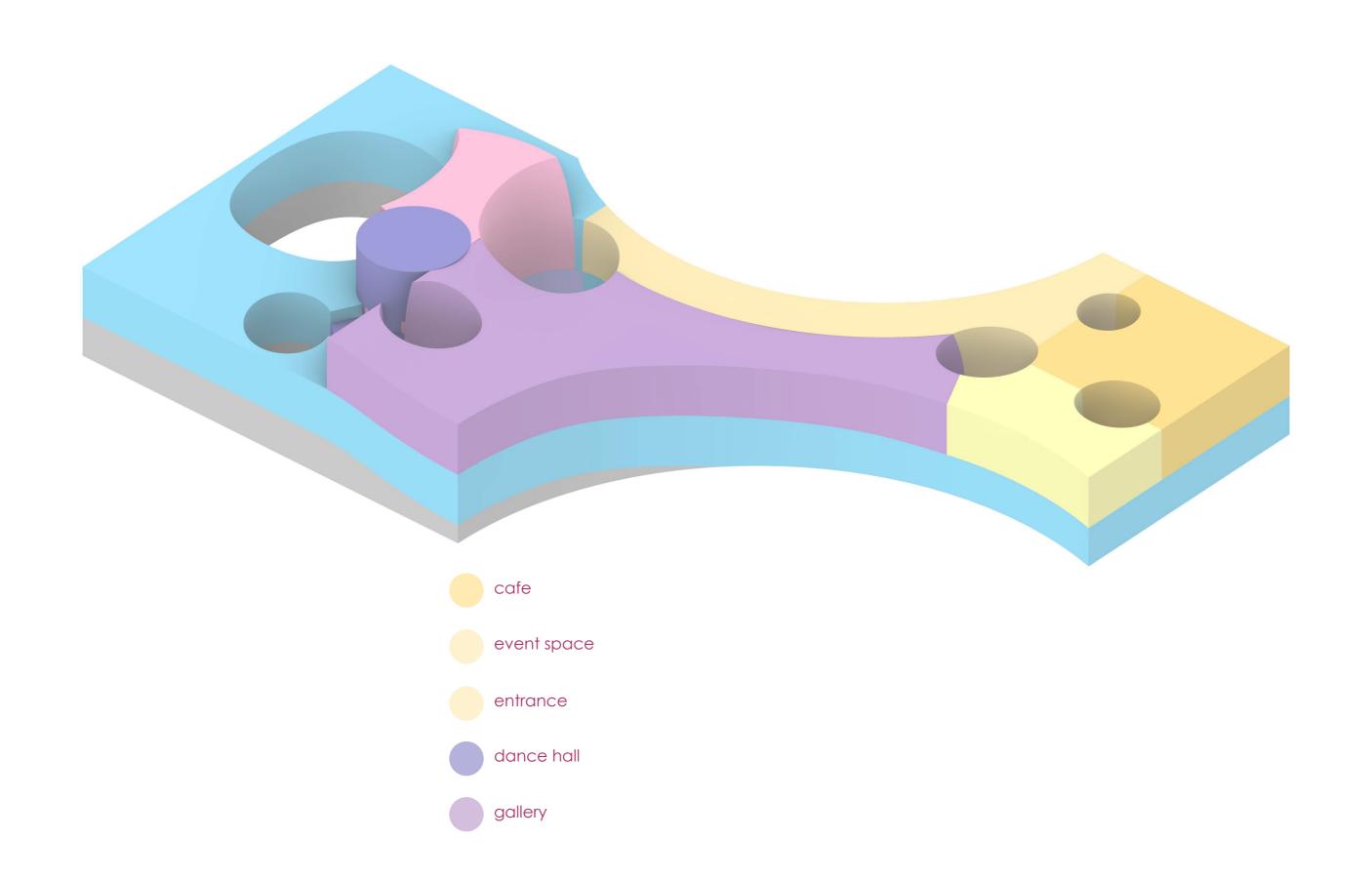
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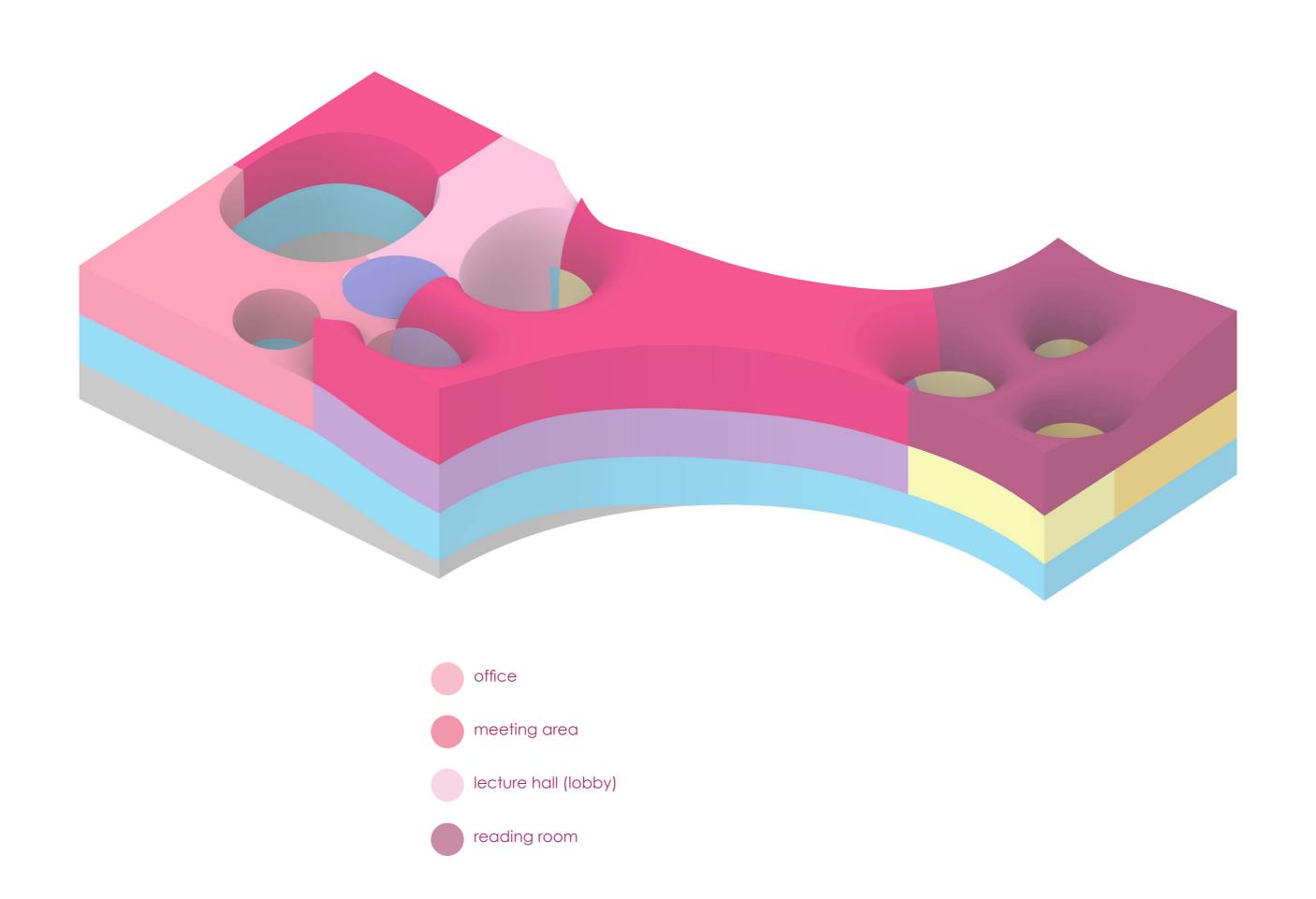
EXPLORE OUR BODIES



