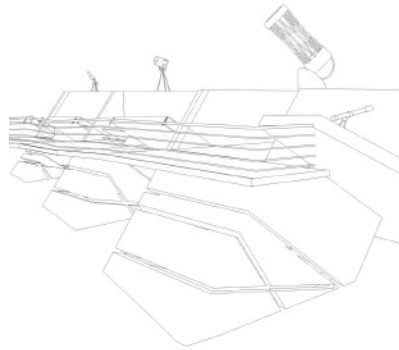
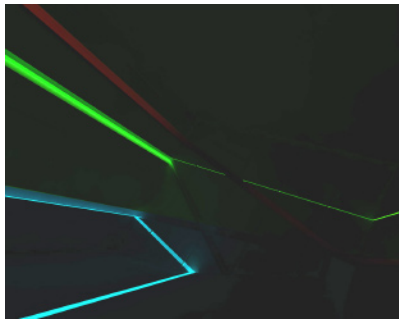
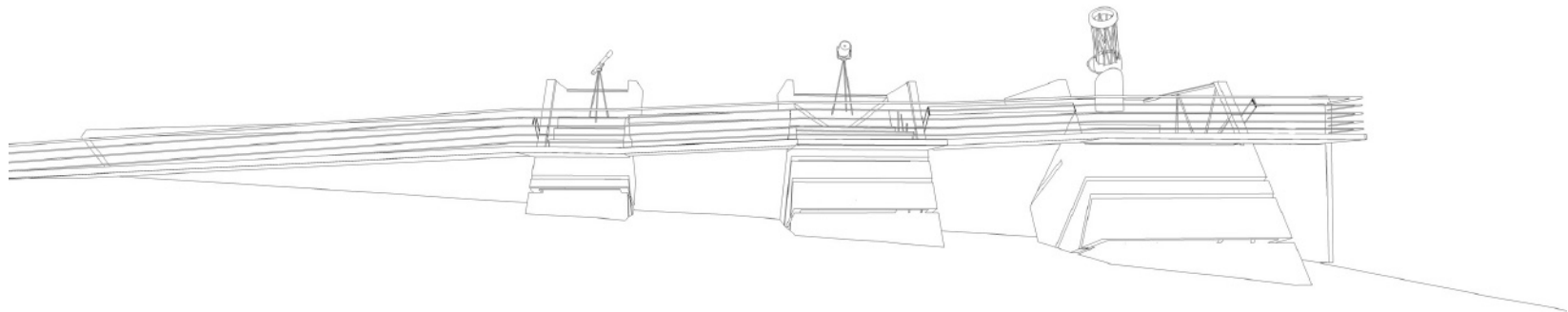


Kielder Observatory, Kielder

This proposal for an observatory in the forest above Kielder Water consists of a vast angled plane of tree trunks and adjoining ramped walkway that rises out of the forest landscape, affording dramatic views of the sky by night and the surrounding countryside by day. Three towers punch through the plane containing the main telescope housings at the top with teaching facilities and accommodation located below. The largest of these three undercrofts contains a solar calendar where the changing orientation of the earth's position in the solar system can be directly experienced by members of the public through the constantly changing hue and intensity of the light in the space.



top: solar clock undercroft
above: sketch of housings
right: night view of observatory
below: sketch elevation



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