# THE BLACK BOX **BETWEEN ARCH** DRAWING 1101 MODELLING AND REPRESENTATION

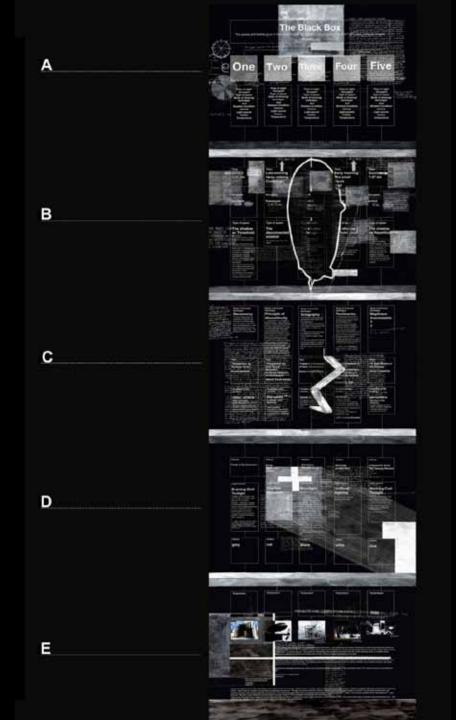
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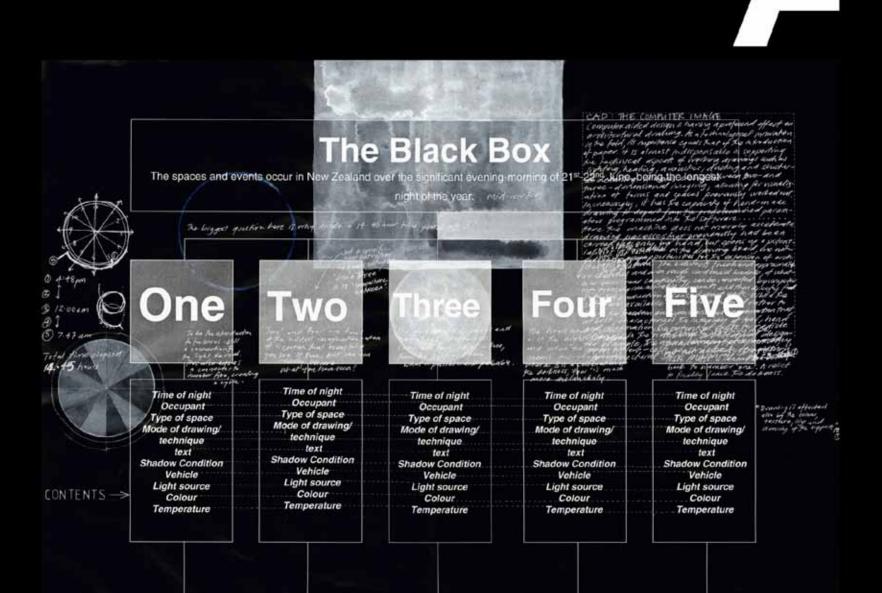
MAKE A NEW BLOG POST AND WRITE APPROXIMATELY 150 WORDS THAT CLEARLY SUMMARISES YOUR THOUGHTS. INCLUDE IMAGES OR VIDEO AS NECESSARY.

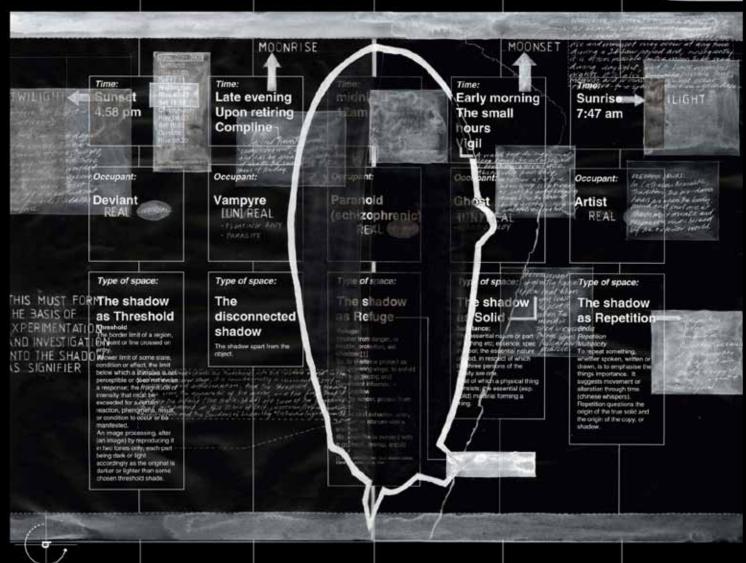
### The Black Box, The Concealed Room

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### Mode of drawing/ technique Stereotomy

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### Mode of drawing/ technique Principle of discontinuity

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### Sciagraphy-1 That branch of the science of perspective which deals with the projection of

Mode of drawing/

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shadows; also, the delineation of an object in perspective with its gradations of light and shade c. in allusion to the etymology: the depicting of shadows.

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Flatland A Romance of Many Dimensions'

Edwin Abbott Abbott

Mode of drawing/ technique Pentimento:

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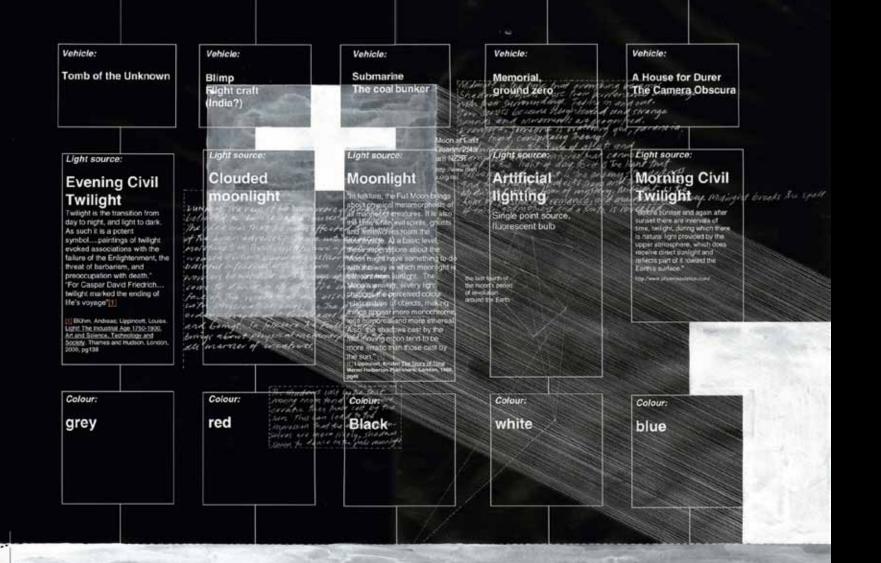
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(the blur of the shadow) A partial shadow, as in an eclipse, between regions of complete shadow and complete Illumination.





