

## Roost Roost: A Landscape Becoming

*“Suppose that the worst has happened. Human extinction is a fait accompli . . . Picture a world from which we all suddenly vanished . . . Might we have left some faint, enduring mark on the universe? . . . Is it possible that, instead of heaving a huge biological sigh of relief, the world without us would miss us?”*

*Alan Weisman, The World without Us (New York, 2007)*



*Roost Roost* brings the landscape and its related ecologies into the foreground. The proposal alters the positioning of the existing narrative from operating on top of a landscape to operating *in* a landscape. The result, a significant shift away from a manicured pseudo landscape, primarily characterized by ornament, to a productive landscape - a landscape with agency - mobilizing its internal ecological engine: always moving, in a constant state of flux, an infinite collection of possibilities, an indeterminate end... always becoming.





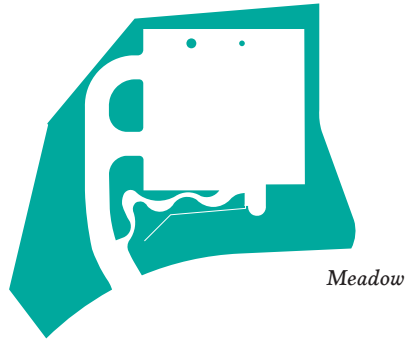
1. Eastern Kingbird *Tyrannus tyrannus*, 2. Willow Flycatcher *Empidonax traillii*, 3. Grey Catbird *Dumetella carolinensis*, 4. Indigo Bunting *Passerina cyanea*, 5. Eastern Wood-Pewee *Contopus virens*, 6. Blue-grey Gnatcatcher *Poliophtila caerulea*, 7. Rose-breasted Grosbeak *Pheucticus ludovicianus*, 8. Red-eyed Vireo *Vireo olivaceus*, 9. Savannah Sparrow *Passerculus sandwichensis*, 10. Chipping Sparrow *Spizella passerina*, 11. Winter Wren *Troglodytes hiemalis*, 12. House Wren *Troglodytes aedon*, 13. Black-billed Cuckoo *Coccyzus erythrophthalmus*, 14. Yellow-billed Cuckoo *Coccyzus americanus*, 15. Downy Woodpecker *Dryobates pubescens*, 16. Hairy Woodpecker *Dryobates villosus*, 17. Red-Headed Woodpecker *Melanerpes*, 18. Red-tailed Hawk *Buteo jamaicensis*, 19. Mourning Dove *Zenaida macroura*, 20. Ruby-throated Hummingbird *Archilochus*, 21. Great Crested Flycatcher *Myiarchus crinitus*, 22. Common Yellowthroat *Geothlypis trichas*, 23. Northern Cardinal *Cardinalis cardinalis*, 24. Chimney Swift *Chaetura pelagica*, 25. American Kestrel *Falco sparverius*, 26. Merlin Falcon *Falco columbarius*, 27. Eastern Phoebe *Sayornis phoebe*, 28. House Finch *Haemorhous mexicanus*, 29. American Goldfinch *Spinus tristis*, 30. Blue Jay *Cyanocitta cristata*, 31. Black-throated Warbler *Setophaga nigrescens*, 32. Palm Warbler *Setophaga palmarum*, 33. Magnolia Warbler *Setophaga magnolia*, 34. Blackpoll Warbler *Setophaga striata*, 35. Belted Kingfisher *Megaceryle alcyon*, 36. Barred Owl *Strix varia*, 37. Northern Flicker *Colaptes auratus*, 38. Golden-crowned Kinglet *Regulus satrapa*, 39. Hermit Thrush *Catharus guttatus*, 40. House Sparrow *Passer domesticus*, 41. Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*, 42. Barn Swallow *Hirundo rustica*, 43. Killdeer *Charadrius vociferus*, 44. Wild Turkey *Meleagris gallopavo*, 45. Barn Owl *Tyto alba*, 46. Great Horned Owl *Bubo virginianus*, 47. Fox Sparrow *Passerella iliaca*, 48. Wood Thrush *Hylocichla mustelina*, 49. Peregrine Falcon *Falco peregrinus*, 50. Common Nighthawk *Chordeiles minor*, 51. Dark-eyed Junco *Junco hyemalis*, 52. Lark Sparrow *Chondestes grammacus*.

