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The Challenge

The citadel of Sighisoara was first fortified in the 14th century. The defensive wall was nearly 1km long and its initial height was about 4m, it was raised by another 3-4m a hundred years later. The citadel had 14 towers and 4 bastions, 9 of the original towers and 3 bastions still stand. The most representative is the Clock Tower, 64m tall. In the Middle Ages, the towers served to oversee potential invaders, but also served as a ratio for the "Burg" skyline, as a connection between sky and earth.

The theme of the short project entices the imagination of a contemporary tower, with the role of tourist observation, as well as marking a symbolic axis on a hill in front of the fortress (Dealul Garii). The proposed height will be between 30-45m.

Other associated functions will be:

- The exhibition trail of the history of the place and area
- A small conference room for 30-50 people
- Access Hall, information point, toilets

This functional spatial mix is the argument of the framework theme of the 1st semester of year 4. The major challenge of this project will be the association of the symbolic (venustasian) with the structural (firmitas) and the utility (utilitas).

Located in a glade at the top of the hill, the tower will replace the current metal structure present in the images (the antenna) measuring 18m in height (an important element for the reference to the proportion of the future tower in relation to the surrounding hardwood forest), or in a place in the immediate vicinity.

The proposed structure will be wood (classical sections, lamellar wood or CLT), metal or metal and wood. The access of the tower will be positioned at its base (ground level or semi-basement / basement), the platform or platforms at the top of the tower will be accessed through a staircase and a lift. The platform(s) from the top of the tower will have between 25-40 sqm, from that level being possible to observe the old citadel, but also the environs of the town. The tower can be covered or not in relation with each project scenario. The facades, the "skin" of the building, can have an open structure; Wind and water-proof are not mandatory requirements.

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This volume brings together the projects of 4th year students of the international group from UAUIM. The theme of the short project in the semester 1/2018 was related to the use of a special structure for an architectural object having a symbolic character for the chosen place (Train Station Hill of Sighisoara) but also utilitarian, that of belvedere-observation point to the medieval citadel.

The site visit, the communication with the local public administration (mayor, chief architect) but also with the owner of the place were opportunities to take the interdisciplinary "pulse" of architecture and to understand the real dimension of the process of materialization of architecture. The trip made with the whole group, with students from 7 different countries, aimed to familiarize the group with the Transylvanian rural and urban culture but also to generate bonds within the group.

The presented projects contain the analysis of the context, the architectural proposals in the context of the chosen structure, photos after models or 3d renderings as well as the narrative description of the approach.



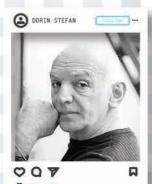


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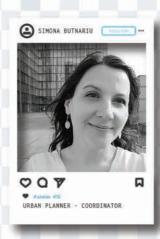










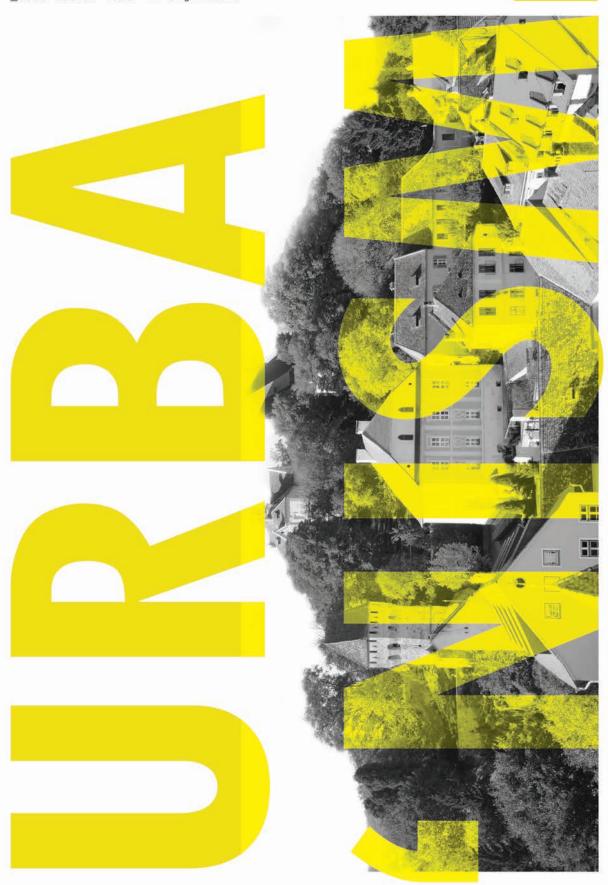




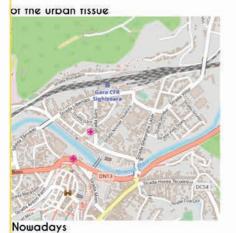
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18th century



9th century before the war



19th century after the war



the medieval urban tissue

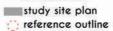


the industrial urban tissue



the traditional urban tissue







the communist urban tissue



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Visibility Study Photografic documentation

Visibility of the town

The 2 peak points of Signitoara are sloping down from the Old Cita del through industrial buildings, social housing parks, rail ways and rural houses all the way up to roundings.

The town seems divided by the stream of rail lines and the river, but the rive is easily passed over by a few bridges stratogically placed for the city to be tion. The sail lines on the other hand are pressed over only at the beginning and the end of the house on the hill



in the Old Citadel, there i a mus of styles, but all of ing. They may be different portions are the same, the comice is at the same level, and the perspective of the streets seem more clear and easy to compre

Landmarks

The visibility points; the landmarks which are visible from everywhere, and from which you can see pused in several ways. either a top of a hill, an observation tower, a church, river banks, or some blocks of flats Visibility Points

The Villa Franka terrace has a wide view of the town through a cleaning the dense forest.

The riverbanks are clear of any crowdness and every where you look near then view over the surrounding

the social housing are tall enough to see the above houses nearby and more

meter high, and has a 360 degrees view over any making it the most notat







ble in Sighispara are Ba roque and Saxon, which are both derivatives of the mix that is spread all over town. The transition mostly because the houses have the same











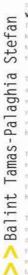


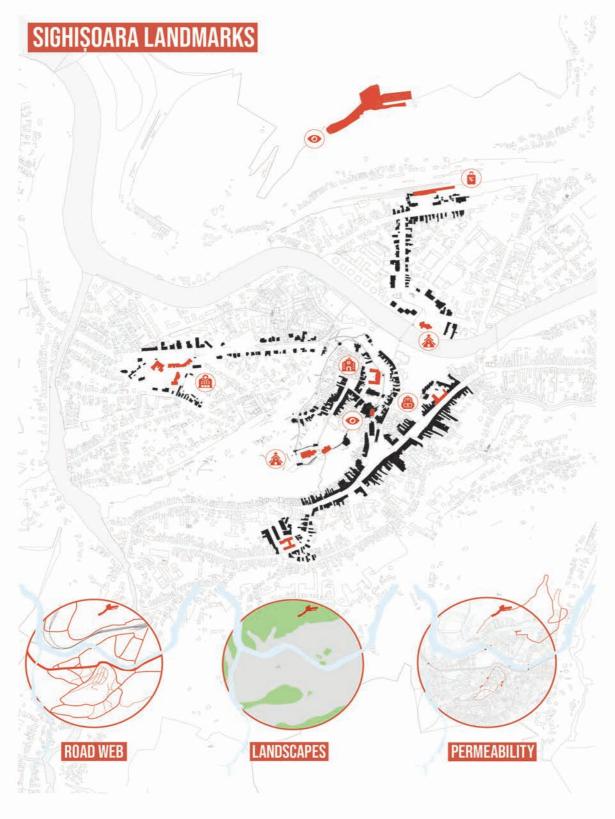














First recorded in scripts in 1280, the city was built as a strategic point by the hungarian kingdom for defending the new borders. The area was colonised by saxons which developed the city in an important administrative and commercial center.

The city evolved from the current historical center towards the current outskirts. The citadel's houses are very dense built, occupying most of the plot. The lower city is described by narrow and long plots, with houses built alligned to the street front, creating a very strong limit between private and public space.

The ourskirts were used for agriculture and animal growing, land which later evolved in the current city. Starting with the 19th century, since the citadel lost its defensive role, the outskirts started to be built more, following a new type of architecture and urbanistic language, different from the old one.



being placed between the hills in a valley made by Tamava Mare, Sighisoara evolved from the start according to the natural limits.

As years passed by, human – made limits were created according to the already existing ones, until the second holf of the 20th century.

Starting with the 50's, the already exhisting fobric didn't represent a problem in the evolving process.



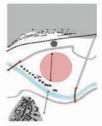
In terms of natural limits, we can find hills and a river. This two limits represent a starting point for

the future development of the city.

As the city develops, this limits are creating a break between the old town and the new one (after 18th century).



According to the built period, three built limits can be found: the old fortress, 19th century development under the hill and communist block of flats next to the river.



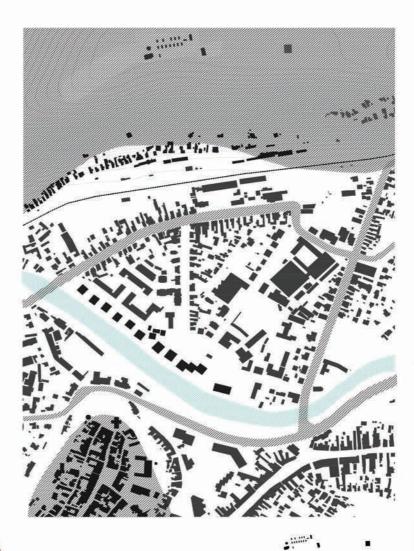
Infrastructure evolved according to the natural limits, becoming in the end a limit Itself, together with the build space.



A limit can be obtained also through architectural programs. In order to function properly, this program limit must take in consideration the main architectural program of an area, in our case,

architectural program of an unex, in de-housing.

Because of the needs of a programe, a build-ing obtains different proportions, proportions which can affect the circulation, behaviour, atmo-sphere of the specific area.





The citadel creates a good passing from what was built before the 19th/20th century and after. The architectural styles are changing, the proportions are changing and also some newer programs are appearing.



A bad example of spatial limit is the industrial area. Because of its built mass, building proportion, and programe, the industrial part breaks the neighborhood in two similar parts.



The Irain station creates a good limit between the forest and the built area. Even if a small part of housing units can be found after it, the station still represents a strong limit be-tween city and forest.





Overall aspects Accents / Over\Un\Built / Vegetation

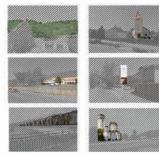
VOLUMETRIC ACCENTS

Several elements stend out of the general height regime as valumes, even though they represent either a row of blocks of flats, the pediment of the skurer in front of the train stalion or Villa Fraca if it is percieved as part of the hill.

PUNCTUAL ACCENTS

Projecting out of the urban tissue, vertical accents are important references within the

They anounce socred places (the bell-towers of the churches) as the economical engine of the town(the factory).



Valumetric accents

Punctual accents

UNBUILT SPACES

Semnificative unbuilt spaces can be identified In the proximity of important buildings and areas. They lack a propper configuration of the public space or even a basic design of the infrastructure

OVER-BUILT AREAS

The high masivity and density of the factories is in contradiction with the defragmented and permeable housing units. It creates a disfunctionality at the the level of perceving the built labric.



Over-built areas





Unbuilt areas



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UNPLANTED AREAS

FOREST CLADES UNUSED V.

GARDENS PUBLIC V. PARKS

VEGETATION STUDY.

The scheme presents different types of green areas, prevealing the private gardens of the rural typology, the public greeneries surrounding public institutions or collective housing and the natural element, the forest, if these components have a certain logic in placement, following the terrain and the proximity to the old town, the unbuilt spaces desturb this order, creating cavities within the fabric.



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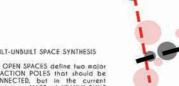


COMMON-USE GREEN AREAS

COMMON-USE GIREN AREAS
Public greed areas are valuable elements of the vegetation study, as
they determine some points of interest for locals and turists. The
conection to the old town is marked by a promenade along the river,
the plazza in front of the church and a public part, one part of a
bigger scheme of urbanisation of the area.

On the path towards the natural component of the analysis, the forest,

the public greenereies become more and more scathered



BUILT-UNBUILT SPACE SYNTHESIS

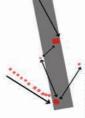
The OPEN SPACES define two major AFRACTION POLES that should be CONNECTED, but in the current situation o MASS of HEAVLY BUILT VOLUMES IS DESRUPTING I. UNBUILT AREAS can be REDESIGNED or gain a purpose by adding a new FUNCTION.

proposing new functions there.



ACCENTS SYNTHESIS

The ACCENTS define different PATHS used to ORIENTATE within the area.
The TOWERING ones, the church
and the railway station, working
together with villa Franka, together with villa Franka, generates an AXIS of perception. It may be useful for further DEVELOPMENT as it SIGNALS the presence of the most important elements.



VEGETATION SYNTHESIS

The existing PUBLIC GREEN AREAS have the potential to define a PROMENADE that CONNECTS the lold town with the rollway station and the forest if a better design is proposed. The UN-USED TERRAIN can be REPURPOSED by integratin it into the wipon scheme.



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The study area represents an addition to the old town, comprising of key elements to its developement. The old, traditional fabric is moddified by industrial additions, as well as collective housing from the 60's and 70's.

collective housing from the 60's and 70's.

Regarding the functional zaning, there can
be noticed three main poles: the accessibility
(train-station and bus-station), the social
(police station, school, church) and industry
(factories). They coexist with other additional
amenities, such as shops, sport centres and
deposits, but also to a few accomodation
units and some restourants.

The housing intermingle between them, creating a system that is able to self-sustain, but which is also dependent to the old town, which adds the turistic component, amenities, such as shops, sport centres and deposits, but also to a few accompation units and some restaurants.



This functional zoning reveals the development of the area trough different periods, of time as the industry is now placed between a main acces to the town and the old centre.

STREET TYPOLOGIES

The high most vity and density of the factories is in contradiction with the defragmented and permeable housing units. It creates a disfunctionality at the five level of perceving the built fabric.

FRONT TYPOLOGIES

Semnificative unbuilt spaces can be identified in the proximity of important buildings and areas. They lack a propper configuration of the public space or even a basic connfiguration of the infrastructure



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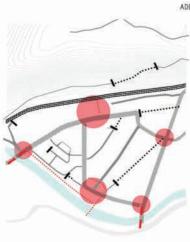




INCOHERENT

CIRRCULATION

Theof the studdled area's infrastructure is heavly infuenced by the proximity to the river and the railway. This implies the presence of 2 bridges to connect the separeted areas. It must be noticed the incoherence of the network, as many roads stop in dead ends, even though they seem to have been planed after a certain logic. However, in the current situation, the railway station is hard to be accessed, from both directions. The intersections of the roads, in particular the one close to the train station and the one next to Saint Trinity Church are important nodes of communication. In these areas different types of circulation are brought together, implying the importance of their connection not help between them, but both the lown and territory. The poor condition of the infrastructure is a disadvantage of the area.



HOUSING ACCOMODATION SHOPS AND DEPOSITS CULT TRANSPORTATION INDUSTRY SPORTS HEALTH EDUCATION ADDMINISTRATION:

PERSPECTIVE TYPOLOGIES

The build volumes lining the streets generates different perspevitives, occording to their height massivity, defragmentation. The traditional fabric is identified by the rithm of the houses and the permeability given by the fragmented front, sustaining a choerent image of the charidor stret. In the industrialised area is generated a "wall" of built volume, the factories, which narrows the perspective, being in contrast with the vecinities. The blocks of flats flanking the road tightens the space because of their proportion in relation with the environment is almost important profile. In this situation the environment is almost important profile in this struction with the space because of their proportion in relation with the environment is almost important profile.





TUNNEL CONSTRAINT



ORDER TRADITIONAL





1. PERSPECTIVE PROM THE OLD TOWN From the citodel if is WELL PERCIEVED the PRESENCE of the MIL VIbil Forman and the thirty observation tower will act as ATRACTORS to the area. They will INDICATE the TOWNSTIC POTENTIAL of the hill.





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3.PERSPECTIVE PROM THE CHURCH The CHURCH represents a valuable mean to ORIENTATE within the area because the presence of the TREES and the wall of BIOCKS of Pair BOSTRUCT the view otherwise Housevis the presence BELLTOWER provided the PRESENCE of the PLAZEA and the BRIDGE in the urban context.



A PERSPECTIVE PROM THE INTERSECTION
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and the foliated on occess to the relative station is on important place in the context thinks a good PERSPECTIVE
towards the site and has the POTENTIAL TO CONNECT the
paths. If must BE ACCENTUATED in order to be used as an orientation ensiter.





SPERSPECTIVE PROM THE TRAIN STATION. This is the closest point to the forest where both cross of INTEREST or sail VISIBLE. In addition, this is the FIRST place of INTERACTION with the town for sony toursals, therefore if should accentuate the fourtistic ATRACTIONS.



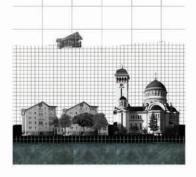


6.PERSPECTIVE ALONG THE RAILWAYS

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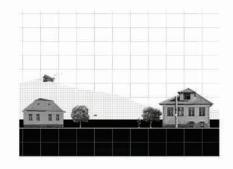
7.PERSPECTIVE TOWARDS THE CITADEL

The terroce of vika Franka is offering a great BELE-VIEW as it opens itself towards the OLD TOWN. From this point is possible to OVERLOOK the studied area as well, so the PATH connecting the two gatractions should be WELL DETHED and VISIBLE from this point.













