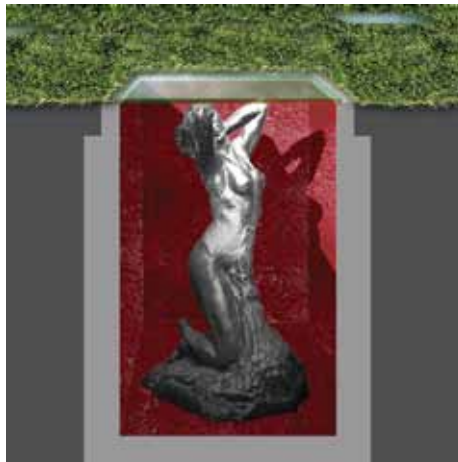
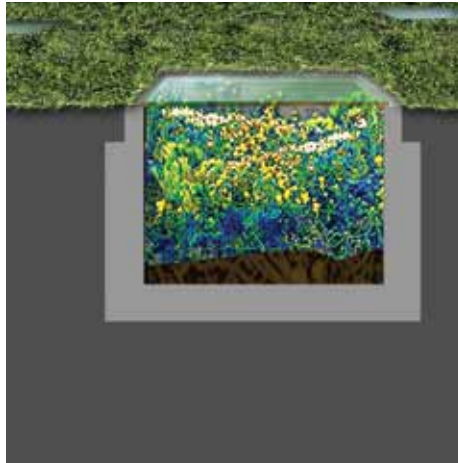
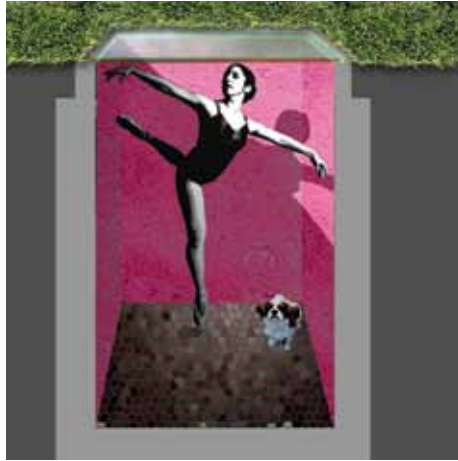
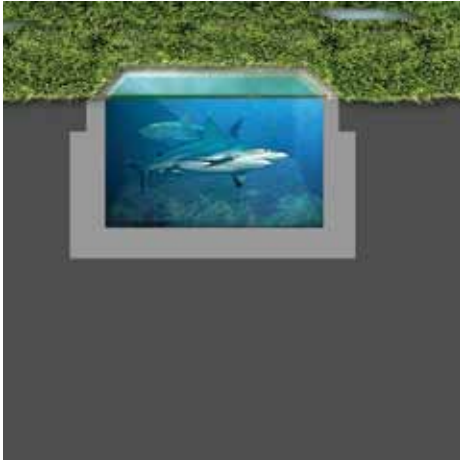


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## Emiel Braun square

How to transform a city square that is not a city square into a new urban space that really is a city square. The Emiel Braunplein (city square) in the centre of Ghent is surrounded by rear facades. Hardly a single door opens out onto this urban space which is squeezed between two true city squares: Koormarkt and St. Baafsplein. These two plazas have figuratively pulled all the front facades towards them and left behind an over-sized area between two major buildings: the Belfort and St. Nikolaaskerk (St Nicolas' Church) in the middle of the city. Together with Koormarkt and St. Baafsplein, this creates a unique succession of open spaces and monuments along Cataloniëstraat, offering space for an area of peace and tranquillity, for greenery and for demonstrations.

Initiator:

City of Ghent

Location:

Ghent, Belgium

Programme:

urban space

Gross area:

2 000 m<sup>2</sup>

Status:

competition 2001

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