### **1. ANALOGY OF THE CAVE**

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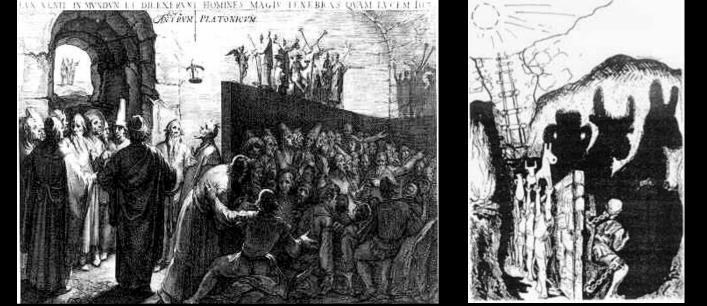
### "Republic" by Plato

"Behold! human beings living in a underground den, which has a mouth open towards the light and reaching all along the den; here they have been from their childhood, and have their legs and necks chained so that they cannot move, and can only see before them, being prevented by the chains from turning round their heads. Above and behind them a fire is blazing at a distance, and between the fire and the prisoners there is a raised way; and you will see, if you look, a low wall built along the way, like the screen which marionette players have in front of them, over which they show the puppets. I see. "

"And do you see, I said, men passing along the wall carrying all sorts of vessels, and statues and figures of animals made of wood and stone and various materials, which appear over the wall? Some of them are talking, others silent.

You have shown me a strange image, and they are strange prisoners.

Like ourselves, I replied; and they see only their own shadows, or the shadows of one another, which the fire throws on the opposite wall of the cave?"





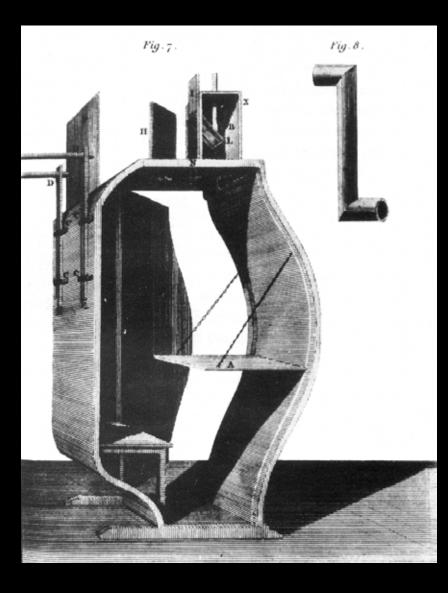
## **2. CAMERA OBSCURA**

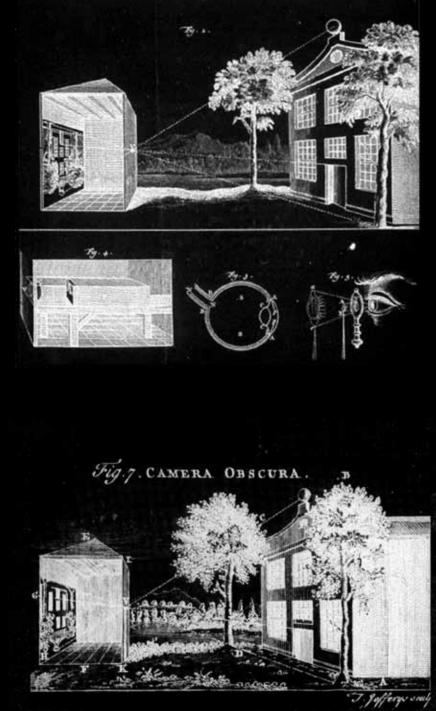
Translated from Italian:

### veiled or concealed room

"The 17<sup>th</sup> Century camera obscura, literally "dark room" was designed to create images for tracing. Latin: "darkened room" – attributed to Hassan Idn Hassan (Alhazan) who lived from 965 to 1038 AD. He described a technique for observing an eclipse of the sun without looking directly at it. You must place a small hole at an opening in the outside wall of a darkened room...so that the image of the sun is projected onto the opposite wall. Then as the eclipse takes place you will see a changing, crescent shaped image. However the hole must be quite small, otherwise rather than an image of the sun you will merely get an image of the hole itself......"

Goldsmith The Camera and its Images pg12





### **3. THE INVENTION OF DRAWING**

From

### "Natural History" by Pliny the Elder

The origin of drawing is said to have occurred when Butades daughter traced the projected image of her departing lover of the surface of a wall. The invention of drawing is bound to shadow; suggesting hand drawing is an appropriate language for the shadow.

"It is of unquestionable significance that the birth of western artistic representation was 'in the negative. When painting first emerged, it was part of the absence/presence theme (absence of body; presence of projection)." Stoichita A Short History of the Shadow, pg7





# 1. A SET OF BOOKS

The **5** shadow types established in the Matrix:

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BOOK 1. The Shadow as Threshold