6. Bike rental + Park + Bridge







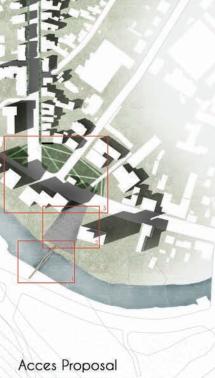
3. Park at the street junction



2. Square in front of the church



1. Bridge across Tamava Mare river



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After the analysis, a series of problems appeared, the main one being the acces towards the train station, together with the acces from the train station to Villa Franka's site. The car acces, even if it has built quality problems, is solved, proposal seeks to create a better occes for the pedestrians. We proposed a new pedestrian bridge across the river (1) that goes towards the churches plaza (2). After that, the next point is a park (3). Today, that park/area is unstructured, so we proposed a new design with new urban furniture.

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The next point is a bus stop (4) which should facilitate both pedestrians or disobled people.

Since in front of the triain station there is a poorly designed square, we proposed another design to it (5). Another proposed is a bite rental service together with shops and a bridge across the train rails (6). From this point, the link with the site is done through both bike poths and a pedestrian path, with statis where possibe.

Morphology Study



Site
Housing
Collective Housing
Religious
Public Transport
Public Administration
Commercial
Industrial
Accommodation
Spatial Limits
Car Connection
Pedestrian Connection
Landmarks
Study Area

The chosen area to study is easily divided by 3 major limits: Railway, River and Wall. Different relationships develop in-between each limit with different outcomes and future development opportunities.

Functional zoning scheme showcases the proximity of industrial areas with regards to residential areas, on of the major disfunction of the area, also linked with the fact that the area is in the outskirts of the city. Another reason could be that usually railways are connected in some way to an industrial area, and due to small size of the city these zones overlap.

New urban fabric from the socialist period pierces the preserved transilvanian burg, and generates spatial disfunctions and of perception of space.



On the hill, with little to no accessibility, surrounded by forest, only visual connection

Semi-Isolated

Still placed on the hill, but closer to the outskirts, only separated by the railway.

Exposed

No spatial limits with regards to the site, opened on all sides and having a lower altitude with great visibility.



Urban Fabric

Old urban fabric present in the studied area. Continuous or fragmented street fronts, long and narrow plots are characteristic to the transylvanian burg.

New urban fabric generated by demolishing and joining empty plots. Utilised mainly for industrial areas or new type of social collective housing



Urban Voids

Squares, piazzas, unused areas form a trail that can be exploited and used or reused in order to connect and reconnect important landmarks of the city. Visual connections must be established first so that the trail should be sensed.

Vertical accents and landmarks establish this connection, although most of them are cluttered inside the citadel, and empty areas are randomly scattered across the studied area.

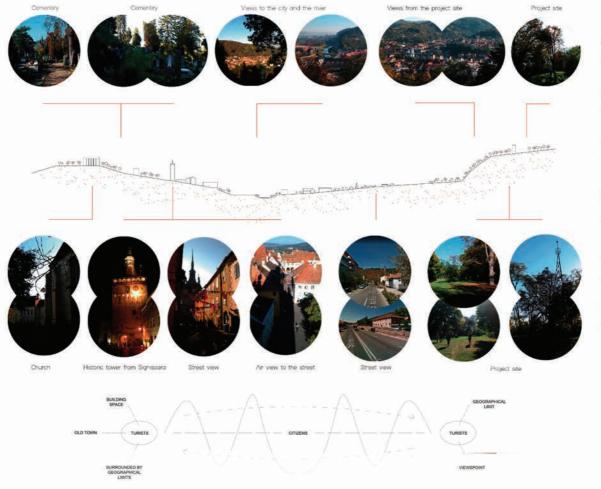


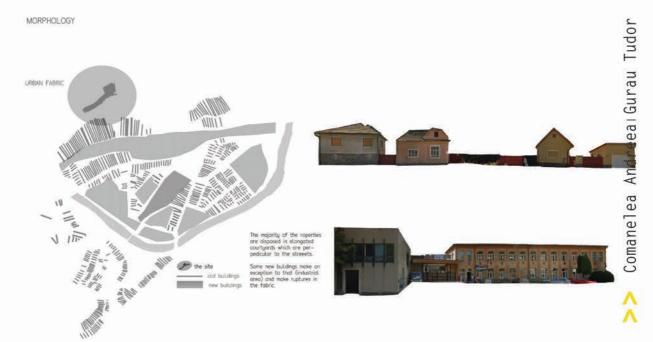
Density

Urban Density across the studied area is heterogenous. Inside the citadel we have a heavliy densified urban fabric with many in-between spaces, a very osmotic transition from public to private.

Going north the density decraeses, due to high social collective housing that generate urban voids in order to enlarge the public space and the 'common' idea of the socialist and later-communist.

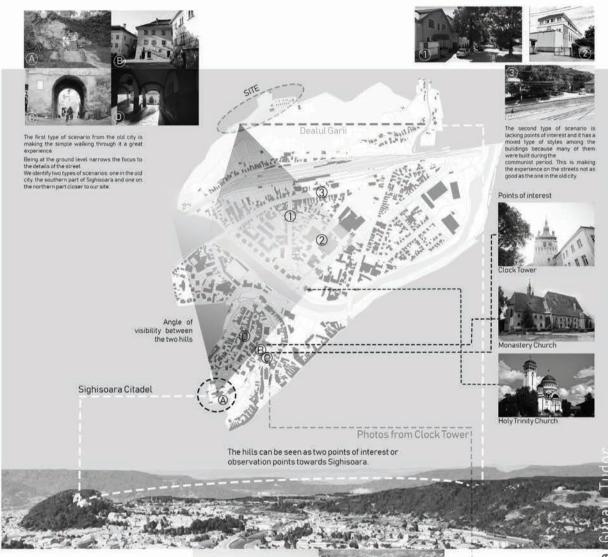
At the base of the hill the density is very lower, emphasizing the agricultural plot.





VISIBILITY STUDY

Atmosphere from eye level

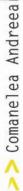


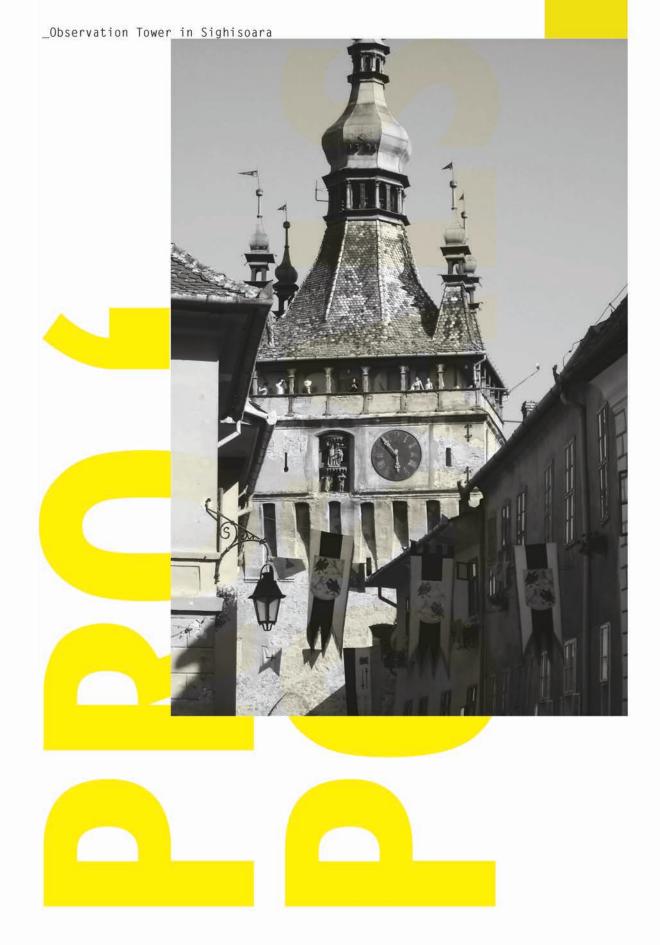
Atmosphere from above

The Citadel and it's surroundings and
also the northern part of the city
over the Tarnava River, can be seen
well from Clock Tower

This type of tower can be seen as a
point of connection between the two
hilts.











The idea was to work on a circular plan, to have the base of the structure in the middle that springs toward the perimeter of the circle. In the middle where the elevator shaft is that is the so-called "Oculus" of the tower. Getting in the elevator and going up to the last floor is not just a spatial journey, but also a visual one. The tower is based on transparency and the interior is filled with the shadows of the outer structure that covers the tower, so it is truly a visual treat to travel in the oculus and reach the top of the tower where a wide panoramic view awaits toward the city of Sighisoara and its surroundings. The basement gives home to the necessary functions and also the exhibition area which is a circular shape with an oculus on the top, creating visual connection with the surface and letting light inside. Because of the clever spatial arrangement, through the oculus of the exhibition area, the top of the tower can be seen, thus a visual connection between the highest and lowest points of the project is established.

Intenția mea a fost să lucrez pe un plan circular, în care structura principala e pe mijlocul acestora, și aceasta structură se extinde spre perimetru. În miezul turnului, unde se află putul liftului, este așa-numit "Oculus". Ajungând la ultimul etaj cu ascensorul, nu este doar o călătorie spațială, dar și una vizuală. Turnul este bazat pe transparență și interiorul este plin de umbre generate de structura externă, care acoperă turnul deoarece este un tratament vizual să ajungi până la ultimul etaj în Oculus, unde te așteapă o vedere panoramică extraordinară către orașul Sighișoara și împrejurimile lui. În subsol sunt spațiile necesare a proiectului, inclusiv spațiul de expoziție, care are o forma circulară, având un oculus deasupra, creând racordul vizual cu suprafața și lăsând lumina înăuntru. Din cauza aranjării spatiale pregândite. prin oculusul din spațiul de expoziție, partea de sus sau vârful turnului este vizibil, deoarece o relația vizuală este stabilită între punctul cel mai înalt și cel mai jos al proiectului.



Exterior and Interior renderings

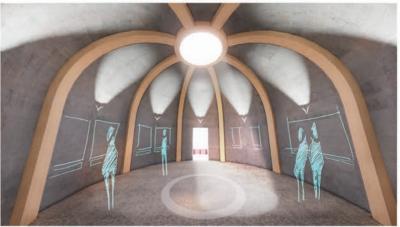


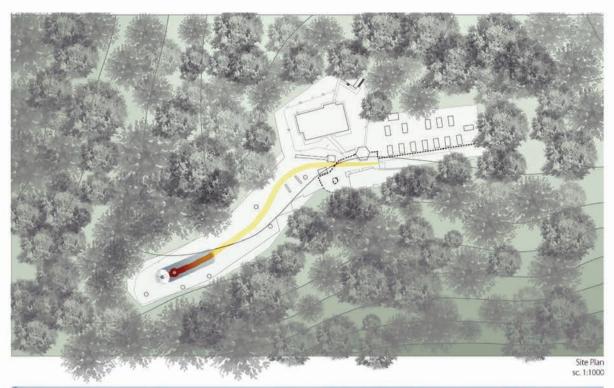




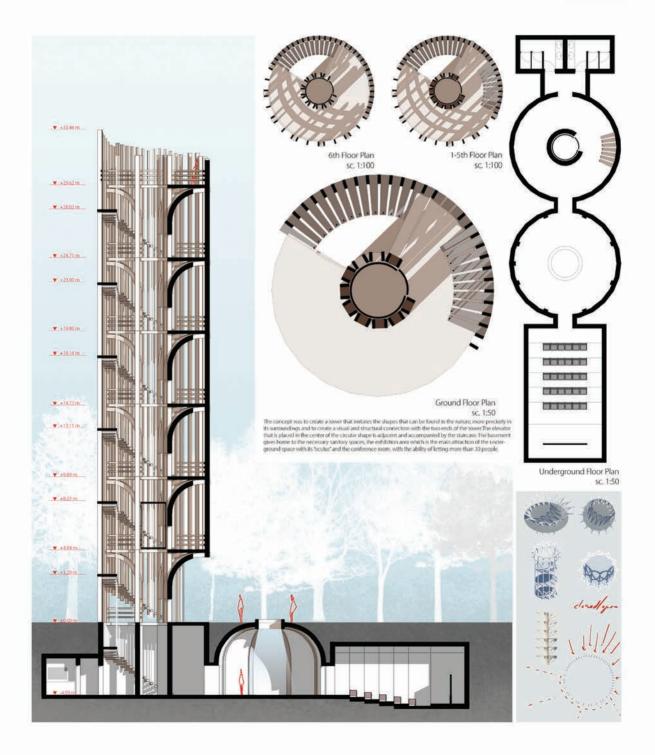


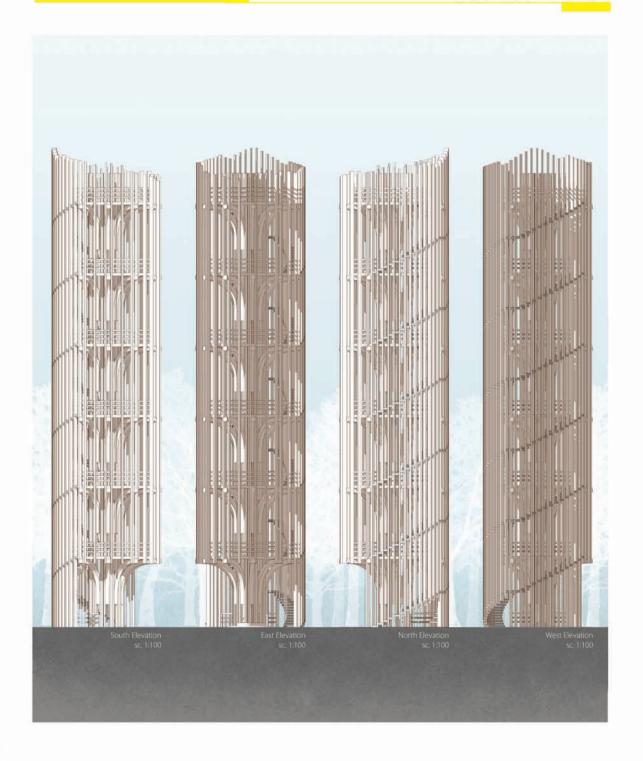








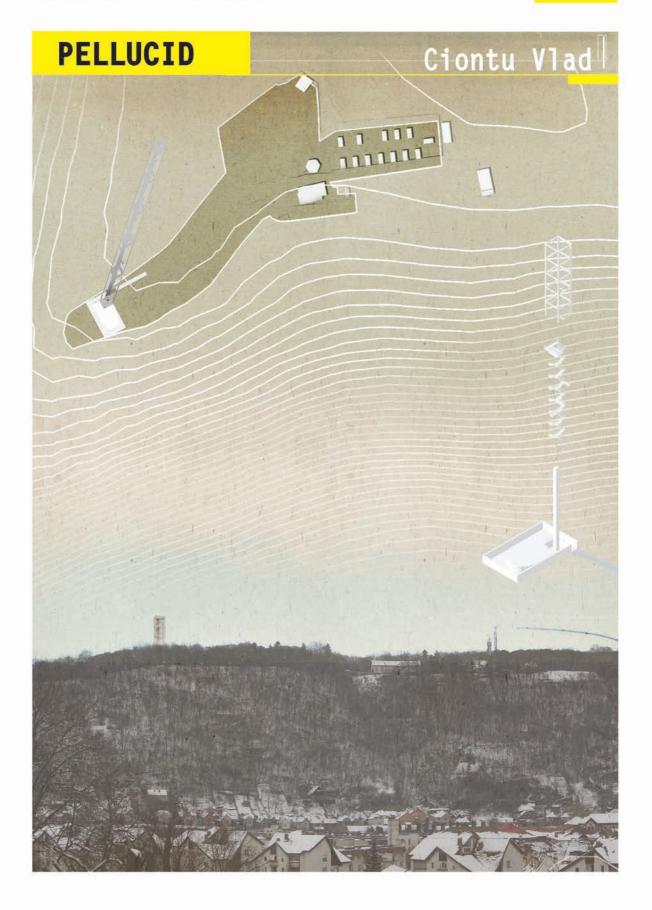






PELLUCID TOWER

Studying and observing the old bastions of Sighisoara's Citadel walls, the goal of the project was to generate an antithesis, by creating an observation tower that would be as transparent as possible, hence the name ,Pellucid'. Derived from the latin 'perluthe name ,Pellucid'. Derived from the latin 'perlucere', it means 'something through which light passes through or shines through'. The access to the tower is done through a platform that sunkens the user into a linear space which surrounds the tower. The underground is comprised of a conference hall that can be used as an exposition pavilion, technical spaces, wet rooms and an info point with ticket office. In order to achieve the transparency mentioned, I chose to utilise steel structure, more precisely frame with continuous pillars, that would express simplicity. In addition, the structure features vertical steel rods that accentuate the axis mundi, which generate the skin of the tower, that projected on the sky, completely dissapears. The core of the tower is comprised of a steel structure for the elevator shaft that is plated with copper Cor Ten pannels that age in time, and a metal stair that wraps around the Cor Ten core. At certain hieghts, the stair is interrupted by elongated platforms that give rise to belvedere points towards Sighisoara from underneath the tree crowns, at the level of the tree crowns and above the tree crowns. The tallest platform is perched at the tip of the tower, allowing the user to enjoy the bella vista towards the historic city without interference from the vertical skin.







PELLUCID

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OBSCURA

As future architects, we are able to understand a city from its general image, but to an eye which is not trained, it's harder. We often look at a cities' panorama, but we don't observe its details and life. My proposal seeks to "educate" the viewer through a presentation of key images of a city before seeing its panorama.

