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CONTEXT



MUSEUM CÁRCAMO DE DOLORES CDMX

One of the greatest lost treasures in Mexico city is located in the second section of Chapultepec, the museum of "Cárcamo de Dolores". This place holds one of the most interesting works made by the engineers Eduardo Molina Arévalo, Guillermo Torres, the artist Ariel Guzik and the great Mexican muralist Diego Rivera.

This place is dedicated to commemorate the hydraulic system of Lerma, but the most interesting pieces are the works made by Diego Rivera: The fountain of Tláloc and the mural called "Water, source of life", the only underwater mural in the world with more than 200m2.

¿WHAT IS THE MAIN PROBLEM?

Unfortunately this space, in addition to possessing great Mexican treasures and a rich mexican history, has been forgotten by many visitors and today, although it is not in total abandonment, it shows a certain degree of carelessness.

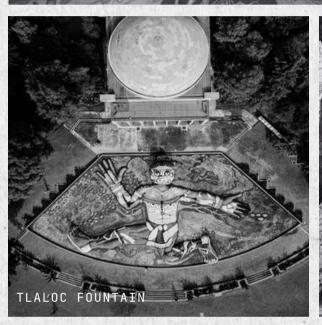
OBJECTIVE

The main objective is to reactivate the activity of the space and its surroundings creating a space dedicated to culture and art exhibition, where users feel in an atmosphere of inclusion, nature and appreciation. As well as to create a space integrated to the forest where the Tláloc fountain and the museum of the carcamo can be appreciated, also integrate it with the existing hydraulic system.



















WHO WOULD USE THIS PLACE?





CHILDREN AND PARENTS

10 -45 Years



OFFICE WORKERS

25-35 Years



DISABLED PEOPLE

10 -45 Years



RETIRE

60 -70 Years

ALL CATEGORIES ARE WELCOME USERS OF ANY NATIONALITY, GENDER OR AGE. NO DISCRIMINATION HERE

HOW DO YOU GET THERE?







WHY A CULTURAL CENTER?

Cultural centers can perform a variety of functions, such as:

A place for learning.

A space for freedom and expression.

A sphere of control.

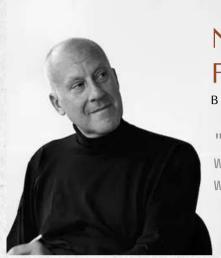
A place for social integration.

Strengthening the community's identityy.

CONCEPT



WHO IS THE MAIN EXPONENT OF BRITISH ARCHITECTURE?



NORMAN FOSTER BRITISH ARCHITECT

"As an architect, you design for the present, with an awareness of the past, for a future which is essentially unknown"

HIGH TECH

ARCHITECTURE

Created in the 70's, this architectural style focuses on integrate advanced technology into architectural design, applying aesthetics, materials and industrial techniques.

Exteriors with metallic and shiny surfaces, as well as exposed construction systems.

Integration of architectural design with nature.

WHO ARE OTHER BRITISH INFLUENCES ON ARCHITECTURE?

DAVID CHIPPERFIELD BROWN BRITISH ARCHITECT

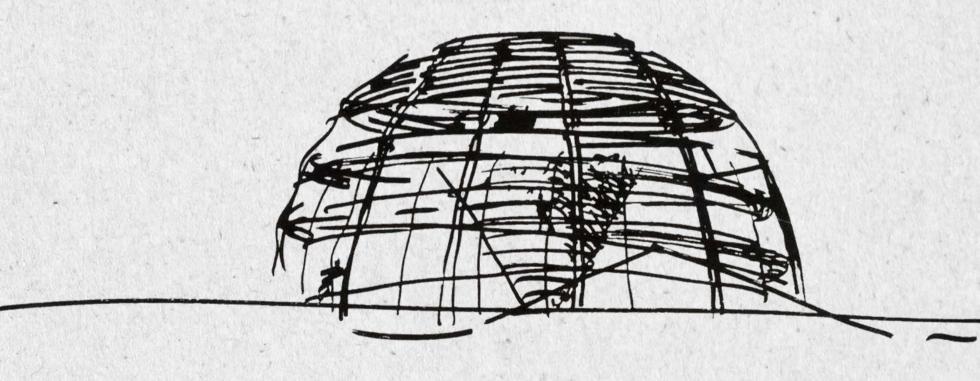
CAPABILITY BRITISH ARCHITECT

Integrating a modern environment with the historical legacy. Always in constant evolution.

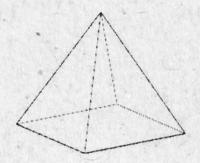
Conservation and nature integration.

Planning as a key to the future. Innovation, technology and sustainability.