54 bird species (out of over 350 species found in the GTA) that could inhabit the OAA Headquarters site.

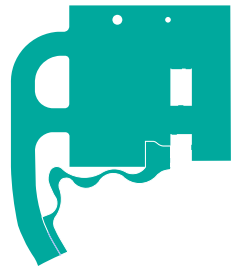




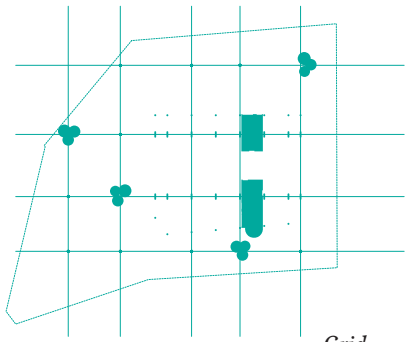
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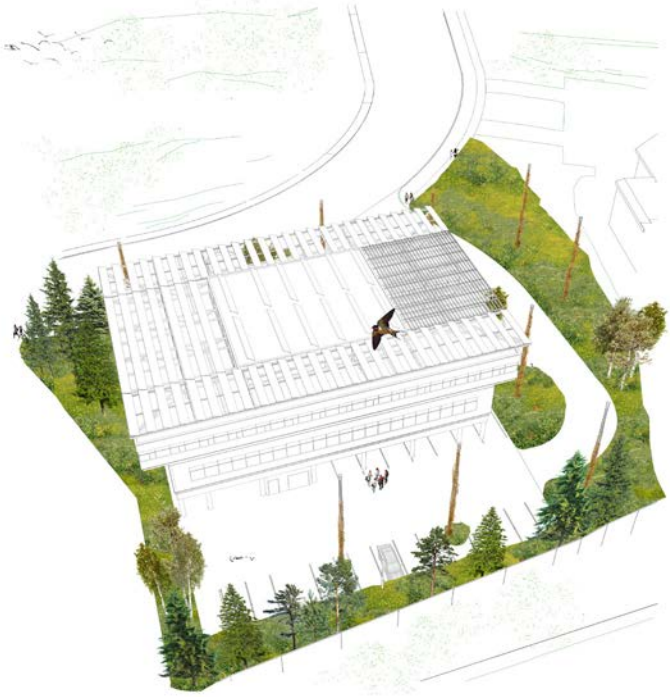
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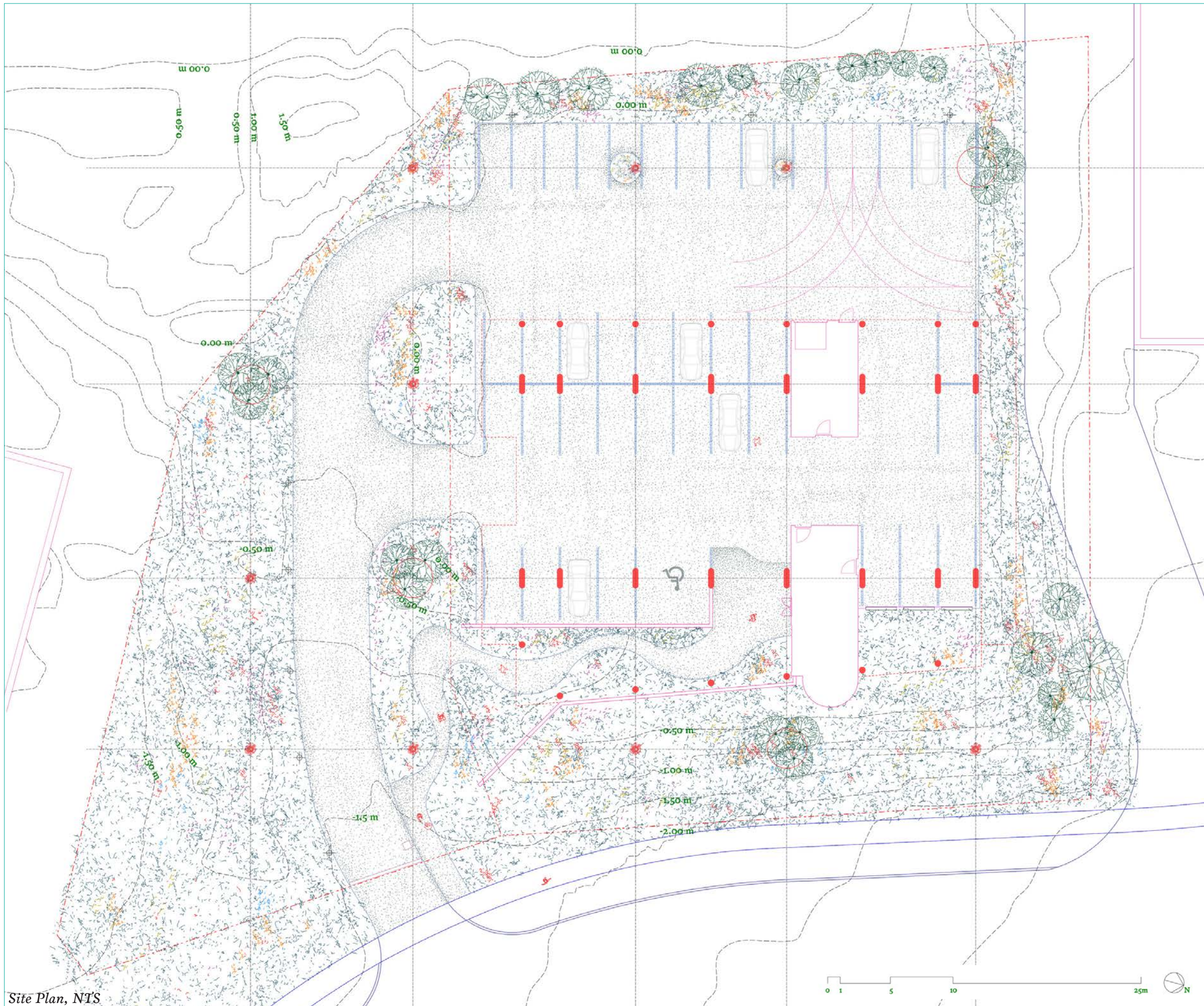
Gravel



