2019 SECOND PLACE

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Angel Island

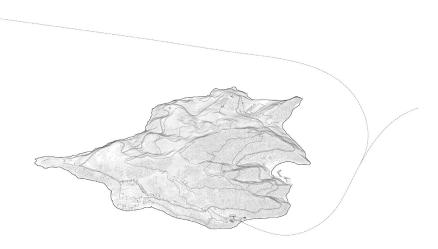
An immigrant's journey



The unrelenting sea churns under the boat as a reminder of the black abyss which lies below We seek signs of reassurance within the uncertainty of our surroundings Is this home?

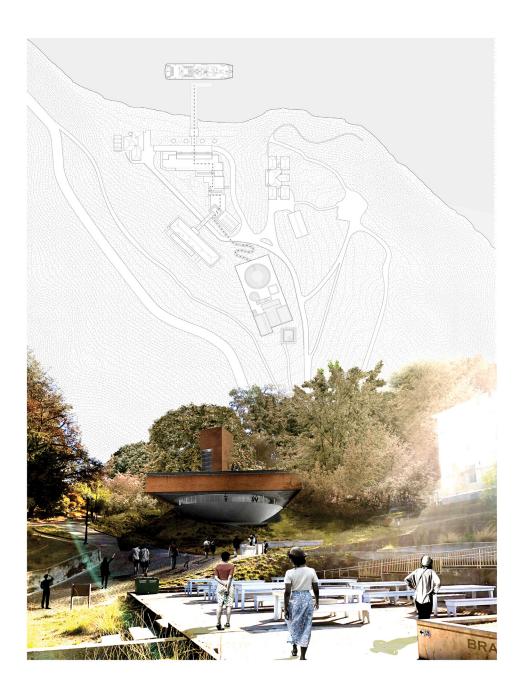
Chapter 1

The site



THE JOURNEY

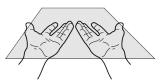
Re-establishing the ferry route to China Cove and its pre-existing dock allows procession to be guided through the remaining infrastructure of the immigration station. Pushed back from the shore, the sanctuary invites a pilgrimage through the historical site of the cove. A dominant site placement enforces a hierarchical relationship of the sanctuary above its context – a context tied to flawed ideologies which would be remiss to not recognize. The scars in our history become the benchmark for future progress. As we move toward the station past the fallen infrastructure which failed generations of immigrants, we move toward a new future of non-exclusionary immigration for the United States.





ASSEMBLY

A social condenser. A democratic symbol. A platform for the people.



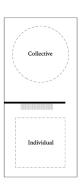
PLINTH

A spatial organizer. A cantilevered icon. A communal podium.



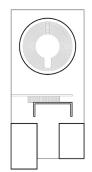
TOWER

A waypoint. A site connection. A reflective space.



DOMAINS

Program arrangement divides the plinth into individual and collective domains. Distinctive formal geometries are extracted as a result of programmatic demands giving identity to both spaces.



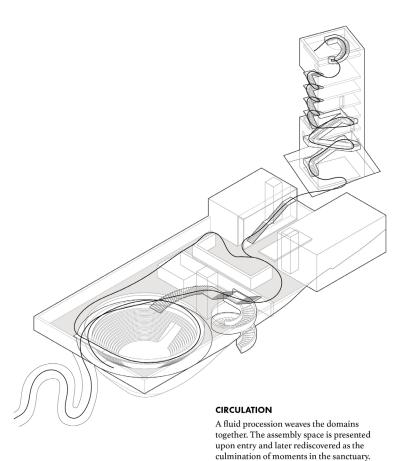
PROGRAM

The massing of the spaces changes density in response to program. The metaphor of the village served as the parti for sanctuary, comprised of both an intricate mingling of space and a central forum.



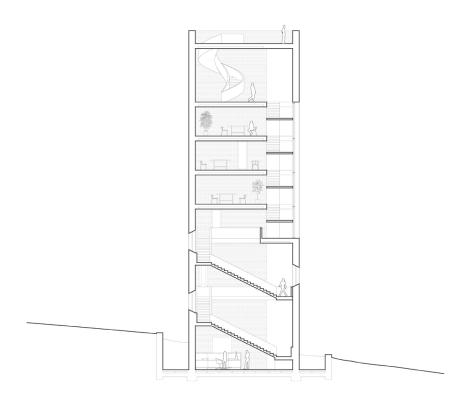
SPATIAL DIVISIONS

A space frame vierendeel truss and courtyard divide the collective and individual domains, respectively. Each system creates a unique circulation pattern suited to the spatial layout of the two zones.



