KUMU COURTYARD MAP

Did you know that, besides the numerous exhibition halls, there's lots of art and other exciting things in the Kumu courtyard? This map, together with instructions, will help you discover all that.
The Kumu Art Museum, located in the side of a limestone bank, and its courtyard have a circular floor plan. The building was designed by the Finnish architect Pekka Vepasuo, and it was opened to the public in 2006. The museum's outstanding architectural solution was awarded the European Museum of the Year Award in 2008. The museum’s main entrance opens onto an inner courtyard, where wide staircases and rhythmically zigzagging ramps offer various trajectories and create an open environment. The light dolomite that has been used to cover the inner courtyard reflects abundant sunlight. An eye-catching pool with a chequered design is situated to cover the inner courtyard reflects abundant sunlight.

EXHIBITION “TERRA INCOGNITA: FAMILIAR INFINITY” IN THE KUMU ART MUSEUM COURTYARD

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By the year 2000, all of the places on earth were visible via satellite photos: the photo lens had seen the entire space utilised by humans. This creates an image of a totally archived world, an inventoried space, where expeditions of discovery have lost their former meaning.

Where could we draw the modern boundaries of terra incognita? Cutting-edge science can bring us images of galaxies that existed 13 billion years ago. Perhaps we could insist that anything in the universe is discovered in a hidden archive.

The point of departure for “Terra incognita: Familiar Infinity” is the underused space in the Kumu Art Museum courtyard. The architectural garden paths and the central “Infinity” is the underused space in the Kumu Art Museum and the European Museum of the Year Award in 2006. The museum’s main entrance opens onto an inner courtyard, where wide staircases and rhythmically zigzagging ramps offer various trajectories and create an open environment. The light dolomite that has been used to cover the inner courtyard reflects abundant sunlight. An eye-catching pool with a chequered design is situated to cover the inner courtyard reflects abundant sunlight.

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