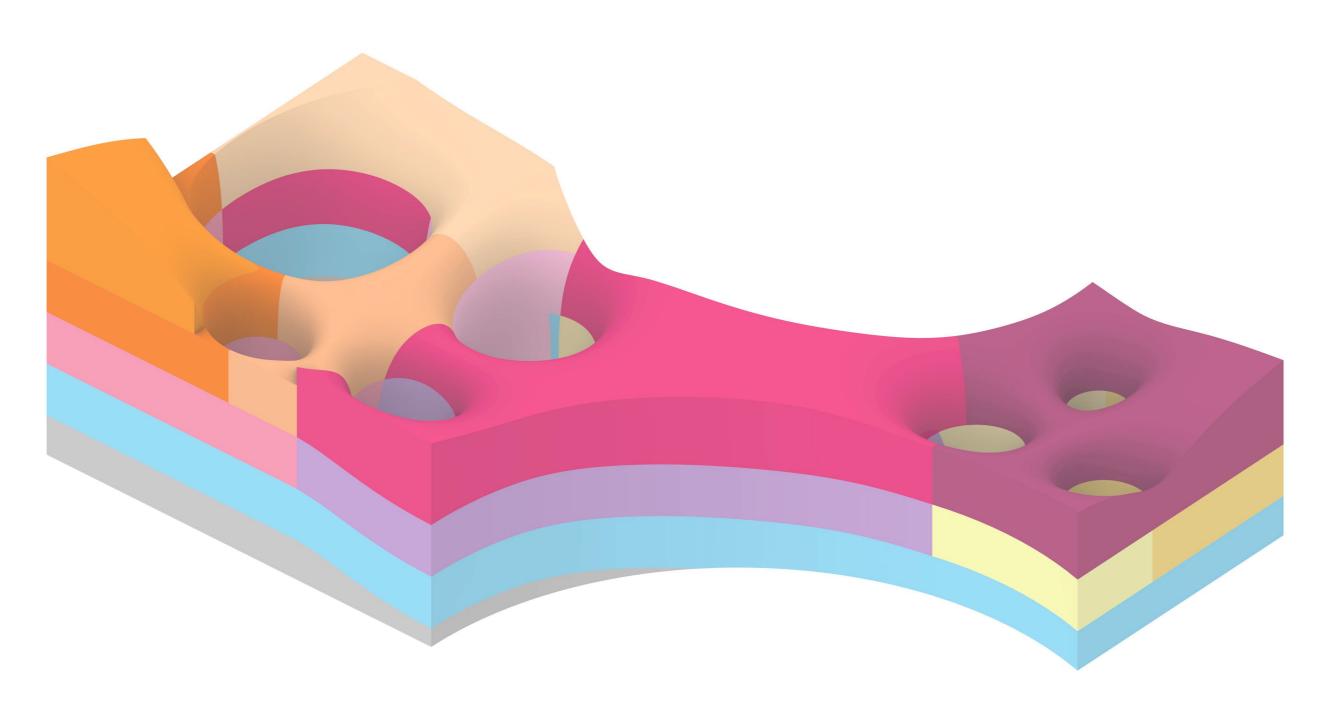
PUBLIC



EDUCATE OUR BRAINS



APPLY TO OUR RELATIONSHIPS







workshop space 1: open & playful

coffee corner / desk workshops

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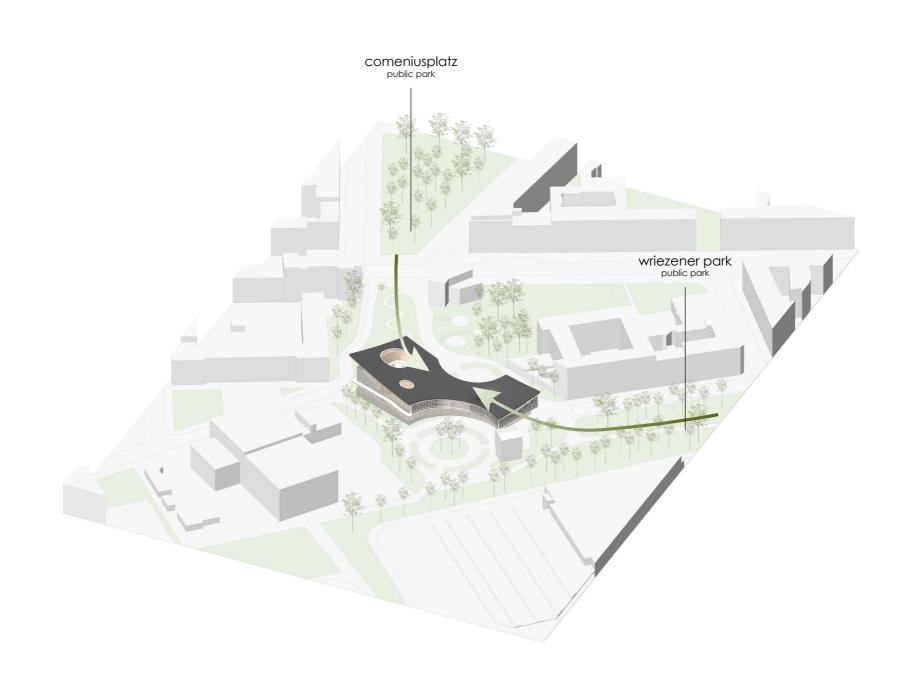
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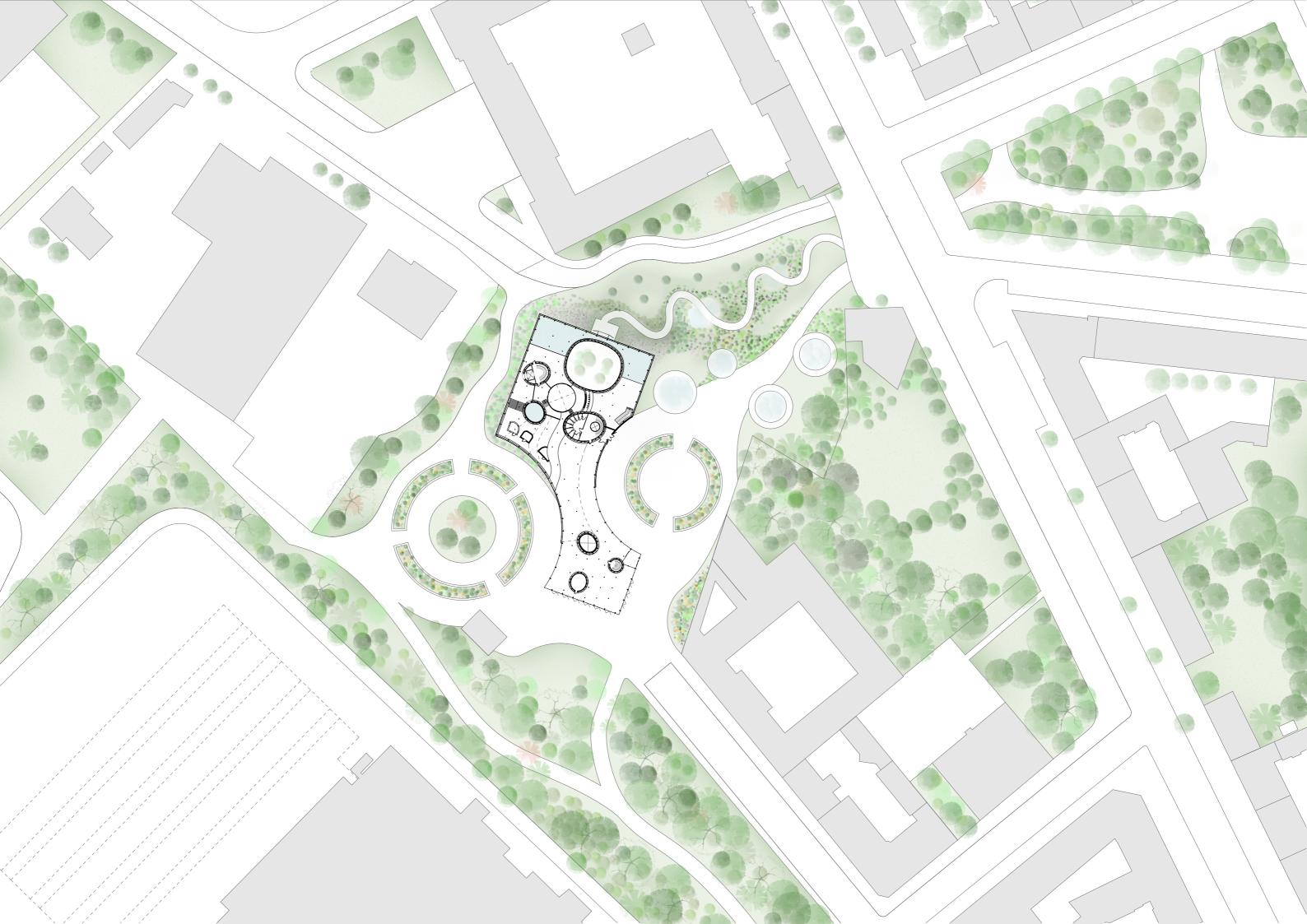
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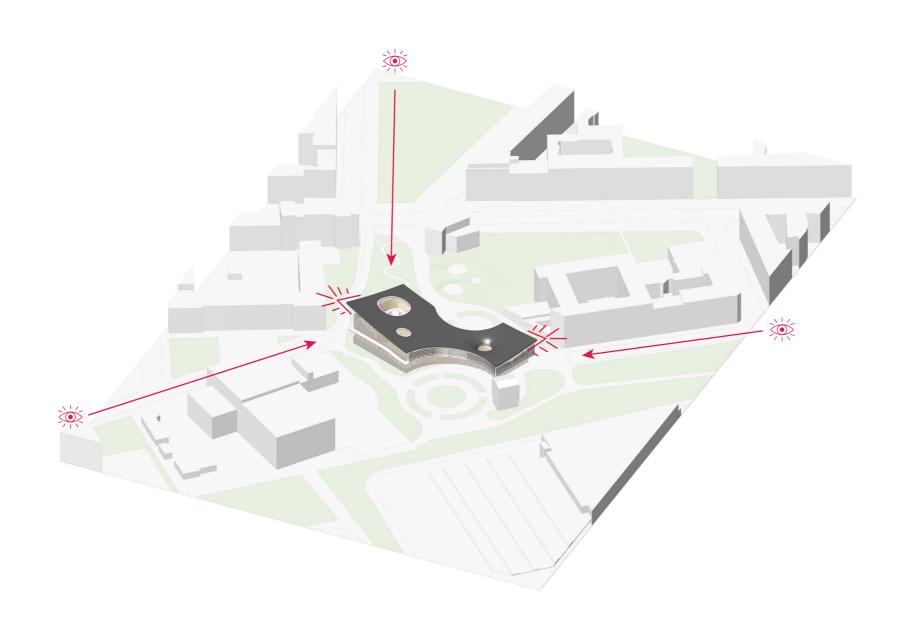
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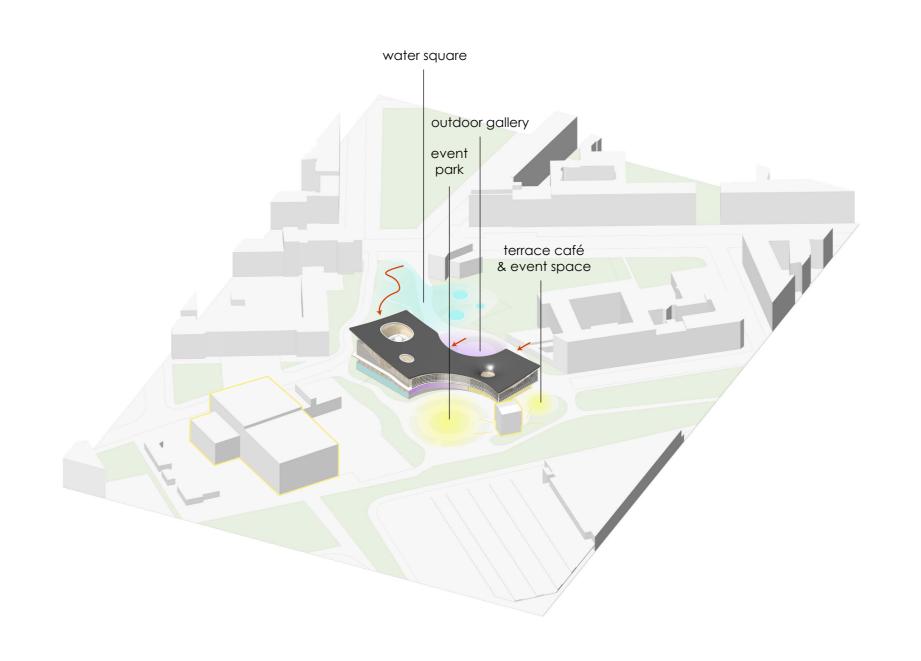
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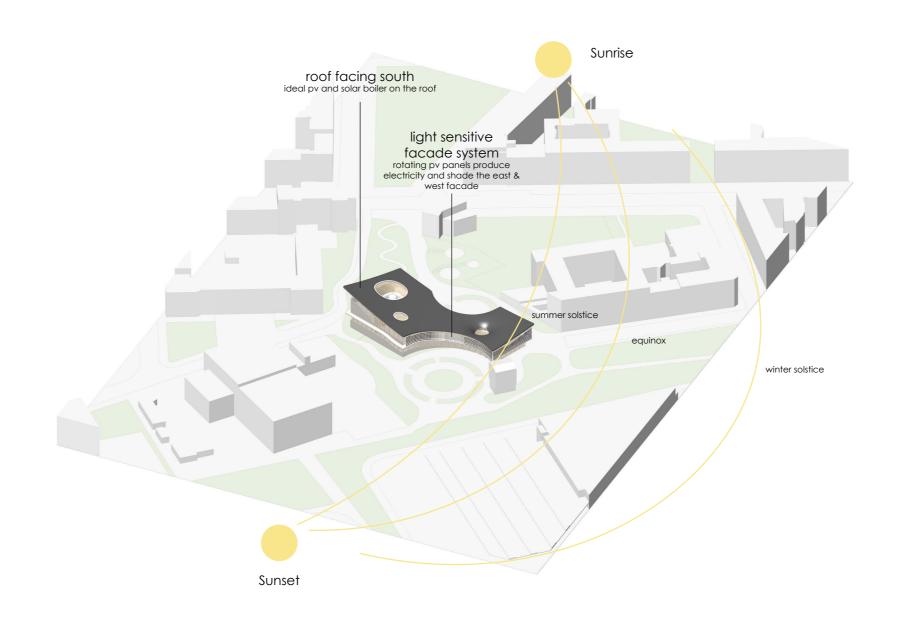


