



PROJECT

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TYPE

MONUMENT TO THE FIRST AMENDMENT

LOCATION

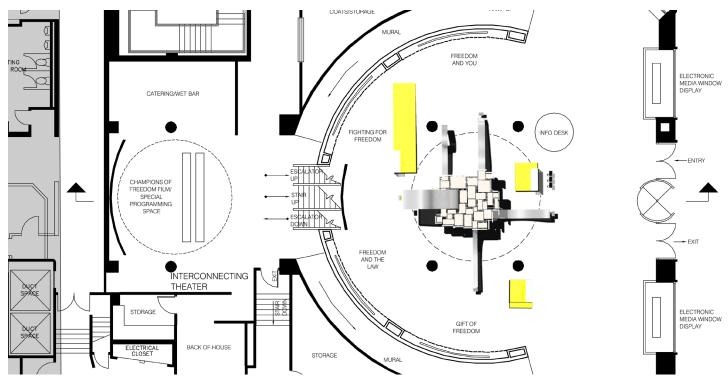
CHICAGO TRIBUNE BUILDING CHICAGO, IL

2004

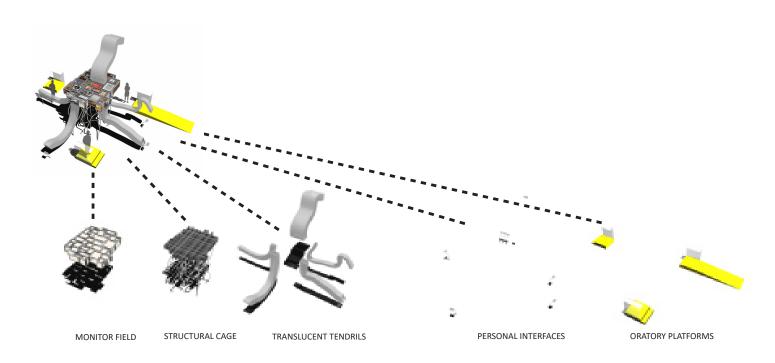
CONGRESS SHALL MAKE NO LAW RESPECTING AN ESTABLISHMENT OF RELIGION, OR PROHIBITING THE FREE EXERCISE THEREOF; OR ABRIDGING THE FREEDOM OF SPEECH, OR OF THE PRESS; OR OF THE RIGHT OF THE PEOPLE PEACEABLY TO ASSEMBLE, AND TO PETITION THE GOVERNMENT FOR A REDRESS OF GRIEVANCES.

The foundation of democracy and freedom is information. The INFA serves as an informational facilitator. As a conglomeration of hovering monitors, the INFA serves as an informational outlet: a gateway to the Internet, the Chicago Tribune Archives, and a host of global digital databases. A collection of monitors scroll through programmed and randomized images on: The First Amendment, The Bill of Rights, The Constitution, and Democracy in all of its facets. Suspended on a dangling field of organic chrome columns, the monitors wrap all six sizes of the irregularly formed cluster. Five of these monitors extrude off the main body: four tendrils fold down to service the main level while one tendril folds up to service the second level of the rotunda. At the end of each tendril is an individual access point [a monitor, mouse and keyboard] providing a direct link into the INFA. As one engages the machine, the information accessed is ingested by the INFA and included in its randomized dispersal of information across the rest of the image field. Three additional interfaces are located by the existing reception desk for a distanced engagement. Intermittently scattered around the perimeter of the INFA are three oratorical podiums for the production and distribution of discourse. Based upon the tradition of the soapbox, the elevated plateau allows for a seat of prominence to engage an audience and exercise the First Amendment.