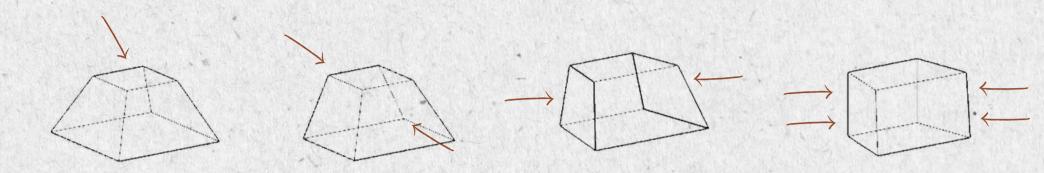
The greatest exponent of HIGH TECH architecture



¿HOW THE SHAPE WAS CREATED?

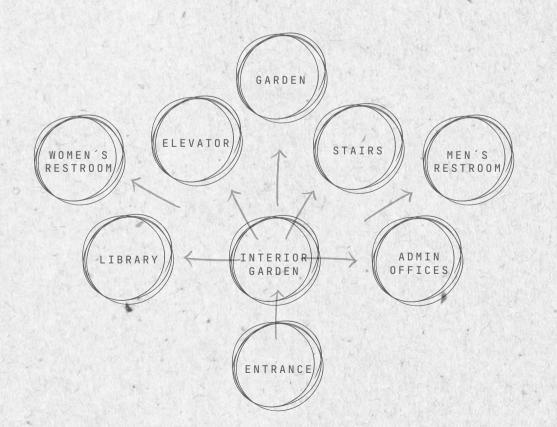


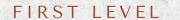


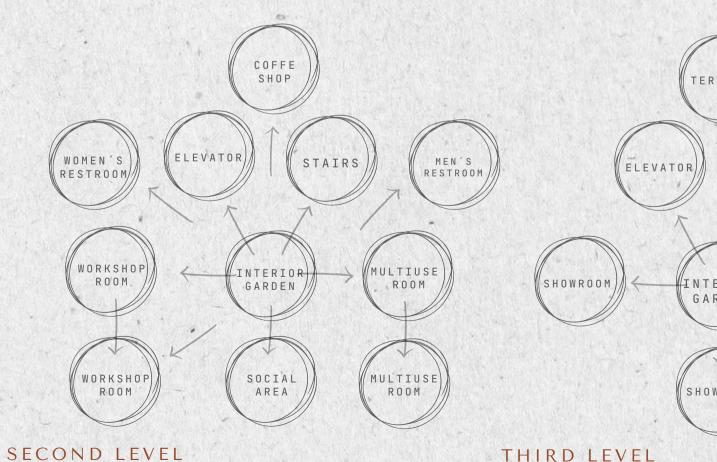


THE OBJECT IS TRANSFORMED UNTIL IT FULFILLS THEIR NEEDS

FLOW DIAGRAM







TERRACE STAIRS INTERIOR SHOWROOM GARDEN SHOWROOM)

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THIRD LEVEL

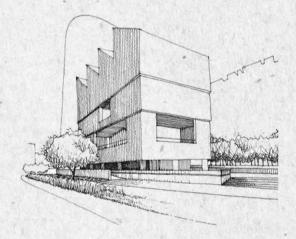
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SUN PATH

WHAT WAS THE MAIN INSPIRATION?

The stepped shape of the side facades is a solution for the entrance of natural light and ventilation for the interior. This technique was inspired by the British architect David Chipperfield in some of his works,

This technique has also been used by Mexican architects such as Teodoro González de León in the construction of the CENART.



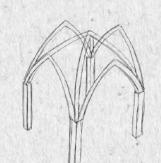
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MUSEUM, CDMX
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CHIPPERFIELD

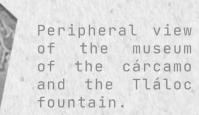
All interior spaces will be organically Skylight to illuminate the space designed with glass and steel materials in and create an interior flow. order to create an illuminated, integrated Inside will be designed an space with a high-tech style. As well as interior garden inspired by the furniture in the color of the flag of UK, also British architect Capability highlighting the "Rosa Barragan" spiral Brown.



THE HEDGE MAZE AT BLENHEIM PALACE BY:CAPABILITY BROWN

The interior lighting will be inspired by the ribbed vaults of English Gothic architecture.





The main facade is based on the

basic characteristics of HIGH TECH,

exposed construction systems.

with

respecting

environment.

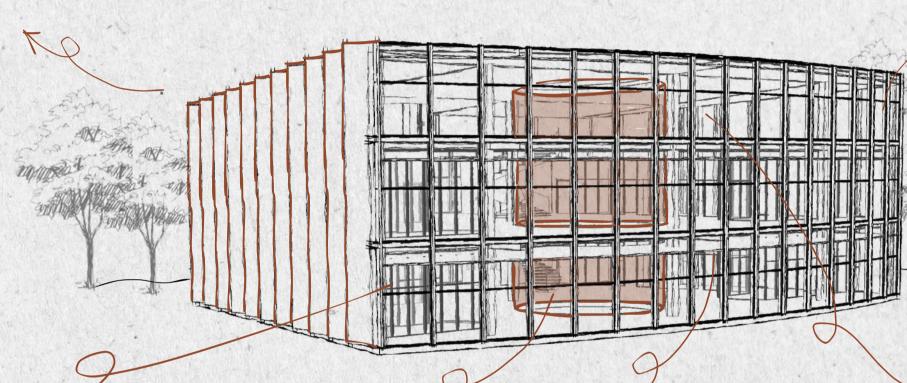
steel and glass, as well as its

Integrating architecture

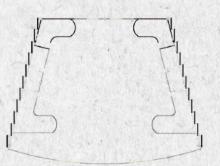
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nature





designed with glass and steel materials in order to create an illuminated, integrated space with a high-tech style. As well as furniture in the color of the flag of UK, also highlighting the "Rosa Barragan" spiral staircase, representative of the BBVA tower designed by Richard Rogers, another icon of British architecture.