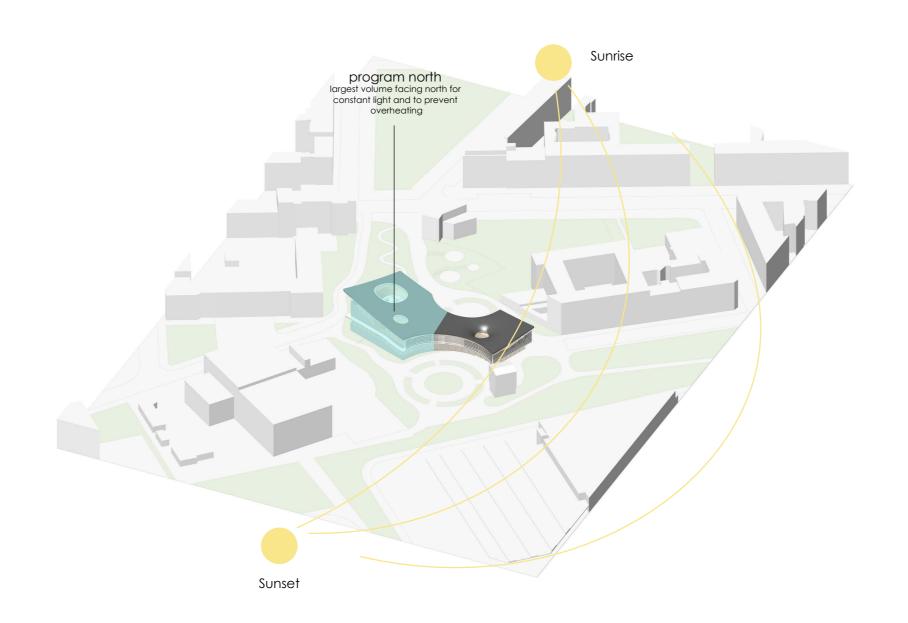
OUTDOOR GALLERY



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DESIGN INPUT



I would like to be educated about sexuality only with same-sex classmates

I always felt left out when we had to divide among genders. I didn't belong with the boys and not with the girls





When I go to a tantra workshop, I prefer not to run into any acquaintances.



I am not allowed to bathe with men.