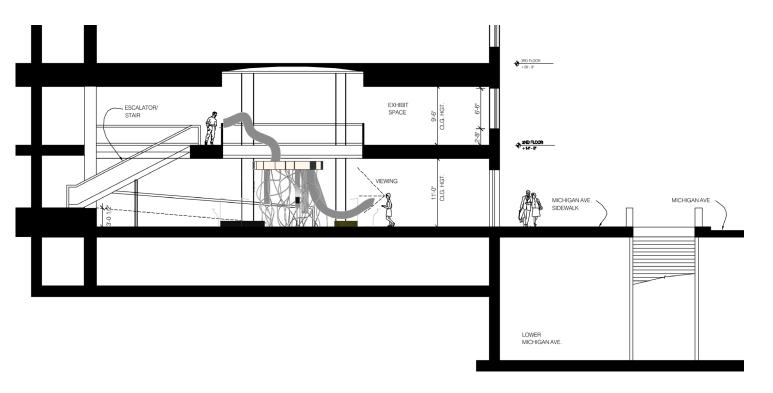
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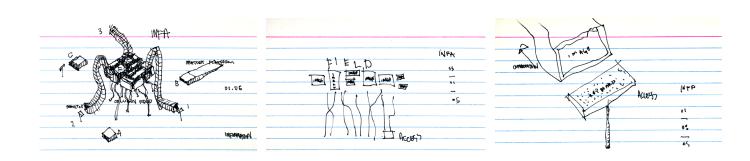
INFR PLAN - MCCORMICK MUSEUM AT CHICAGO TRIBUNE TOWER



**INFA** COMPONENTS

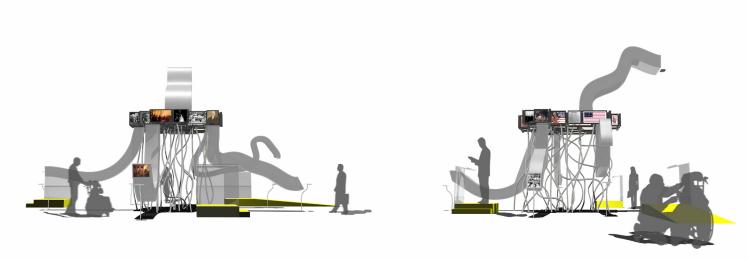


LONGITUDINAL SECTION OF **INFA** AT ENTRY



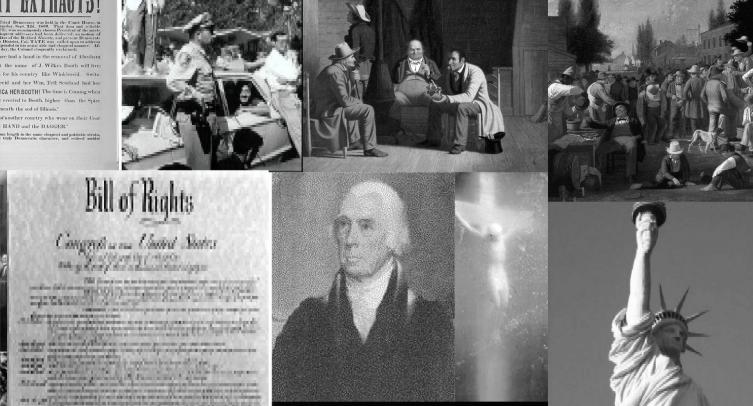


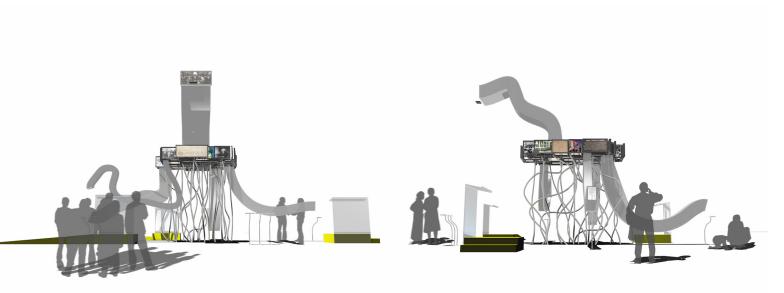
FIRST AMMENDMENT IMAGES



**INFR** ENTRY APPROACH (WEST FACE)

**INFR** south face





INFR EAST FACE INFR NORTH FACE