For doing this, I proposed two camera obscuras placed 20m high above the sites level. In these rooms key areas and buildings are presented through a system of lenses and mirrors with written observations underneath.

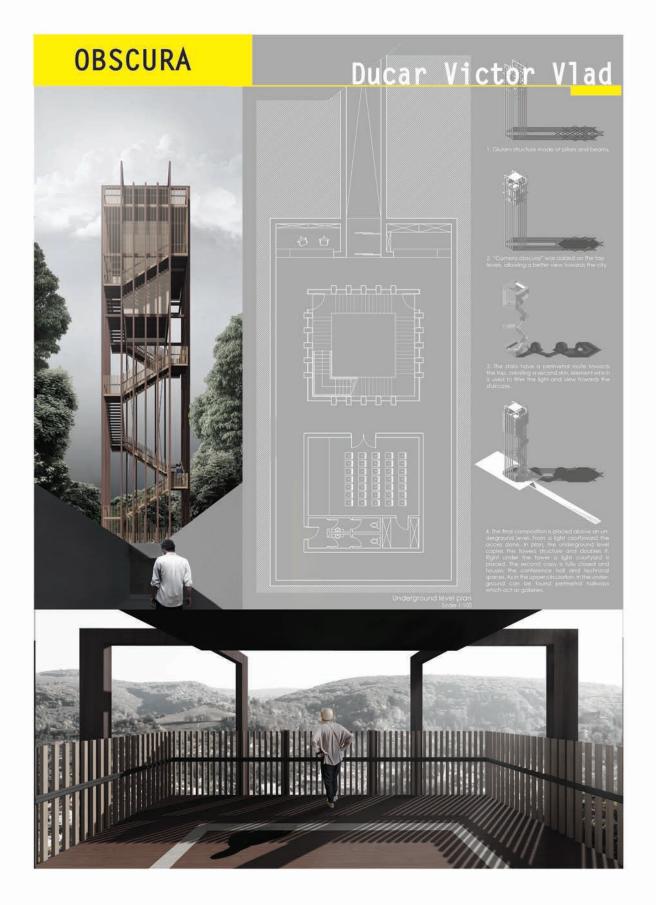
The upwards route starts from an interior courtyard placed at the underground level. For making the viewer to pay more attention to the images from the rooms, the route closes itself upwards from level to level with a ribbon of wooden batons placed at a small interax between themselves. When this ribbon reaches the box of rooms, it's hugging it and protecting it from the surrounding images and views.

The towers structure it's made out of Glulam (CLT) pillars and beams. Due to the volume/shape contrast between the structure and the box, the upper part seems to levitate above the forest when seen from the town.



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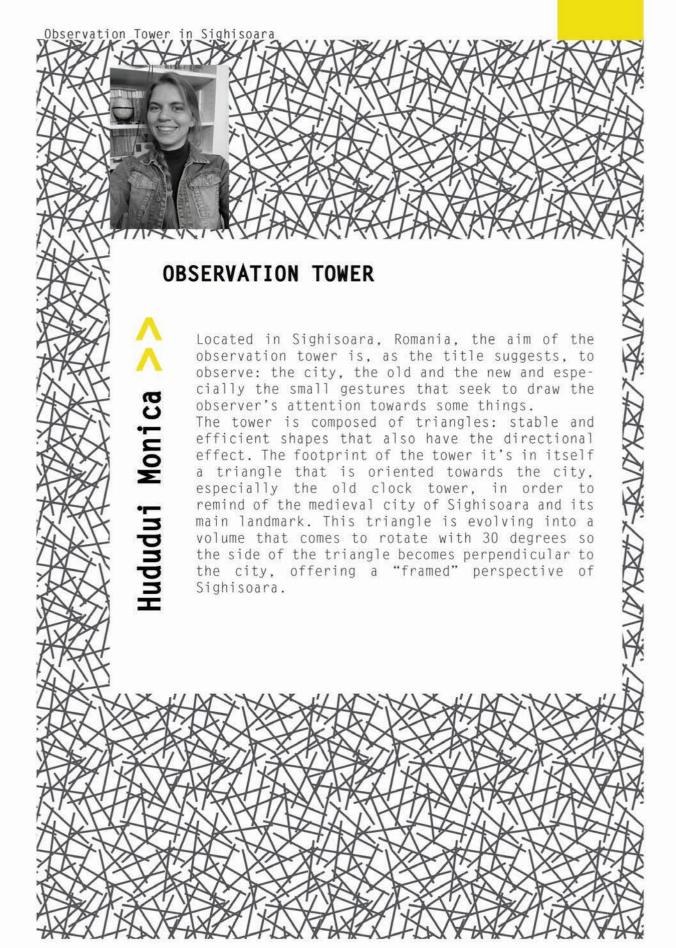
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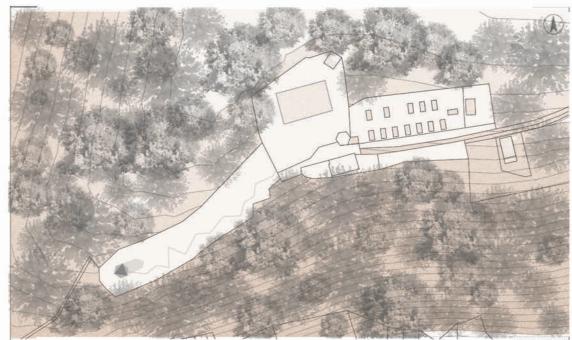






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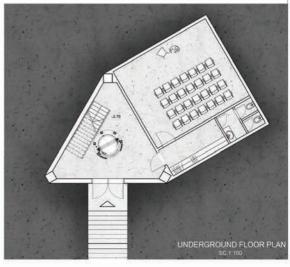


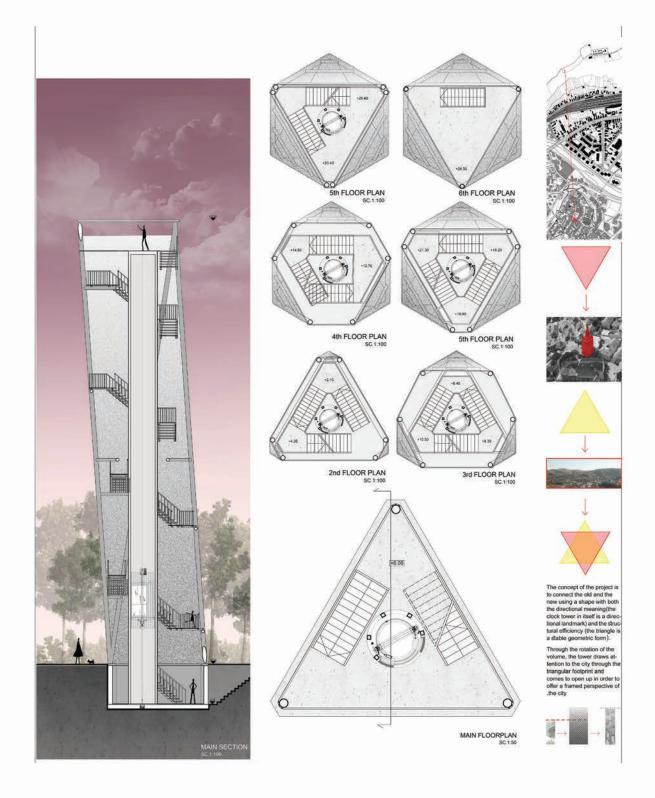
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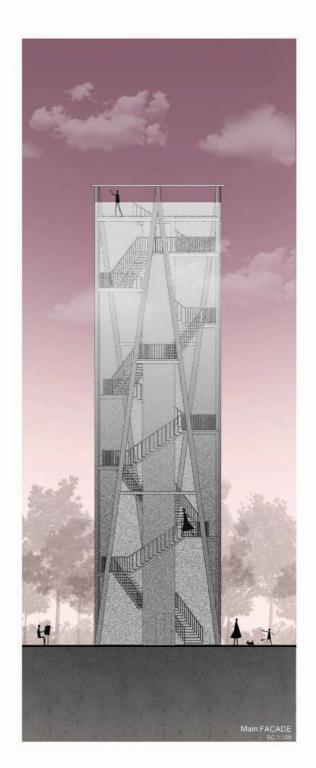












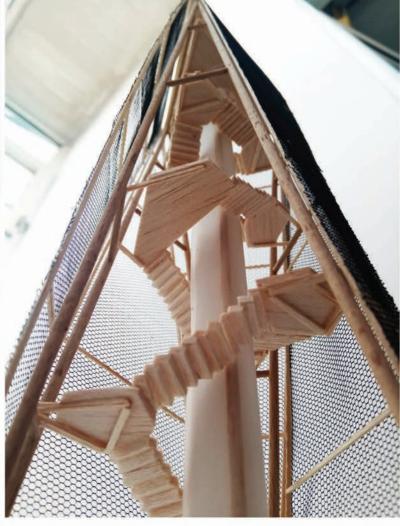
















Located in a narrow forest glade on one of the hills of Sighisoara, the project aimed to create an observation point from which the medieval city can be seen.

During the day, the slender figure of the tower creates a play of light, with its horizontal lines dissolving as the tower rises towards the sky. During the night, the core of the tower is lit, offering to the viewer the feeling of safety, as well as a landmark which can be observed from the city below.

Its inner structural core made of hollow structural steel columns and I-section steel beams is covered in a steel mesh. The exterior is built on the same principle, but, this time, covered with CLT planks.

The access in the tower is made through an underground level. This level, accessed through a ramp, shelters an info point, a conference room and a small exhibition hall.

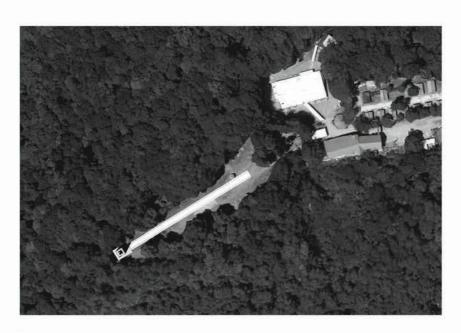
Situat într-un luminiş îngust, pe unul din dealurile Sighisoarei, proiectul a urmărit crearea unui punct de observare din care să poată fi văzut orașul medieval și împrejurimile acestuia.

În timpul zilei, figura zveltă a turnului, acoperită de orizontale ce se dizolvă pe măsură ce acesta se înalță, creează un joc de lumină. În timpul nopții, centrul turnului este luminat, oferind spectatorului sentimentul de siguranță, precum și un reper ce poate fi observat din orașul aflat mai jos.

Miezul său structural, realizat din țevi din oțel cu secțiune pătrată și grinzi din oțel cu secțiune I, este acoperit într-o plasă din oțel. Exteriorul este construit pe același principiu, dar, de data aceasta, acoperit cu scânduri din lemn stratificat.

Intrarea în turn este realizată printr-un nivel subteran. Acest nivel, accesat printr-o rampă, adăpostește un punct de informare, o sală de conferințe și o mică sală de expoziții.

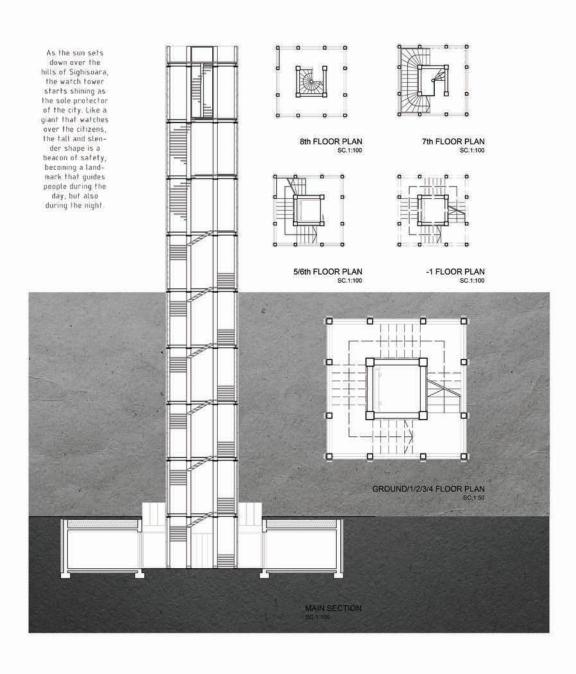
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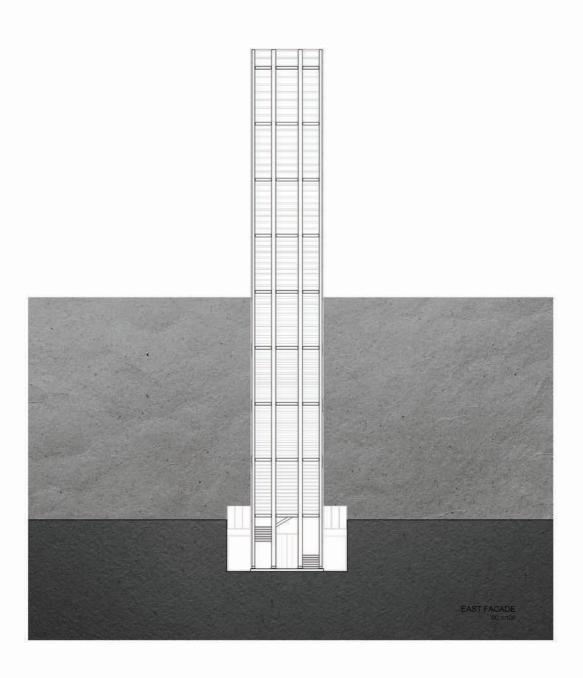
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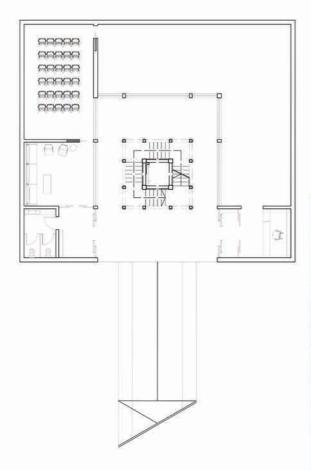


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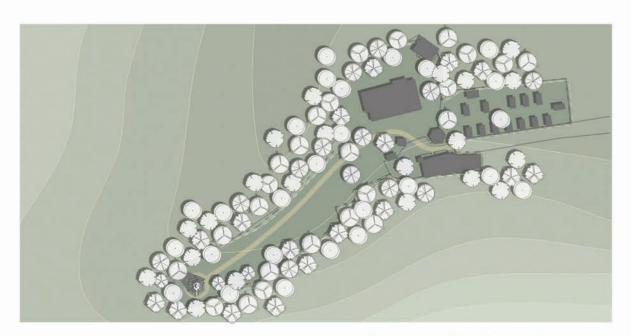


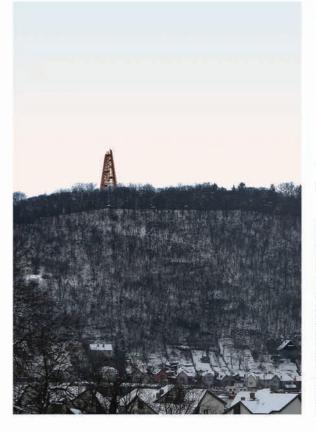
The idea behind the High Rise Arbo(u)r was to bring together the main elements in the very proximity of the site. These main sightlines are the forest, Sighisoara's city-scape and Villa Franka's domain. In order to bond the three coordinates without disturbing the essence of the clearing, I proposed a structure that has its roots in the very simple architectural representation of a tree. The structure grows narrower towards its last platform representing the observation point so that one would immediately be absorbed and captivated by this dynamic movement. The whole circulation is thought as a pathway that would allow people to leave behind the tectonic realm and orient themselves to the cosmic one.

By means of structure, the hole ensemble is conceived as an organism whose parts would be in a constant dialogue one to another. The very skin of it is detached from the structural core represented by the elevator shaft but it leans inside, seemingly neglecting the laws of nature. However, by means of platforms and beams, the hollow steel bars of the outer skin, are connected with the core making the structure stable and stiff. A prestressed steel mesh is further stabilizing the skin and keeps its vertical and horizontal parts together. Besides the two components of the structure, there is a third one that unites the whole composition: the stair. Conceived as a slower pace alternative to reach the observation point, the stair gradually shrinks to the top making the climber forget about the realm he leaves behind and aspire for the view on top. The platforms are strategically positioned to open towards specific parts of the main sightlines so that on his/her way up, one would constantly catch glimpses of the surrounding environment, but only on the top he/she would be give the chance to put all the pieces together and discover the bigger picture.

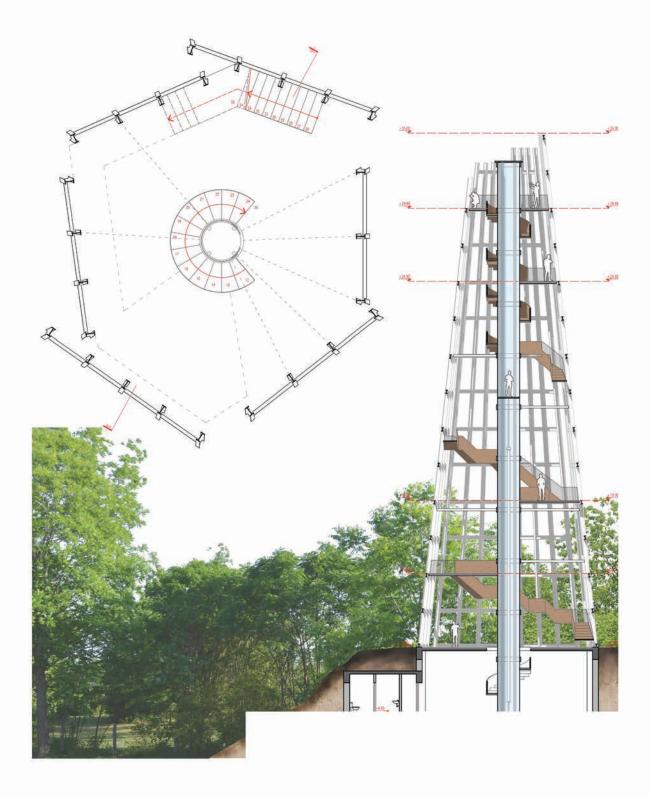
Although it looks robust at first, the entire ensemble is designed to resist the test of time and gradually be covered in ivy, so that over years the structure would become part of the hill as an articulation of it.

