

Ronchamp Gatehouse and Monastery



A convent for 12 Poor Clare nuns, built into the hillside. The nuns' idea was to live in the place, not to let the hill be abandoned; it had in fact turned into a place of architectural pilgrimage, losing the religious function of Le Corbusier's chapel. Without interfering with the chapel, the hill was cut in three parts to place the convent: 12 rooms for the sisters, 12 for guests, an oratory, sewing workshops and common spaces. The rooms look out onto the forest and its silence, interpreting the nuns' need for contemplation and meditation.

Dati Progetto

Design	2006-2008
Construction	2008-2011
Total floor area of the convent	1.825 m2
Total floor area of the visitors' centre	457 m2
Height	4 m
Floors	1 on two levels

Credits

Client	Association Œuvre Notre-Dame du Haut, Association des amis de Sainte Colette
Architect	Renzo Piano Building Workshop, architects in collaboration with Atelier Corajoud, landscape architects (Paris)
Consultants	SLETEC (structure, MEP and cost control); M.Harlé (graphics and signage); C. Guinaudeau (planting); Nunc / L.Piccon (project co-ordination); P.Gillmann (construction management)

Immagini



Subject	Mock-up and work meeting with Sister Brigitte de Singly and the team.
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Subject	Aerial view of the hill at the start of construction work
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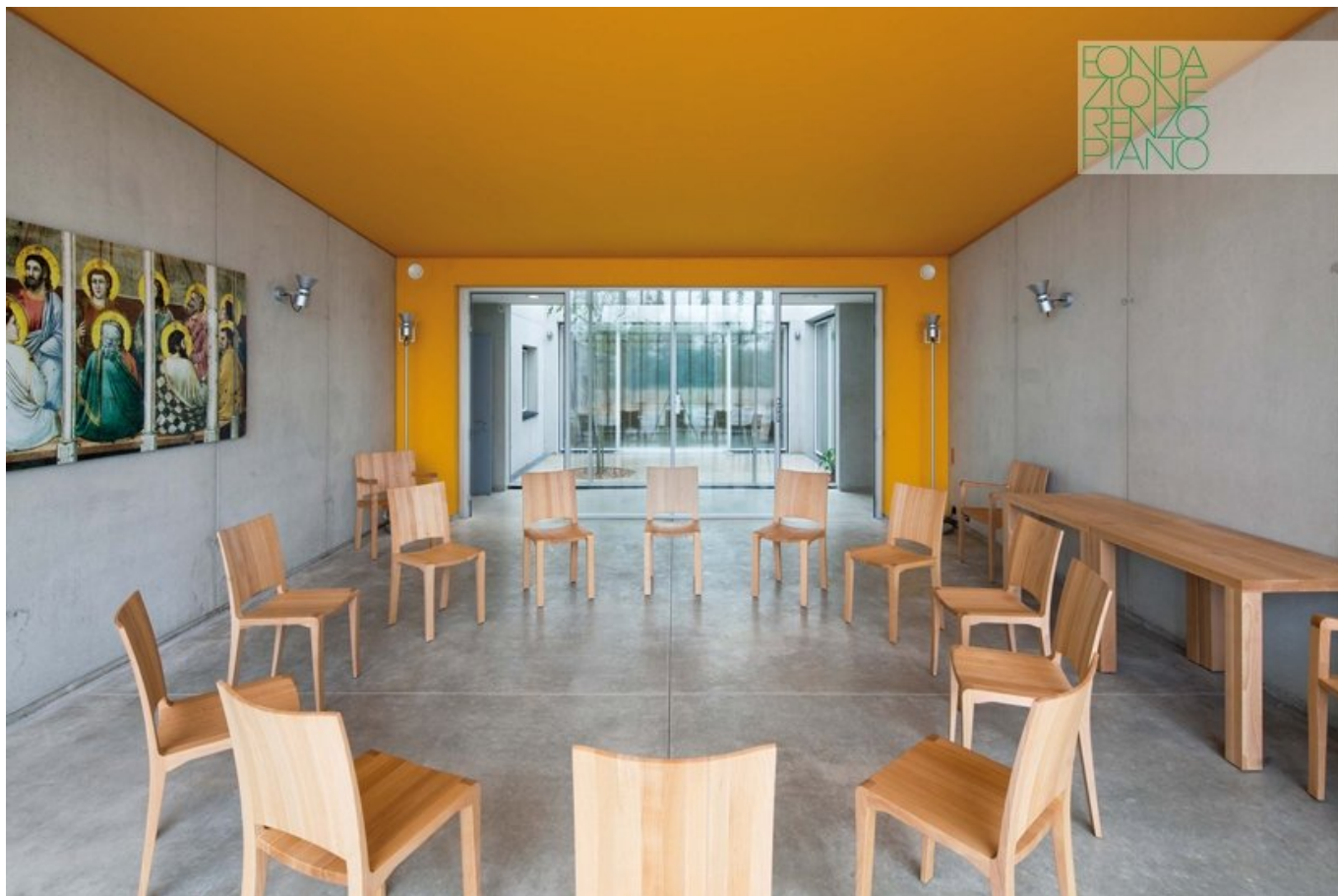