I want a social bathhouse, somewhere I can socialise with others



BUILDING CONCEPT



overarching forest structure



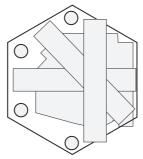


open landscape

diverse types of routes



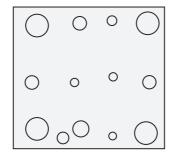




Centre Pompidou-Metz by Shigeru Ban



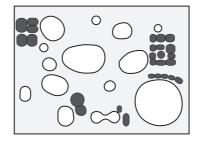




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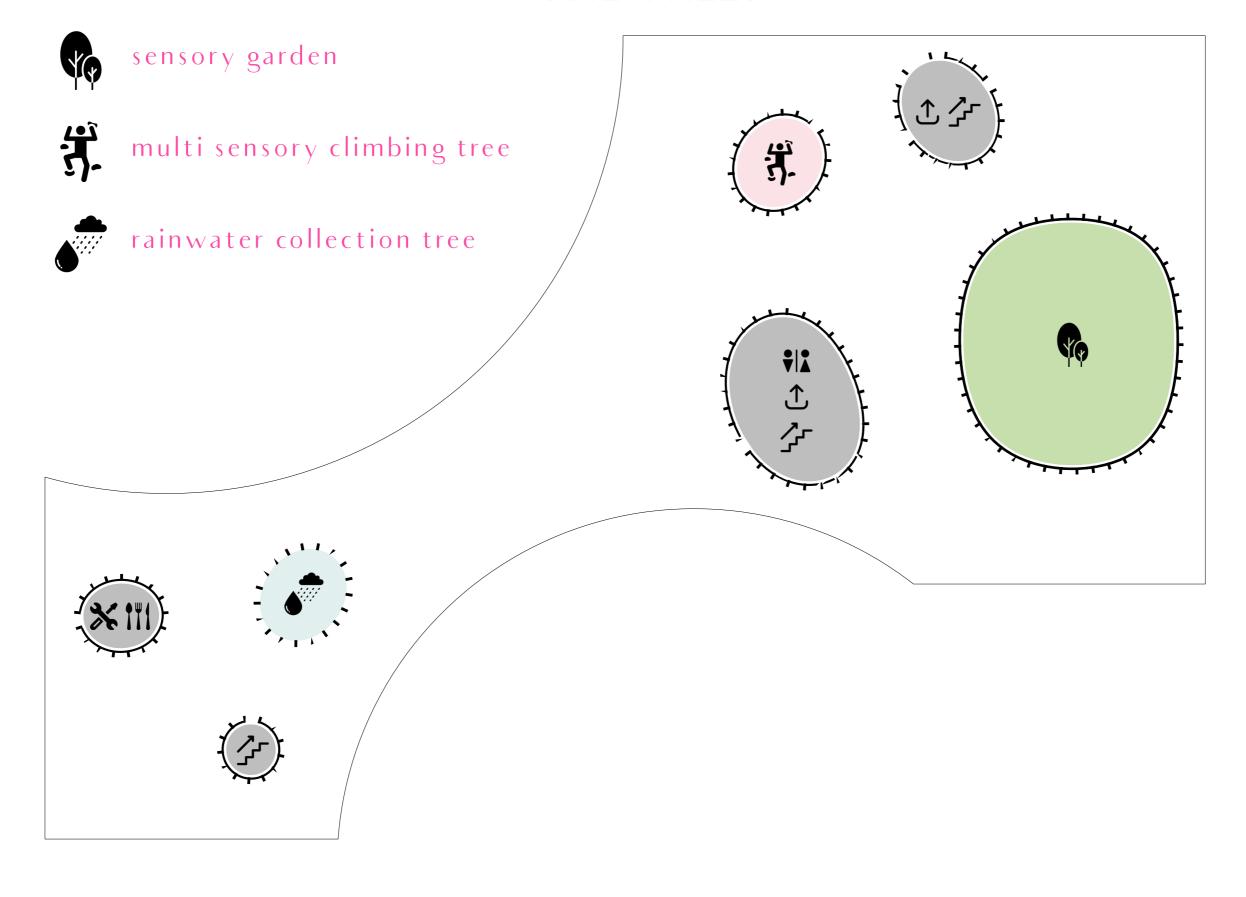
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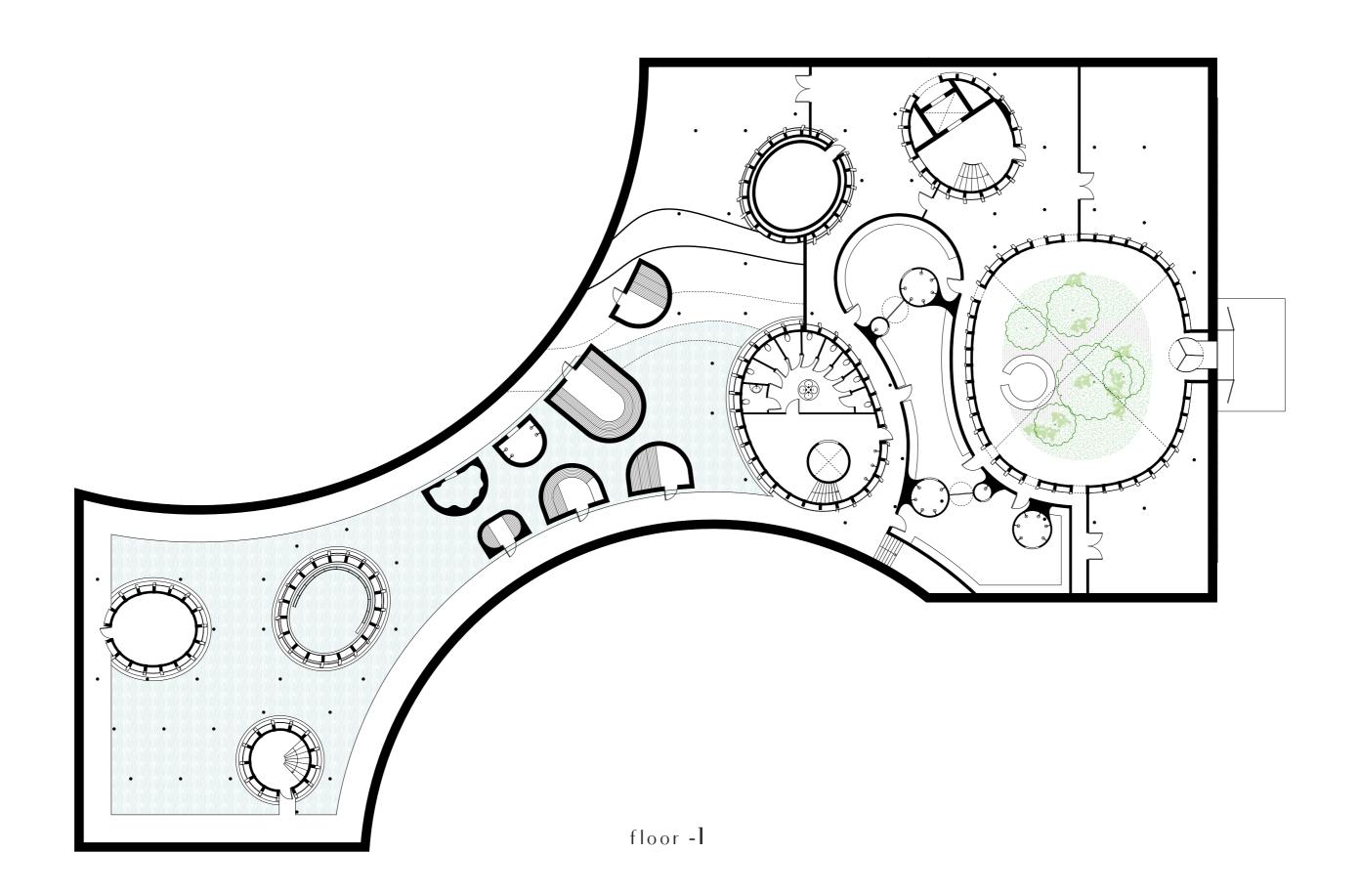


