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Tongyi Li is located in the Putuo district of Shanghai, surrounded by several high-rise buildings. As the historical housing on the site cannot meet the current residential needs and expected planning in this area, the inhabitants have already moved out. In addition, analyses carried out on the site show no requirement to preserve existing artefacts except for four historical buildings.

On this basis, the project HUMAN LIFE aims to preserve the sense of community conveyed by Tongyi Li, which is disappearing due to technological and spatial transformations in the city. New residential and office buildings isolate people rather than encourage interaction. That is why the social benefits of public space become fundamental in our society.

HUMAN LIFE pursues two main objectives. On the one hand, to maintain the site's memory, and on the other, to generate a project on a human scale. At the first stage of the analysis, we identified a network of landmarks in the Putuo district to place HUMAN LIFE within this framework.

Noting the tall buildings that enclose the area, the design concept is to proceed with an opposite operation. As a result, HUMAN LIFE is characterised by empty spaces and small dimensions that contrast with the surrounding context. The only element visible from the two main roads is a tower that attracts people's interest and provides a vantage point within the project. To preserve the memory of the site, we have kept some features of the original buildings. The first is the dark brick wall that characterises the four historic buildings on the site and the urban fabric to the area's southwest.

In this sense, the memory of Tongyi Li also preserves the legacy and atmosphere of

the surrounding context. Rather than a fake façade, the original walls become an integral part of the project, setting the stage for a kind of new urban theatre.

A second element we have retained is the 5m wide pathway running north-south through Tongyi Li, providing the primary access to the site. The third is the original building footprint, which will accommodate new spaces and functions.

HUMAN LIFE embodies the ruin of an old Shanghai that is reborn through the presence and interaction of people.



Design concept

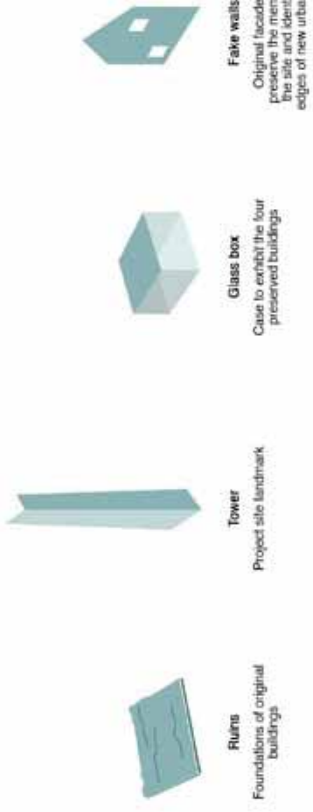


Site plan

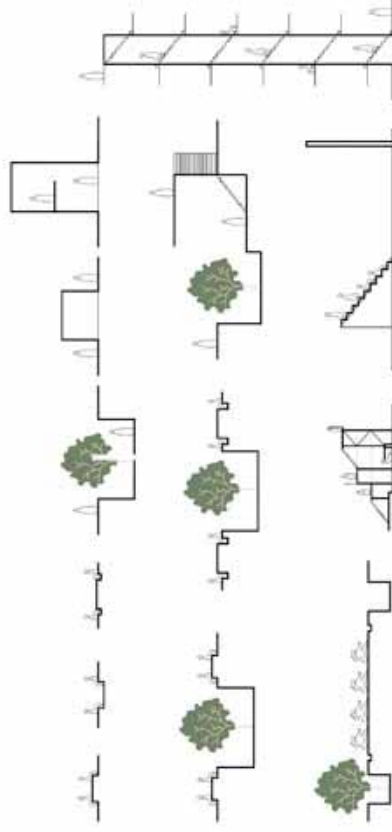
统里位于上海市普陀区，周围众多高层建筑环绕，原住居民因场地原有的住所无法满足逐渐发展的居住需求，以及本区域成就改造项目的相关规划现已全部完成搬迁。场地出四座历史文化建筑需要保留之外，其余部分均不要求保留。

我们项目的主体是保持人与人之间确实的关系，这种亲密的邻里关系正渐渐因为新技术和城市空间的发展更新而消失。现代化的住宅楼和办公楼常使人感到与世隔绝，游离于社区生活之外。这就是公共空间所能产生的社会效益在我们的社会发展中最重要的作用，也是我们将在城市空间中寻找人的生活作为项目主体的原因。我们所思考的“人的生活”主要包括两个方面：一是对旧时记忆的保留；一是在已建成的城市大尺度中表现出人的尺度。在最初的阶段，通过解读场地，我们定义了这个地区的地标网络。对于城市规模，我们的想法是将这个项目作为一个地标，成为这个网络的一部分。考虑到周围的高楼大厦，我们决定以一种异于构建高度超越周围建筑的方式进行地标性建筑的设计。由于场地与周围环境的鲜明对比，空旷的空间和小尺度感变得更加强烈。本项目唯一高的元素是一个塔，人们可以登塔远眺，将整个场地与毗邻的古建筑尽收眼底。这座高塔也在本街区的两条主要街道上创造了一个非常明显的视觉亮点。我们选择了一些原有建筑的元素以保留场地的记忆。首先是墙。我们认为对场地的记忆不仅关于场地本身，其与周围场景的联系也是不可分割的。本场地内的神色砖墙是给人留下深刻印象的重要元素。我们保留了部分原有的墙体，是和场地内保留的四座古建筑与场地西南侧的历史建筑间固有联系得以保留，勾起曾居住在这里的人们关于场地的种种情景。