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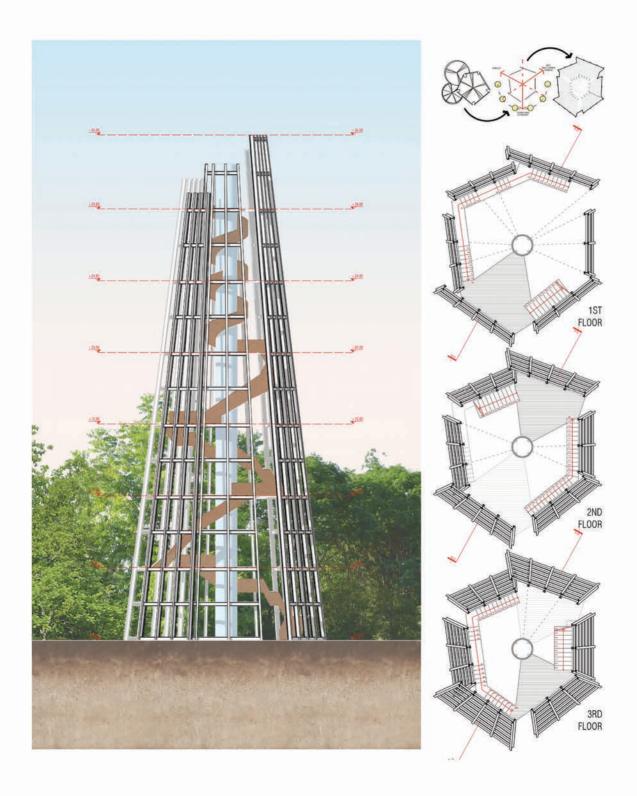




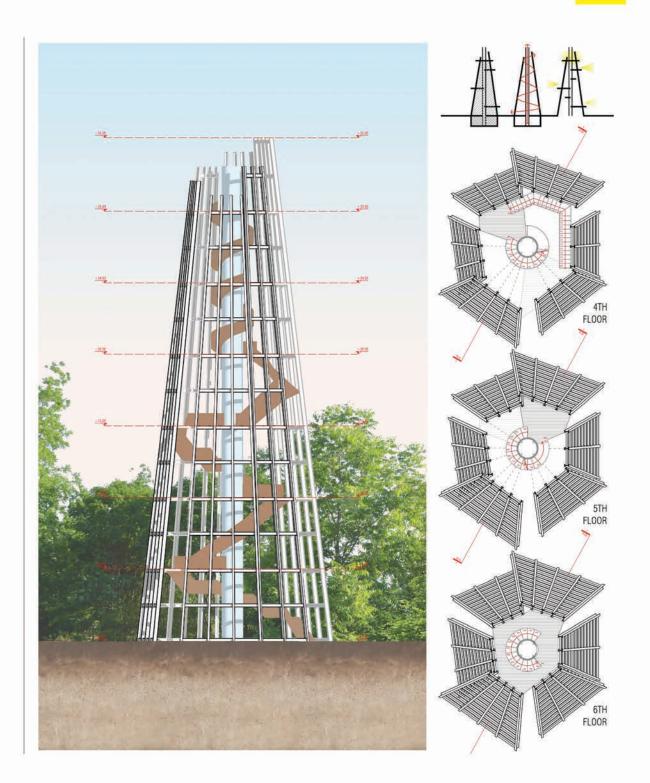




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PERSICOPE

After having a quick insight of Sighisoara and what it represents, the challenge was to build something remote from it, but at the same time have a strong connection to it. The terrain of Vila Franka is a clear, open and long path that ends with an electricity tower. That tower, having 18 meters, I noticed at the observation point that it just touched the tip of the trees. From this I discovered that I wanted to find a sensitive approach to the forest and just surpass its height with what's important. The observation point.

Of course a small balcony wouldn't have been enough, so I leaned towards a more horizontal view and came up with a rectangular transparent box that just touches the trees.

The circulation was something to be studied, but not dwelled upon too much. It had to be simple, familiar, a 'circulation core' and just a passage of light and people. So the transparency of a perforated mesh would give that light, but would not give total freedom of sight, not until you reach the top.

The structure was without too much thought put into it, a metal one, with a corten finish to age well in the nature and not be in the spotlight of the sun. The idea was to blend in with the trees, a branch for a beam, leaves for the mesh.

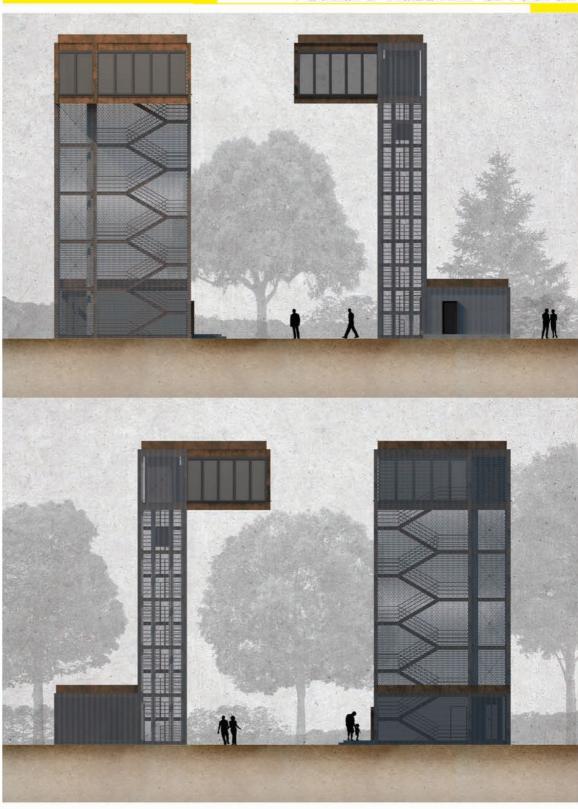
A shallow walk through a ravine of trees, left and right, nothing to see but grass, leaves and sky, the only desire would be to jump really high. A small peak did not seem enough, the break from green near the Vila Franka was short and not nearly enough to place yourself in the location of the Citadel of Sighisoara. A large periscope would be the answer, but this is just an understatement of the tower that would have a good view over the town.

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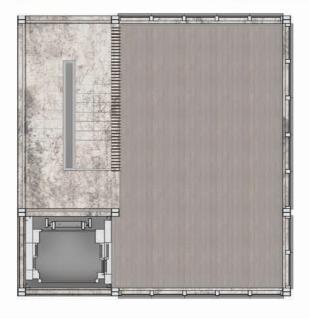
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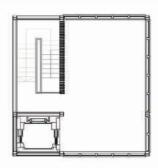


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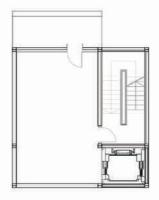




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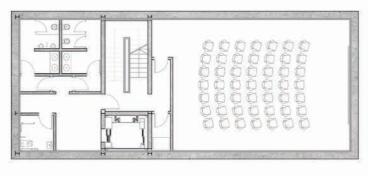




A path of light passing through

A combat exit





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DNA LOOK-OUT TOWER

A society that generally focuses on results tends to lose its sense of gradual emergence and for discoveries one can make during processes and journeys to a destination. As Confucius said: "Journey is the reward". It is not necessarily important to reach the top, but the enjoyment of the stages on the way up.

Starting from this idea, the project evolves around the concept of continuous flow, like the passing of time. The tower finds its formality in the DNA structure, the basis of evolution, a never-ending journey. Following this structural component, the tower consists of a pair of intertwining and interconnecting stairs with opposing flights. They join the environment with the multi-functional space at the basement and the observation platform at the top of the structure.

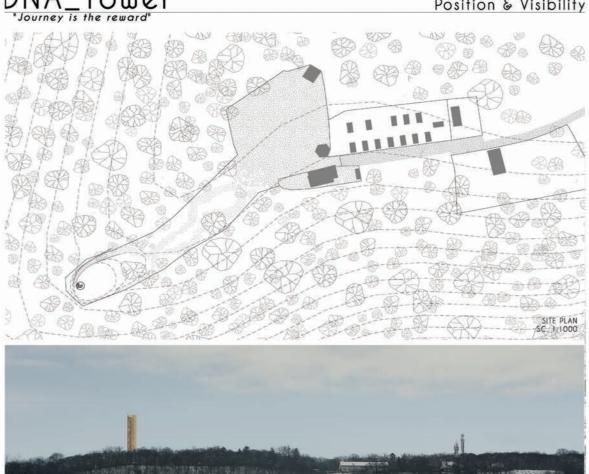
The pair of stairs creates an inverted helix that offers the possibility to experience the journey through the tower by revealing various perspectives towards the surroundings and relating to the visitors passing in the opposite directions. Thus, doubling the staircase imposes a continuous flow, enhancing the experience, as the way up will never be the same with the way down. The exterior shell is defined by GLT wooden blinding with a double function: they are part of the structural system, but also creates the scenography of the object, as they filter the light, creates shades, and reveal only partially the stairs to the exterior environment and the surroundings to the interior. This transparency emerges the tower into the synaesthesia of the forest.

In the end, the out-look platform hovering above the city is not the destination. It is just a mere stop, a respiro moment, where you can detach yourself from the hustle of the day because up there all treetops are still.

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Position & Visibility







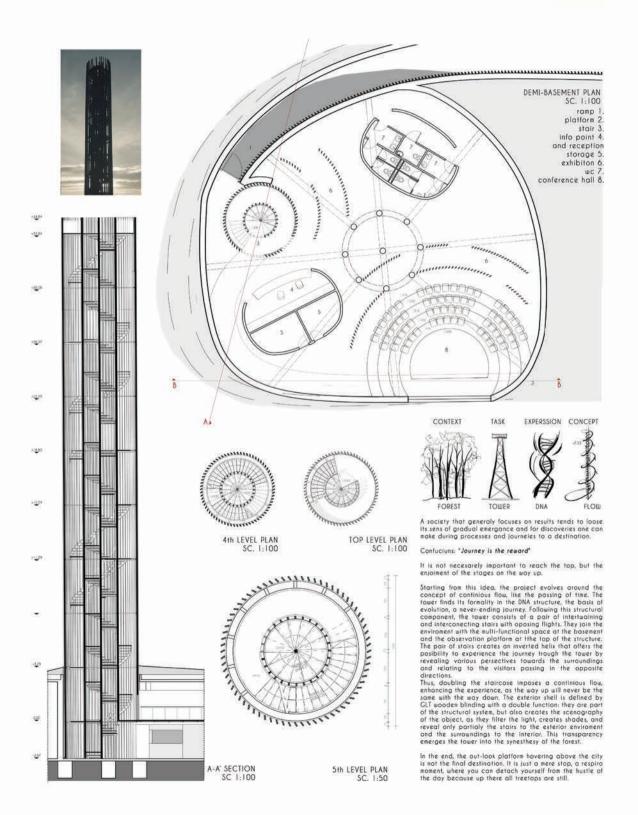




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INTERIOR STAIR
Spiral stair with consoles resting the steps on the casting. Steel structure and steel threads, white finishing. Restings for each 20 steps.



EXTERIOR STAIR
Spirol stair suported on
metalic lateral beams,
White metalic steps and
railing with metalic mesh.
Restings and intermediary
platforms for exhibision



DOUBLE HELIX
The two sets of stairs
intertwine, going on
oposite directions. At
times their restings are
connected to create
alternative paths.



CORE STRUCTURE
Cetral tube of metalic
pillors, joint at each level
with circular braces that
transfer the loads in the
case of openings at the
junction of the stairs.

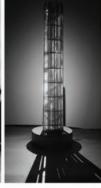


BEARING SYSTEM
The support of the exterior stairs consists in steel profiles that links the interior structural tube with the shell. Placed under restings.



THE SHELL
CLT profiles joined with
circular brases and
disposed at an angle. Acts
as a permeable membrane
between the environment
and the interior space.



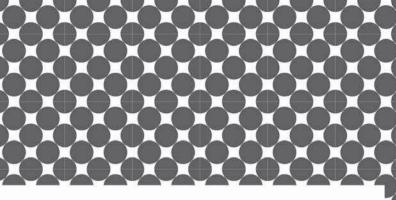












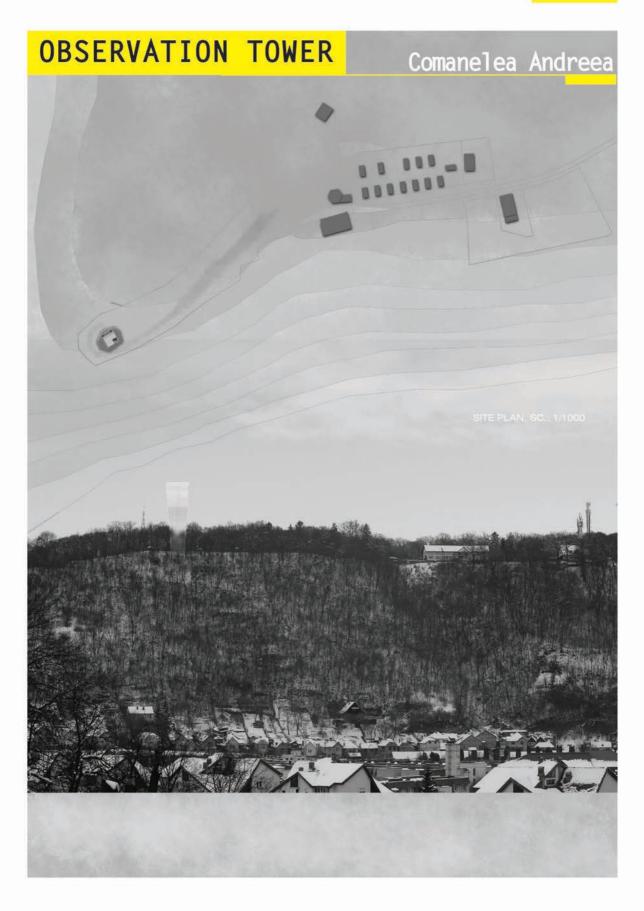


The idea of the tower started by observing the context. The meadow, the forest and panoramic view upon the city have influenced the development of the project.

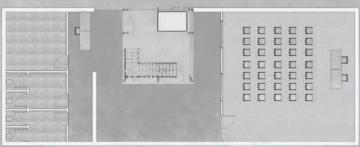
The form is generated by two different directions. The first direction consist in having a small base that grows while going up in the tower. By doing that the platform from the last level would be the biggest and could fit the most people on it. The second direction is to have the tower oriented to the city. The tower opens toward the city. The pathway to the tower is organized around an artificial hill risen up around the tower, so the viewer would see the tower from all points of view before going inside. Before going up the people have to go through a lobby and they also have the possibility to access a conference hall.

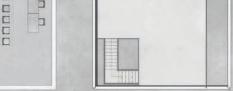
Starting from the second level the view to outside is blocked by sunshades. The sunshades' angle is chosen in such a way that only the light could come inside the tower. Once arrived on top of the tower people will have the surprise of a panoramic view over the city of Sighisoara and the forest from 30 meters high. While going up there is an exhibition where is displayed the history of the city and the stairs are disposed in such a way that the viewer won't miss any point of it.