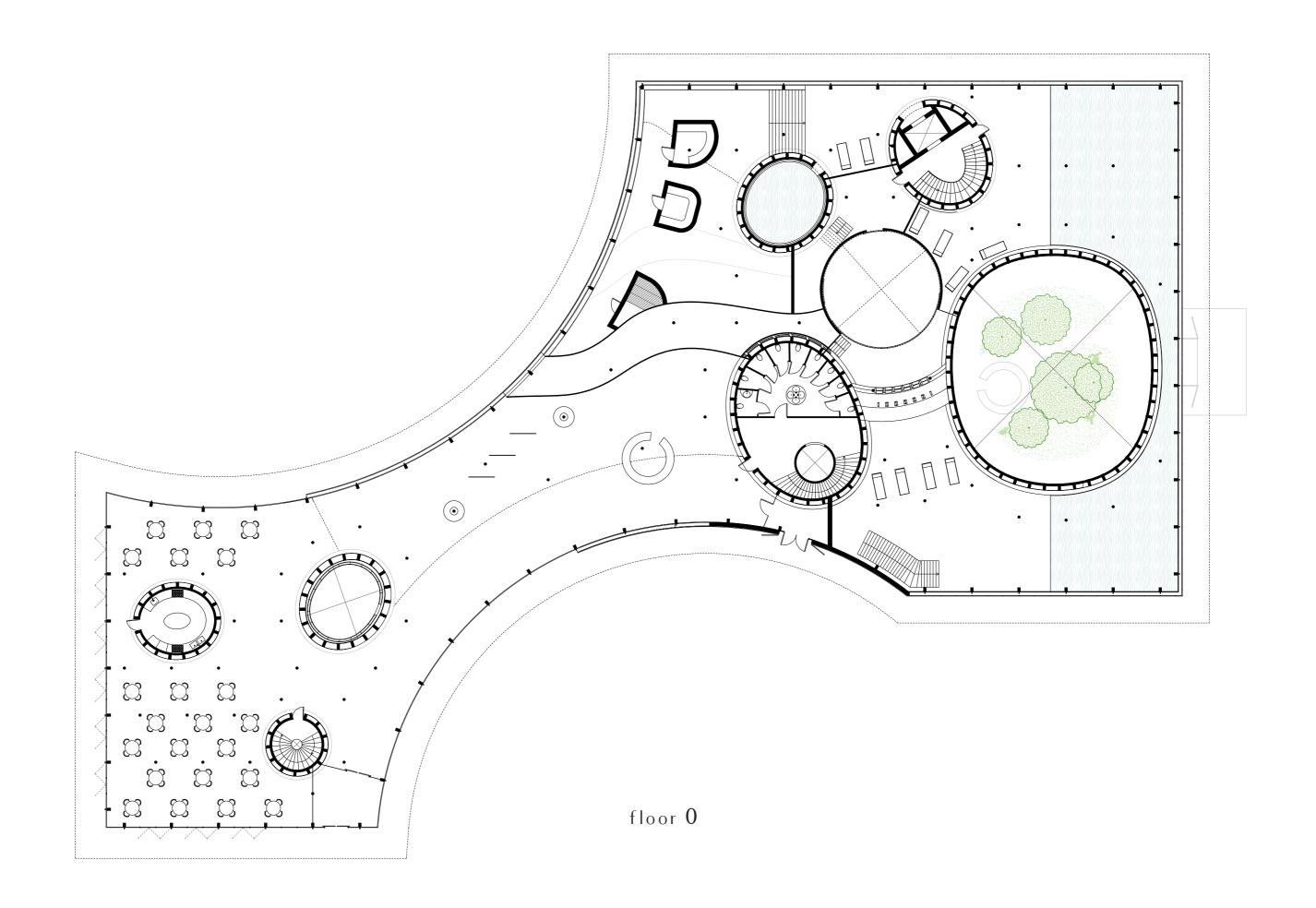


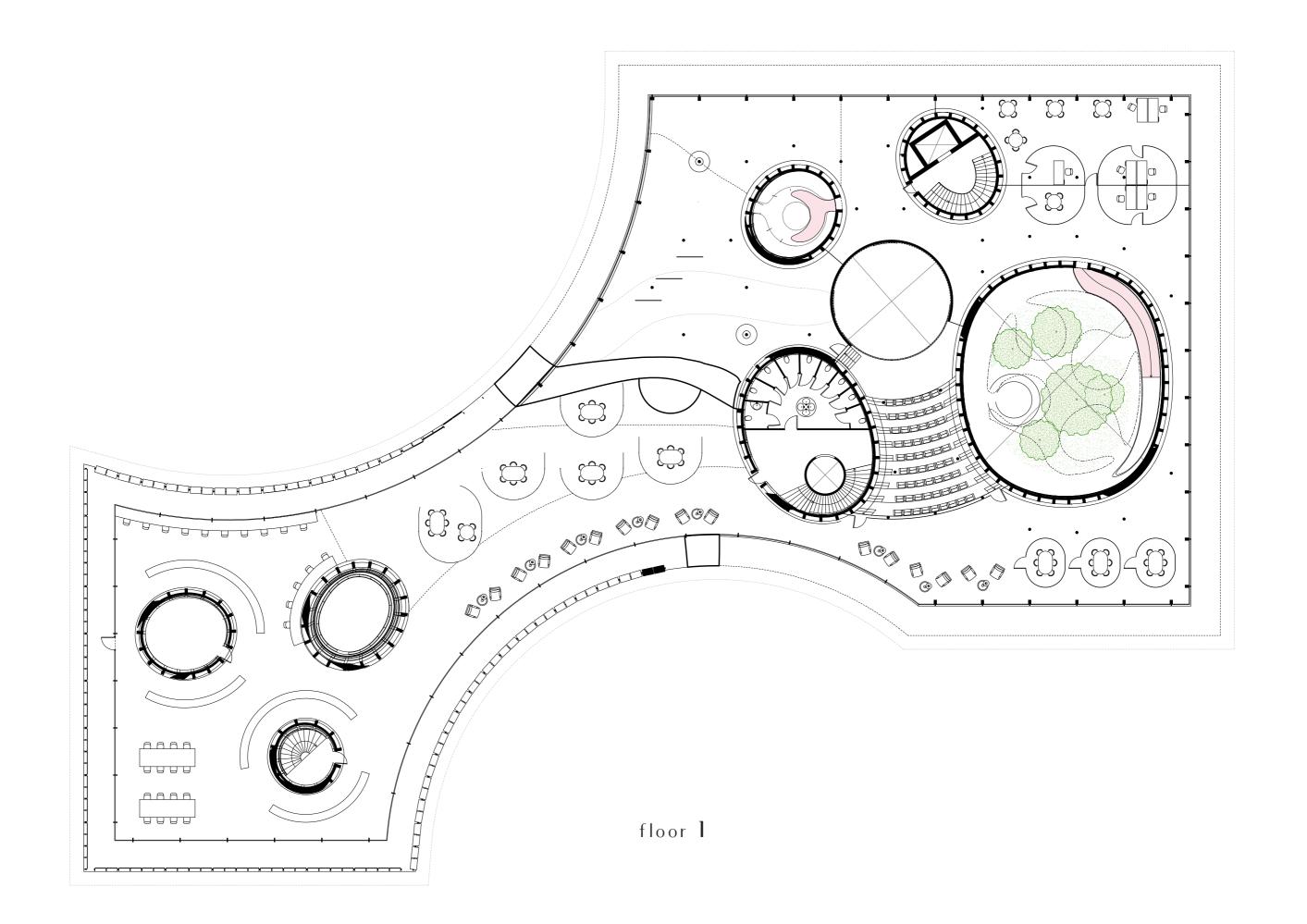
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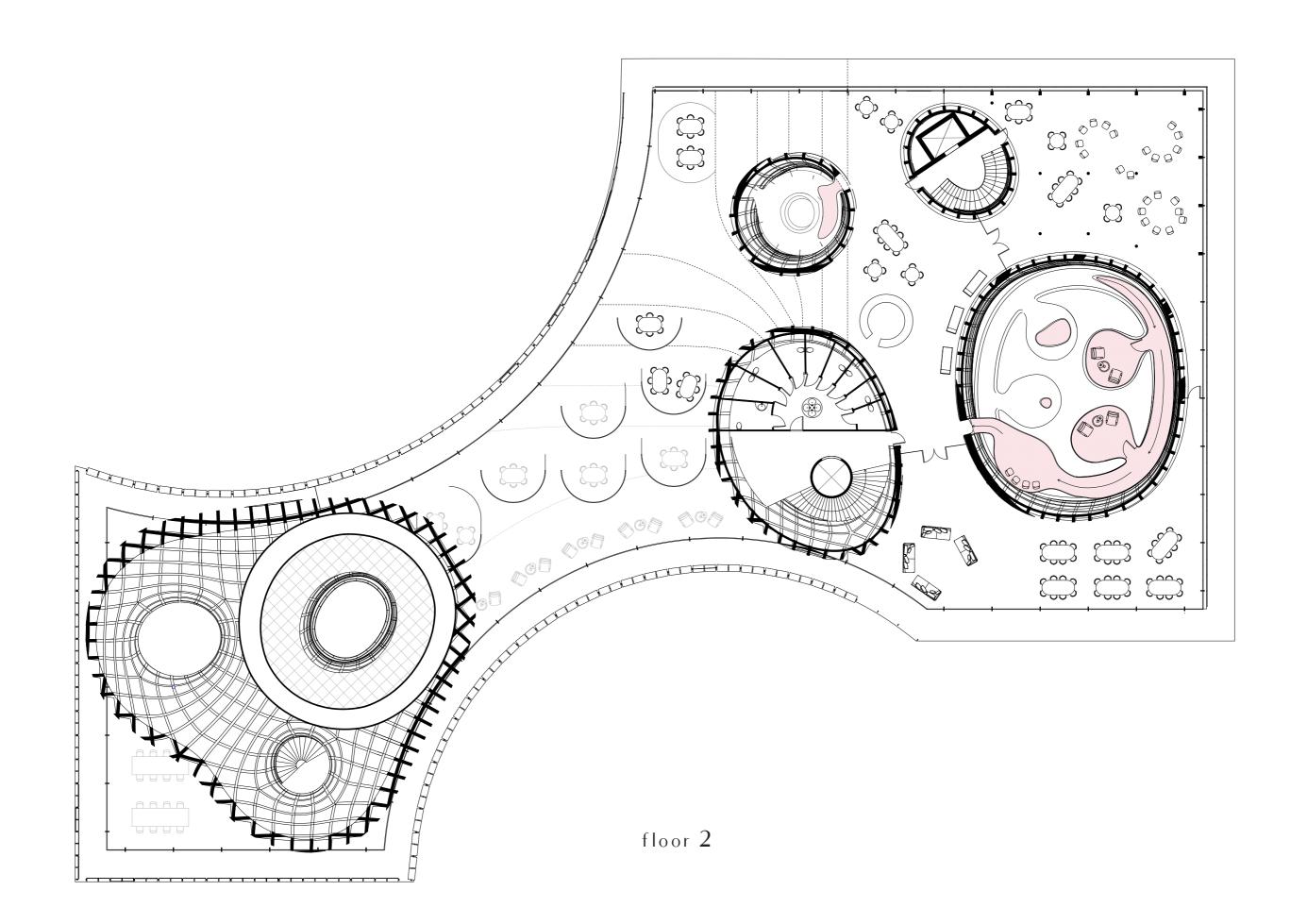
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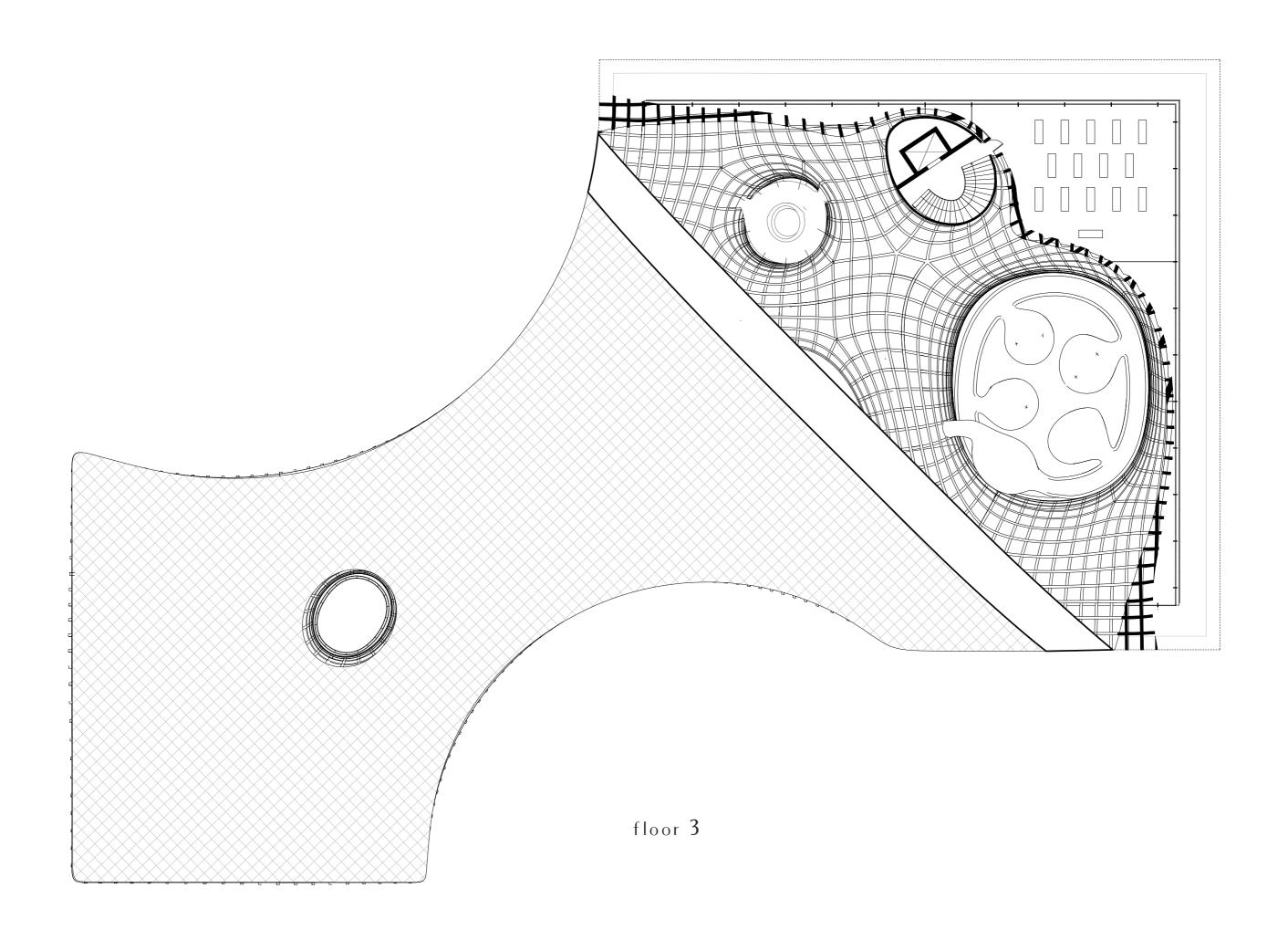


