

Beauty today?

Relinking with the lake, Lausanne, Switzerland.

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Until the end of the 18th century, Beauty was an objective notion, independent of the will of each. Virtuvius averred that a structure has to present the three qualities of « firmitas », « utilitas » and « venustas », meaning solidity, utility and beauty.

Since the industrial revolution, due to the growing machinist alienation and the loss of man's autonomy, many critics disparage the very possibility of the existence of beauty in modernity.

Without seeking to reproduce the architecture of the past centuries, the aim of the project is to look at this concept while adopting the point of view of a 21st century architect, having to respect economic, time and efficiency constraints.

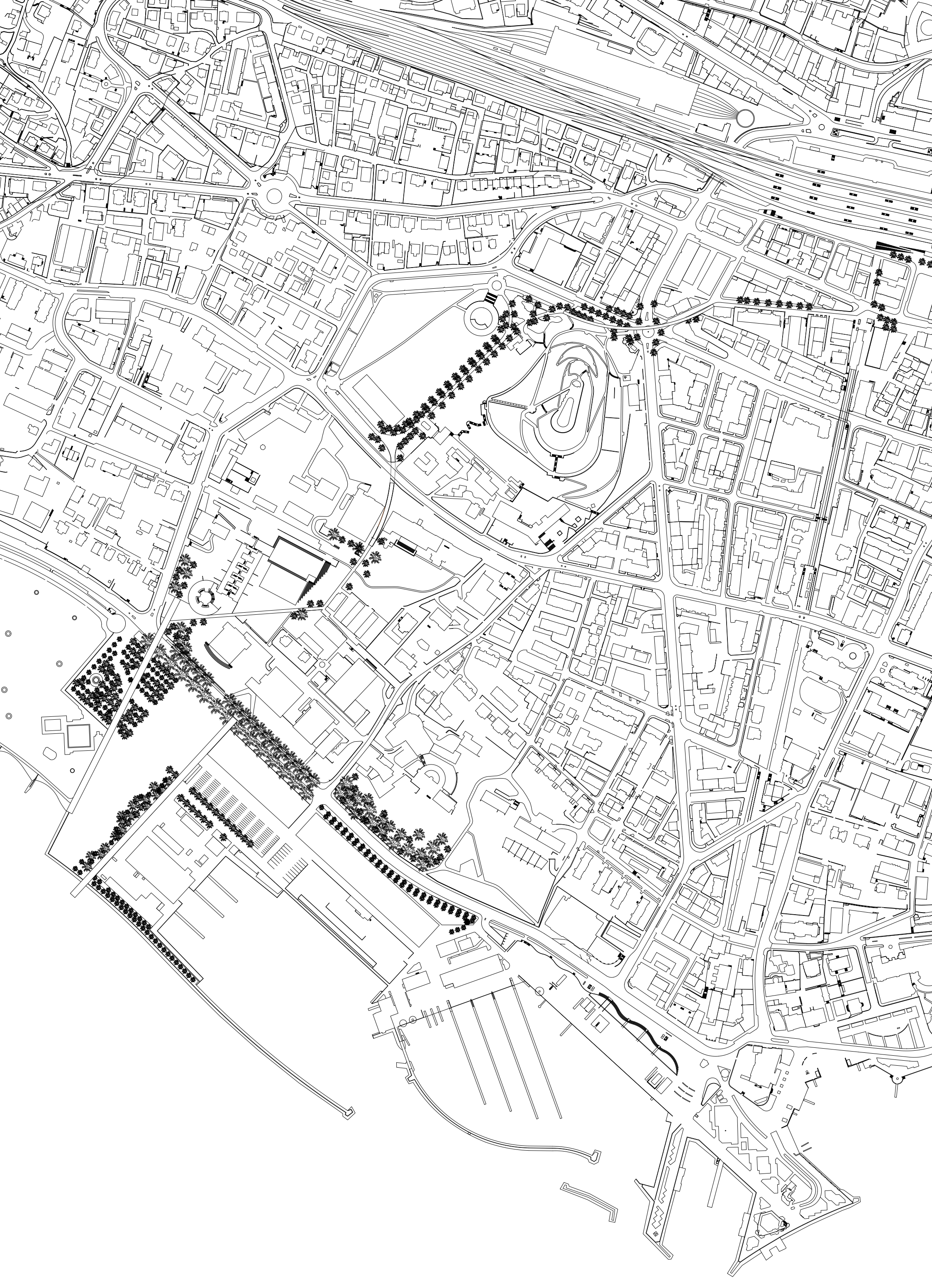
Many mineralized and open public spaces have emerged from the rapid urbanization of the 20th century.

The project is located in the site of Bellverve: between the shore of Lake Léman and the south of the city of Lausanne. Outside the city, but still belonging to it, it hosts a circus bi-annually, a month-long fair and occasional events. The rest of the year, the site, although strategic, is actually used as parking lot.

The project therefore does not want to displace those events but rather highlight them while offering a public place for the city all year long.

Considering the renovation of the Lausanne train station and the new metro line which will bring more and more pedestrian fluxes by 2025, the project creates a pedestrian promenade to reconnect the city center with the south west of Lausanne. It starts from the bustling train station and ends up at the lake, through 3 main interventions: a footbridge, a tunnel and the two bridge and pier buildings.

The path is distinct from car traffic and remains fluid. Connecting existing elements in the city, the promenade is noticeable by keeping the same identity from the city center to the shoreline: using a unique ground treatment.



- 1. Train station square
- 2. Point of view
- 3. Dome
- 4. Fountain
- 5. Botanic Garden
- 6. Aula des Cèdres by Jean Tschumi
- 7. Castel
- 8. Ouchy

CALENDAR 2018

Jan. 2018	Outdoor ice rink
Feb. 2018	Outdoor ice rink
March 2018	Nock Circus
Apr. 2018	20 km of Lausanne Tour de Romandie
May 2018	Luna Park Jelée de la Compagnie events: Yoga, evening games, Brunch, Market, concerts, etc.
June 2018	Luna Park Lausanne Beer Celebration Music Festival Flea Allianz Cinema (open air) Jelée de la Compagnie events
July 2018	Allianz Cinema (open air) Festival de la Cité (theatre, circus, concerts, danse, etc.) Jelée de la Compagnie events
Aug. 2018	National Day Festival Cinémas d'Afrique Jelée de la Compagnie events
Sept. 2018	Horse show Festival de la Bande Dessinée Jelée de la Compagnie events
Oct. 2018	Knie Circus Lausanne Underground Film and Music Festival (LUFF) Marathon Jelée de la Compagnie events
Nov. 2018	Bô Noël (Christmas market) Lausanne Lumières
Dec. 2018	Bô Noël (Christmas market) Lausanne Lumières Outdoor ice rink

- Disposable square: Circus, Fairground, etc.
- Parking
- Caravans
- Fishermen's hall