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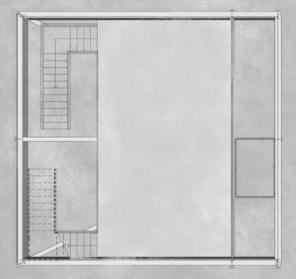




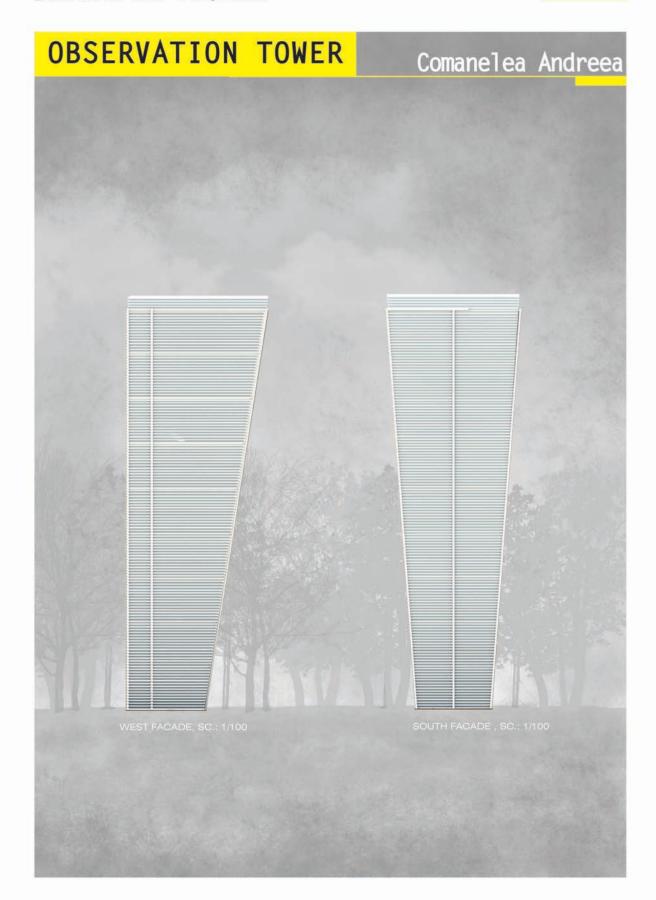
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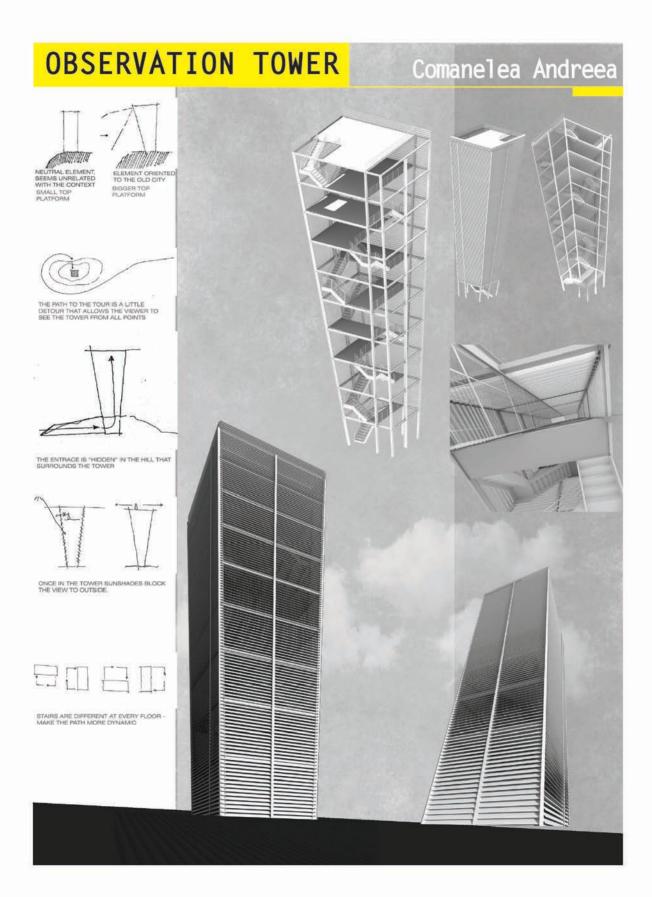


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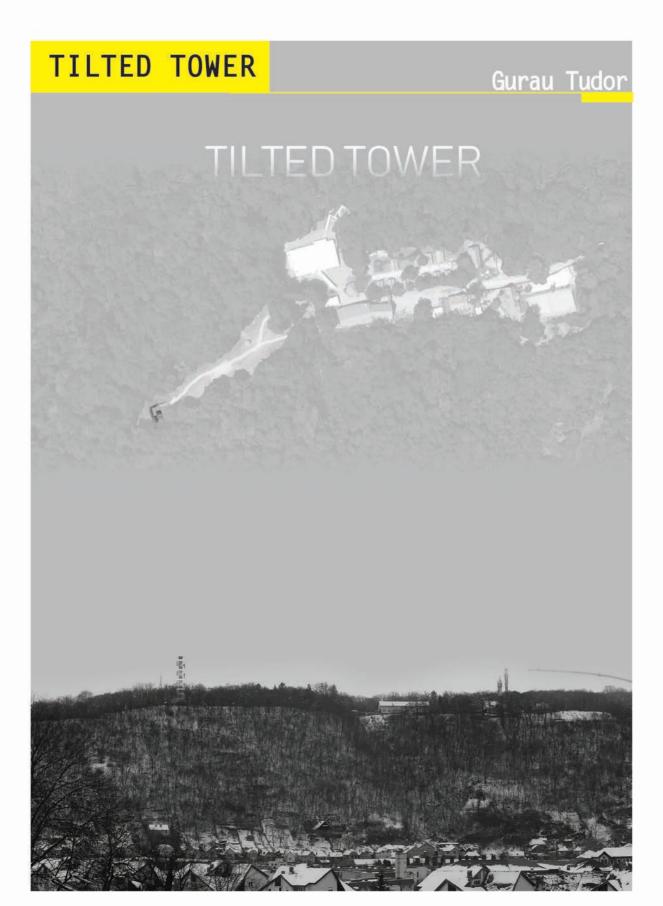




Seeing the relation between the meadow, hill and Sighisoara pushed me towards the idea of having a simple and thin structure. The way the tower can be seen from a great distance, visual impact, plays an important role in deciding how this construction should look like.

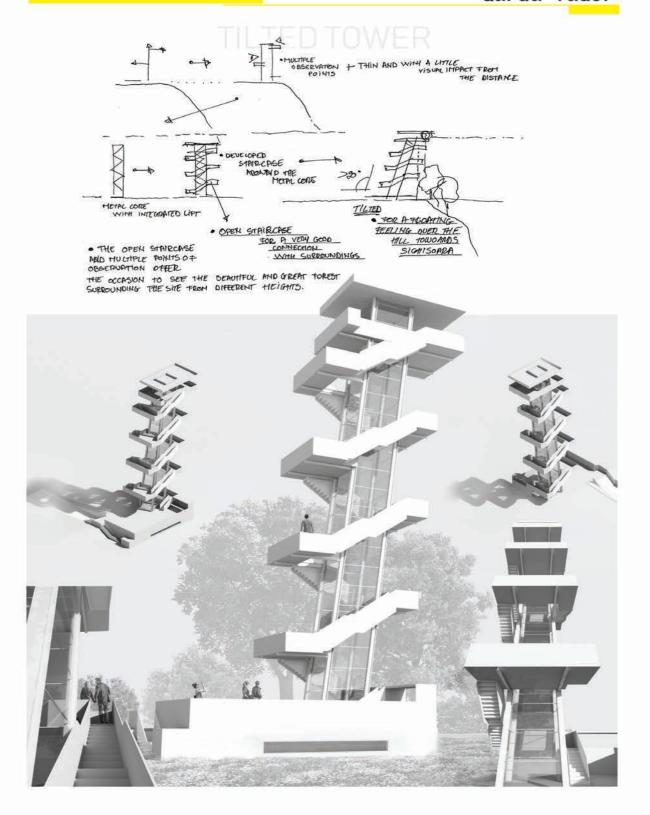
At the ground level the forest contributes very much to the great atmosphere of the meadow. This atmosphere can be observed not only from ground level but also from different heights. This way the the tower got an extra function aside from the observation of Sighisoara and that of seeing the beautiful surroundings of the forest.

Taking into account all these facts and informations the tower has come to have a metal structural core with an integrated lift. The stairs and landings are wraping around this core towards the last floor. The simplity of all these parts resulted from the idea of having a tower opened to the nature as much as possible.



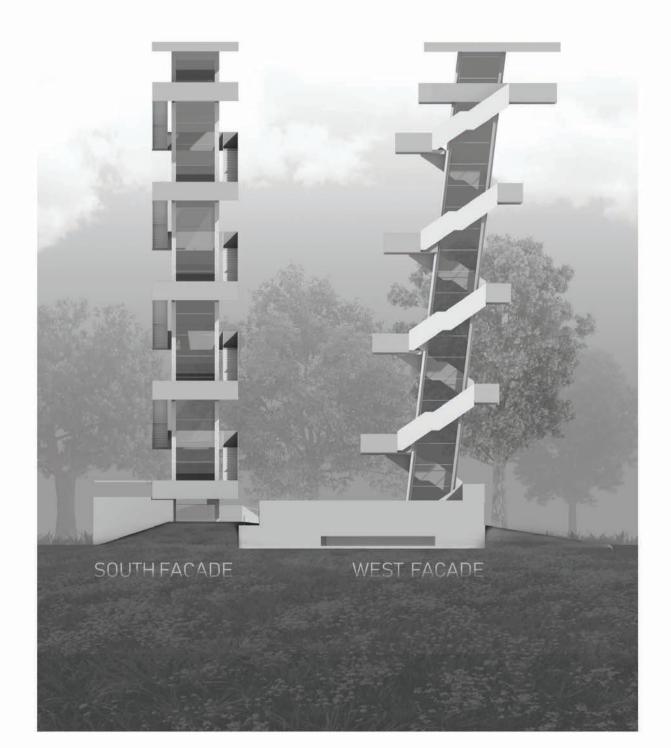
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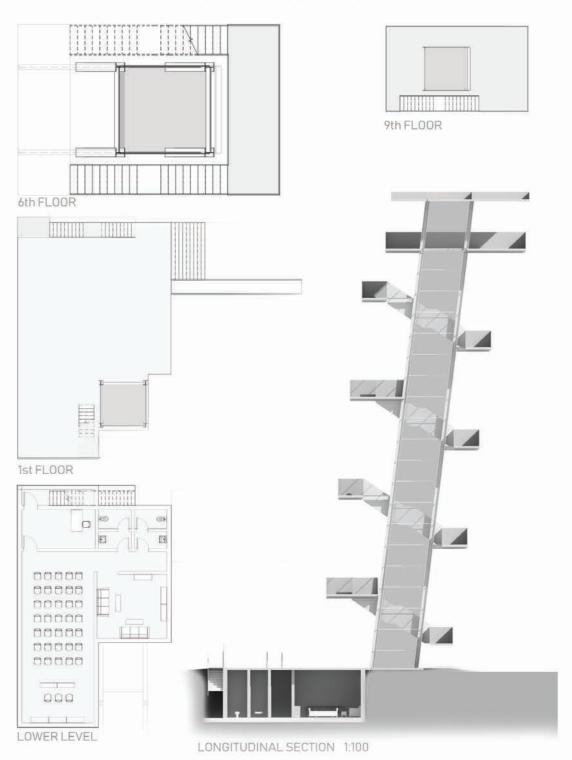
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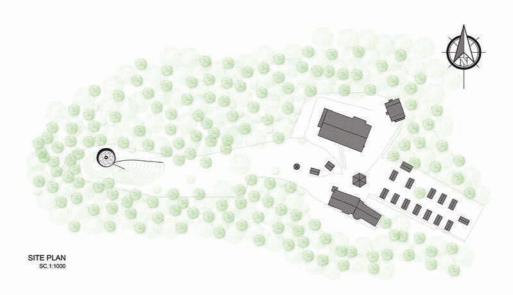
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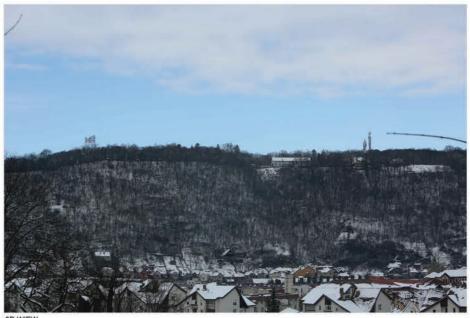


The culture center of Sighisoara, located in Villa Franca Hill settles an observation tower a museum and a conference room. Barely emerging from trees and totally glazed, the tower offers a panoramic view in the forest and the old city while remaining very discreet from the city. The underground museum and conference room are part of a level ground work which create some quiet place where the user can rest and enjoy.

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OBSERVATION TOWER in Sighisoara



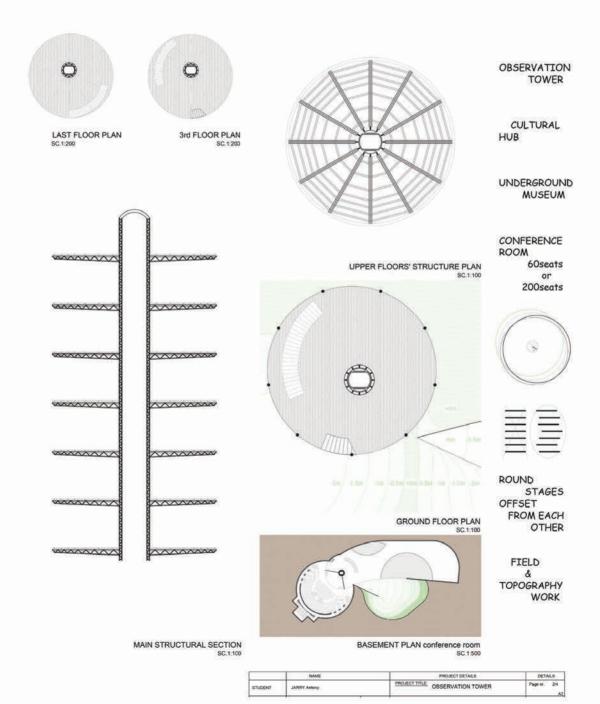


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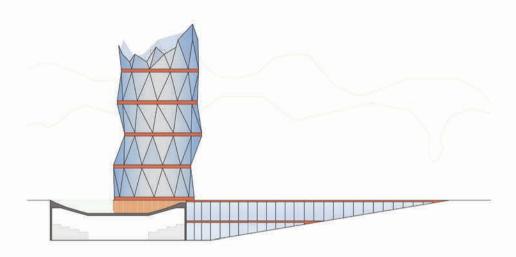
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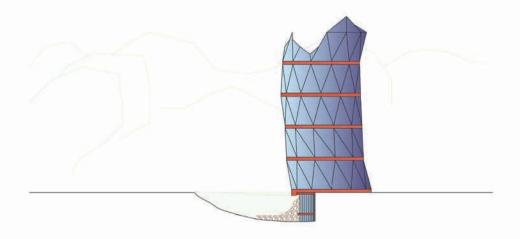


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The first idea about this project was to generate a path to enjoy observing all the little parts of this place, generating a panoramic view. This idea was completed doing a path around the elevator, in order to make a smaller basic floor as possible.

The tower was thought like a permeable volume, the outside appearance is of a transparent volume, while from inside it is perceived more opaque, due to the fact that you only feel the light rays. In addition, this generates an important top floor, which has a grand opening for observing the site. In the other part, you can walk free and have a fluid circulation. The construction of the tower is done with different types of treated Nordic Pine wood, to better withstand the elements.

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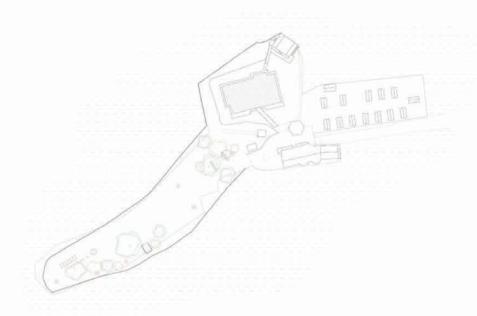
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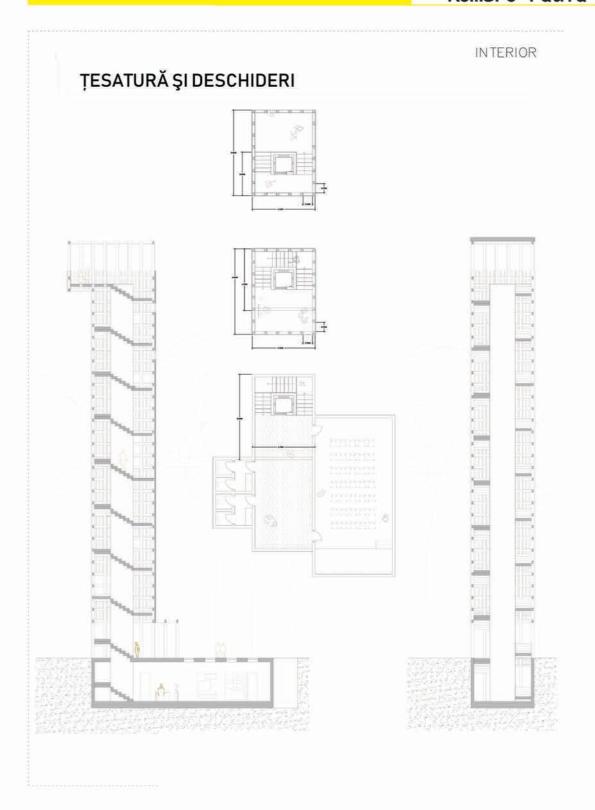
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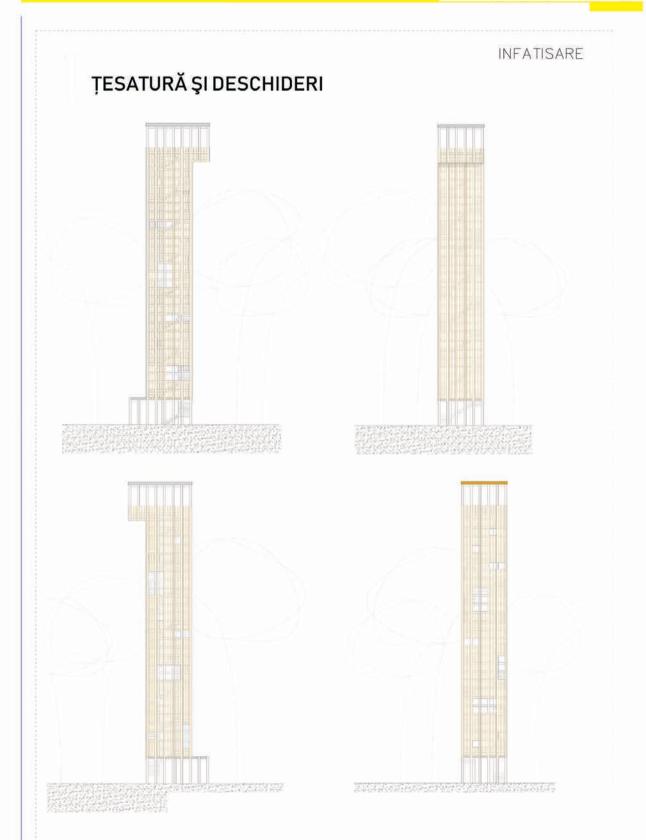


- IDEA: The first idea about the project was making a path around the nucleus, for try to make the plant smaller. This volume had to be permeable from outside to the inside, but not show the village views until stay in the highest point.
- PLACE: For make this connection exterior-interior the tower have a different types of windows for tame various elements that are in the place: forest, different types of trees, and his colors, playground, views, light inputs, and others. And put the most biggest opnerings in the top toor to accentuate the view point, and the ground floor for a fluid circulation.
- MATERIALS: All the tower is composed with Nordic Pine Wood Treated, the center and the stim pieces for covering the volum. This type of Wood behaves well in outside places, in contact with whater and temperature difference.