BOOK 2. The Disconnected Shadow

BOOK 3. The Shadow as Refuge

BOOK 4. The Shadow as Solid

BOOK 5. The Shadow as Repetition

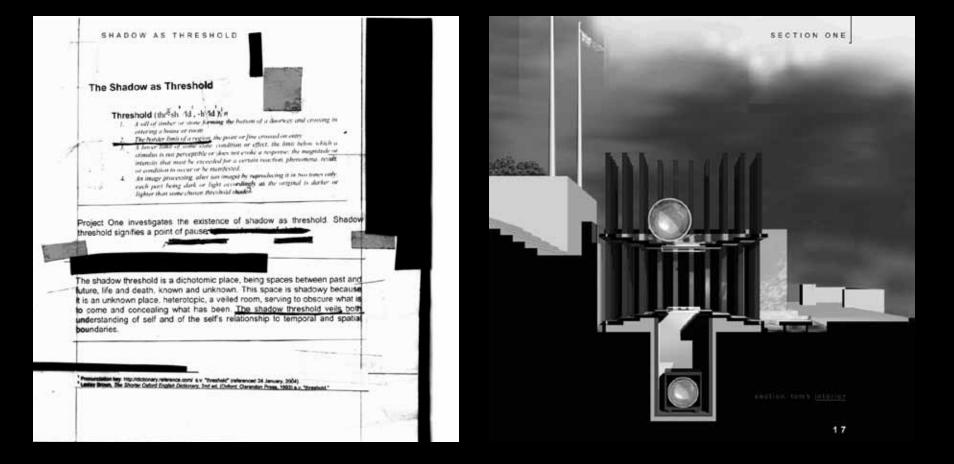
### THE SHADOW AS THRESHOLD

Time of Night	Sunset, 4.48-9pm 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2003
Inhabitant/Protagonist	Deviant
Programme	Gateway
Representation	Stereotomy the technique of cutting solids, as stones, to specified forms and dimensions.
Text	"Perspective as Symbolic Form" by Erwin Panofsky
Shadow Condition	Mezz ombra (semi darkness)
Vehicle/Site	Tomb of the Unknown Warrior (competition) The observatory instruments at Jaipur
Light Source	Twilight
Colour	Grey

### PROJECT ONE THE SHADOW AS THRESHOLD



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### SHADOW AS THRESHOLD

As a voyeur she enjoys looking at/for the 'other'. She is concerned with a reconciliation of the contradiction between "alienation and identification", and "identification not only with the ideal self but also, by extension, with other beings of whom the reflected image is a simulacrum.<sup>49</sup> She is not the keeper of the black box, nor the thresholds that are contained within. She is momentary visitor, experiencing the space of the shadow threshold.

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### Time and shadow condition:

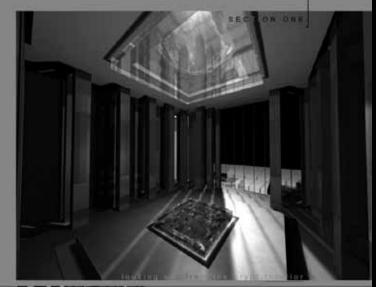
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At precisely 4:58 pm<sup>11</sup> on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June 2003, the longest night of the year in Wellington, New Zealand, the voyeur enters the interior of the black box. At 4:58pm the light is fading from the evening sky. It is the light of mezz'ombra12, that area that is between light and shadow through which the one passes to the other, gradually diminishing little by little. It is the gray area, between recognition and anonymity.

"Tmilight is the transition from day to night, and light to dark. As such K is a potent symbol... paintings of thelight evoked associations with the failure of the Enlightenment, the threat of barbarism, and processpation with death..... tmilight marked the ending of life's voyage.<sup>12</sup>

A physiological change takes place in perception of the voyeur. As darkness increases, the photosensitive rod receptors in the eyes take over from the cones. The rods control night vision, discerning only black and white. Rods are more sensitive to low light, but have lower acuity of vision than cones.14 further depleting the level of detail she is able to witness.

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The first threshold can best be described as an inverted threshold. Once inside this threshold the voyeur sees herself reflected in the mirror walls, multiplied, fragmented. Parts of adjacent walls are also bought through space and repeated on another plane. Nothing exists or happens in one part of the threshold that is not repeated in another part of the threshold. Every steps, cuts and path is seen reflected left to right, right to left, front to 4.1 back, st

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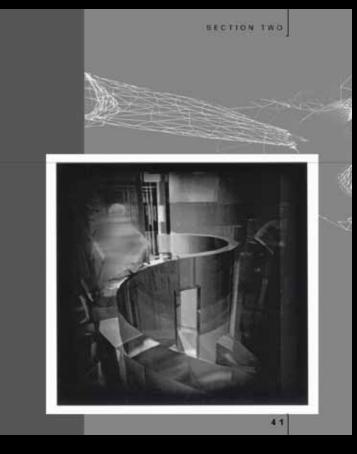
each action is, "at once, that action and its mirror image, which posses the special dignity of images, and this awareness prevents [her] from succumbing for a single moment to chance and forgetfulness.<sup>311</sup> There is a fascination with the specular image. As the voyeur catches herself in different poses and movements along the path that is extended an impossible distance, she smiles, frowns, and laughs to see the reflection shadowing each move. However nothing that happens in the threshold is symmetrical. Every gesture and fragment of architecture is answered by gesture or fragment inverted, point by point.31 - ----

Privileging visual perception over the corporeal body, the mirror functions both as a window televise the provide the second states, a well, preventing access. Like Alice in front of the Looking Glass, lamenting her desire to see that which she cannot see in the mirror, that which she knows exists in reality but is beyond the site of the mirror.<sup>33</sup> The visual corridor contains secrets. Spaces are hidden from view, as only the planes of objects adjacent to the plane of the perspective grid are revealed; and the nature of the mirror disallows enlightenment of what is behind and beyond.

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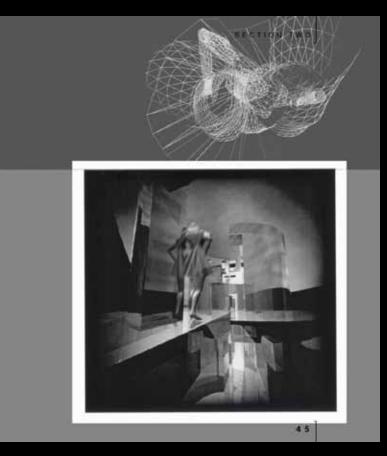
A longing occurs, to breach the two-dimensional surface and occupy the inverted three-dimensional space beyond. The threshold is aspetial by its very nature, looking into the mirror that is a flat surface presents an image of "unsettling ubiquity and depth." The mirror has prism-like qualities, disrupting the field of vision by hiding true space and revealing more at once; It is a point of separation between body and vision.

"In Freudian floory the miner represents the psyche. The reflection in the miner represents the psyche. projected on to the outside world. The placessant of Freuds miner on the boundary Solveon interior and exterior undermines the stedar of the boundary as a

The threshold is a space of unknown limitations. It is a shadowy space, full of imitations and reproductions, removed from the 'True Form's, 'It negates the differences between front and back, between right and left, between bodies and intervening space ("empty space"), so that the sum of all the parts of space and all its contents are absorbed into a single "quantum continuum"."