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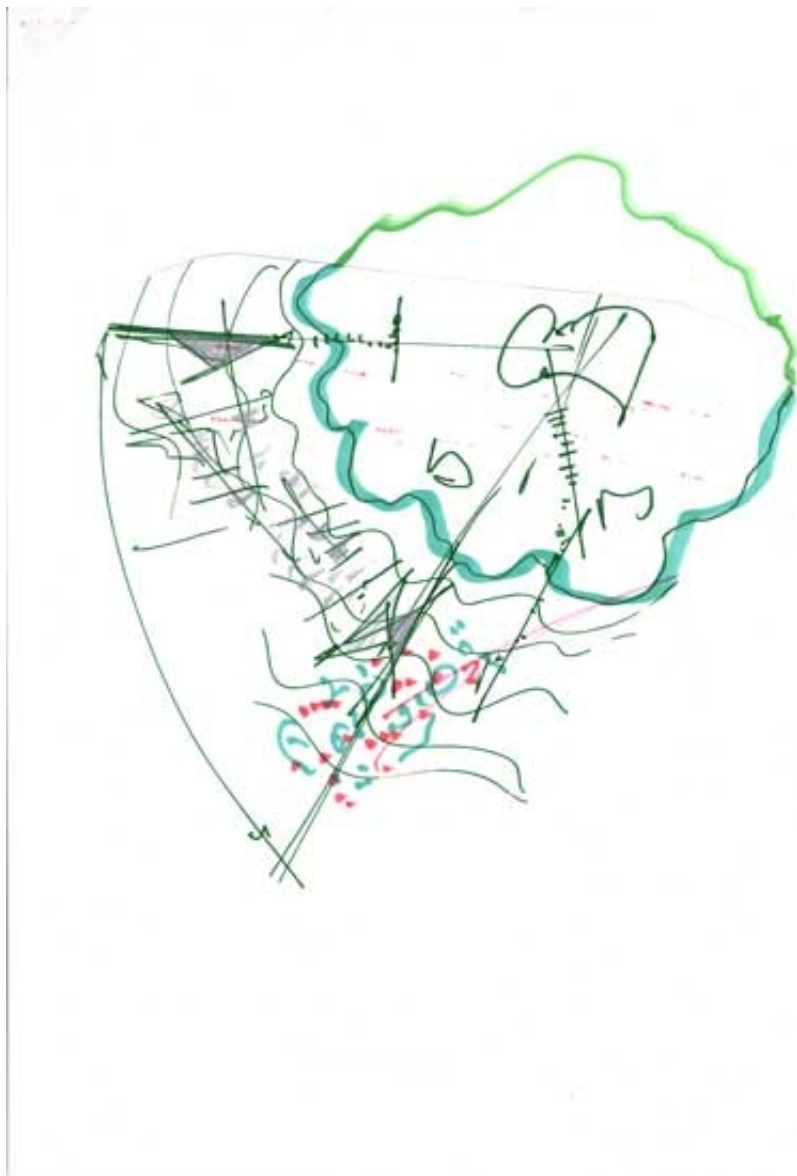
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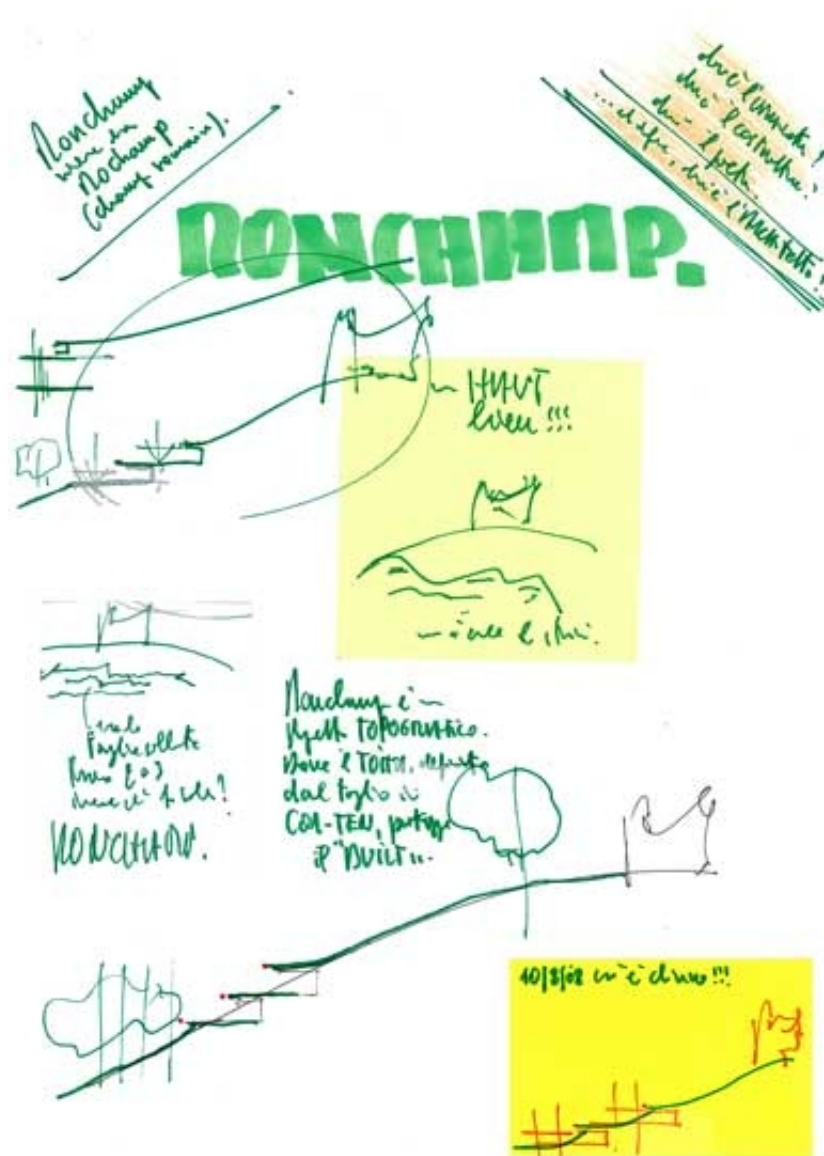
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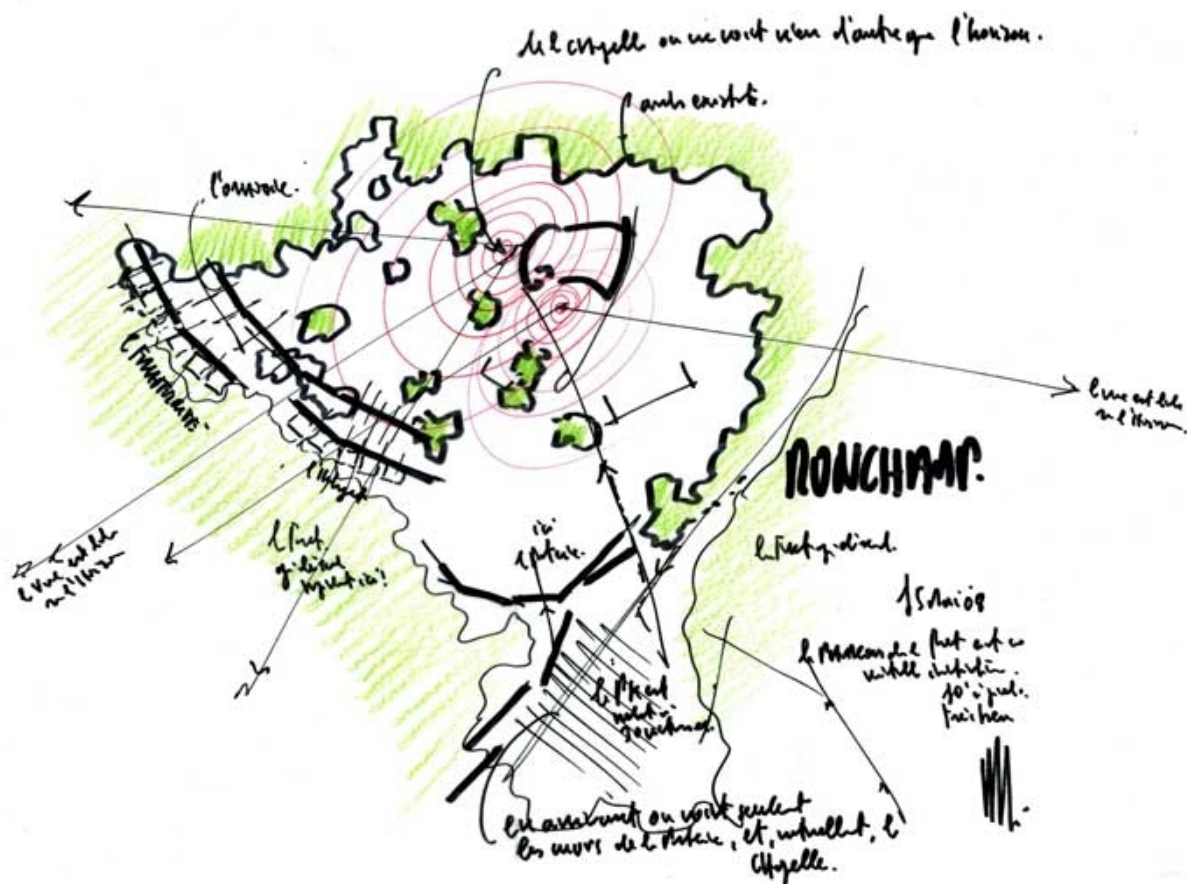
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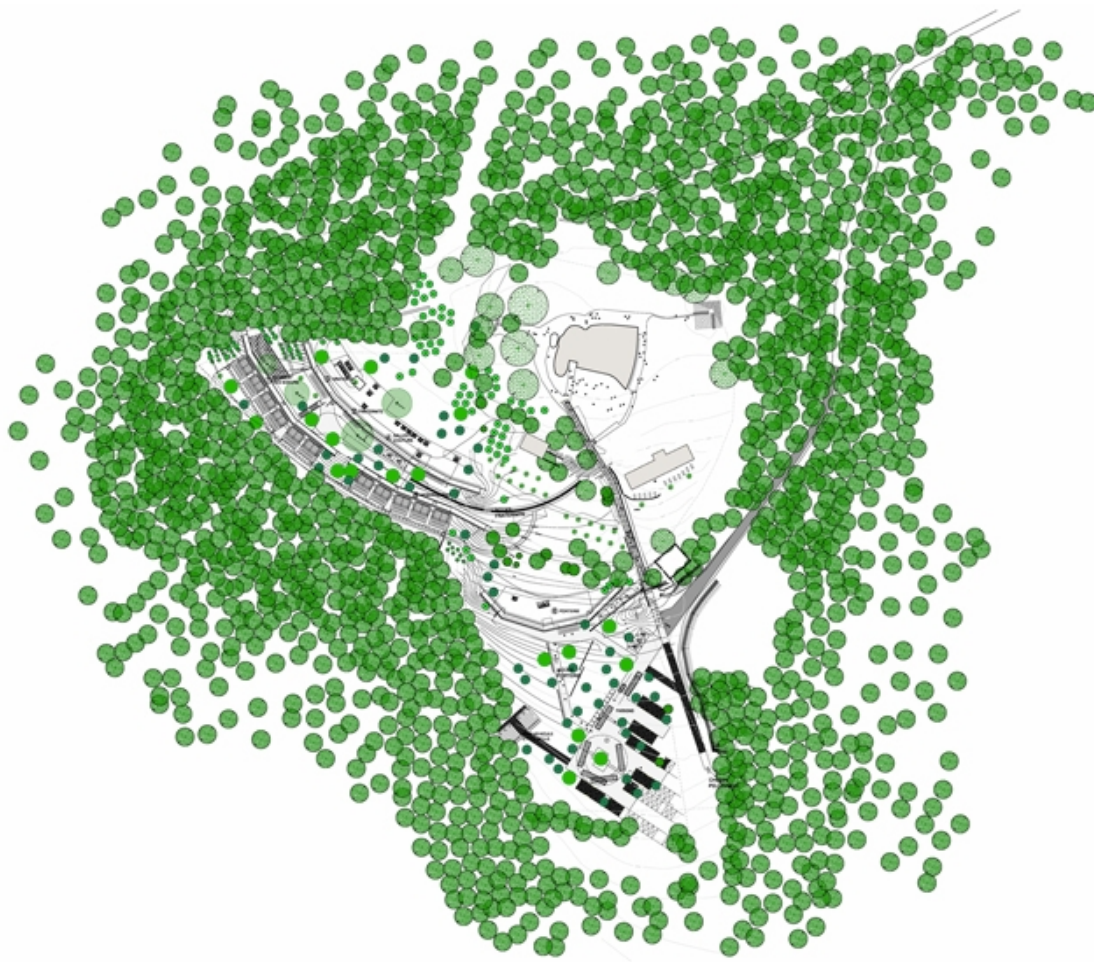