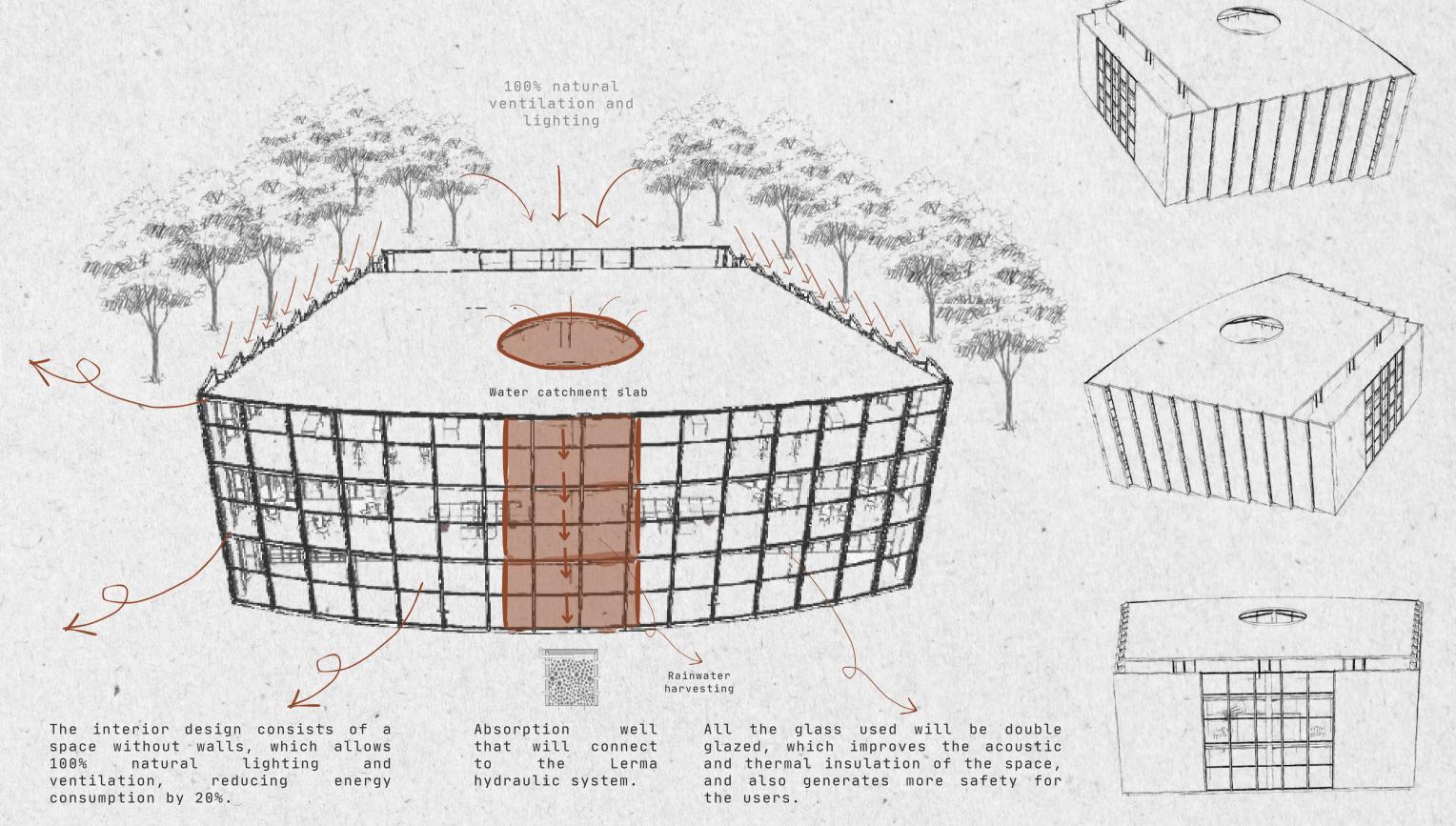


HOW DOES IT WORK SUSTAINABLY?