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### SHADOW AS THRESHOLD

All surfaces of the room are unevery and the surfaces made of disconnected planes, and smaller surfaces shadows cast from the voyeur in the arrivat darkness touch and break up. They are no longer a mere projection of the self, but appear to be made by some other, and move alongside the voyeur as something beloncing to but separate from her.

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Identification of the 'other occurs in the snadow stage; whereas the mirror stage primarily involves identification of the /] Mirror and shadow are optically and ontologically different the shadow represents the 'other' stage, while the mirror represents the 'same' stage.<sup>44</sup>

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Her shadow-form is part body, cut and sectioned on various planes, given thickness, solidity by the same that fills the air, and disappearing into the darkness of other built surfaces. As she had watched her reflection in the mirror threshold, so she watches her 'other' in this chamber of shadows. Here she realises all shadows are not perfect and beautiful objects but belong to an object that casts it, a distortable extension of herself. Her position as voyeur is flipped as she becomes the subject of the gaze of the other.

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\* Blochta, 31-35.

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<sup>47</sup> There is a reversal that takes place in western representation that results in the demonstation of the shadow. "A the end of this puriey the 'demonstation' of the shadow and the immortalisation' it performs meet." Southits, 138. SECTION THREE.

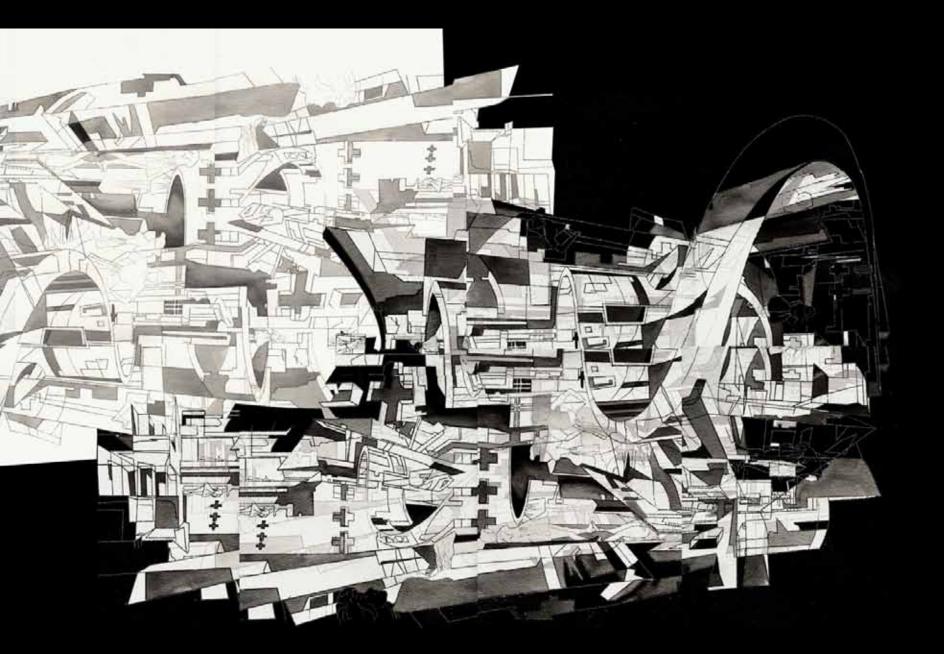




# FINAL DRAWINGS

Project 1





### BOOK 2. THE DISCONNECTED SHADOW

Time	Late evening, 9pm – 11:45pm, 21st June 2003
Inhabitant	Vampire
Programme	Theatre
Representation	Principle of Discontinuity
Text	"Polyphilo or the Dark Forest Revisited, An Erotic Epiphany of Architecture" by Albeto Perez-Gomez
Shadow Condition	Tenebrae (darkness)
Vehicle/Site	Blimp (flight craft)
Light Source	Clouded Moonlight
Colour	Red

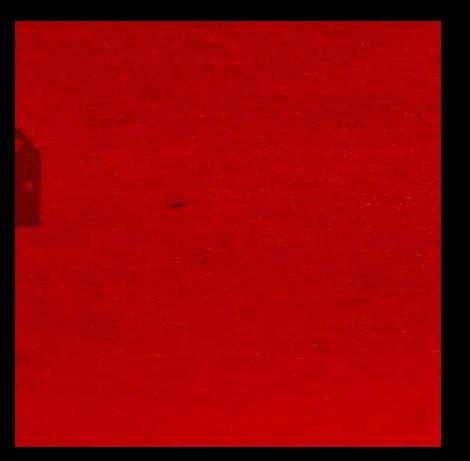
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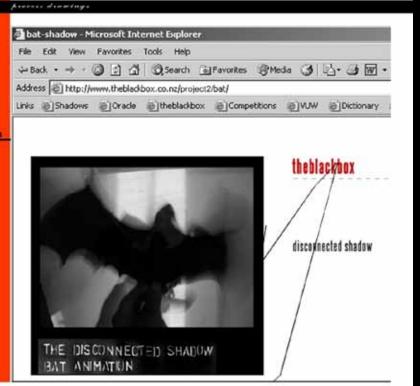
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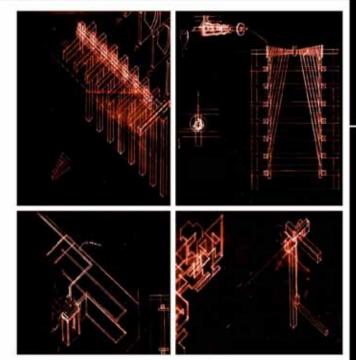
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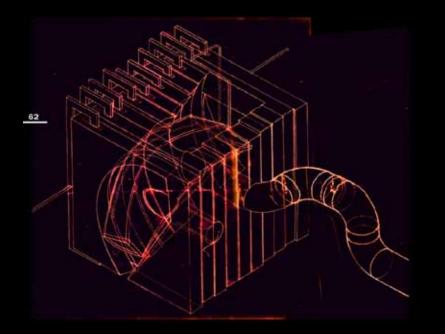
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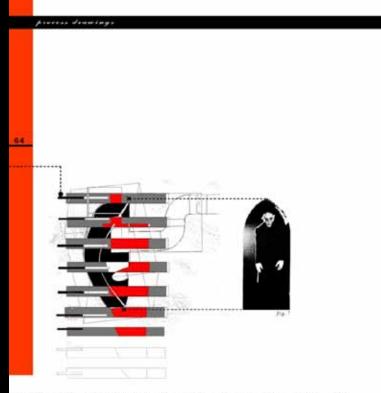
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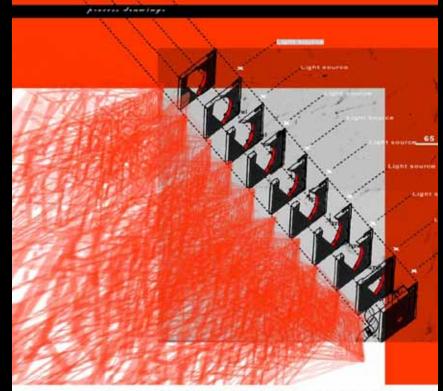


