# The Sonic Weaving Loom

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Providing an Autonomous Urbanism for Acoustic Communities









### SOUNDMARK

to a community sound which is unique, or possesses qualities which make it specially regarded or noticed by the people in that community.'

### **ACOUSTIC ARENA**

'A term derived from 'landmark' used in SOUNDSCAPE studies to refer 'A sonic geography that is determined by the acoustic horizon of 'A social, religious, occupational, or other group sharing common a Soundmark, which is in the bounds of a social fabric. Thus, it is a characteristics or interests where sound forms a significance within volume centred on a sonic event and dependant on the reverberation the acoustic arena.' and frequency of the soundmark.'

WEAVING ENCOUNTERS // THE SIGNIFIED & THE SIGNIFIER

**ACOUSTIC COMMUNITY** 



SOUNDMARK TAXONOMY // LANDMARKS OF SOUND

Mechanical arena

Response evoked

Waves received



ANCIENT PARISHES // SONIC GOVERNANCE IN THE ARENA





### ABANDONED ARENA // MANSTON AIRPORTS DEPARTURE



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### ACOUSTIC ARENAS // SOUNDMARKS









Signal





Adjustable turn-buckle

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Manual key in Carillon keyboard —

### **CARILLON CHARACTERISTICS // TYPOLOGY FORENSIC ANALYSIS**



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Sequence



Bell crank



### CARILLON

A carillon (UK: /kəˈrɪljən/;[1] French: [kauijɔ̃]) is a musical instrument typically housed in the bell tower (belfry) of a church or municipal building. The instrument consists of at least 23 cast bronze, cup-shaped bells, which are played serially to produce a melody, or together to play a chord. A traditional manual carillon is played by striking a keyboard-the sticklike keys of which are called batons – with the fists, and by pressing the keys of a pedal keyboard with the feet. The keys mechanically activate levers and wires connected to metal clappers that strike the bells.

The word "carillon" is said to originate from the French quadrillon, meaning four bells. In German, a carillon is called a Glockenspiel. The percussion instrument called a glockenspiel by English speakers is often called a carillon in French.

In medieval times, swinging bells were first used as a way of notifying people of imminent church services, and for such as fires, storms, wars and other secular events.

However, the use of bells to play melodic musical compositions originated in the 16th century in the Low Countries. The first carillon was in Flanders, where a fool performed music on the bells of Oudenaarde Town Hall in 1510 by using a baton keyboard.

Major figures in the evolution of the modern carillon were Pieter and François Hemony working in the 17th century. They are credited as being the greatest carillon bell founders in the history of the Low Countries. They developed the carillon, in collaboration with Jacob van Eyck, into a full-fledged musical instrument by casting the first tuned carillon in 1644, which was installed in Zutphen's Wijnhuistoren tower.



**CONTESTED TERRITORY // BRIDGING THE GAP** 

rally against a planning application submitted by Instro Precision. The group invaded the building - which is rented by



POLITICS OF SOUND // WEAVING AN AUTONOMOUS ARENA



THE SONIC LOOM // PROGRAMMATIC CATALYST



MANSTON THEATRUM // PROGRAMMATIC RADIUS



THE ACOUSTIC ADJUDICATORS // THANET'S SONIC INTERVENTIONS

Wind Weaving intervention



IMMINENT ARENA // MANSTON AIRPORTS ARRIVAL



ENTRY POINTS 00 - THE ACOUSTIC GATEWAY

PAVILION 01 - THE SONIC RESERVOIR

SONIC URBANISM // PAVILION PLACEMENT STRATEGY

**PAVILION 02 - THE AUTONOMOUS AUTHOR** 

PAVILION 03 - THANET'S VOICE





Rumble strips activate frame

Reverberating cables placed in the frame



Southern acoustic gateway in situ



View of car activated resonating frame





ENTRY POINTS // ACOUSTIC GATEWAYS

### SOUNDMARK ARENA

ACOUSTIC ACTIVATOR



Electroacoustic speakers

ACOUSTIC ACTIVATORS // AURAL NETWORK TYPOLOGY

Subterranean Peregrination

### AUTONOMOUS ADJUDICATOR

SONIC TACTIC



Rain collected & played through interactive piping



1. To send or direct (something) on or along a different route. (Oxford Dictionary, 2021)

When sound, traveling in air, comes to the end of the air, it will start to penetrate whatever it strikes. The wave consists of both pressure and movement of the particles of the material through which it goes. ... This results in the wave leaving the wall, just the same way that light gets reflected from a mirror. Any mirror obeys the three laws of reflection, flat, curved, convex or concave.



Inhabitant plays the pavilions frame



02 REVERBERATE

- Of a loud noise) to be repeated several times as an echo.
  Of a place) appear to vibrate because of a loud noise.
- 3. Return or re-echo (a sound) (Oxford Dictionary, 2021)
- 5. Herdin of re-ectio (a sound) (Oxioid Dictionary, 202

Reverberation, in psychoacoustics and acoustics, is a persistence of sound after the sound is produced. A reverberation, or reverb, is created when a sound or signal is reflected causing numerous reflections to build up and then decay as the sound is absorbed by the surfaces of objects in the space – which could include furniture, people, and air. This is most noticeable when the sound source stops but the reflections continue, their amplitude decreasing, until zero is reached.