All materials used are 100% local, so it helps reduce the environmental impact by reducing its carbon footprint thanks to its lower transportation costs, supports the local economy and integrates the culture and identity of the region:

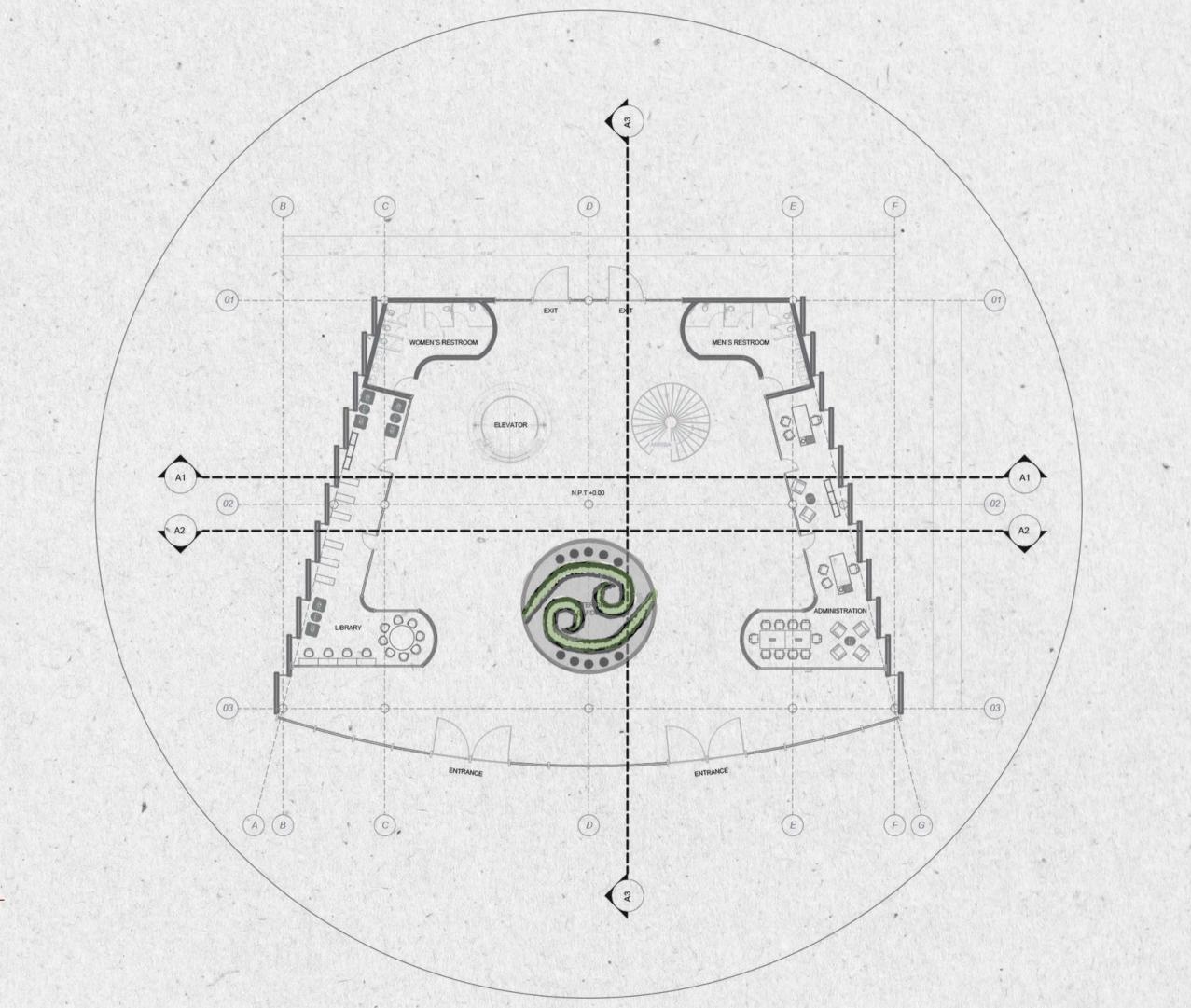
- Travertine marble from Xalapa, veracruz.
- Apparent white concrete
- Recinto
- Glass
- Steel
- Representative vegetation of Mexico