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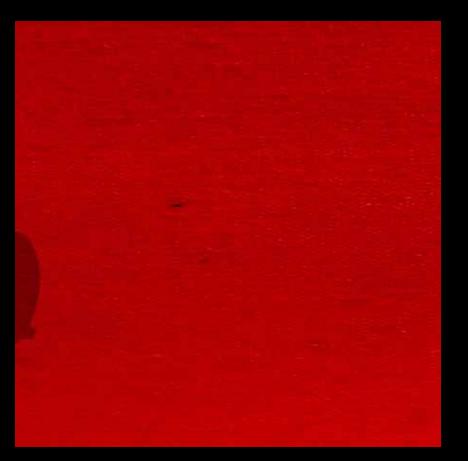
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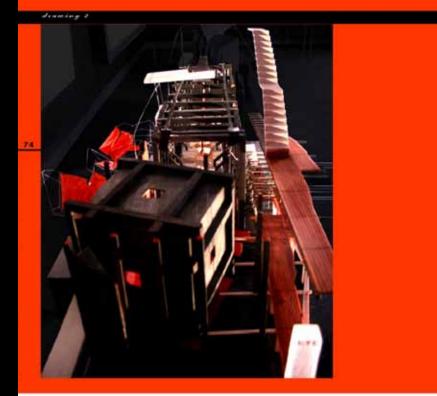
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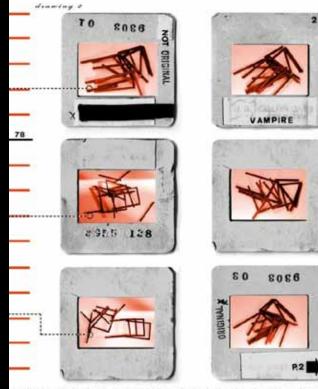
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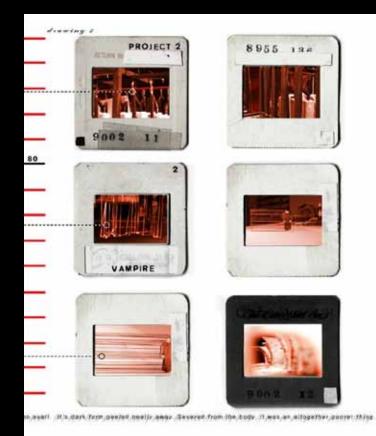
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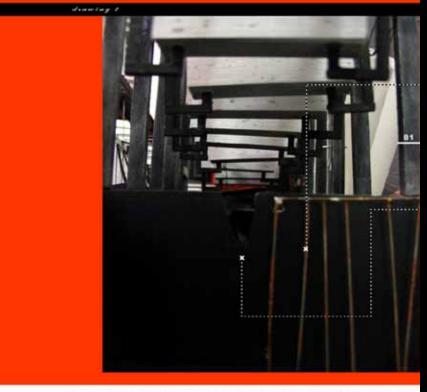


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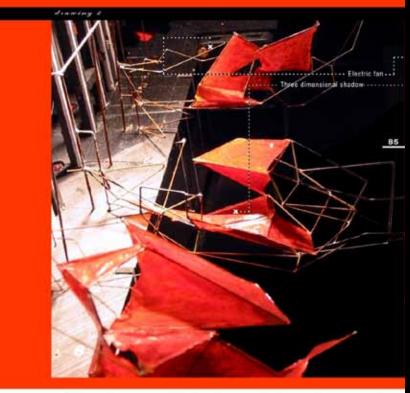




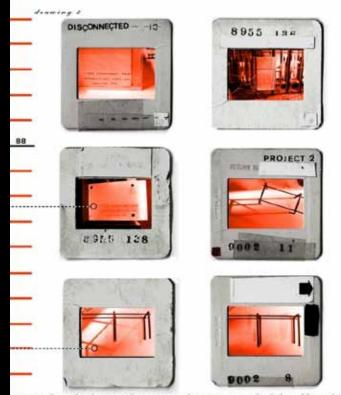
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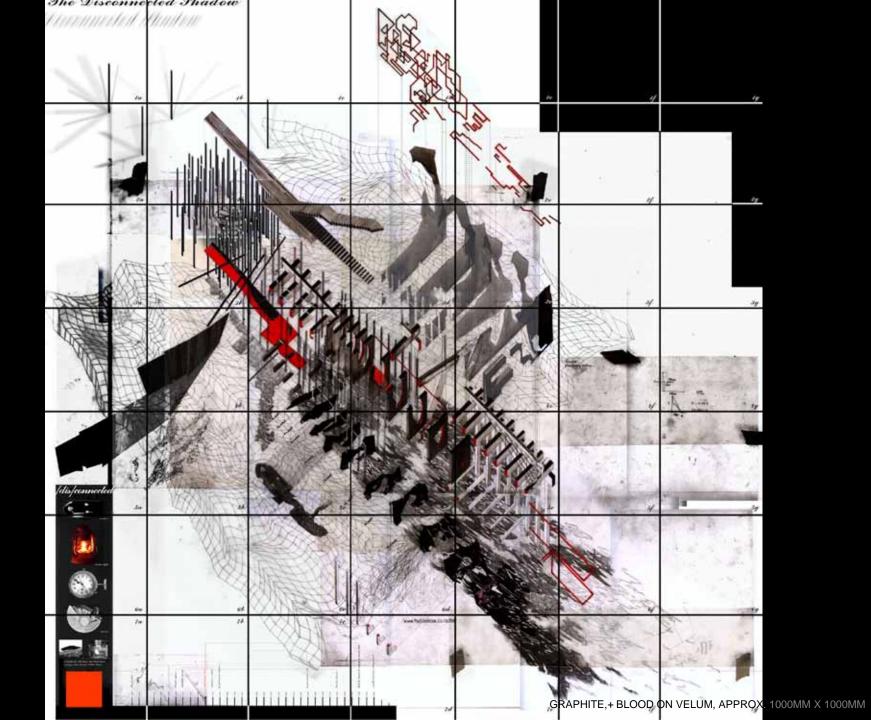