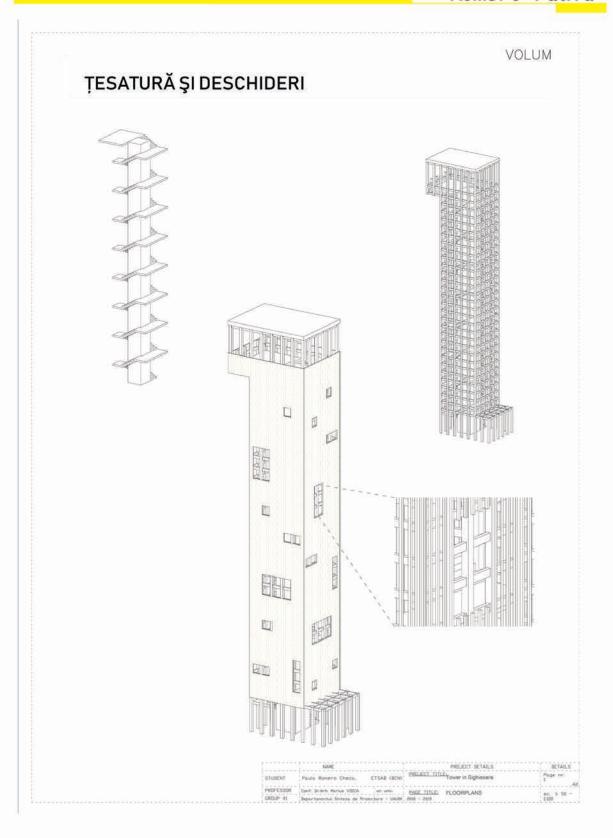
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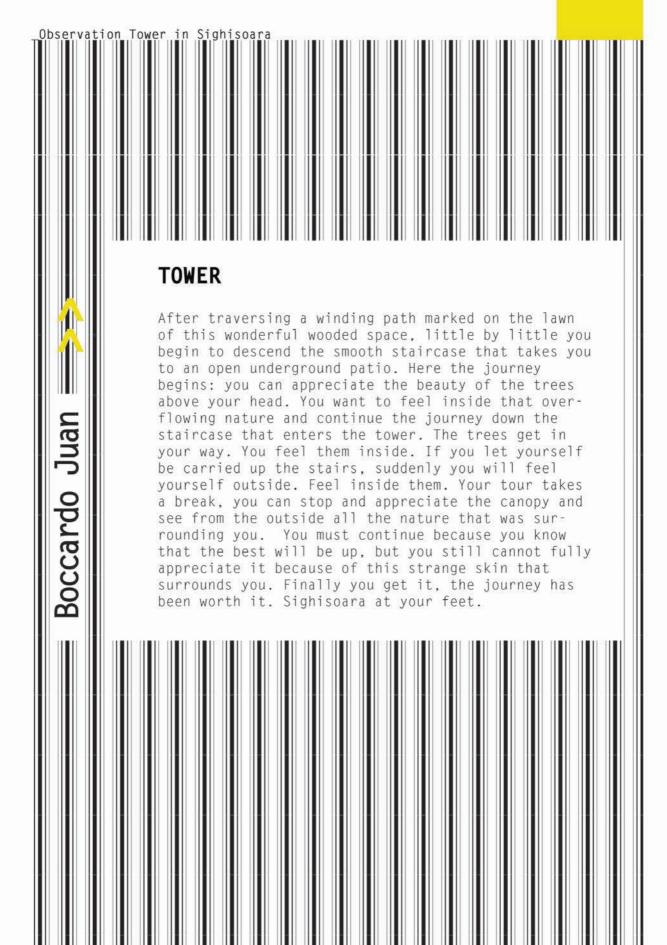
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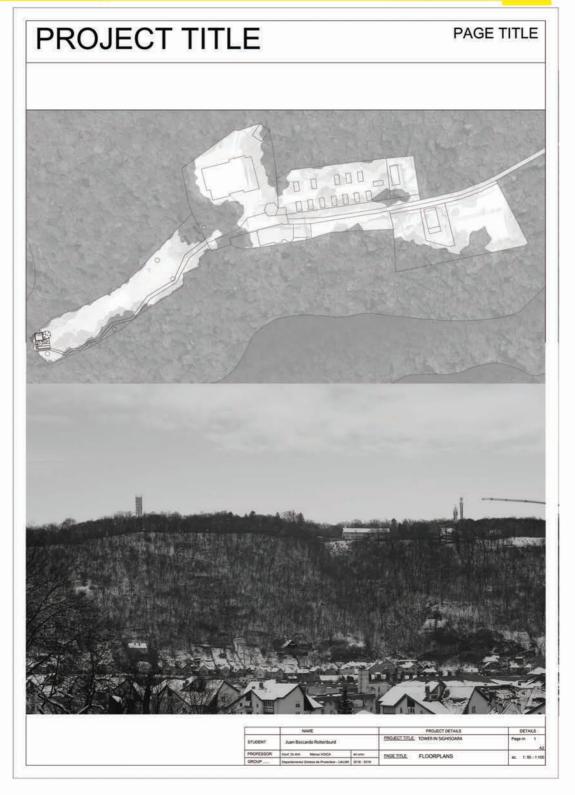


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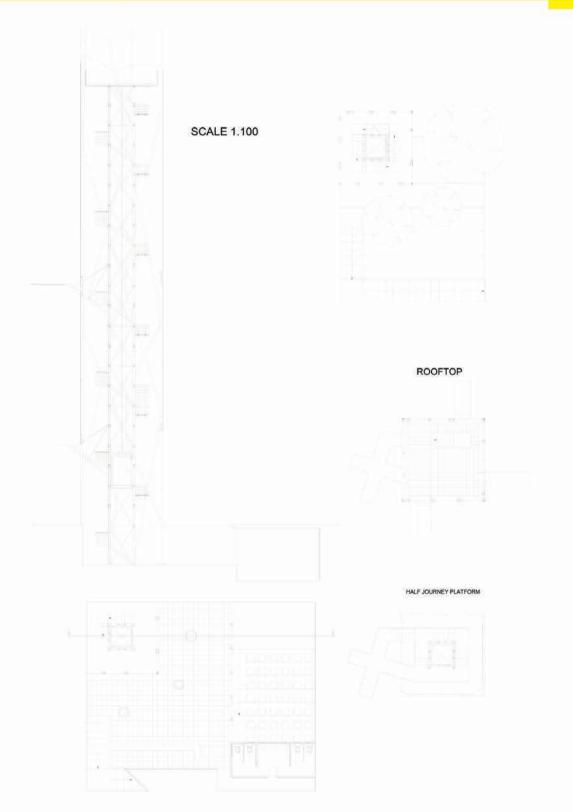
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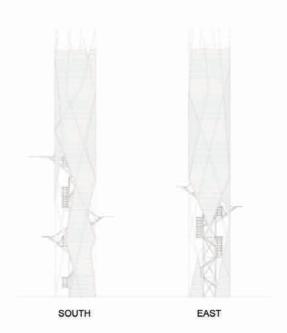
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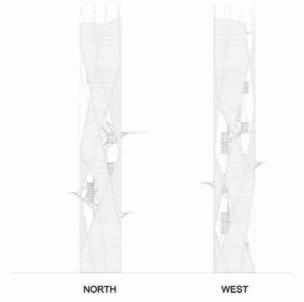
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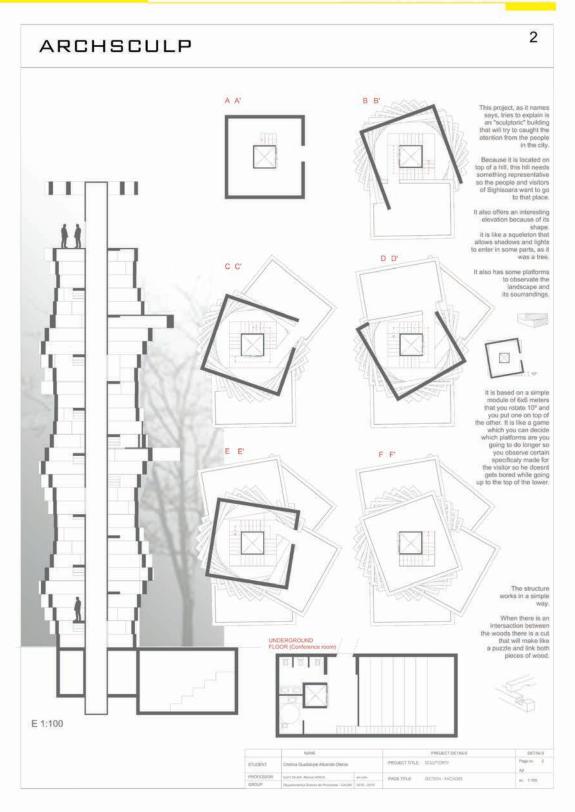


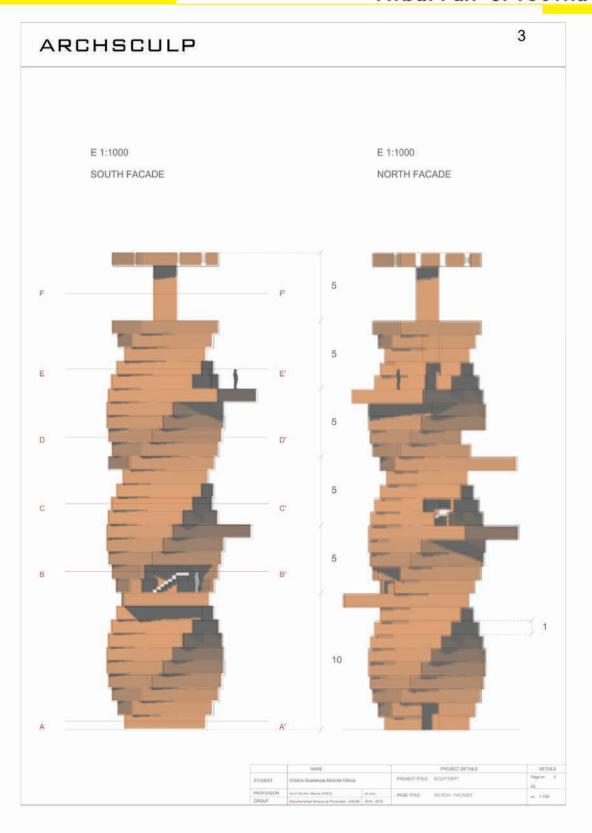


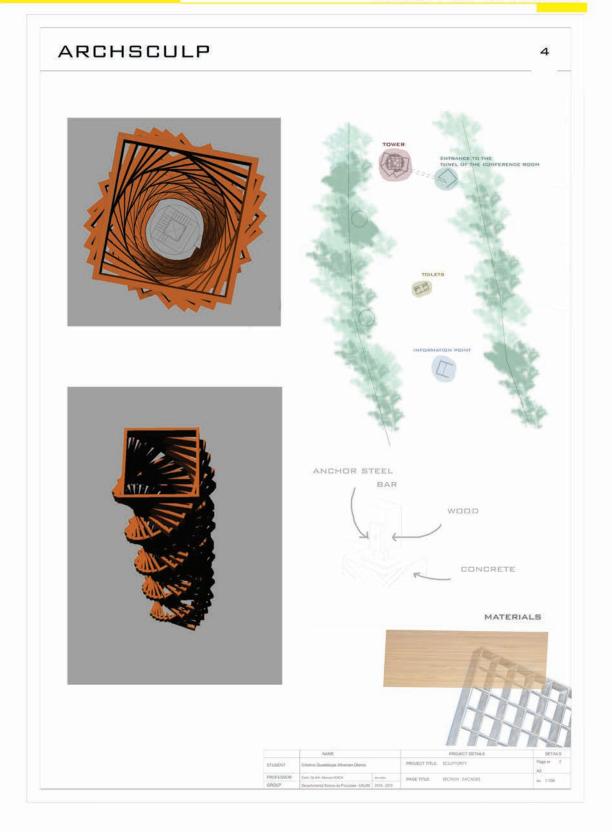


This project, as its names says, tries to explain a 'sculptural' building that will try to catch the attention from the people of the city. Because it is Icoated on the top of a hill, it needs something representative so the people and visitors of Sighisoara want to go to that place. It also offers an interesting elevation because of its shape, being like a skeleton that allows shadows and lights to enter in some parts, as it was a tree. I also has some platforms to observate the landscape and its surroundings. It is based on a simple module of 6x6m that rotates 10 degrees as it stacks. It is like a game in which you decide which platform are you going to go to so you observe certain specific elements so that you keep the attention of the visitor, while going to the top of the tower.



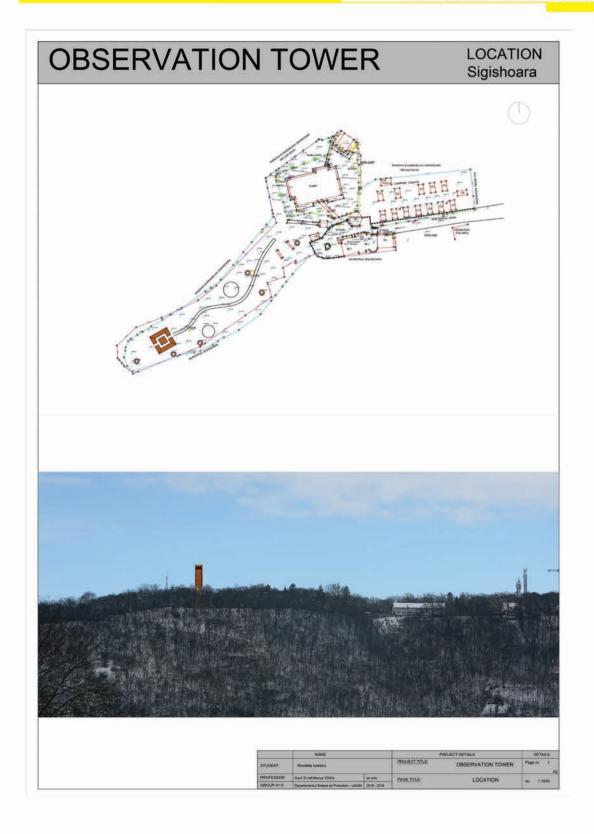




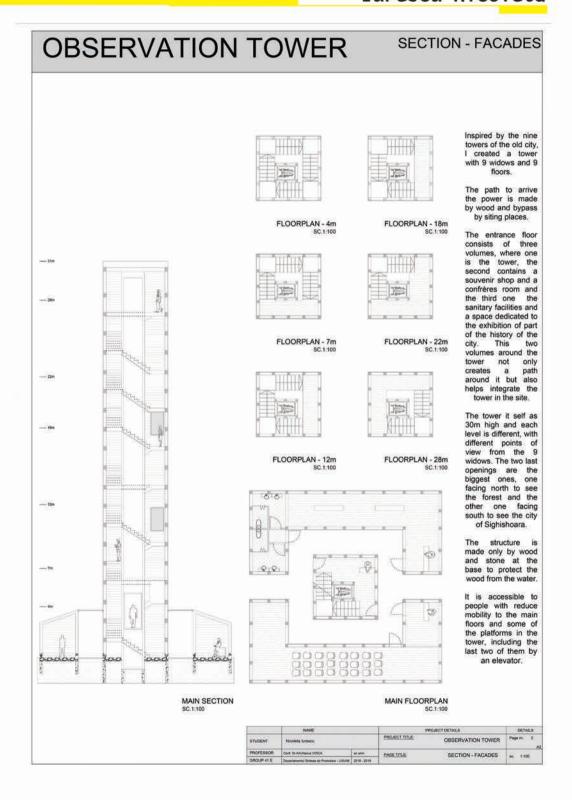


Inspired by the nine towers of the old city. I created a tower with nine widows and nine floors. The entrance floor consists of three volumes, where one is the tower, the second one contains a souvenir shop and a conference room, and the third one the sanitary facilities and a space dedicated to the exhibition of part of the history of the city. These two volumes around the tower not only create a path around it, but also helps integrate the tower in the site. The tower itself is 30m high and each level is different, with different points of view from the 9 windows. The two last openings are the biggest ones, one facing north to see the forest and the other one facing south to see the city of Sighishoara. The structure is made only by wood and stone at the base to protect the wood from the water. It is accessible to people with reduce mobility to the main floors and some of the platforms in the tower, including the last two of them by an elevator.