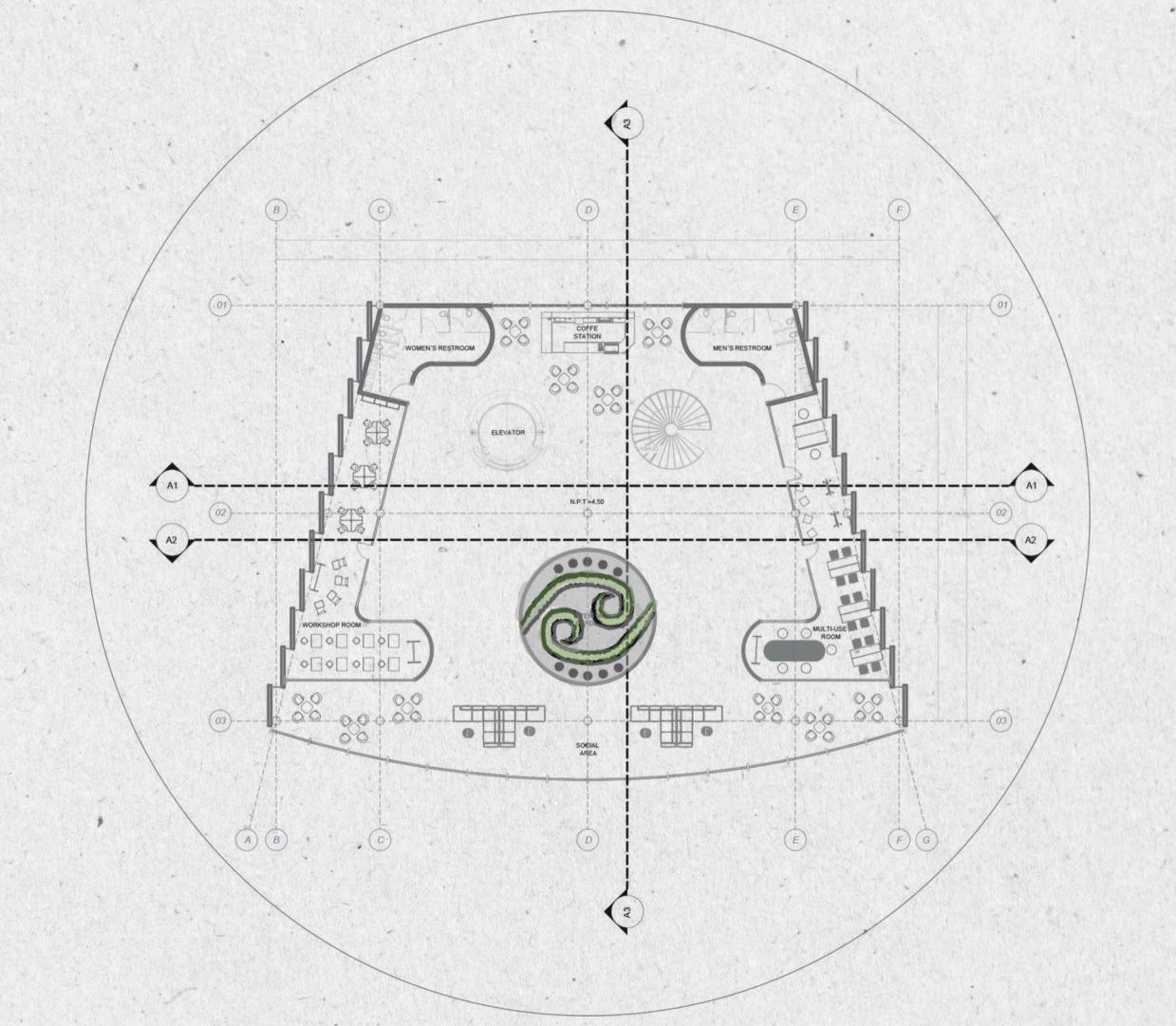
The design of the space responds to the needs of solar orientation, providing areas with greater solar exposure but allowing natural light and ventilation allowing for a warm and welcoming atmosphere.