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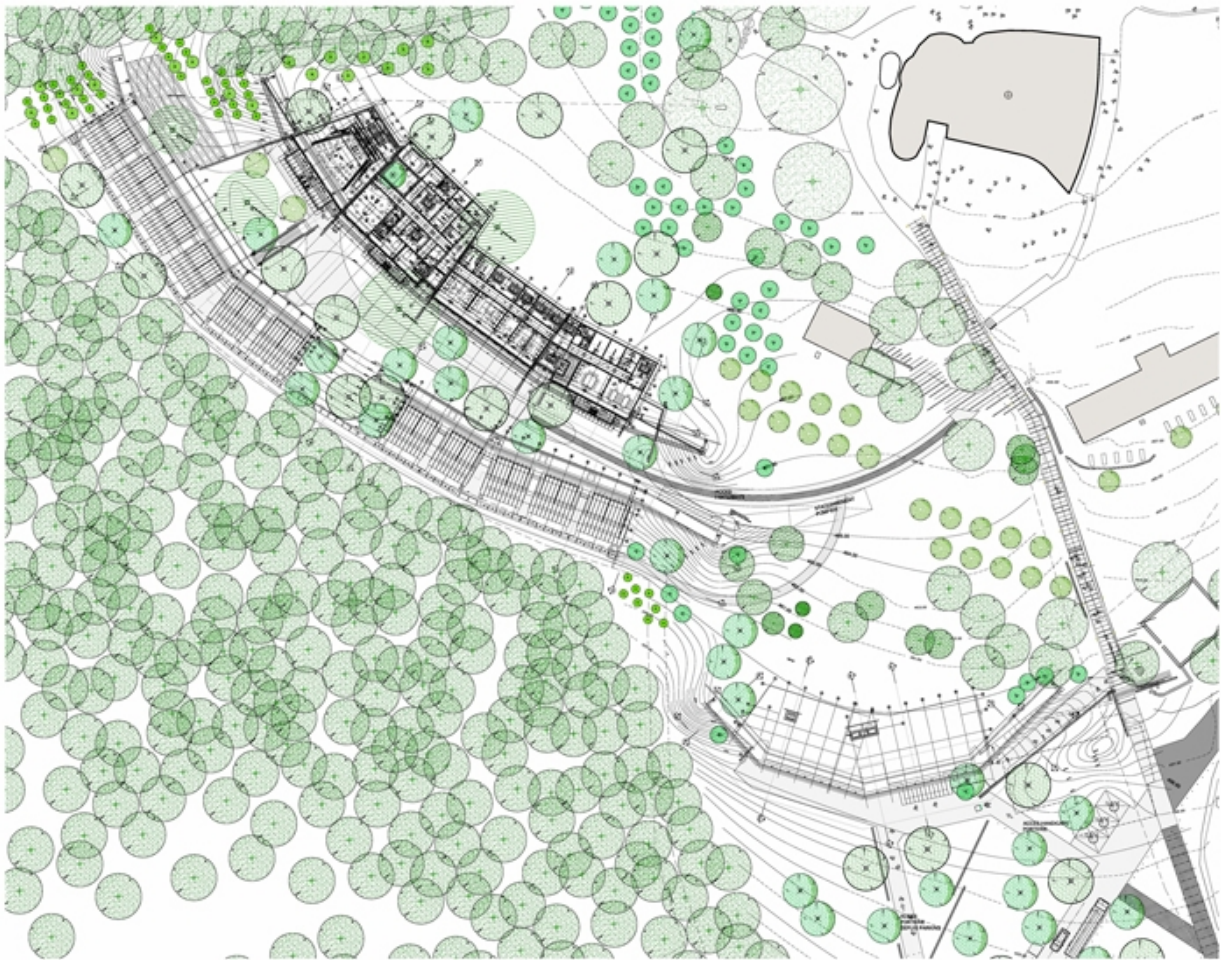
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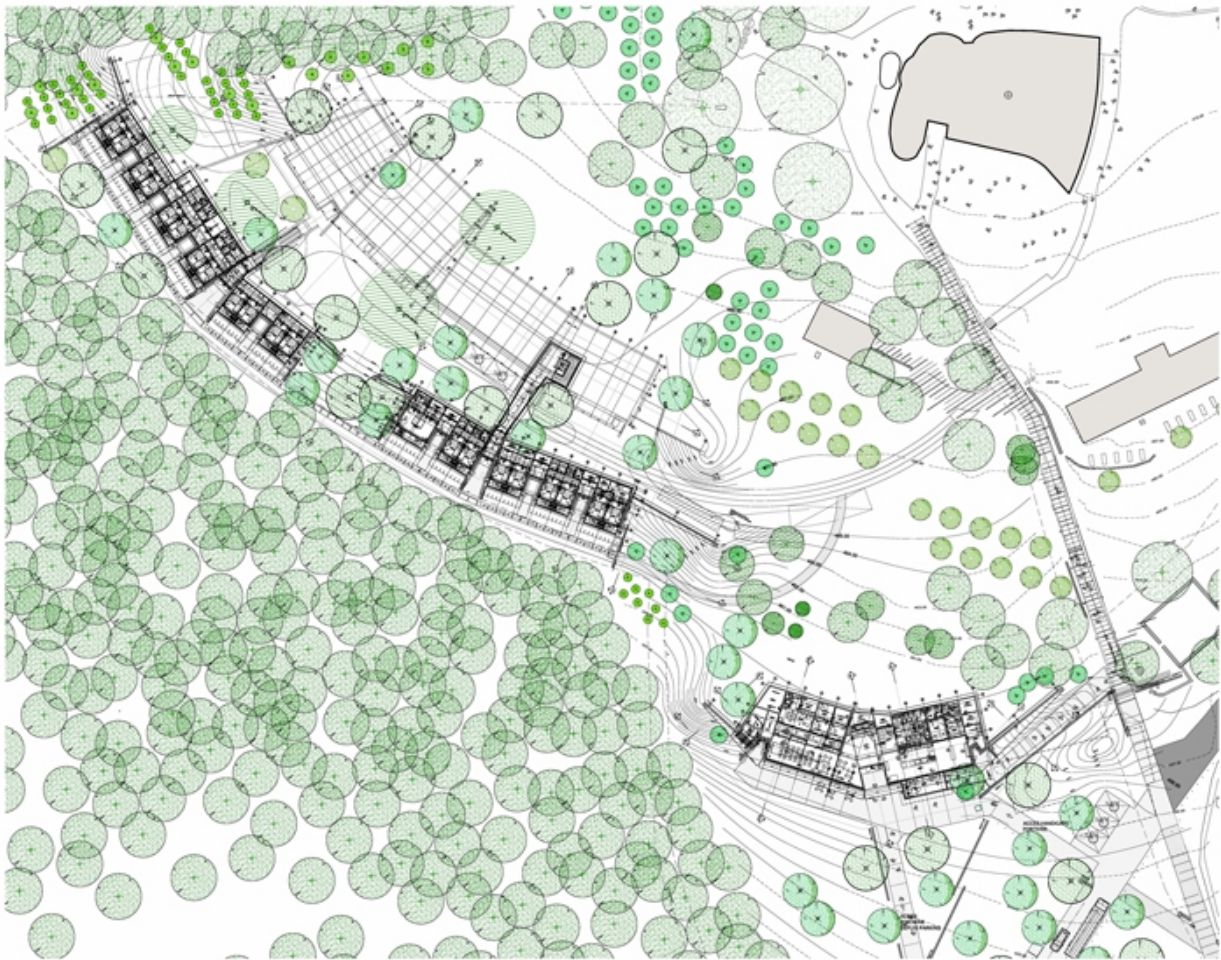
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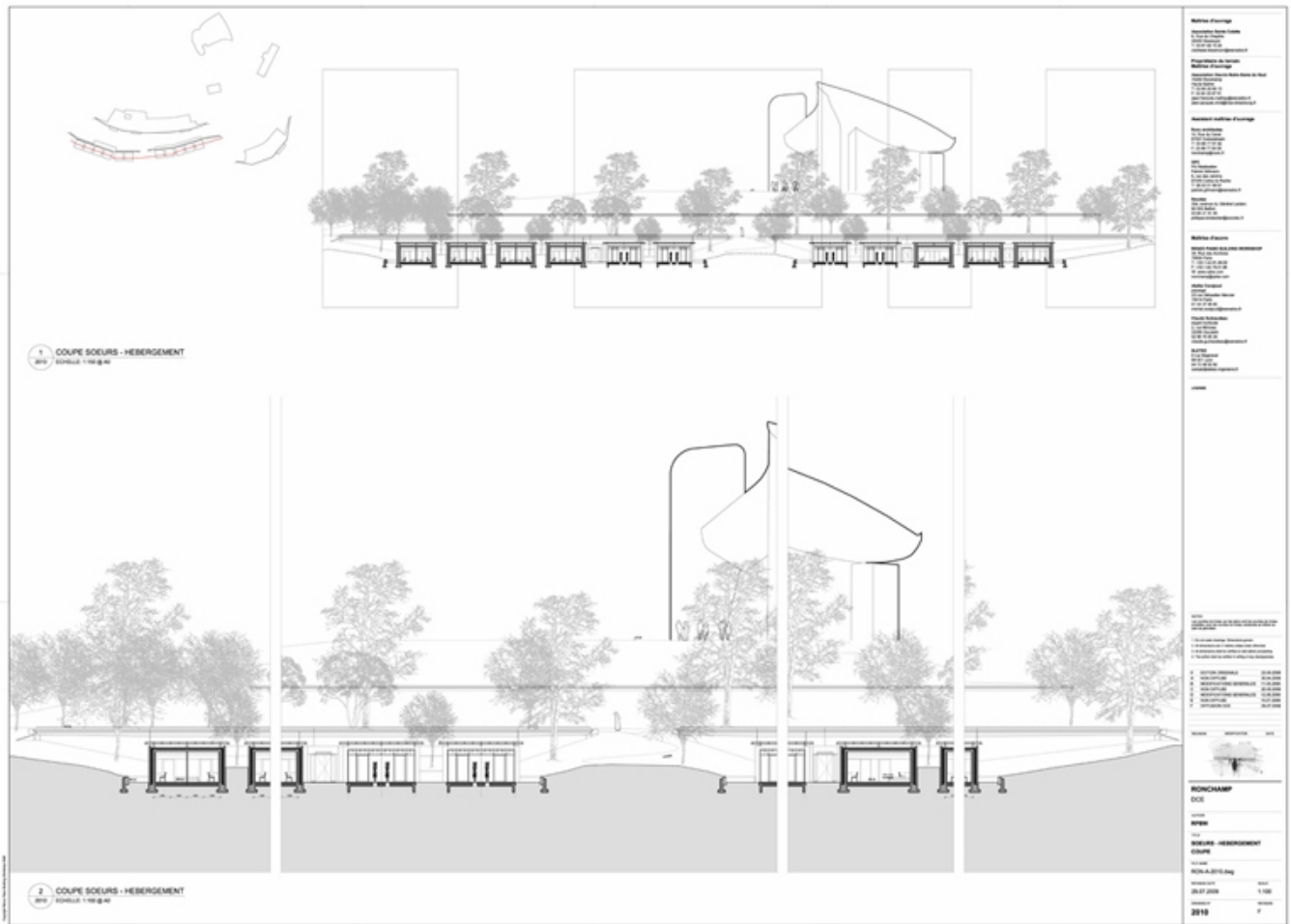
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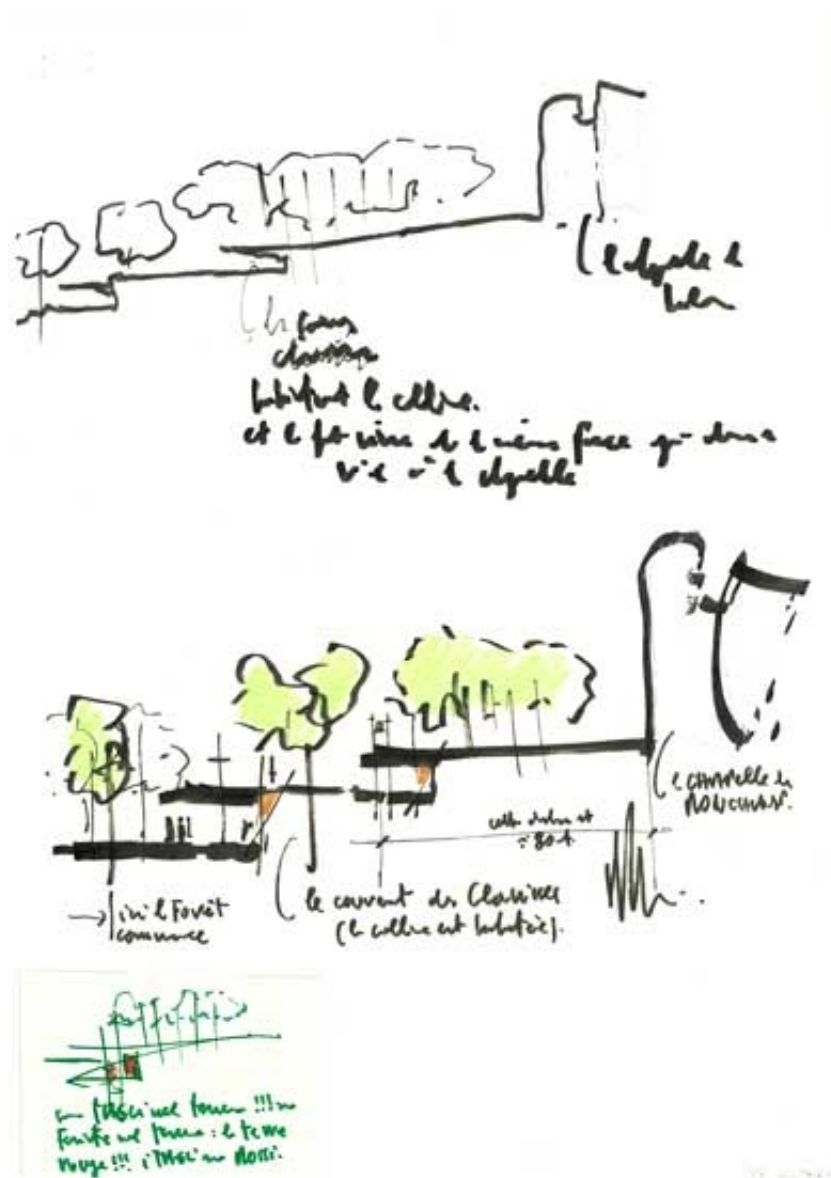
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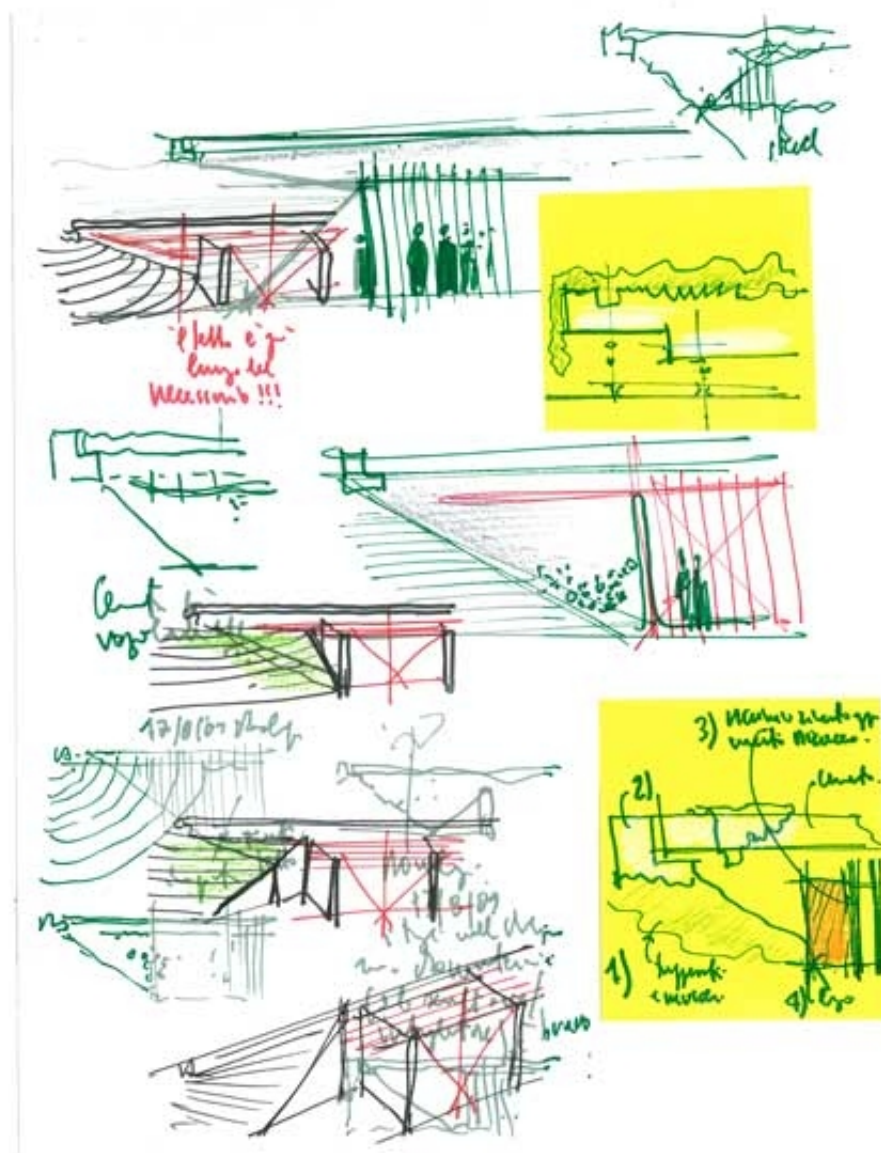
