



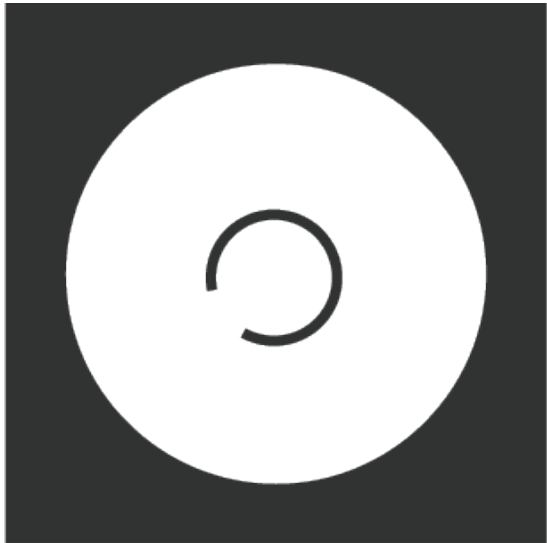
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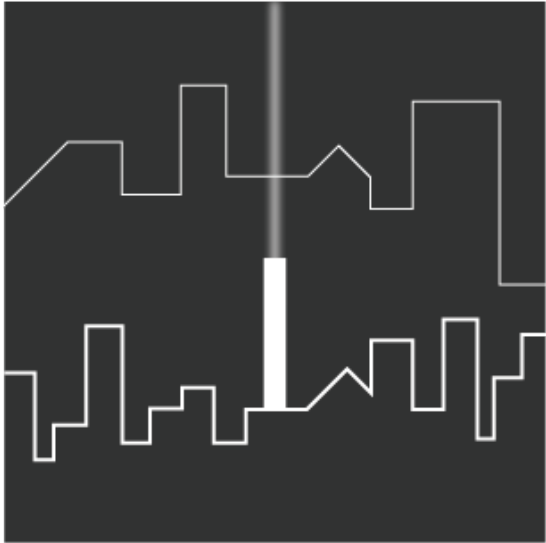
Sydney, Australia



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SAFE PLACE



REMINDER



CONNECTION



COMMUNITY



INFORMATION



ENDURING





A place to grieve,



to teach & learn,



to unite & rally.















The BLM protests have erupted with renewed passion following the death of George Floyd. Supporters of the cause are subjected to constant strain on their emotional psyche, and yet they find strength in their unity. The Beacon harnesses the power of community, offering itself as a place of renewal; a sanctuary; a rallying point.

The Beacon is a series of thresholds which offer unique experiences of the space, focussed on a central tower. Its location provides a point to congregate and express solidarity. Crossing the ring of light, people are immersed in the impact of human interaction – messages and offerings of emotion. Entering the enclosure of the tower is a protected place for more personal reflection. The spotlight of the beacon will connect with people beyond the immediate impact of the form – a reminder that the people endure, that we stand with you, for you, calling across the city that '*We Shall Overcome*'.

However, the Beacon must have the potential evolve beyond this political moment, a reminder of the struggles faced, and battles won and lost. Its function will evolve into the future, past these current battles, perhaps becoming a place of storytelling.

The trauma borne from racism and oppression exists across time and place. The principles of the Beacon can be repeated across the world using local vernacular. But this space cannot exist without the community; their intention and engagement makes the space a powerful symbol of hope.