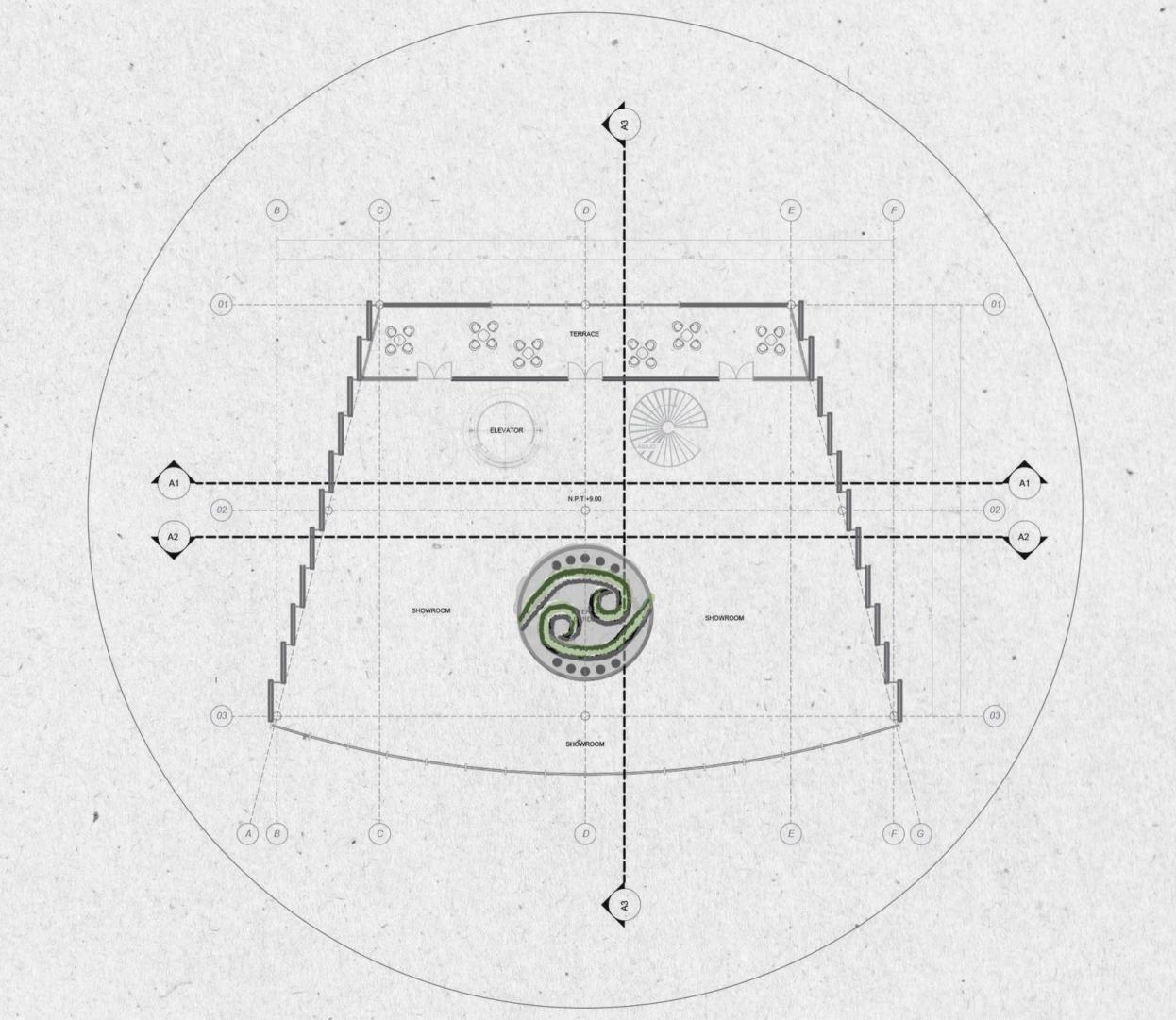
ARCHITECTURAL PLANS



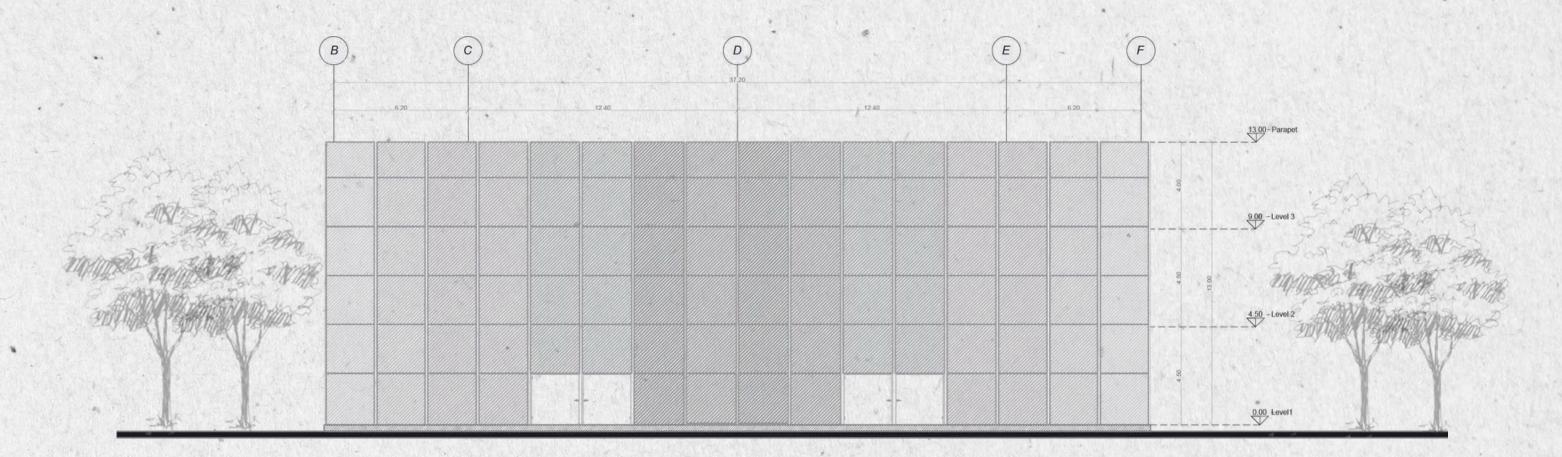




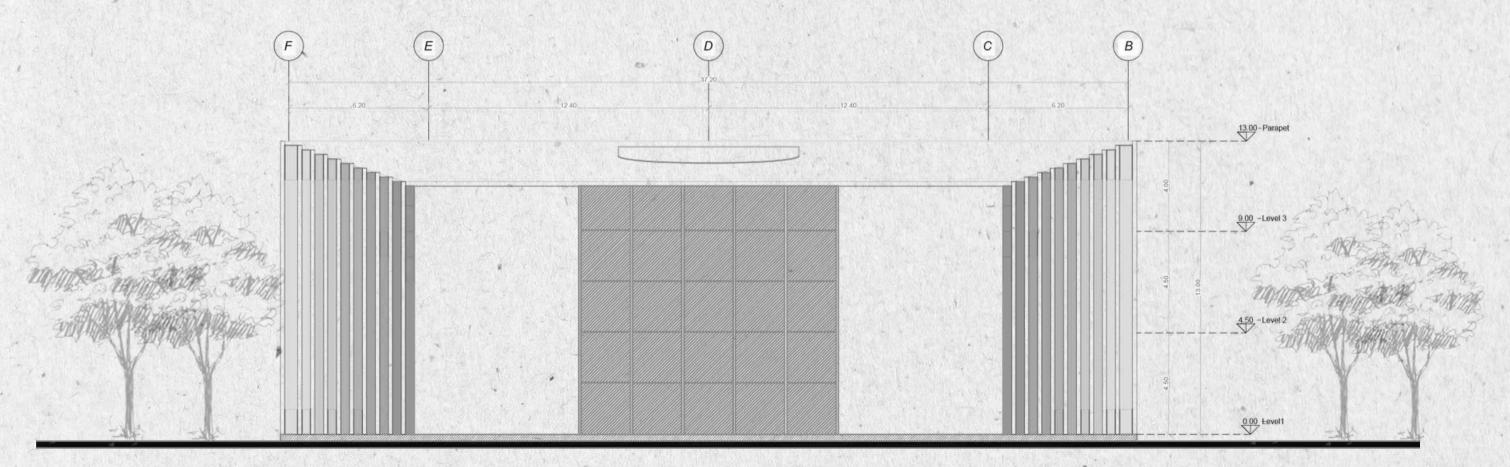