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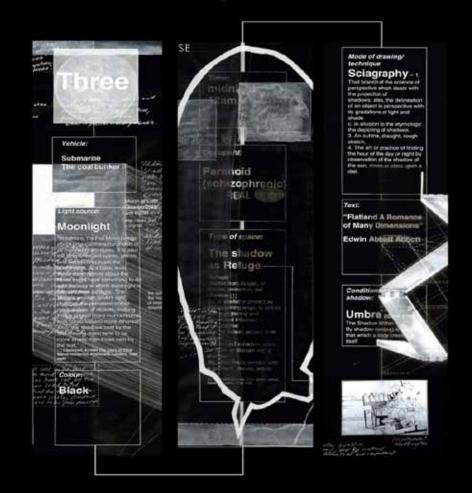


#### SHADOW AS REFUGE

Time	Midnight, 11:45pm – 12:15am, 21 <sup>st –</sup> 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2003
Inhabitant	Paranoid (Schizophrenic)
Programme	Bridge
Representation	Sciagraphy drawing in light and shade; The art or science of projecting or delineating shadows as they fall in nature; An old term for a vertical section of a building
Text	"Flatland: a Romance of Many Directions" by Edwin Abbott Abbott
Shadow Condition	Umbra (Dark core, the shadow within)
Vehicle/Site	Coal Bunker; Submarine
Light Source	Moonlight
Colour	Black (+ white)

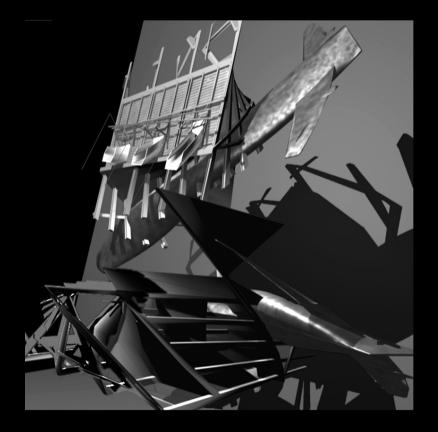
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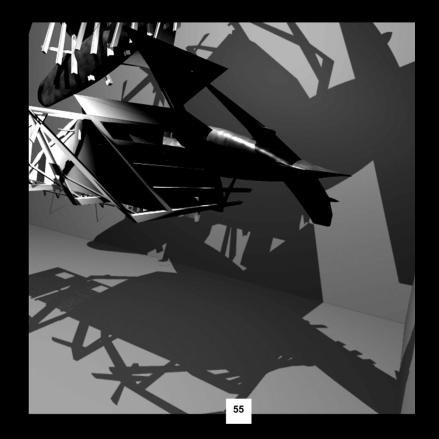
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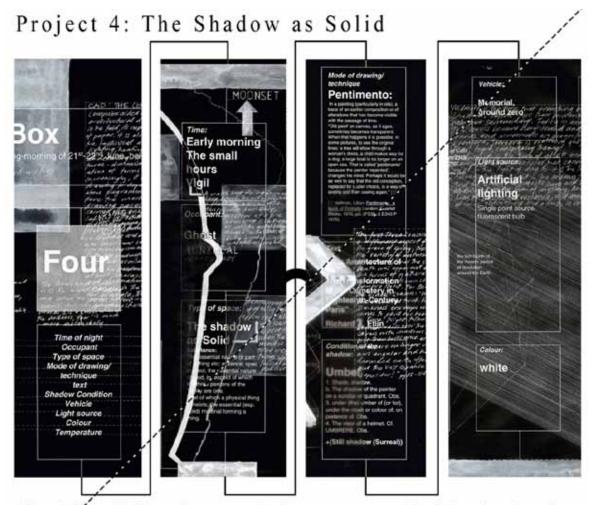




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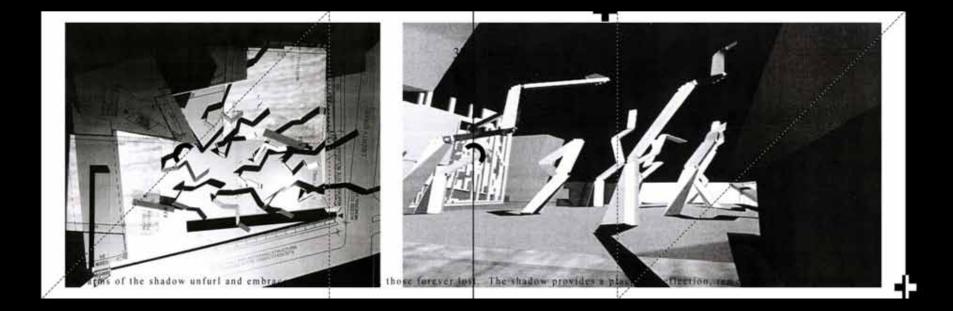
Time	Early morning, 12:15am – 4am, 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2003
Inhabitant	Ghost
Programme	Memorial
Representation	<b>Pentimento</b> An underlying image in a painting, as an earlier painting, part of a painting, or original draft, that shows through, usually when the top layer of paint has become transparent with age.
Text	"The Architecture of Death: The Transformation of the Cemetery in Eighteenth-Century Paris" by Richard Etlin
Shadow Condition	Umber (under shadow)
Vehicle/Site	Ground Zero; Twin Towers, New York
Light Source	Artificial
Colour	White