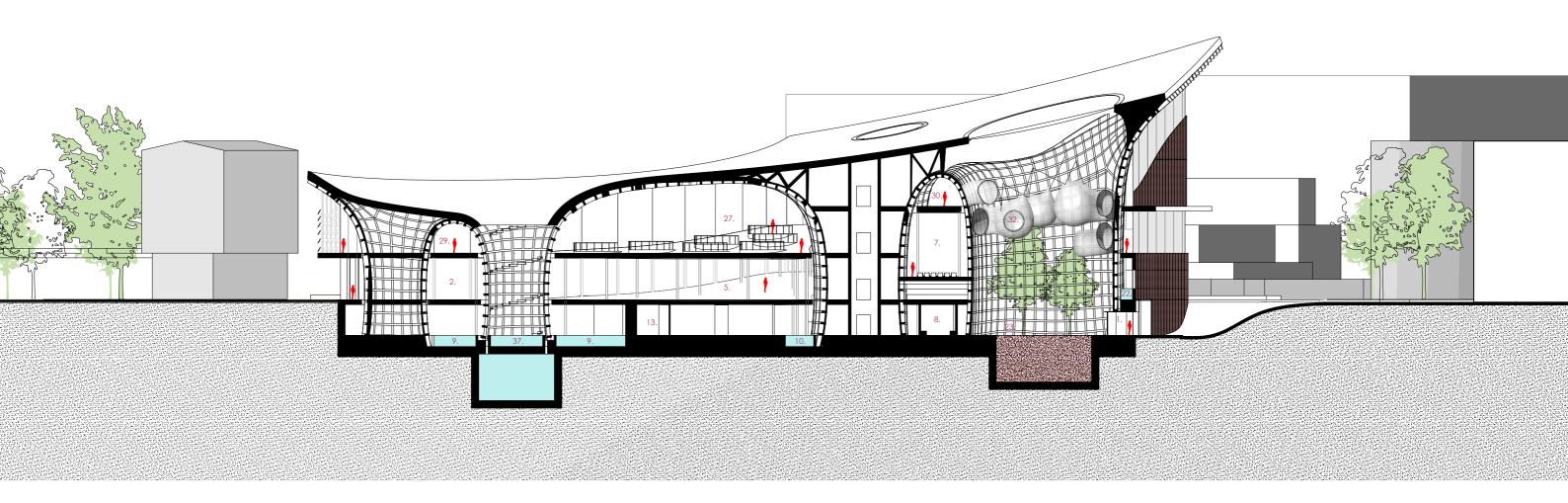












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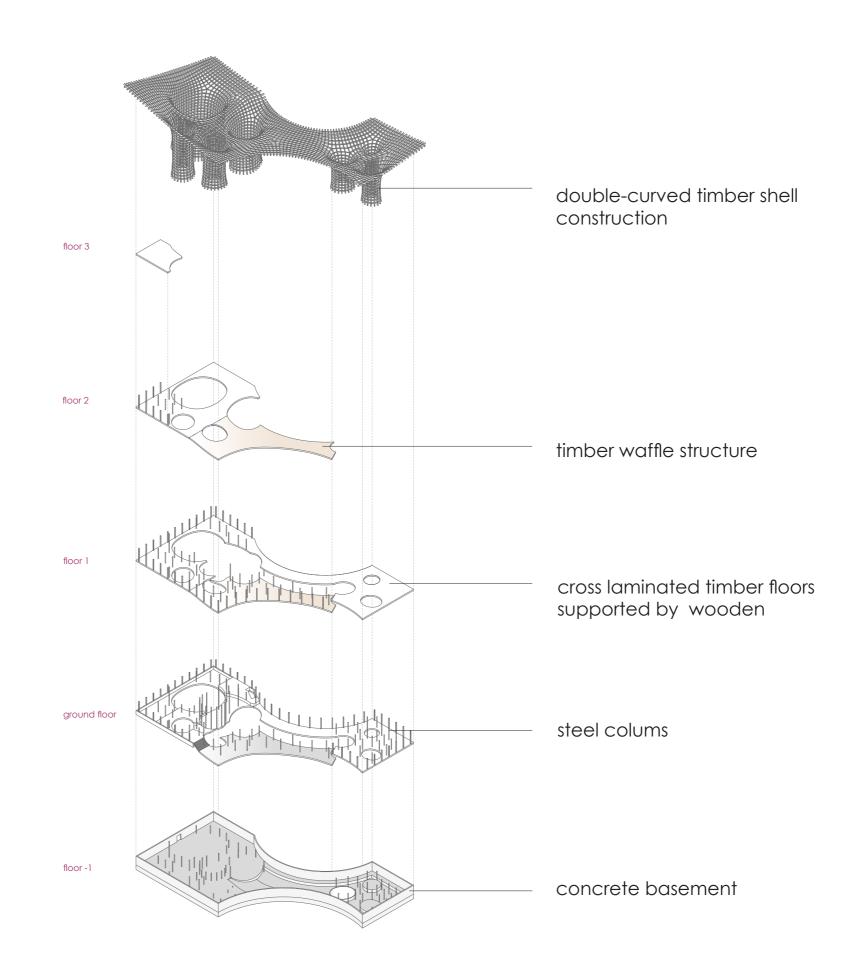
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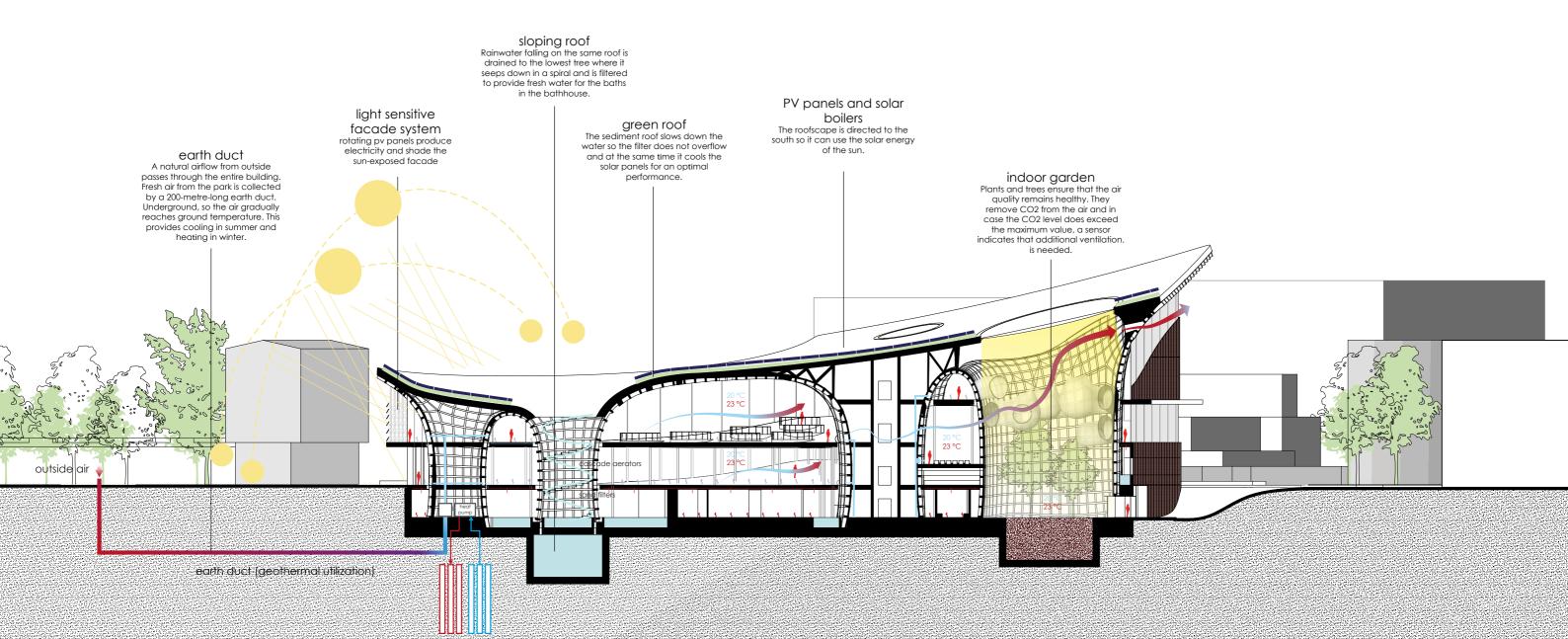