SECOND LEVEL



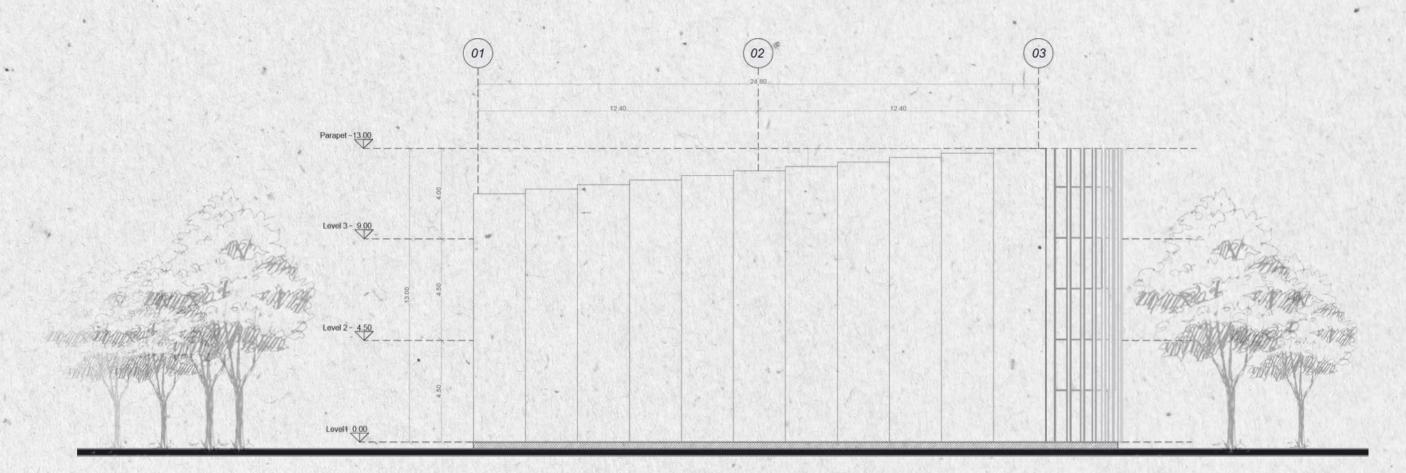
THIRD LEVEL



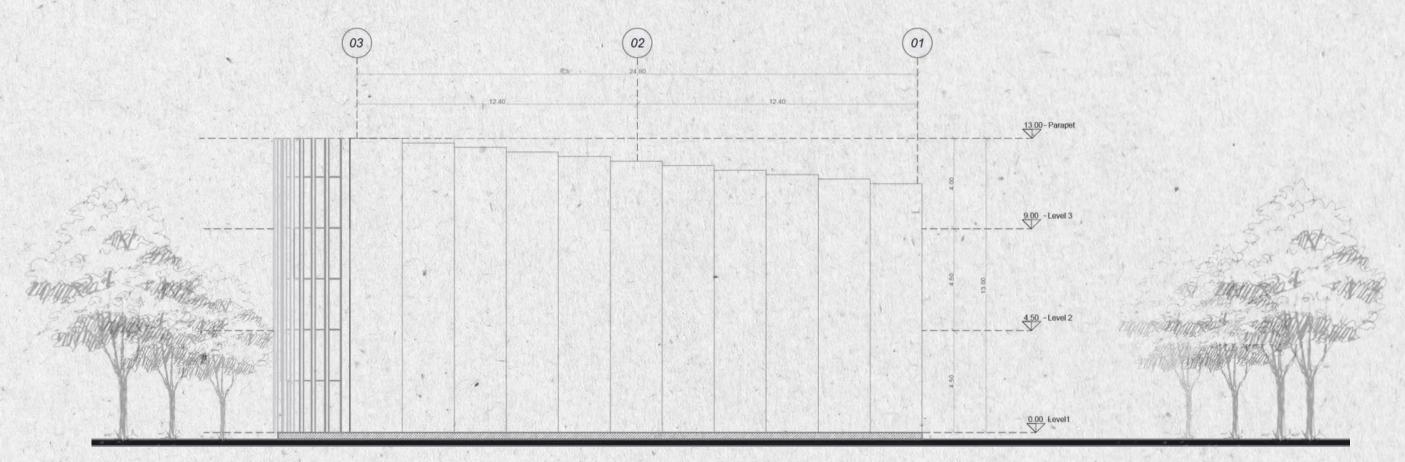
EAST FACADE



