FLIGHT MH17 MEMORIAL + PARK
VIGIL RINGS

Vigil Rings is an initiative to honor the lives lost on Flight MH17. A ring is emblazoned as the base material of the site, creating a space where the site can be viewed as a series of visually unique and connection-oriented landmarks around the site. A ring of birch trees surrounds the perimeter of the site, highlighting the beauty of the collective and the uniqueness of each individual life.

298 CORE: PRAYER CANDLES

298 glowing aluminum prayer candles collectively illuminate their surrounding enclosure and represent each of the 298 unique lives lost on Flight MH17. The lights are arranged in the form of the seats on the plane, highlighting the duality of the collective and the uniqueness of each individual life.

GUIDE PRAYER CANDLES

Guiding visitors into the memorial, prayer candles illuminate their surrounding enclosure and reminiscent of the circular nature of the memorial. The lights are arranged in the form of the seats on the plane, highlighting the beauty of the collective and the uniqueness of each individual life.

STRUCTURE: RING OF EMBRACE

A ring of native birch trees lines the perimeter of the island; their low canopy and stark white trunks simultaneously provide a sense of security and invitation to the memorial. A broad meadow lies past the forest, providing no direct path to the memorial, making each visitor's experience an embodied representation of the unique nature of each individual life.

SITE: COLLECTIVE MEMORY

The meadow serves as an open space where visitors can reflect on the events and impact of the tragedy. The circular structure of the memorial serves as a symbol of peace and unity, representing a sense of security and connection among the visitors. The memorial is a reminder of the collective nature of human life and the importance of remembering those lost.

PROPOSED FERRY STATION

Oostveer Ferry Station
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The proposed ferry station serves as a gateway to the memorial, providing easy access for visitors and allowing for a smooth transition from the mainland to the memorial site. The design of the station is intended to be both functional and visually appealing, creating a welcoming atmosphere for visitors.

EXHIBITION
Cafe
Men's Room
Meeting Room
Lecture Room
Office
Lady's Room

The exhibition and cafe serve as additional areas for visitors to reflect on the events and provide a space for visitors to gather and share their thoughts. The meeting and lecture rooms can be used for educational programs and discussions about the tragedy.

SITE LOCATION

The site location is strategically chosen to provide easy access and visibility for visitors. The surrounding landscape and natural features enhance the overall experience, creating a peaceful and serene atmosphere for visitors to reflect on the events.