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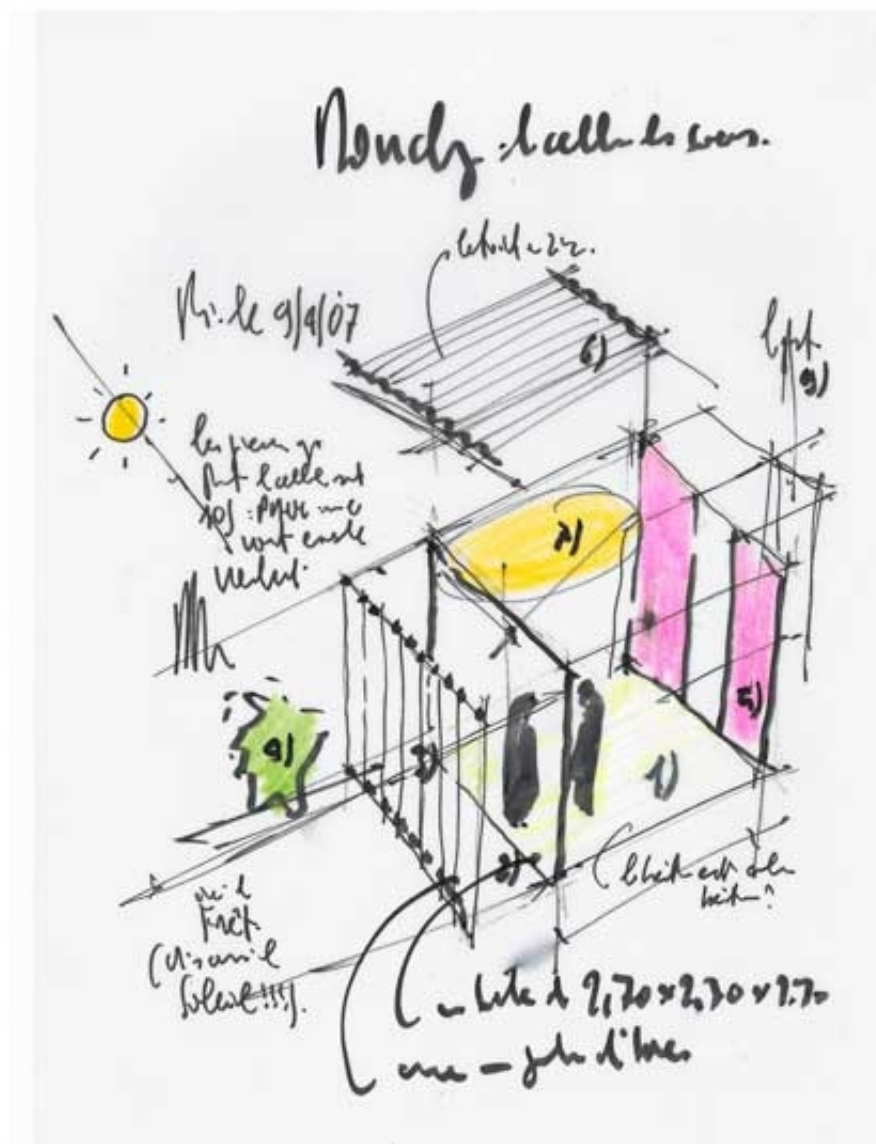
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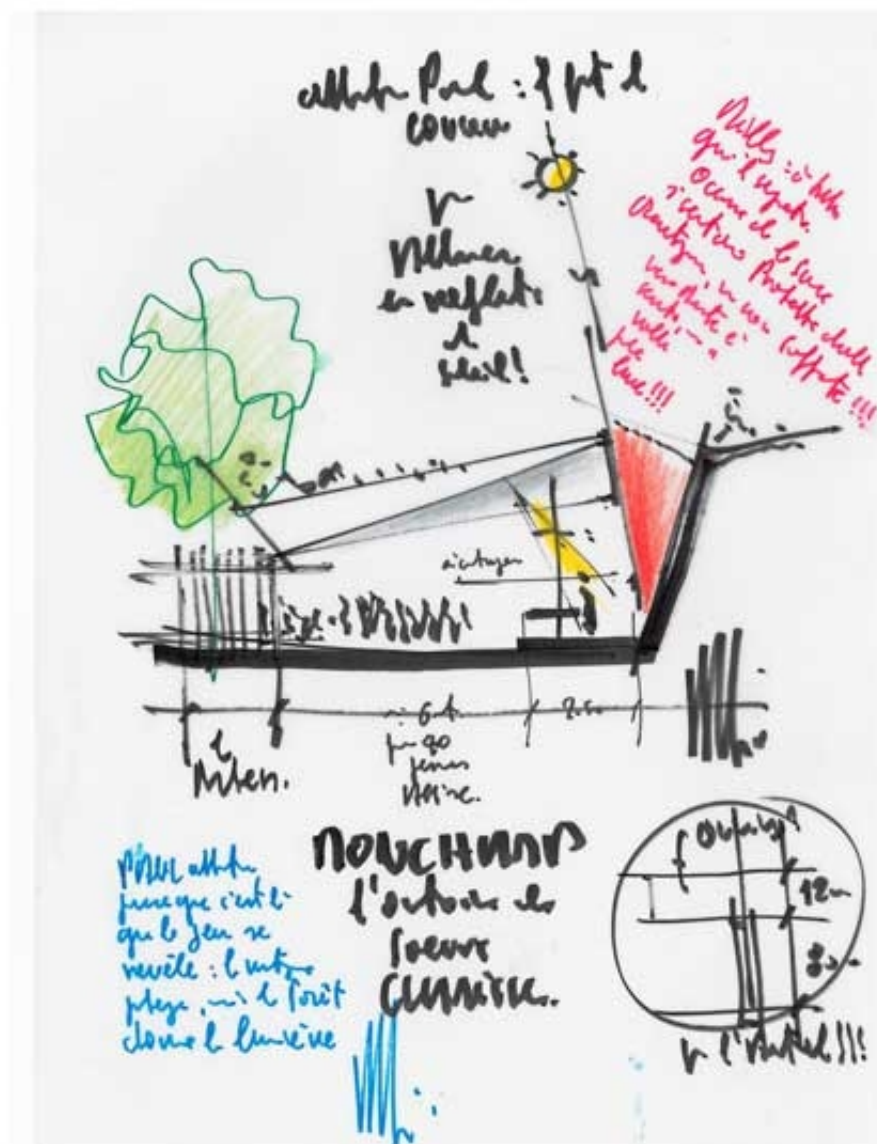
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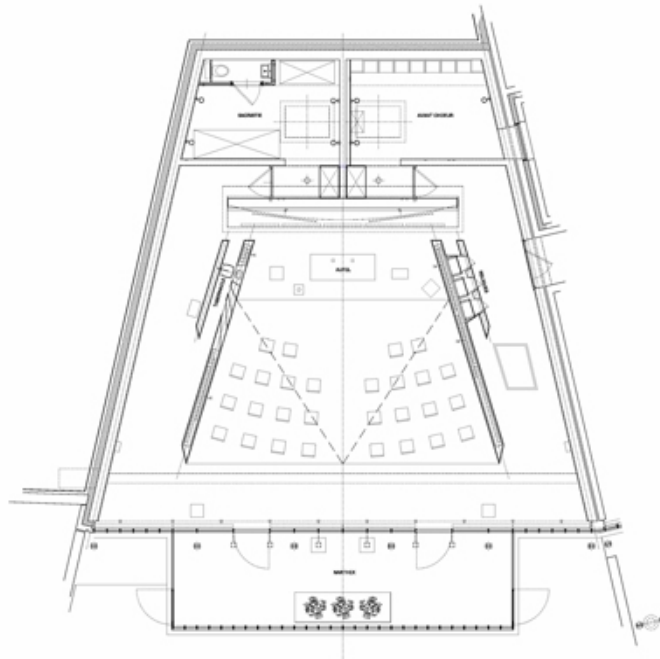
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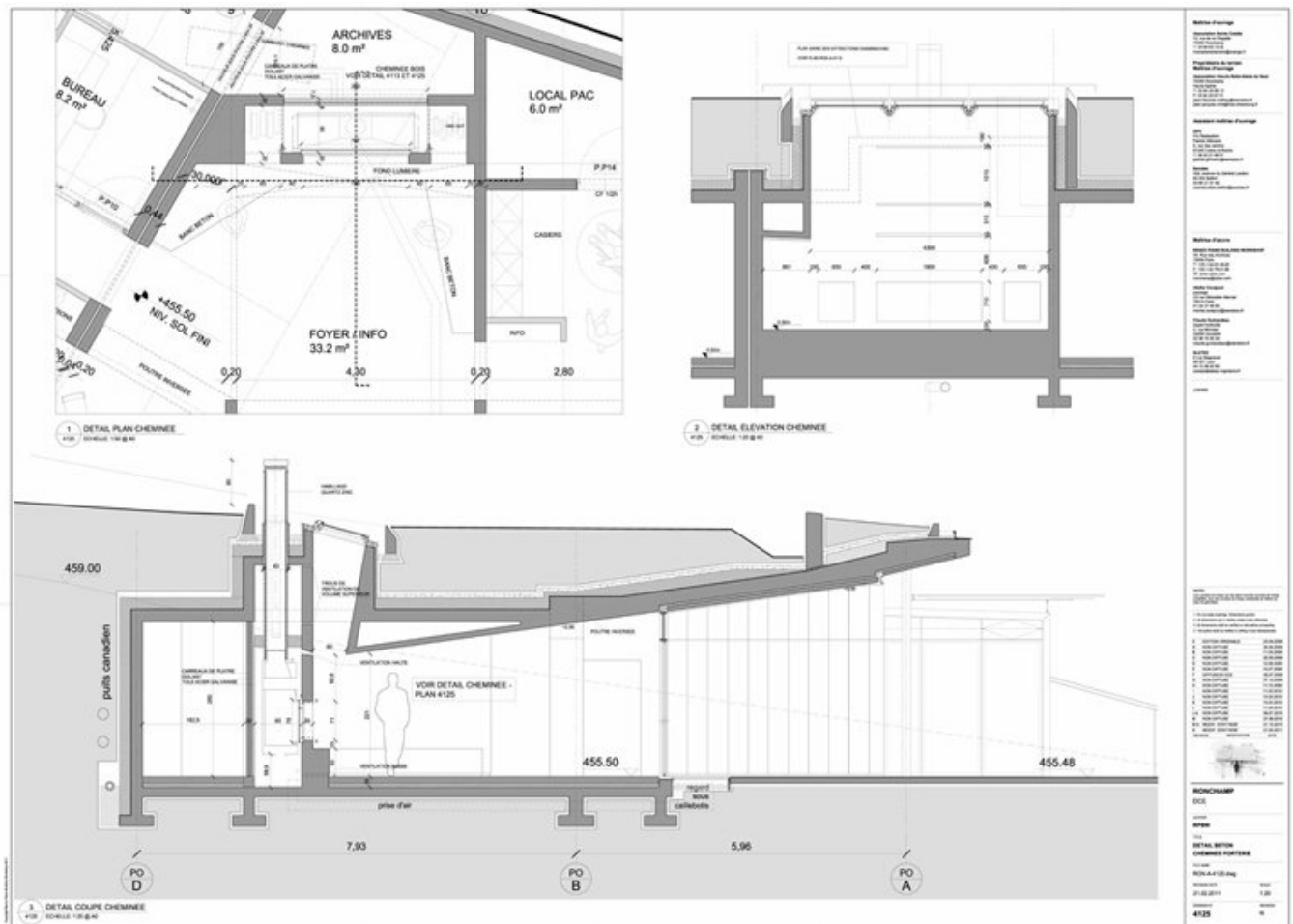