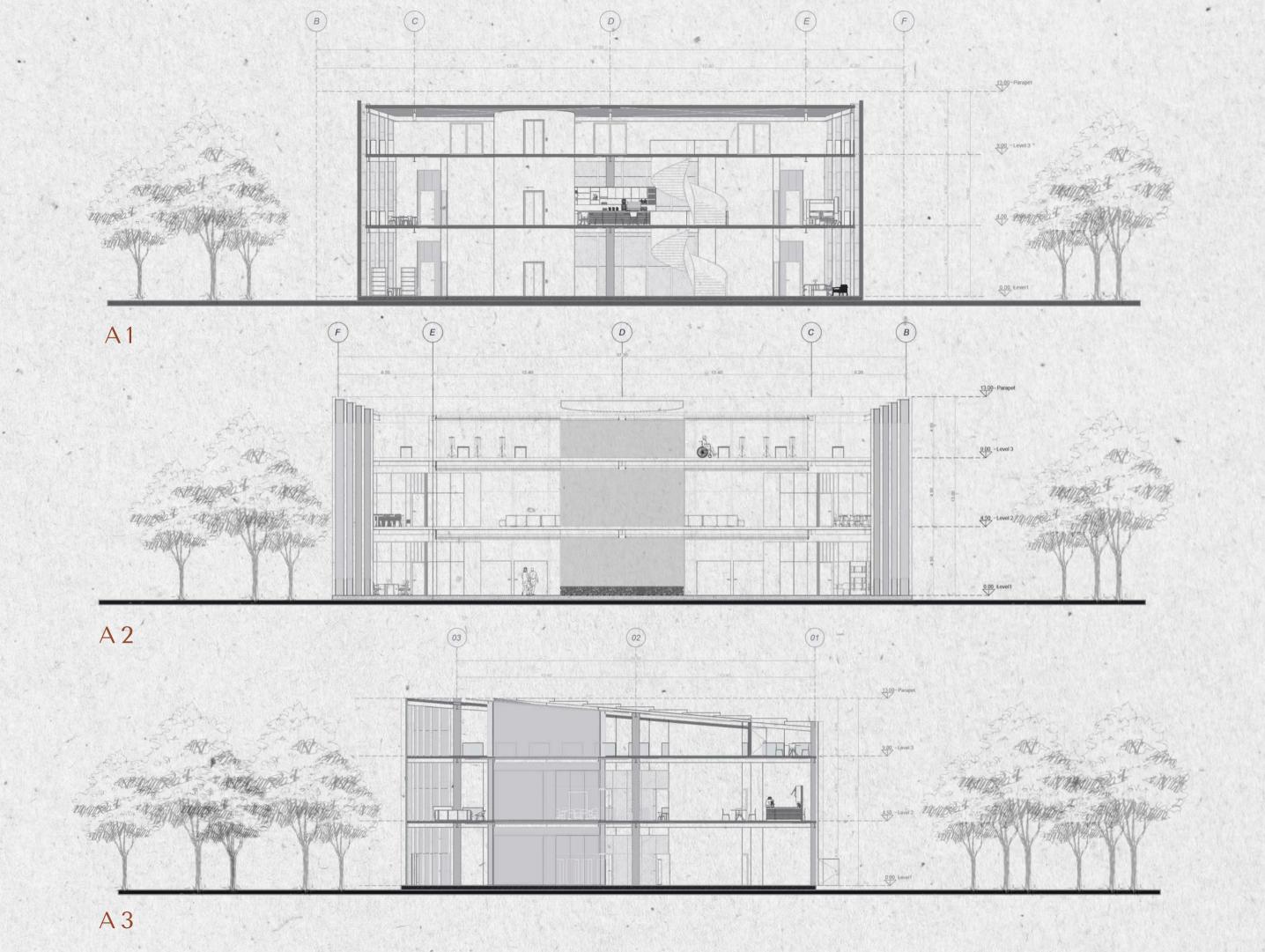
WEST FACADE



NORTH FACADE



SOUTH FACADE



RENDERS















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