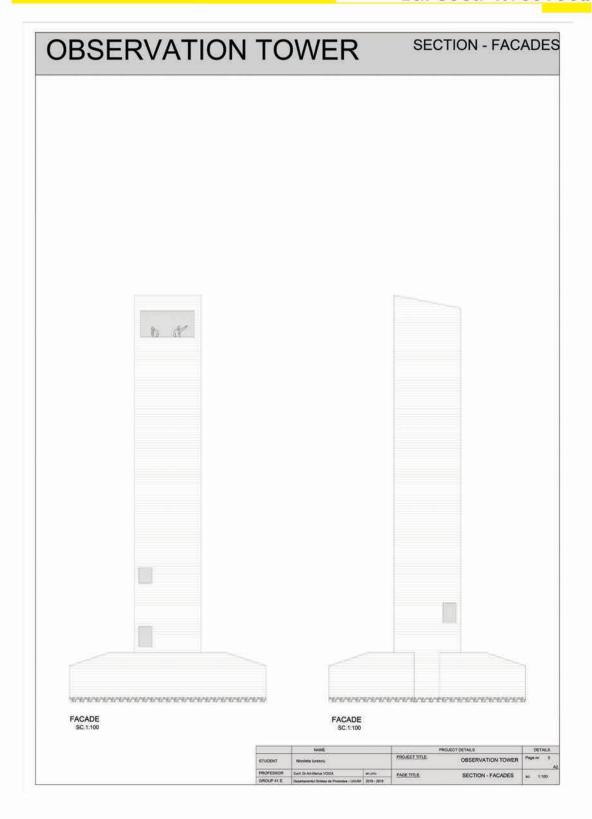
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OBSERVATION TOWER

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In my project I wanted to create a cultural center that includes some exhibitions about culture and history of Sighisoara as a city and in a bigger scale for Romania. A visitor will start his experience by reaching the conference room through the ramp where he/she will also have an access to the observation tower. The 6 meter width ramp will start from the level +4.50 to the level 0.00. The slope path will start 45 meter before it reaches the tower. The wall next to the ramp will be used as an exhibition canvas made of natural stone. When visitors arrive to the building's courtyard, they will have a direct interraction with the outdoor fover like a space which happened to be made out of stone. On the other hand, the tower will have a more transperent theme using glass as a material for a more efficient view. The contrast introduced in the situation is an interpretation of the clash of modernity and history. The stairs and lift are made out of steel and they will be used as a structure core. taking that into account that the glass part of the structure will play an important role in order to have a good view in each . When people reach the top of the observation tower at level +36.3 meter they will see the old town of Sighisoara. The observation platform at the top is 94m2 and it is open. By this level the users will have already received the introductory information that will allow them to enjoy the cityscape in a more peaceful way.



GROUND TO SKY

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GROUND TO SKY

SITE PLAN & VIEW FROM CITY



TO REACH THE OBSERVATION TOWER, I CREATE A PATH GOES DOWN FROOM LEVEL 4.00 to 0.00. This path covered by Walls which made by NATURAL STONES.

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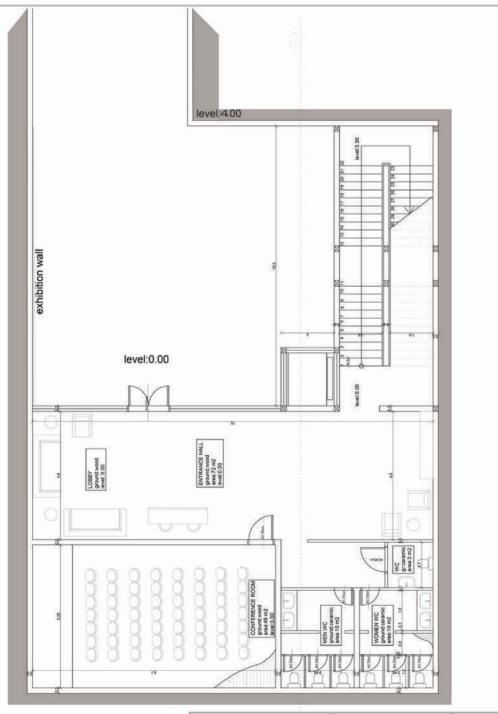


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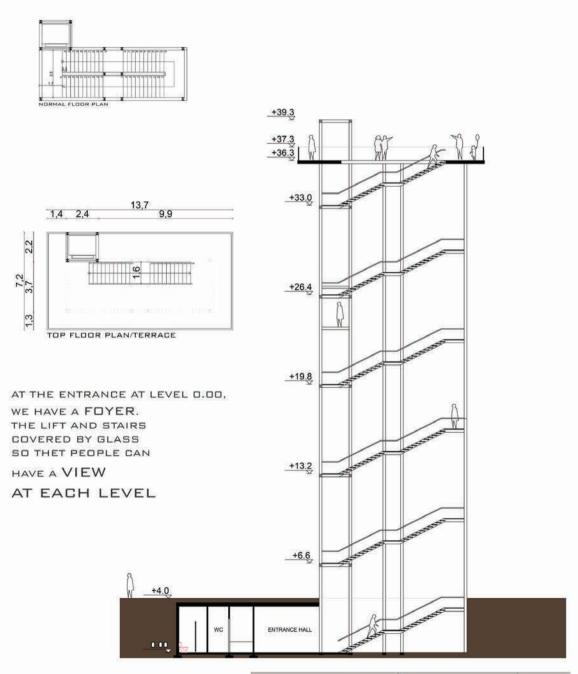


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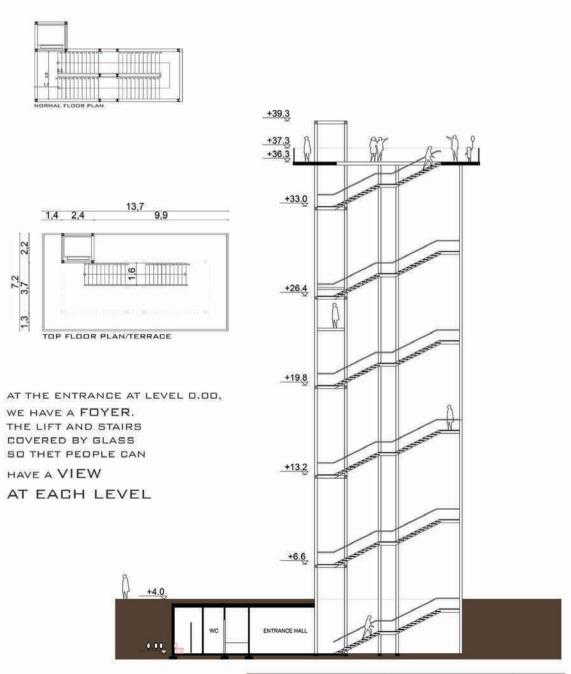


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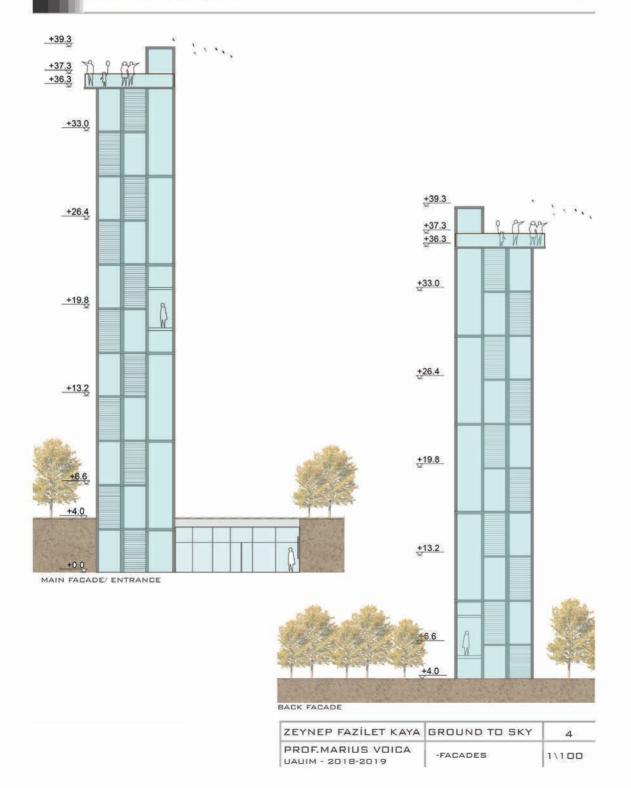


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-STONE WALL DETAILS



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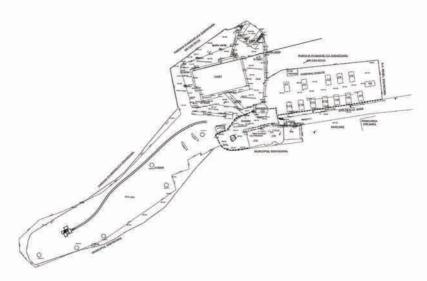
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The main concept that leads me in the project of this observation tower is building a tower made of multiple parts. For such purpose, I defined six towers of different heights, towards different directions and, so, with different views. The first tower has no observation space on the top of it, being only four meters high; all the other towers have an observation terrace. From the fourth tower, we can see the city, as we are finally above the trees, that surrounded the other two platforms. The second-last tower looks towards the back of the site and to the forest and the last tower is all about watching the city and the surroundings from a better view than before and to enjoy it at best at 45 meters high. You enter the building from the side of the restaurant, finding yourself in a small entrance hall for guests. Here you can decide to take the stairs and go to the conference hall in the basement or to take the glass elevator for the next floors and to begin the experience. At every floor there will an exhibition of different historical moments of the city and the site, from its first inhabitants and functions to nowadays, in order to make aware the tourists of the importance of them. This is placed at every floor of the fifth tower, except for the terrace on it. Between the third and the fourth observation point we can proceed only by stairs, in order to enjoy the view we are reaching going past the trees. The facades let the visitors from outside see the structure and every level of the building, and, at the same time, let the guests inside see through the glass elevator every step till the top of the tower.

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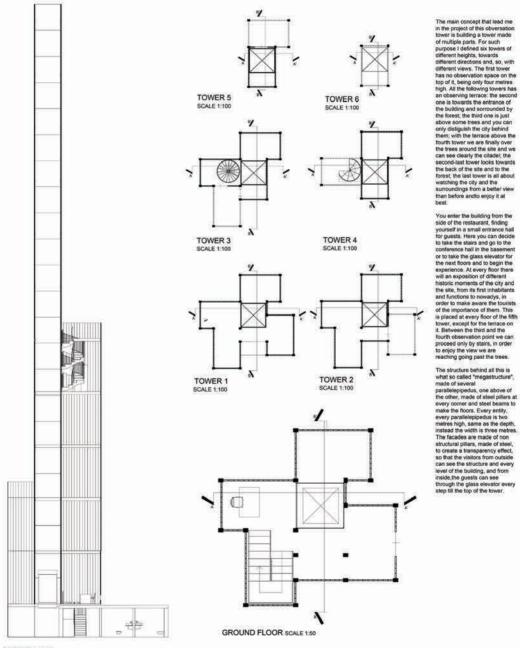


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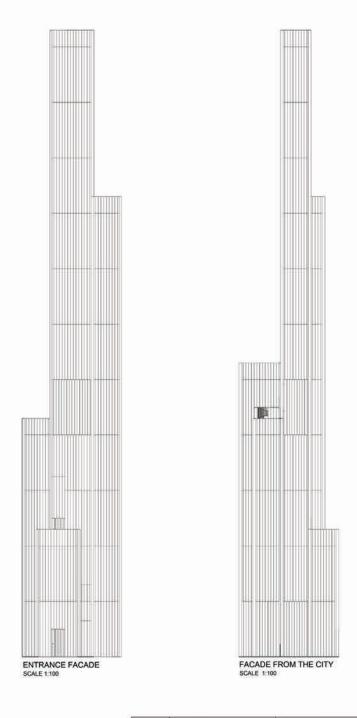
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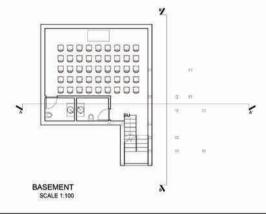


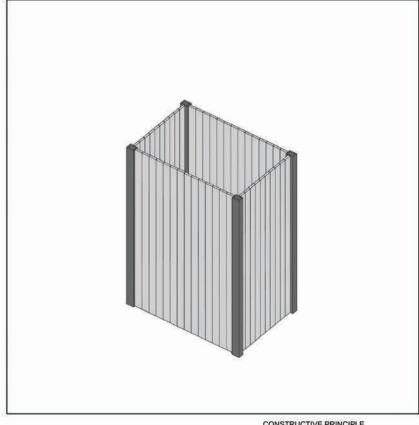
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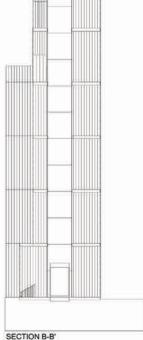
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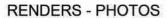


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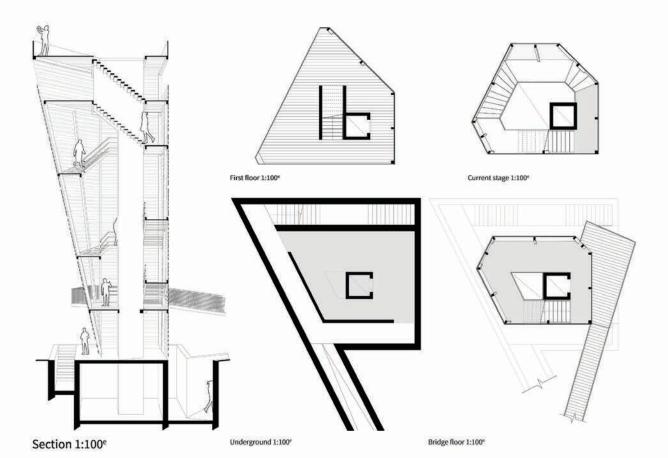
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The idea of the project is to propose a tower in complete integration with the hill and the surrounding forest. We reach the tower by a journey that invites us to take the time to discover the surroundings of the tower via different bench, games, point of view, arranged along the journey. The inside of the tower can be access in two different ways, at first, by a slope that goes down under the tower, in which there is a museum and an elevator. In a second step, a long footbridge to access in the tower for find a staircase. The tower has two observation platforms that are at the height of the trees. The first platform frames the view of the old city and the second a 360 degree view of the landscape. The structure of the tower is in wood and the facade is composed of wooden board spaced a few centimeters, the light passes through the tower and creates a play of light on the inner facade of the tower.

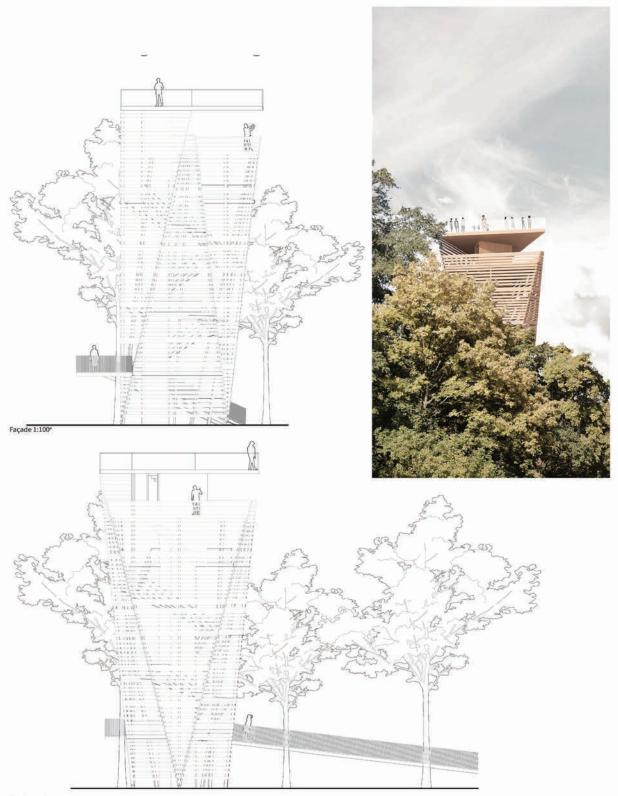
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The principle of the project is to propose an observation tower and an exterior layout that would let us take the time to discover the surrounding nature. The landscaping consists of a grate floor, several bench and games integrate into the environment to give us time to discover the site. The wooden tower has two entrances: one entry through the basement and another through a long walkway. The facade of the tower consists of a wooden cladding or each board is spaced a few centimeters to let the light cross the tower. The last two floors offer a view of the old town and the last, at the edge of the trees, a 360 ° view of the landscape. The tower integrate perfectly into the landscape, giving way to the contemplation of nature and rest.