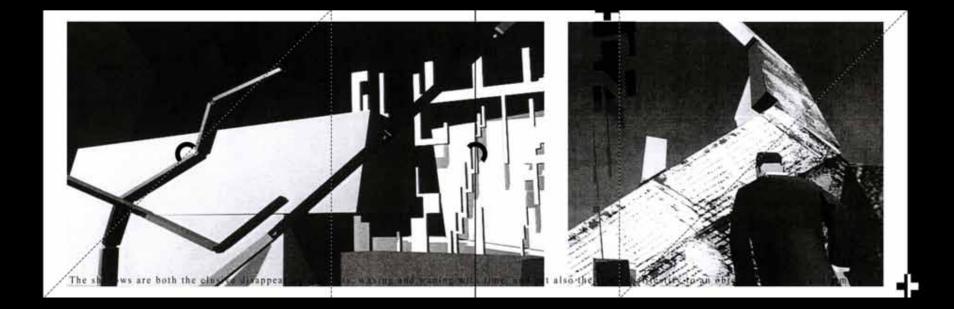


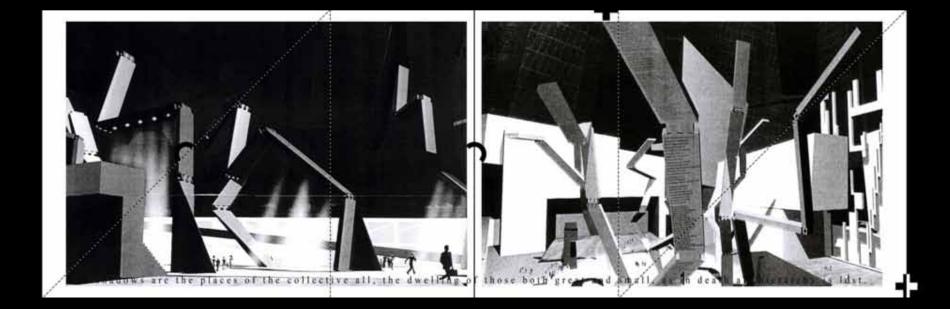
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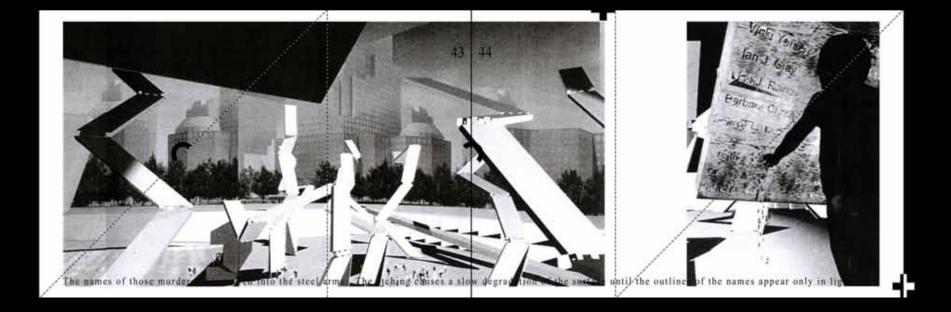
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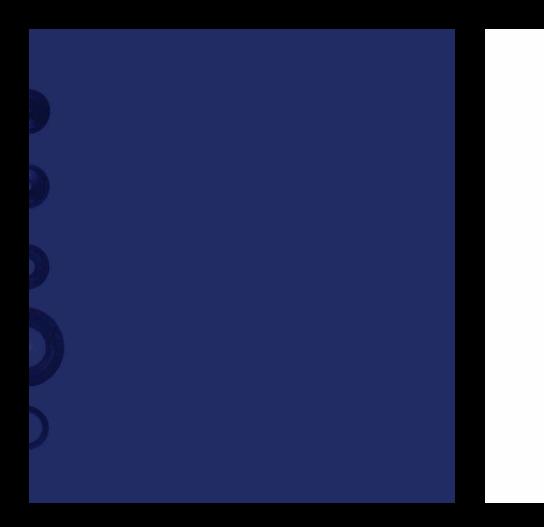
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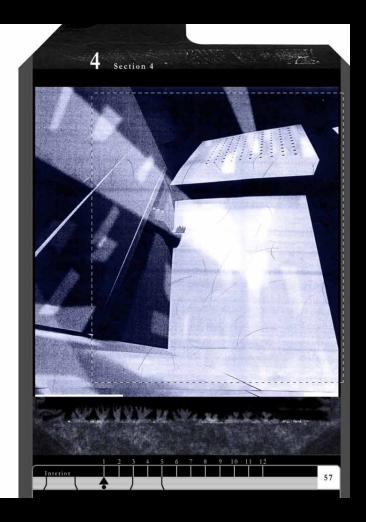
Time	Sunrise, 4am - 7:47am, 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 2003
Inhabitant	Artist
Programme	Art Gallery
Representation	map/trace
Text	"A short History of the Shadow" by Victor L.Stoichita
Shadow Condition	Penumbra (the blur of the shadow)
Vehicle/Site	The Camera Obscura A House for Dürer
Light Source	Morning Civil Twilight
Colour	Blue

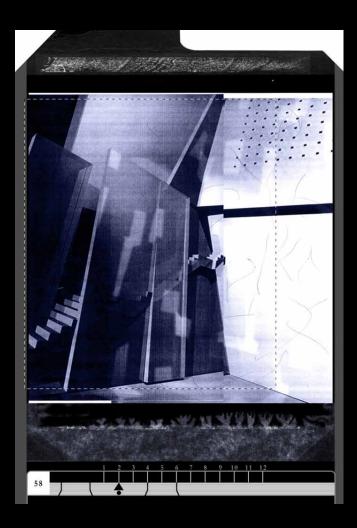
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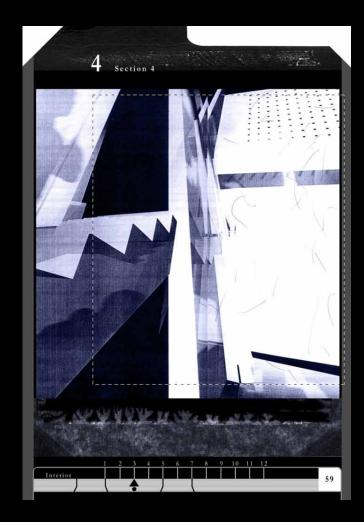


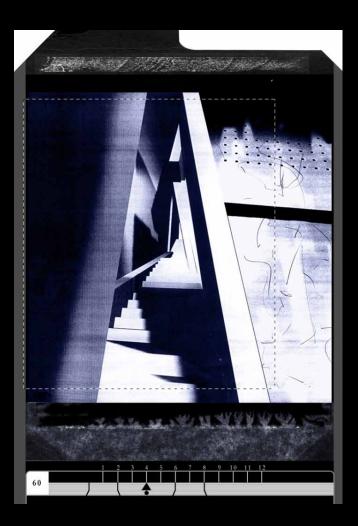
The criteria listed in the matrix are not explored as separate aspects of the shadow, but rather unite as distinct generative guidelines for the project. To see a full version of the matrix see book '0' of The Black Box, pg xxxvii, or visit www.theblackbox.co.nz/outline/