Chapter

A self discovery

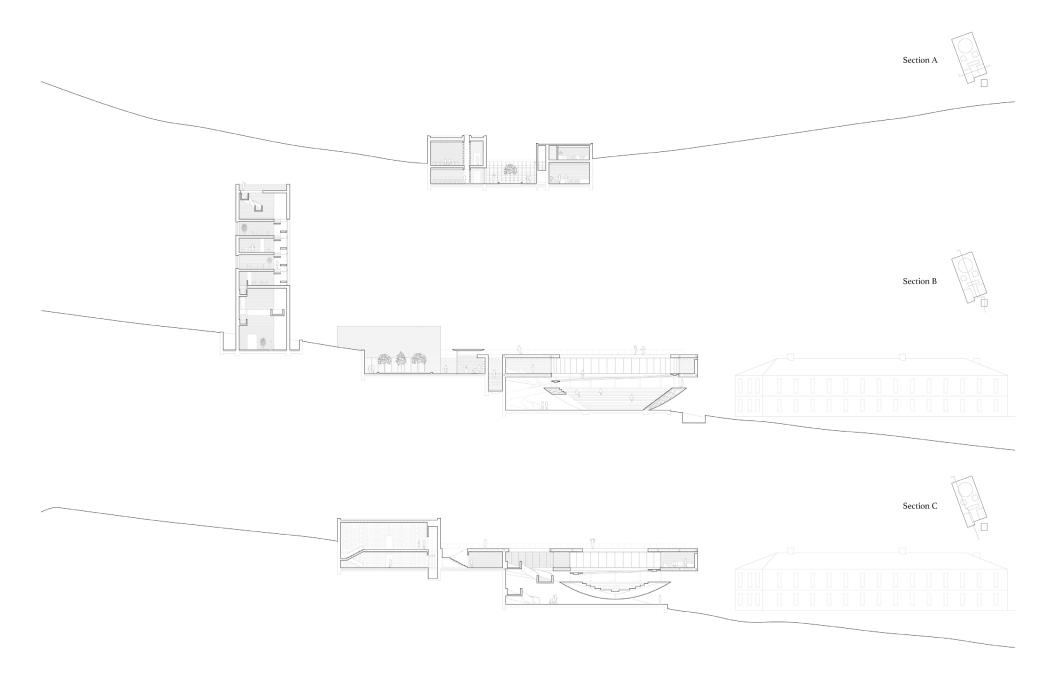


THE TOWER

The plinth, tower, and assembly were conceived as geometrical embodiments of their program. The tower, housing intimate gathering spaces and an observation platform, speaks to the significance of the individual while serving as a powerful connection to the site.

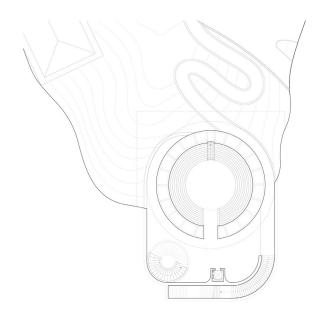


We travel to the tower in hope to discover the beauty of the island A view to the bay reminds us of the long journeys of the past. It also sparks hope for the possibilities of the future



Chapter 3

A collective emergence



THE ASSEMBLY

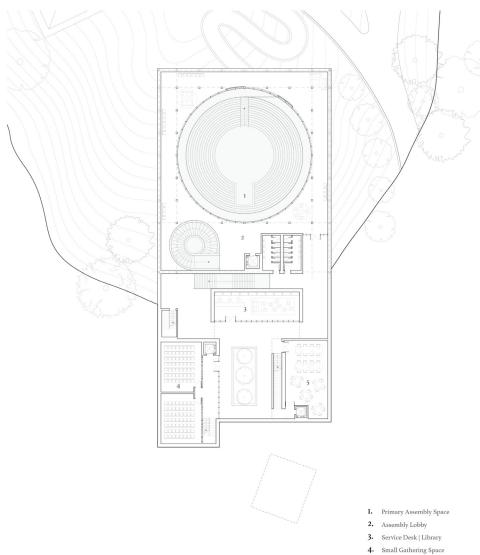
The assembly was designed as a formidable entity to express both the idealistic nature of its program and its importance in the process of naturalization. The procession emerges upon the assembly framing a view of the bay: a reminder to look upon an unfortunate past as a lesson for defining the future of immigration.



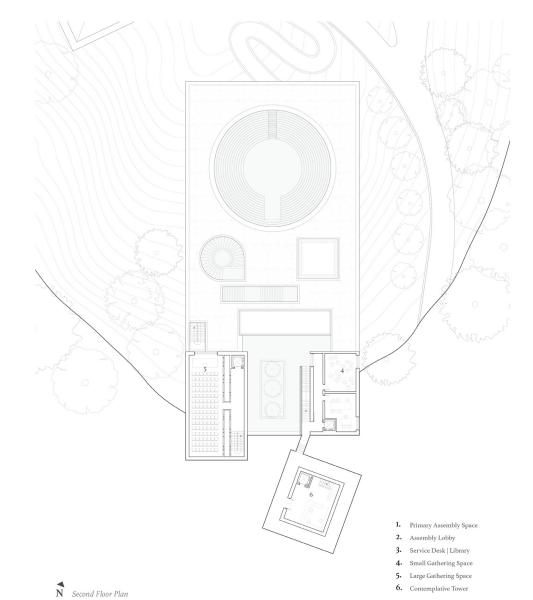
Moments emerge that allow us to reflect upon our journey through the station



The sky opens above our ceremony. Light pours onto our joyous occasion. We are home.



- 5. Large Gathering Space
- 6. Contemplative Tower



N Plinth Floor Plan

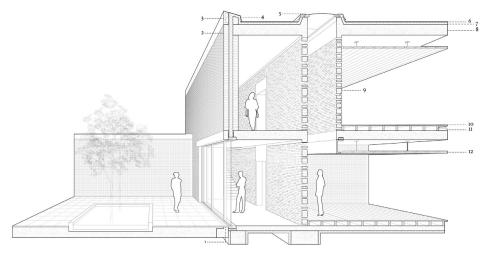








Chapter 4 A structural realization





- 3. Concrete C-Channel
- 4. Flashing
- 7. Rigid Board Insulation
- 8. Concrete Slab
- 9. Perforated Brick Masonry
- IO. Plywood and Wood Floor Assembly