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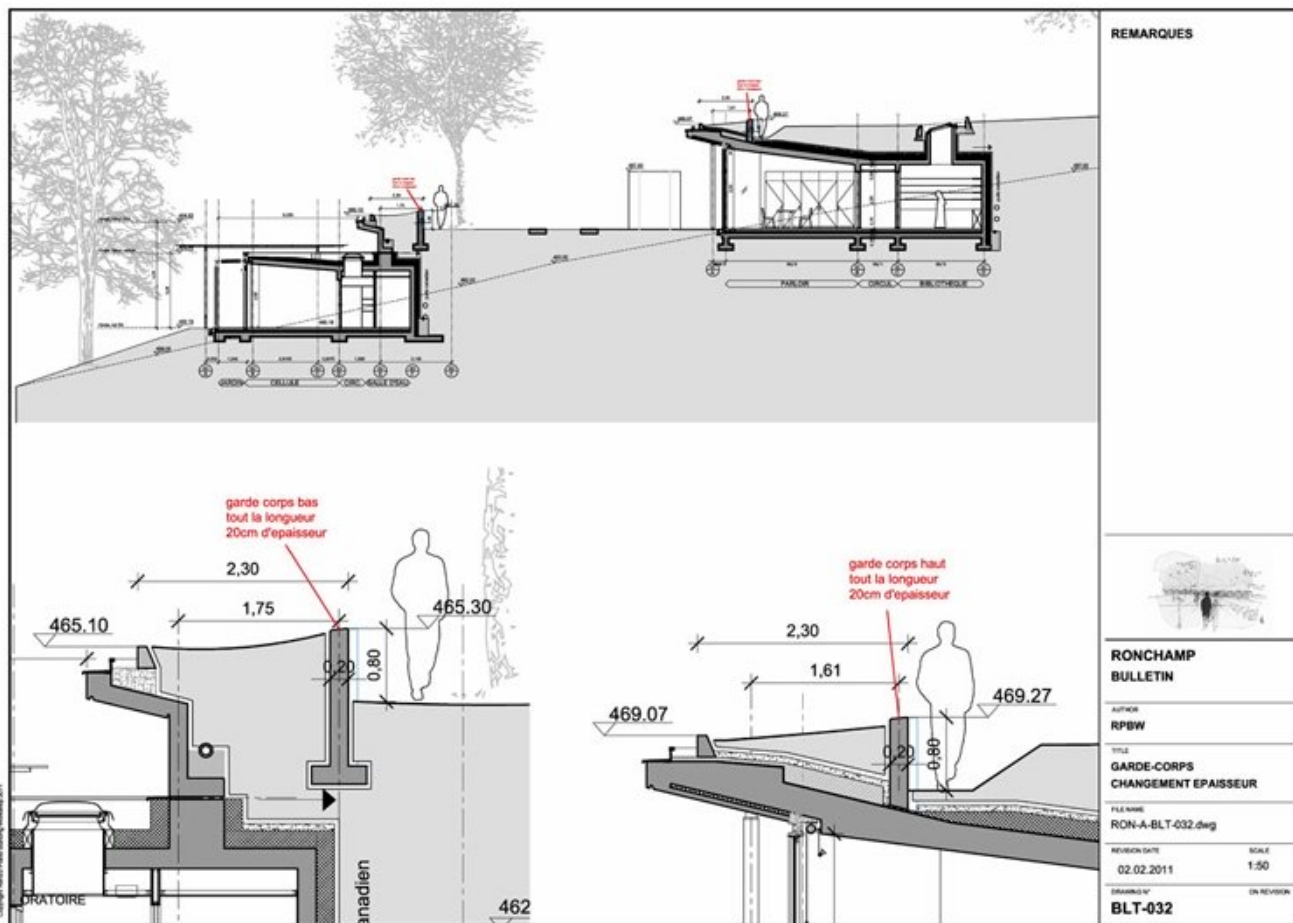
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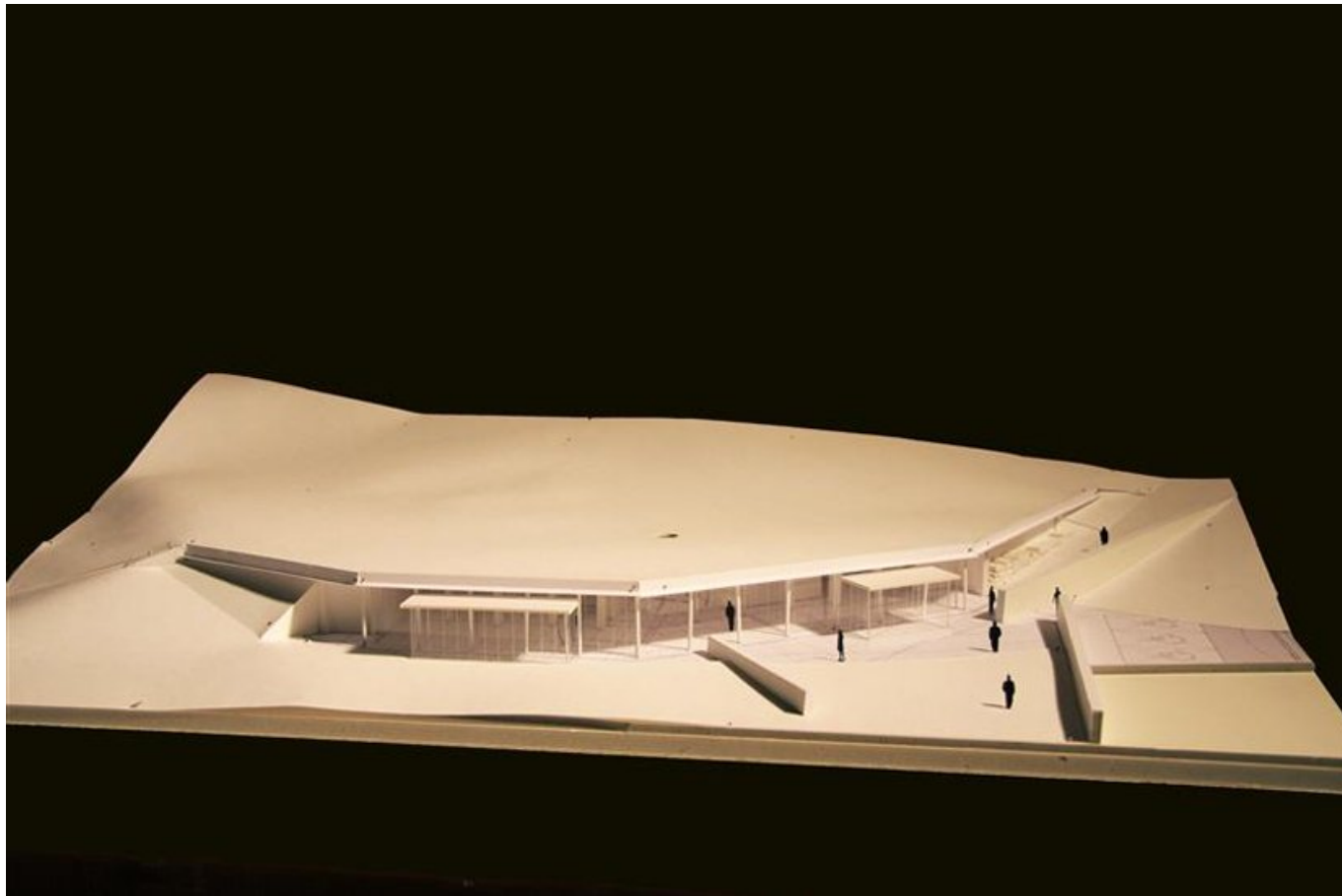


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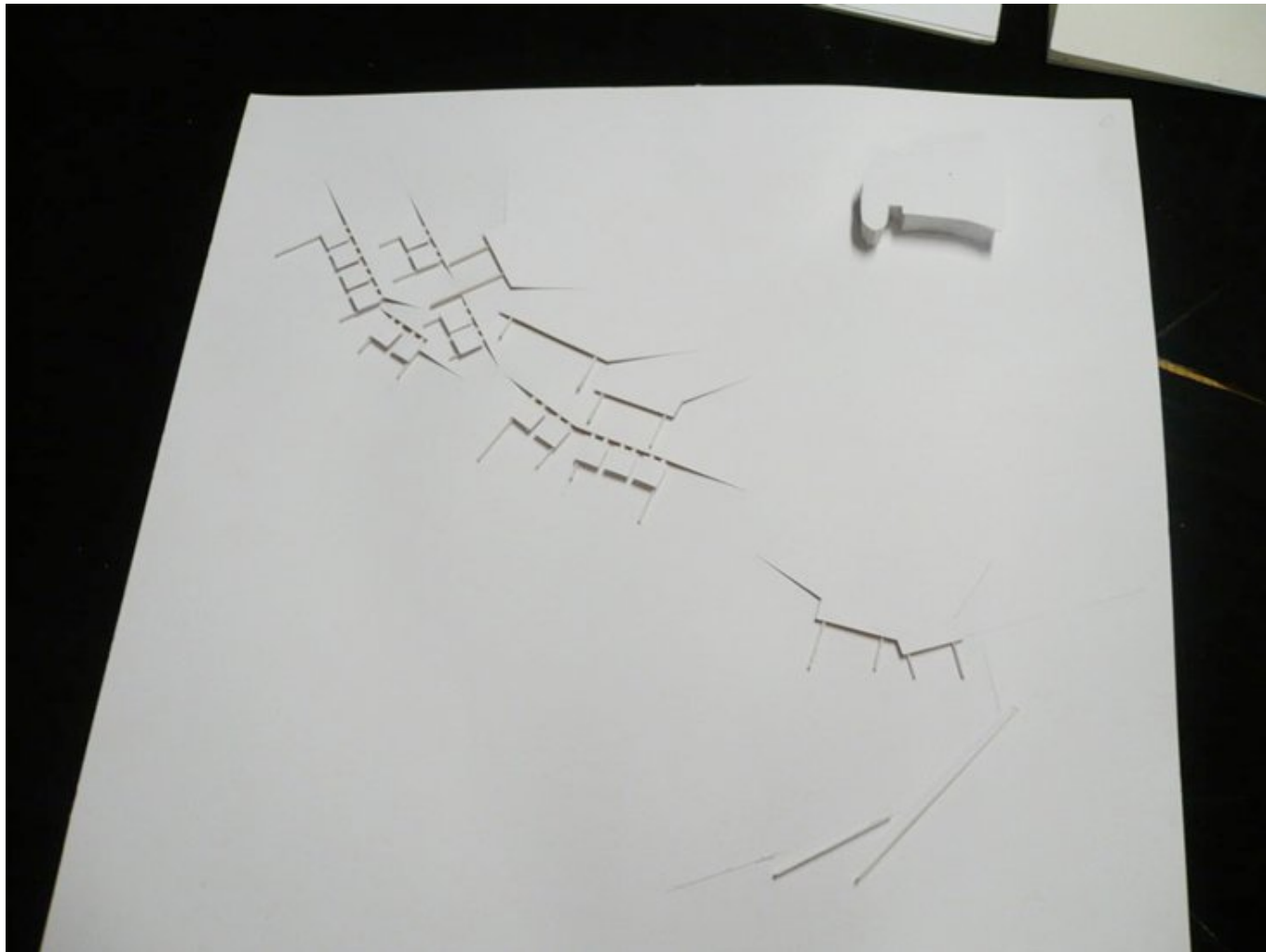
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