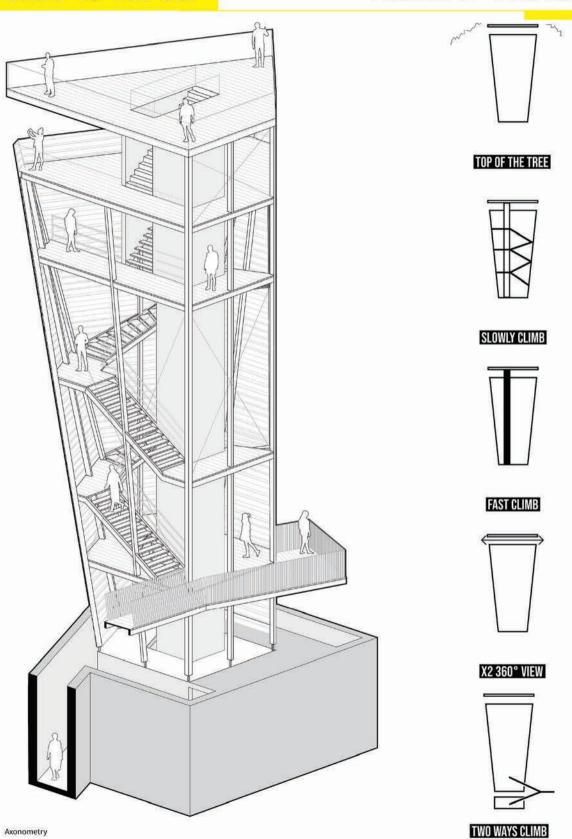




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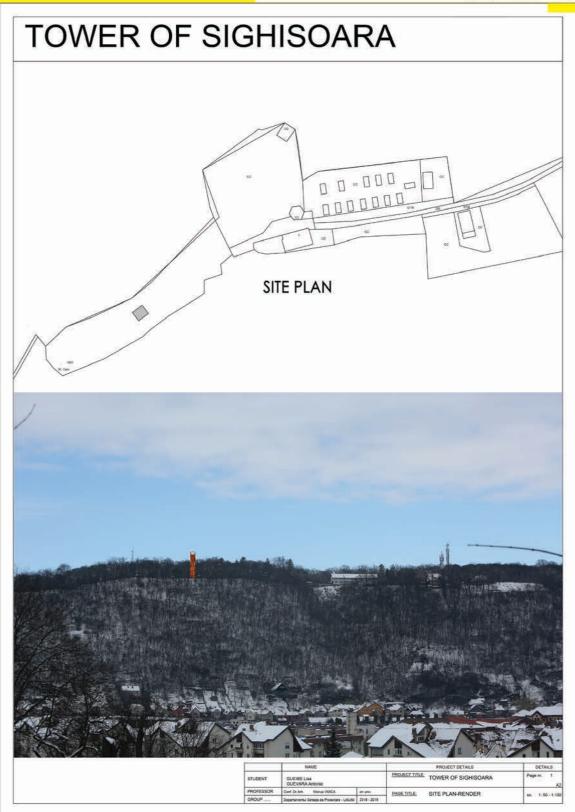


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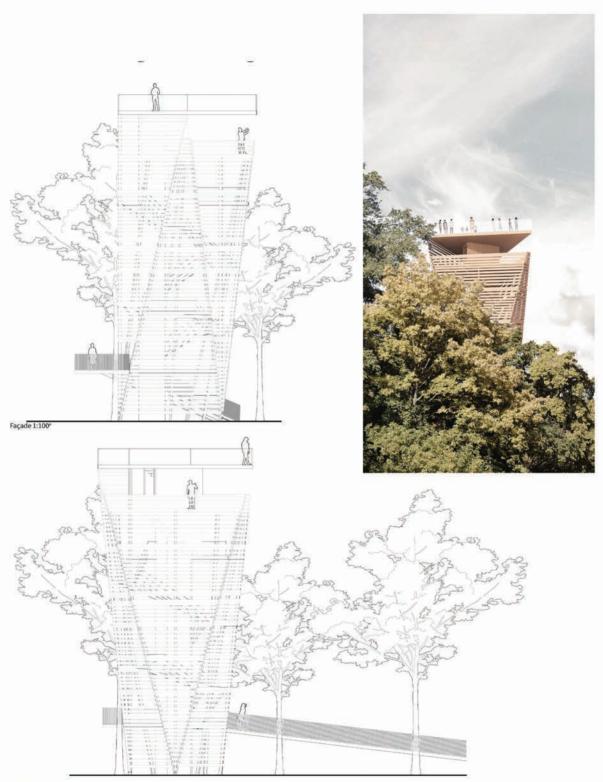
The concept of the tower is to make it as an object, an abstract with a simpple shape. You descover the complete view only at the top floor . I used corten steel as siding because the color goes along with the site. The spatial approach is in contrast with the site. The structure is made of steel with C's and H profiles. We used wood for the floor and the conference hall wals to give warmth to the space.

TOWER OF SIGHISOARA

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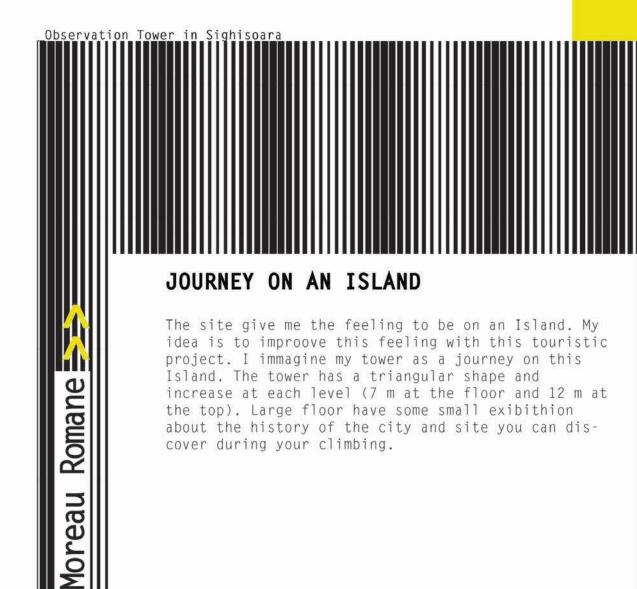
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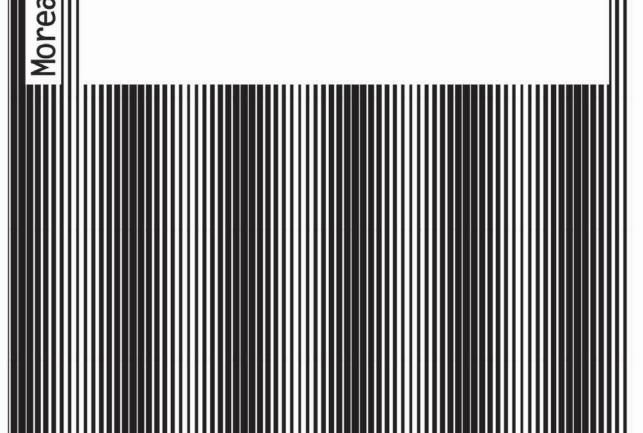


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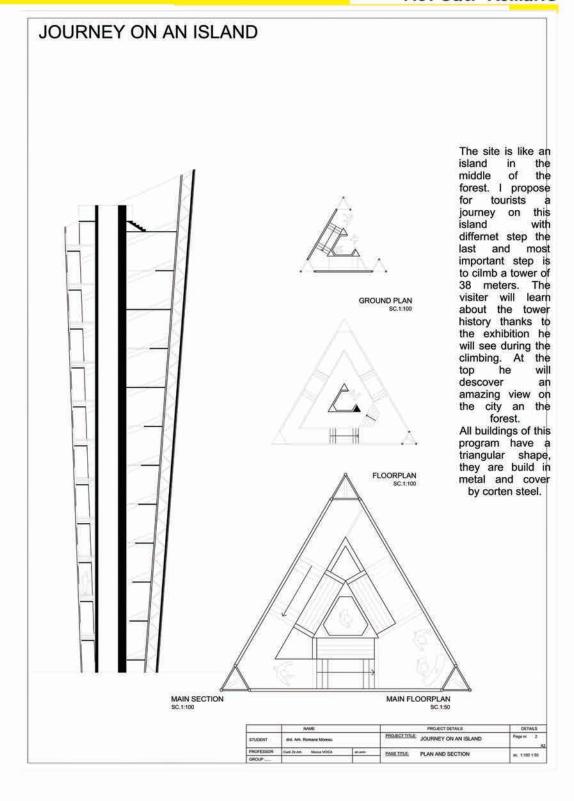




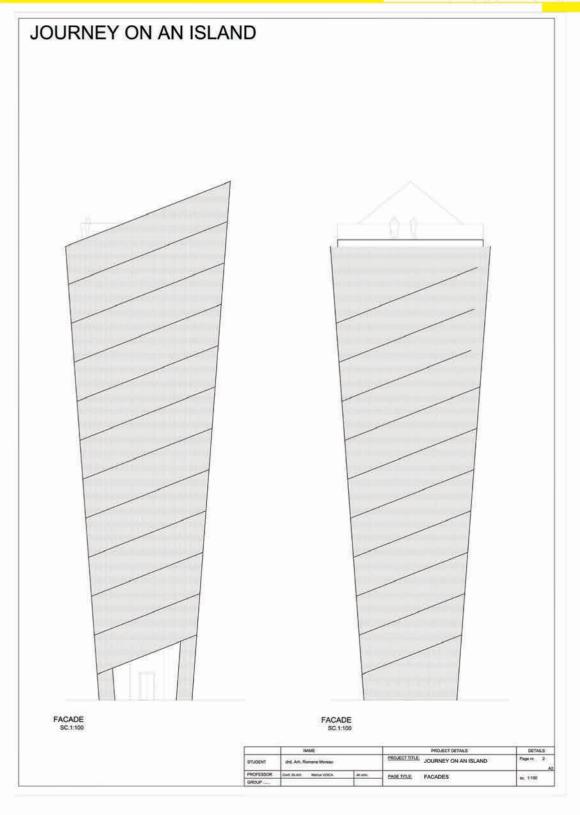


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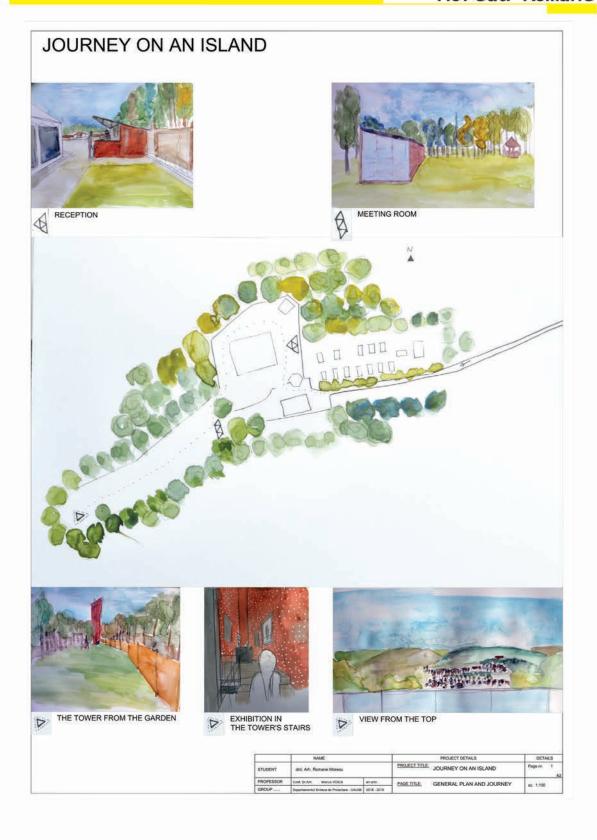
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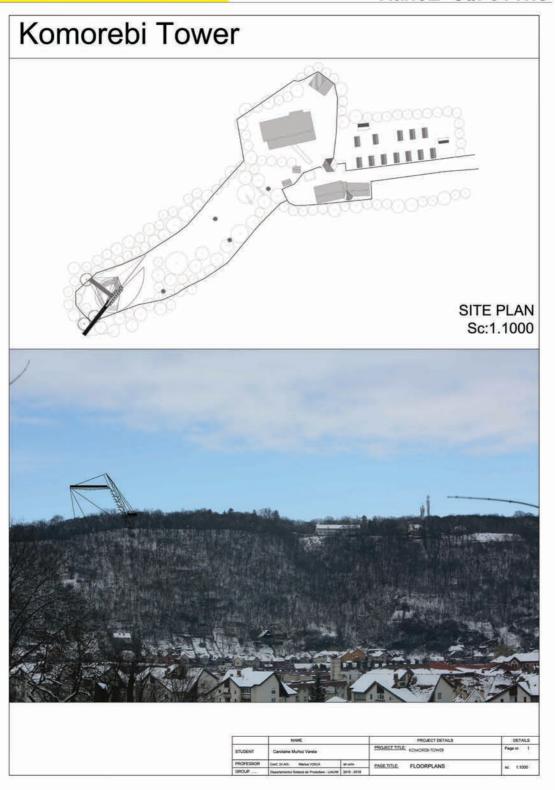
"Komorebi" is the sunlight that filters through the leaves of trees.

This is how a new tower is projected for Sighisoara: during the summer season it is exposed as a light structure that mixes with the dense vegetation of the predominant context in the city, and during the winter, a bare structure stands out, as do the branches of the tres. The space dominated by the tower becomes a sublime dialogue between the sky, the fragile structure and the people, as well as the fleeting nuances of light between the trees.

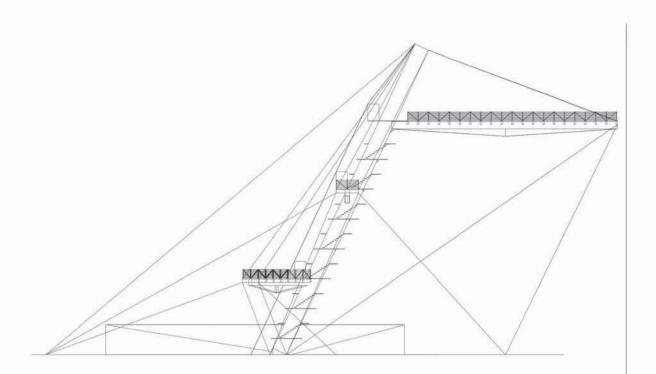
The tower houses observation towards the city as the main action. The circulation ascends together with the trees of the hill and ends with an spatial and visual overturn to the city.

On the ground floor there is small volumen that has the reception service, bathrooms and an exhibition space. This volumen also delimits and exterior agora that serves as a conference space, an activity that focuses on appreciating the tower below, like komorebi concept.

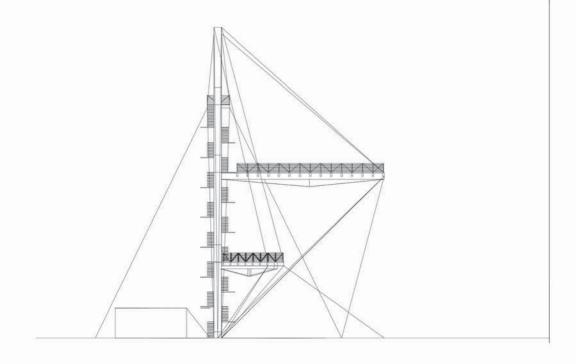
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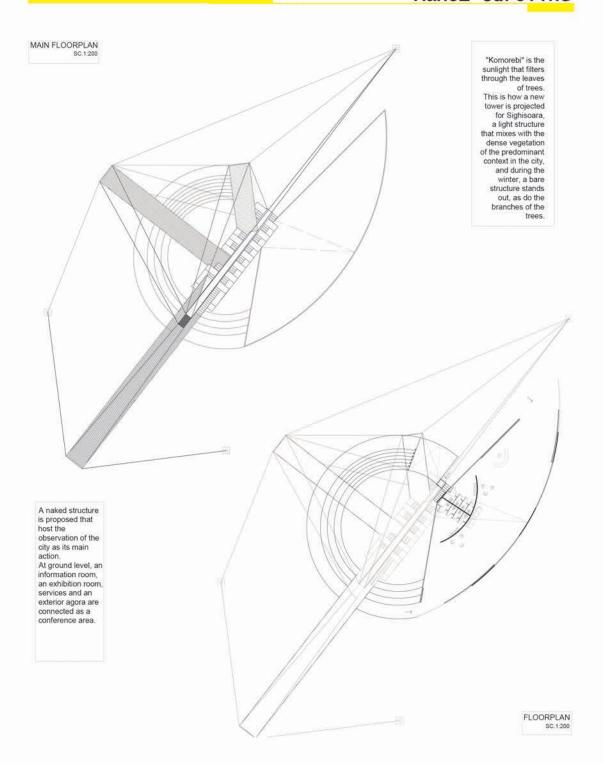
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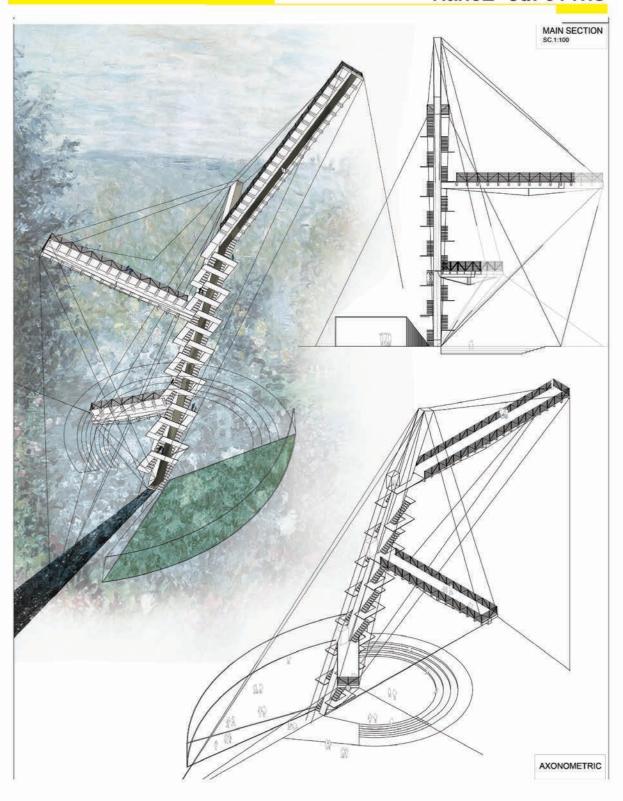
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