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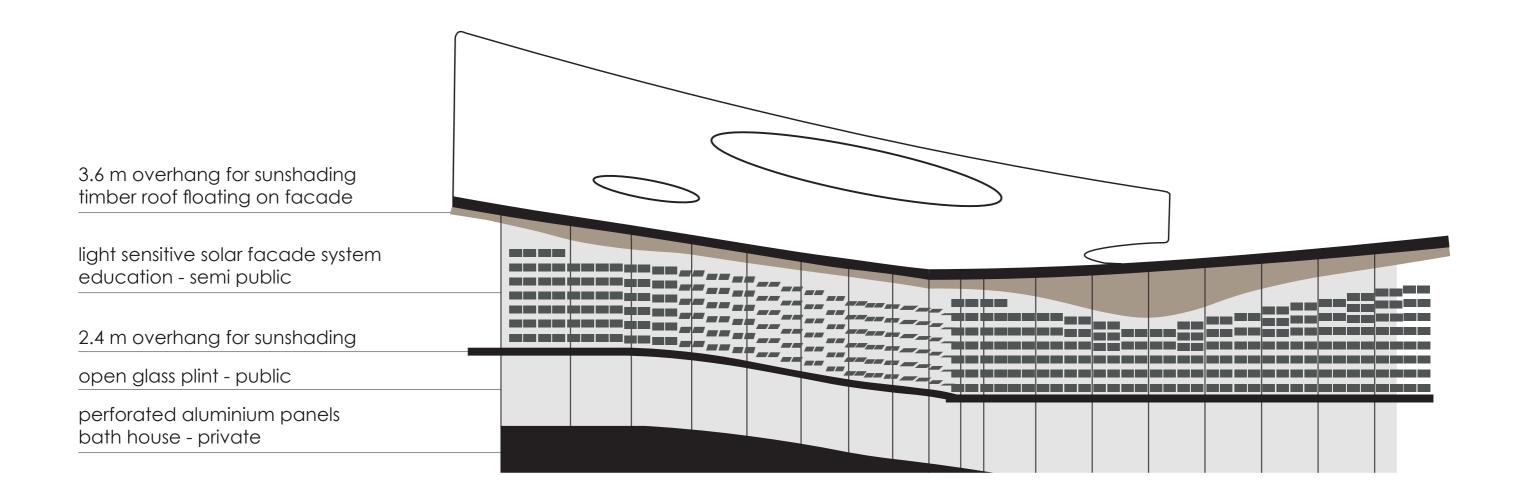
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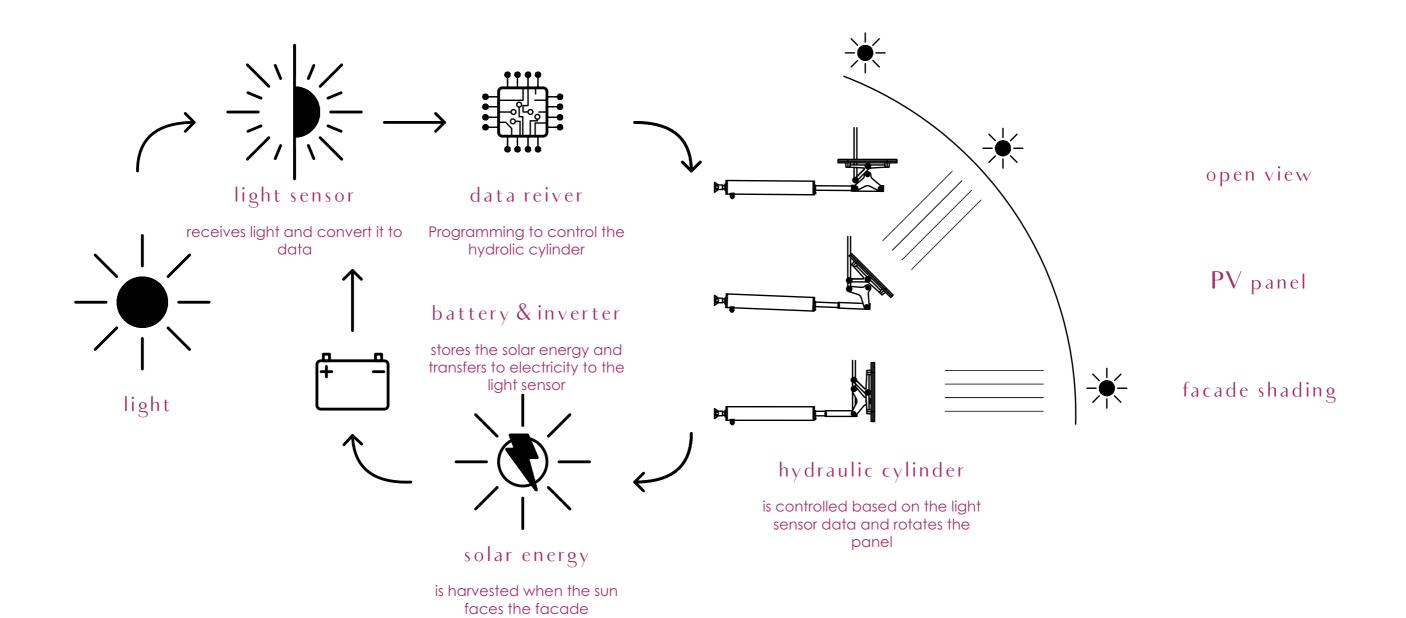




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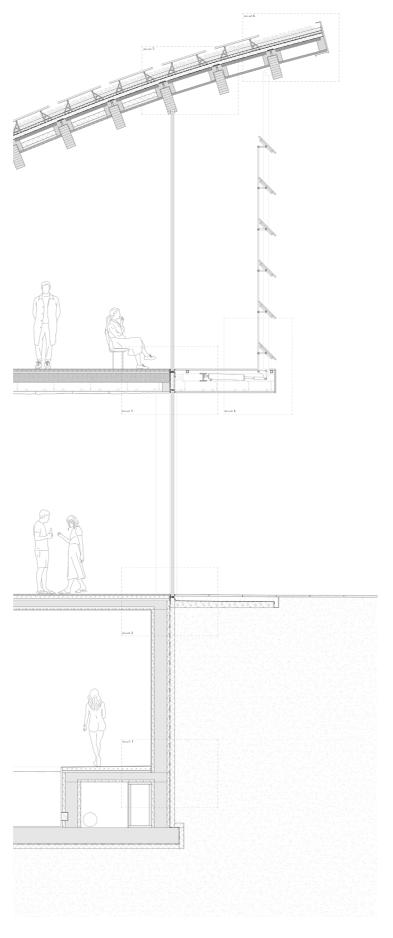