Grid



North-West View

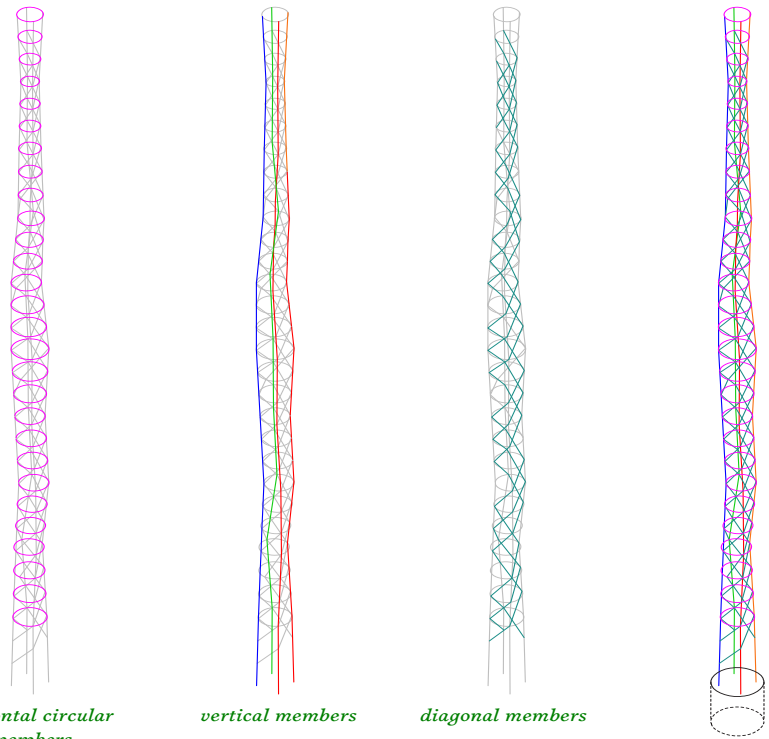


Site Plan, NTS

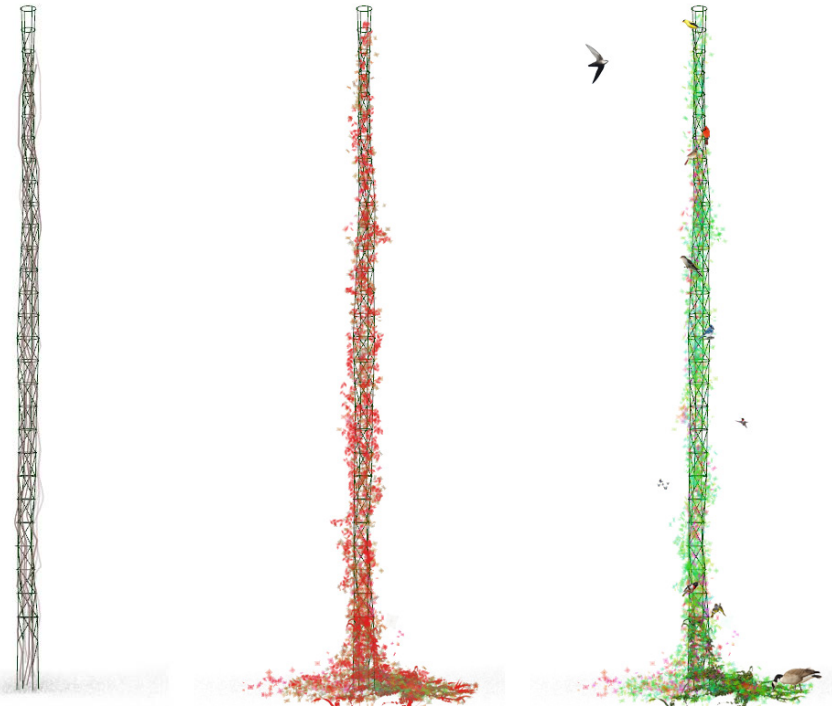




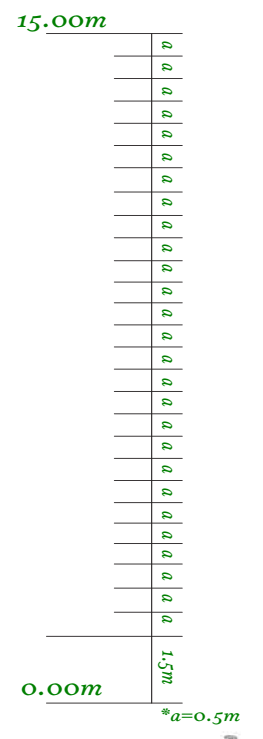
Ecological Towers



Structure



Planting: Virginia Creeper (*Parthenocissus quinquefolia*)



North-East View, Moatfield Drive



*Roost Roost* immerses a variety of species within a robust and rich ecological territory initiated by the ambition of creating a haven for birds. The project aims to heal our relationship with the land, return agency to natural systems and provide a space of inclusion for all species.

