

DOMUS MUNDI

ICONIC DESTINATION

The DOMUS MUNDI site is a confluence of real and conceptual forces. Natural forces like the Guadalupe River and Los Gatos Creek intersection, forest and river ecology surrounding, and green spaces intersect with man-made forces such as streets, Highway 87, pedestrians from the city to the SAP center, and the airport approach overhead. San Jose as the capital of Silicon Valley is also symbolically embodied in the site.

DOMUS MUNDI is a bold marker and reflection of the energy and spirit of these intersections. The sculptural forms of DOMUS MUNDI rises 200' at its highest point ensuring visibility from many vantage points during the day and illuminated at night. The forms of DOMUS MUNDI reflect the reach of the trees on the site and kinetic movement of the highway and sinuous form of the river.

ACTIVATED SPACES

DOMUS MUNDI is an array of plazas and sheltered spaces. A new retaining wall at the west of the site provides a canvas for murals. An open-air GREAT HALL formed from the sculptural elements provides some shade and cover for outdoor activities in the adjacent park.

CELEBRATION OF INNOVATION

DOMUS MUNDI is a transforming object. Dynamic sculptural landmark by day. Lantern and mirror of the world by night.

At night, large scale projection mapping transforms the sculptural forms into moving, energetic pieces of light visible from within the park and the adjacent roadways. They can display moving images of, San Jose, it's people, it's vitality, its organizations. It can show the world to San Jose.

NET ZERO

DOMUS MUNDI is sited to preserve the stand of trees across the river at the other site minimizing impact. At night, the park face of the structure is lit from within, while the highway face is brightly lit from projection mapping. The design of the structure provides locations for building mounted solar panels that could be further supplemented by off-site solar or wind power generation. The scale of the needed projection mapping equipment and other site amenities allow for a power demand that would differ from a fully enclosed structure providing more substantial amenities.

PLACE

DOMUS MUNDI is a place of gathering, a place of protest, a place of healing, a place of rest, a place of repose. It is a place where we can see SAN JOSE, the world and ourselves. As we are and as we strive to be.