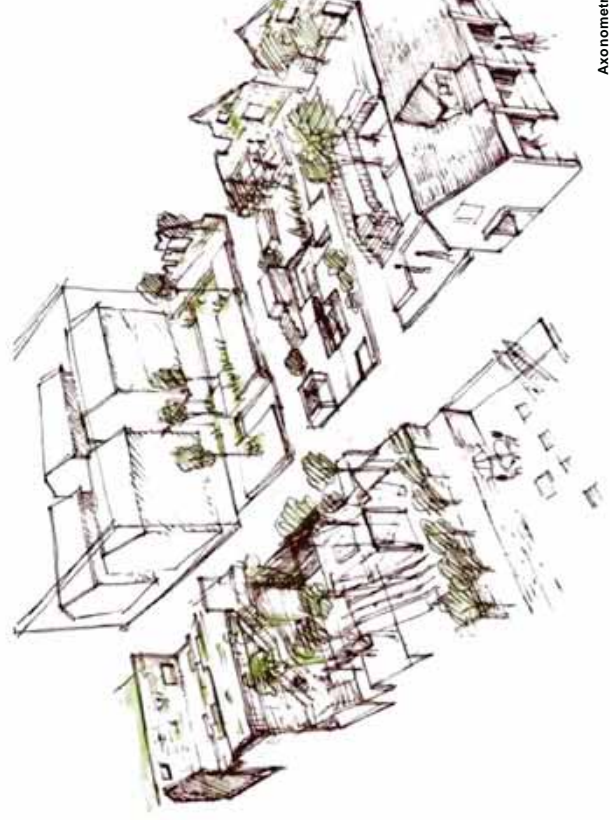
墙壁的存在为这种新的城市剧院创造了一个舞台，而不仅仅是场地周围的一个假立面，它也成为我们新项目的元素。此外，主里弄的宽度为5米，连接基地的南北，仍然是主要的通道。我们还保留了原有地块的轮廓，但填充了我们重新定义的空间形式，从而被赋予新的功能，而由于人们的到来和在新建筑中发生的活动，这一旧上海废墟也将在新生活中重生。



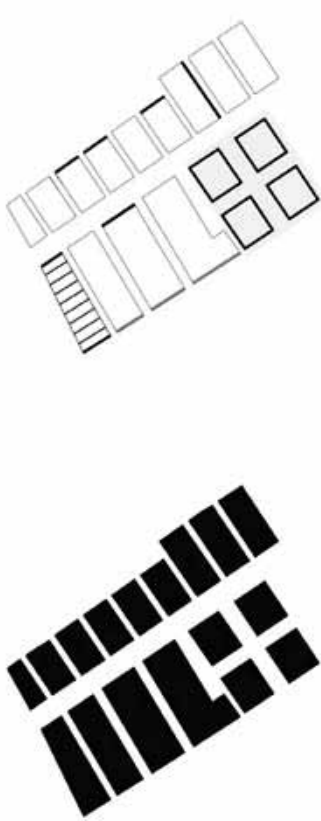
Characteristic elements of the project



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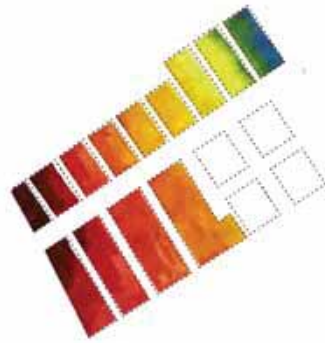
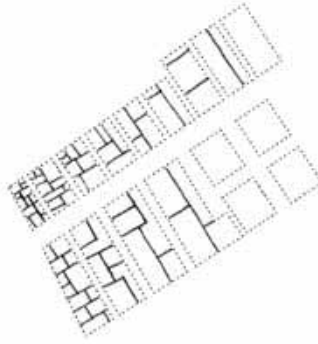


Axonometric view



Original Layout

Preserved Walls



Progressive Energy & Rhythm

Increasing Density in HV ways

Design strategies



Longitudinal section