- 1. Enlarge upon or add detail to a sonic output.
- 2. Increase the volume of (sound), especially using an amplifier (Oxford Dictionary, 2021)

Sounds can be made louder or amplified in a number of ways. By providing more energy in making the sound its loudness can be increased. This would be achieved by beating a drum with greater vigour, blowing harder on the recorder or using more bodily energy in shouting louder.



Recored sounds of Thanet played to the community



PAVILION 01 // SITE LOCATION PLAN

### THE SONIC RESERVOIR

The first pavilion is situated on the former airport runway and utilises the original language of the pavilion as a shelter. This pavilion however collects rain through its angled roof, which acts as a water basin that flows to the centre. The runway location of the central reservoir also provides existing drainage for the rainwater, which then collects and pumps the water throughout the skeletal pipe system allowing for many performative aspects. One aspect is the facade system, where water is pumped to the roof to create a blanket of rain on the outside. This then flows in to the water rivulet basins below and repeats the cycle. The water is also pumped through the pipes on the first floor to become an interactive instrument called a hydraulophone. The hydrualophone can then be played by the inhabitant by touching the holes in the pipes to create an aquatic singing frame. The pavilion therefore becomes not only a shelter but an instrument that converts the elements in to a performance.



- Conflicted soundBoulevard
  - Promenade Landscape buffer
- Pavilion
- Zone 01
- Zone 02
- Zone 03





- RESERVOIR COLLECTION POINT
  STRUCTURAL COLUMN
  WATER RIVULET BASIN
  RAMP ACCESS
  PERFORMATIVE RAIN FACADE
  HYDRAULOPHONE SYSTEM
  RAINWATER HARVESTING DUMP
- 7. RAINWATER HARVESTING PUMP





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PAVILION 02 // SITE LOCATION PLAN



The next pavilion is situated on the edge of the site and produces an interactive forest of sound. The sound is created through the hollow bronze pipes which hang from a frame. The frame uses the method of circle packing to allow for structural support but also to allow the majority of the pipes to hang freely with a minimal amount of columns. The pipes are then struck using a hammer mechanism that is activated by the four central baton keyboards. The acoustic forest therefore creates a sonic journey navigated by sound, but also provides an autonomy for the inhabitant to play the structure once they come across the keyboard. Thus the pavilion provides a social approach where the inhabitant can play and listen to the pavilion.

Conflicted sound

Boulevard

Promenade

PavilionZone 01Zone 02

Zone 03

Landscape buffer



PAVILION 02 // IN SITU

1. AUTONOMOUS PLAYING ORGAN 2. CIRCLE PACKING FRAME 3. ACOUSTIC ARENAS

4. ACOUSTIC PIPING 5. HAMMER MECHANISM CABLING







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PAVILION 02 // SECTION BB







02 REVERBERATE







PAVILION 02 // REVERBERATION COMPONENTS

+01 CIRCLE PACKING FRAME

+00 BRONZE PIPE FOREST

+00 AUTONOMOUS PLAYING ARENAS





02 THE AUTONOMOUS AUTHOR // FLOATING FOREST





PAVILION 03 // SITE LOCATION PLAN

PAVILION 03 // IN SITU



03 THANETS VOICE // SUBTERRANEAN SECLUSION



- 1. INTERACTION CIRCLES 2. DIS-INTERACTION PATHS 3. PRIMARY ELECTRO ACOUSTIC CHAMBER 4. OSCILLATING WALL EMBEDDED SPEAKER 5. SERVICING FOR THE ELECTROACOUSTIC SPEAKERS IN THE VOID SPACE







OSCILLATING SOUND // ELOCTROACOUSTIC SKIN COMPONENT



PAVILION 03 DETAIL SECTION // ACOUSTIC TECHNOLOGIES APPLIED



AXONOMETRIC SECTION DETAIL // APPLIED ACOUSTIC SYSTEM & COMPONENTS



ELECTROACOUSTIC AMPLIFICATION // SOUND CONTOURS

- 1. INTERACTION CIRCLES 2. DIS-INTERACTION PATHS 3. PRIMARY ELECTRO ACOUSTIC CHAMBER 4. INTERNAL WALL BUILT IN SPEAKER

 11dB
 22 dB
 44 dB
 66 dB
 88 dB

1. SONIC ROOF ENCLOSURES FOR SOUND OUTPUT AT UPPER LEVEL 2. OUTER EDGE PRIMARY ELECTROACOUSTIC CHAMBER 3. DIS-INTERACTION CIRCULATION PATHS 4. INTERACTION CIRCLES



PAVILION 03 // SECTION AA







SONIC ROOF ENCLOSURES

+00 SUNKEN ELECTRO ACOUSTIC CHAMBER

+00 DIS-SOCIAL / SOCIAL ACOUSTIC CHAMBERS

03 AMPLIFICATION // AUTONOMOUS PEREGRINATION





03 AMPLIFICATION // GIVING THANET A VOICE



AURAL ABSTRACTION // PERSPECTIVE PLAN



### TITLE: THE POLITICS OF SOUND TIME: 4 MINUTES 30 SECONDS

CLICK HERE FOR THE LINK TO THE FILM : https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HYREJ0IoMFw





THE MANSTON TRANSCRIPTS // SONIC CINEMATOGRAPHY