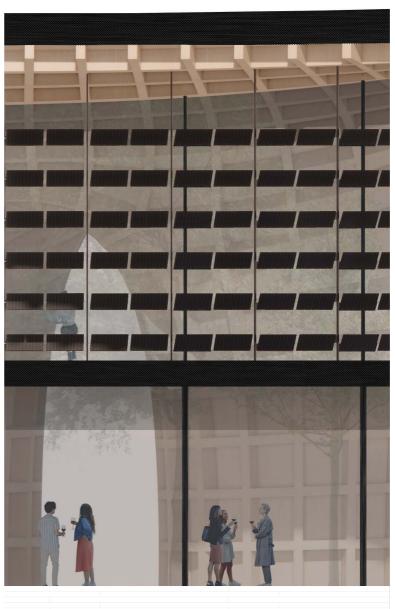
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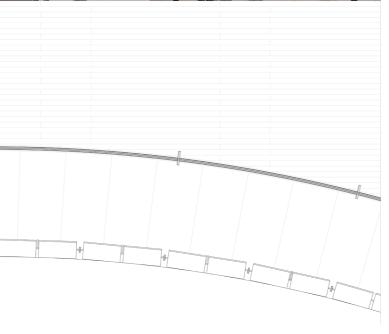




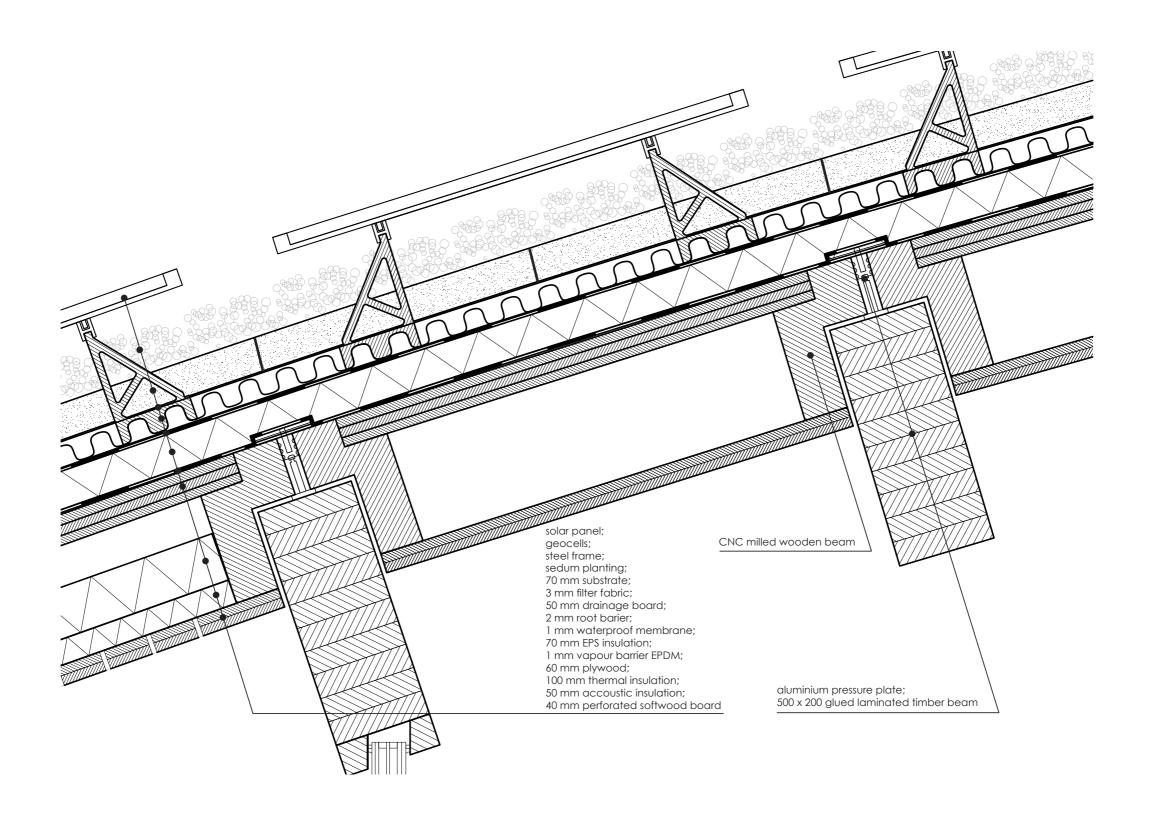
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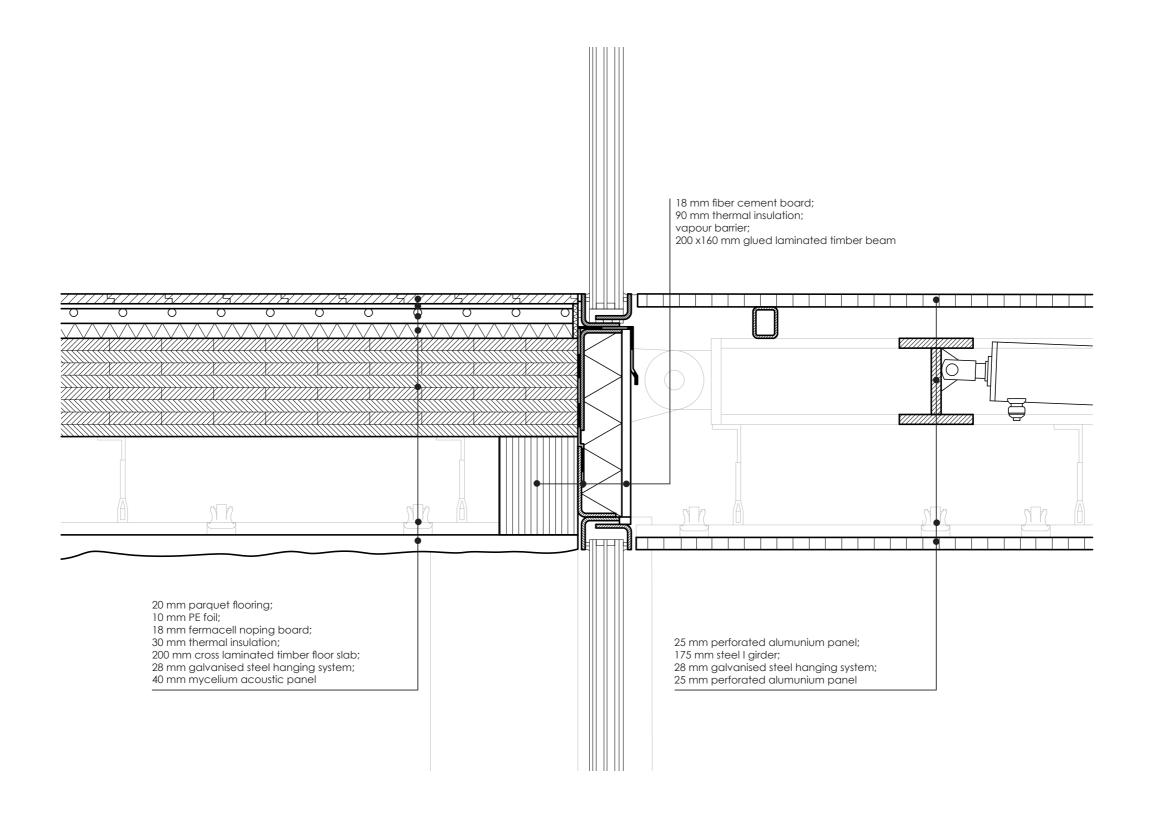




DETAIL ROOF



DETAIL FLOOR 1



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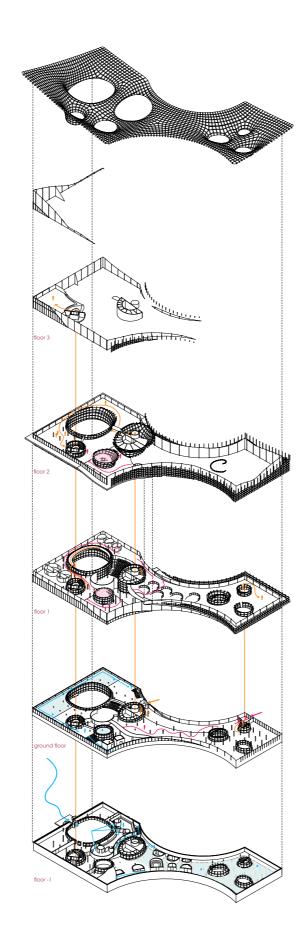
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ROUTES



- continious circulation bathhouse
- promenade
- fast & self consious
- multisensory climbing tower





bath house













Thank you!