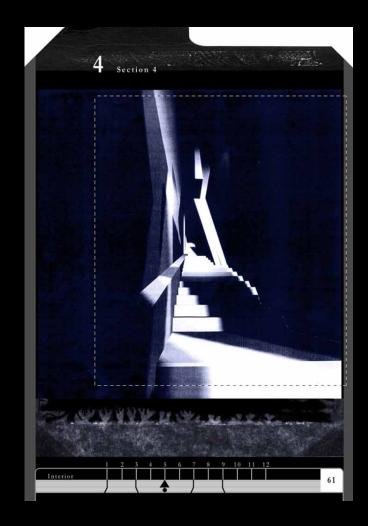


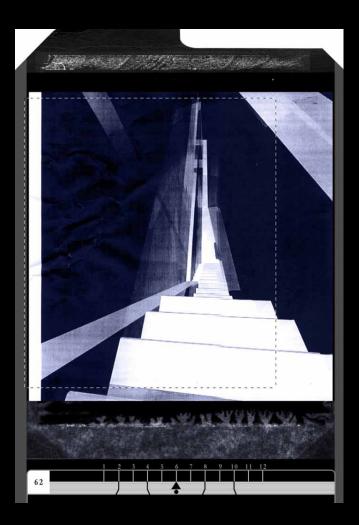


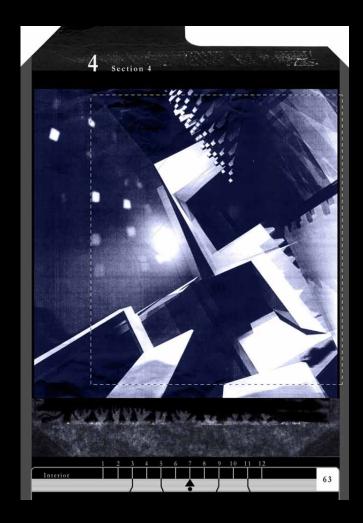


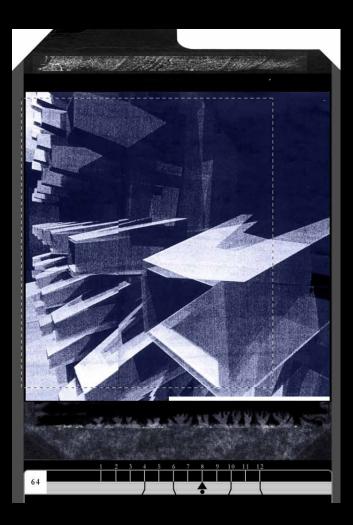


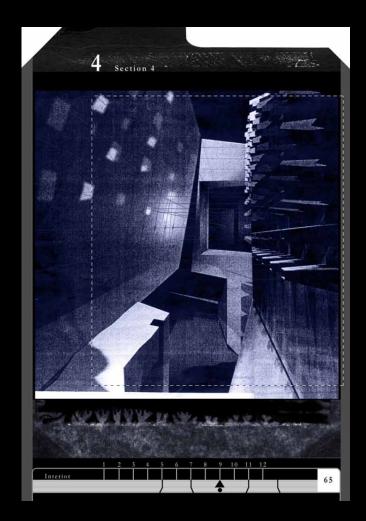






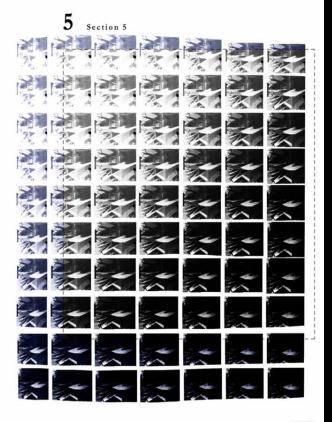


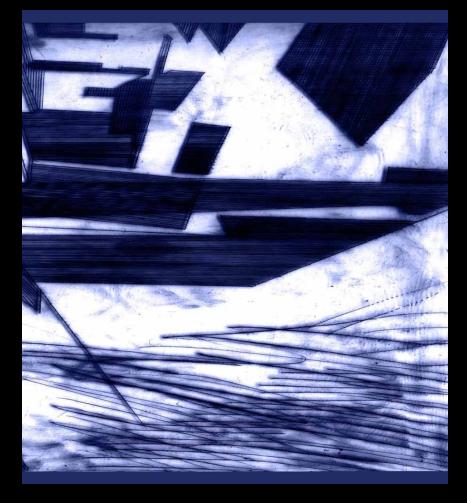


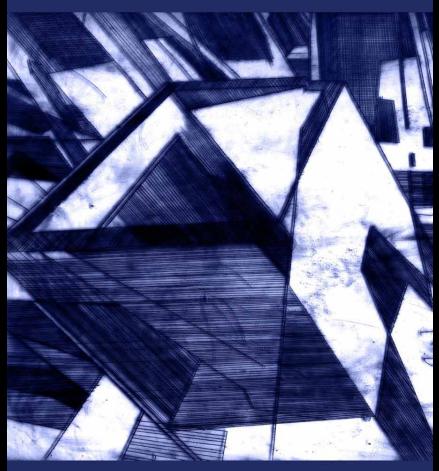




It is a device for recording the shadows, as to see shadows and to perceive the world (and record it), is to remember.







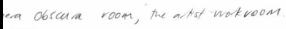
# FINAL DRAWINGS

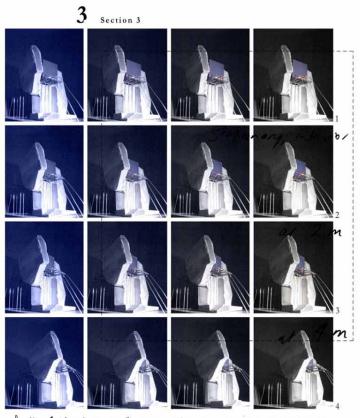
Project 5











Sectional Model, showing the camera Obscura room, the artist work voom.

