

Cultural District: Nexus of Cultures

The proposed Culturally Responsive Sustainable Cultural District in Aden, Yemen, aims to harness the transformative power of architecture to foster a sense of global unity and reshape narratives of nationalism. This initiative seeks to celebrate cultural diversity and emphasize shared human values through the creation of a dynamic and inclusive cultural space. The district will feature modern Islamic architecture, which will serve as a vehicle for cultural expression and cohesion, reflecting Aden's historical identity as "Arabia Felix" or Happy Arabia. The design of the district includes various components such as Cultural Spaces, Unity Plaza, and Diversity Gardens, each structured to promote interaction, education, and unity among visitors. This project not only aims to provide a solution to the divisive nationalism prevalent today but also to boost the local economy and provide a beacon of cultural pride for Yemen.



Souk: Court yard



Diversity Garden



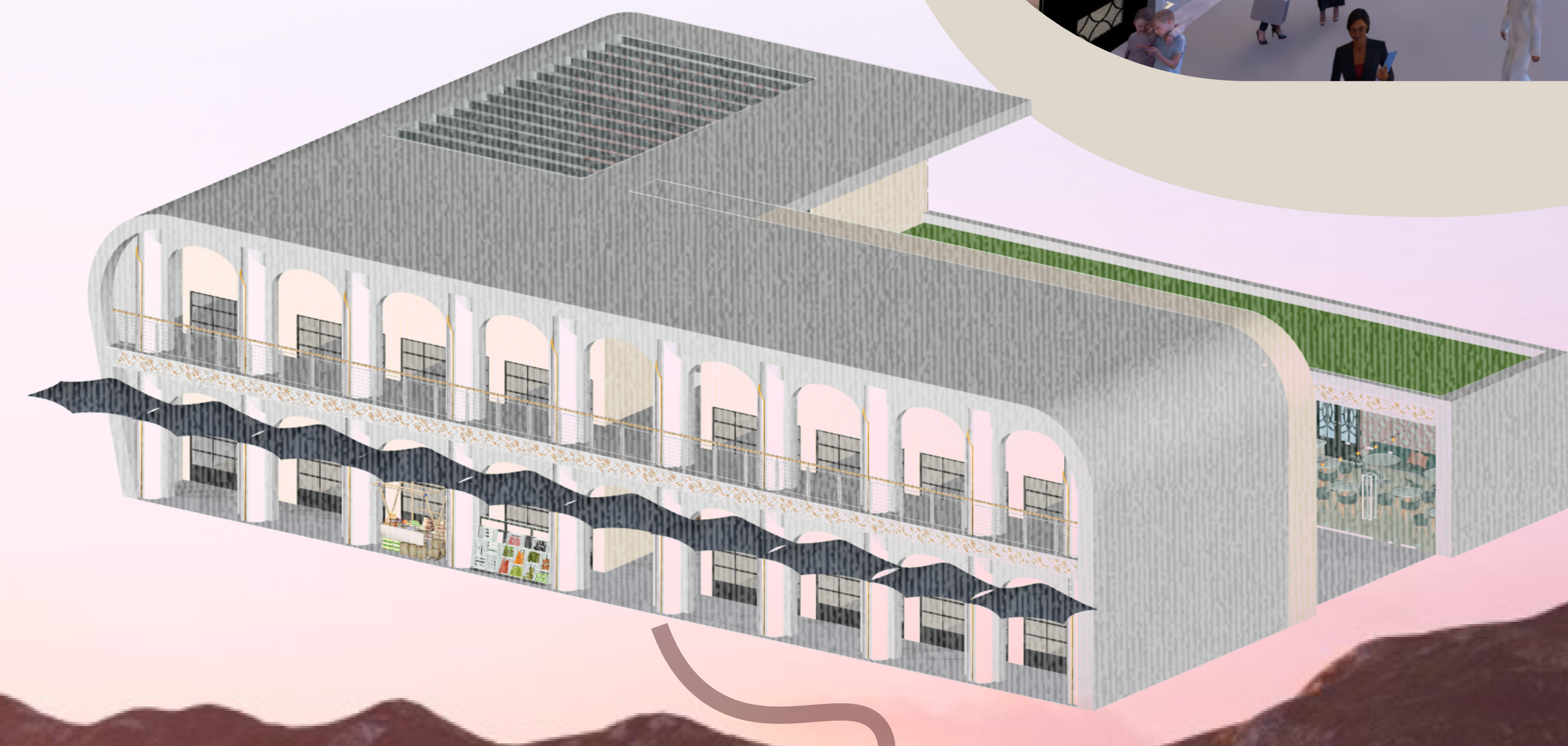
Cultural spaces Lobby



Souk



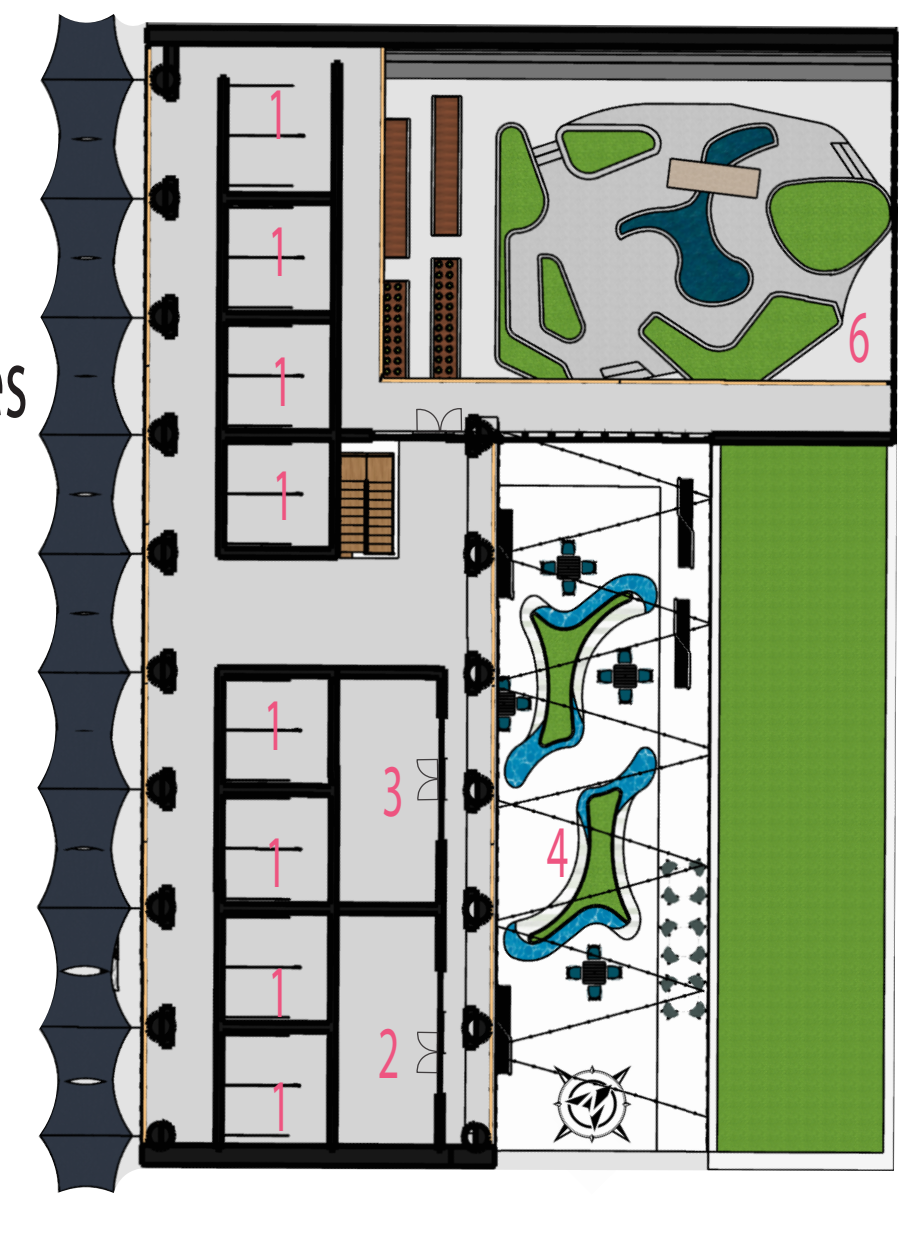
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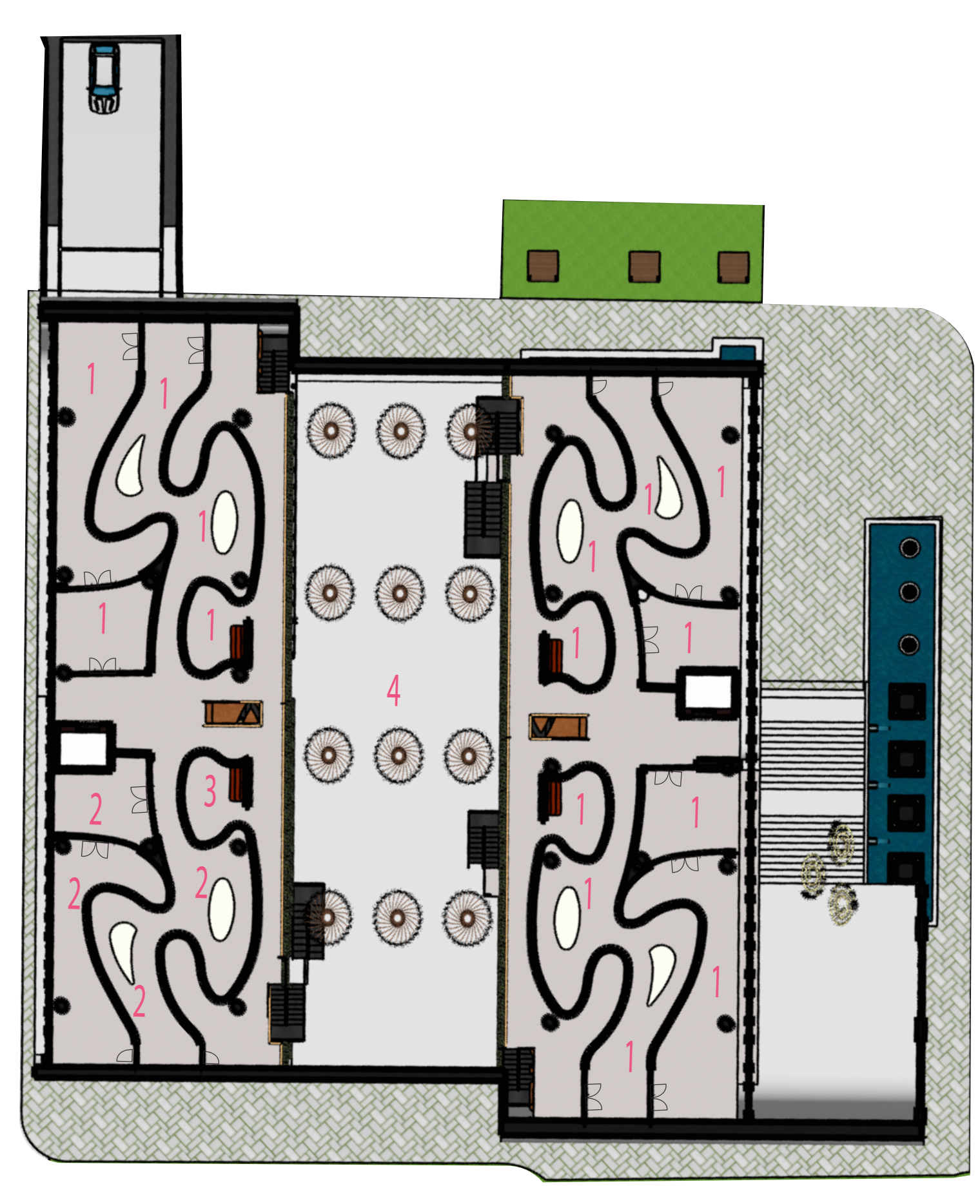
Souk



- Key:
- 1: Lobby
 - 2: Souvenir shop
 - 3: Collaborative spaces
 - 4: Cofe Shop
 - 5: Educational space
 - 6: Pottery
 - 7: Pottery display
 - 8: Library & research center



- Key:
- 1: Shops
 - 2: Currency Exchange
 - 3: Educational space
 - 4: Courtyard
 - 5: Green Roof
 - 6: Diversity garden



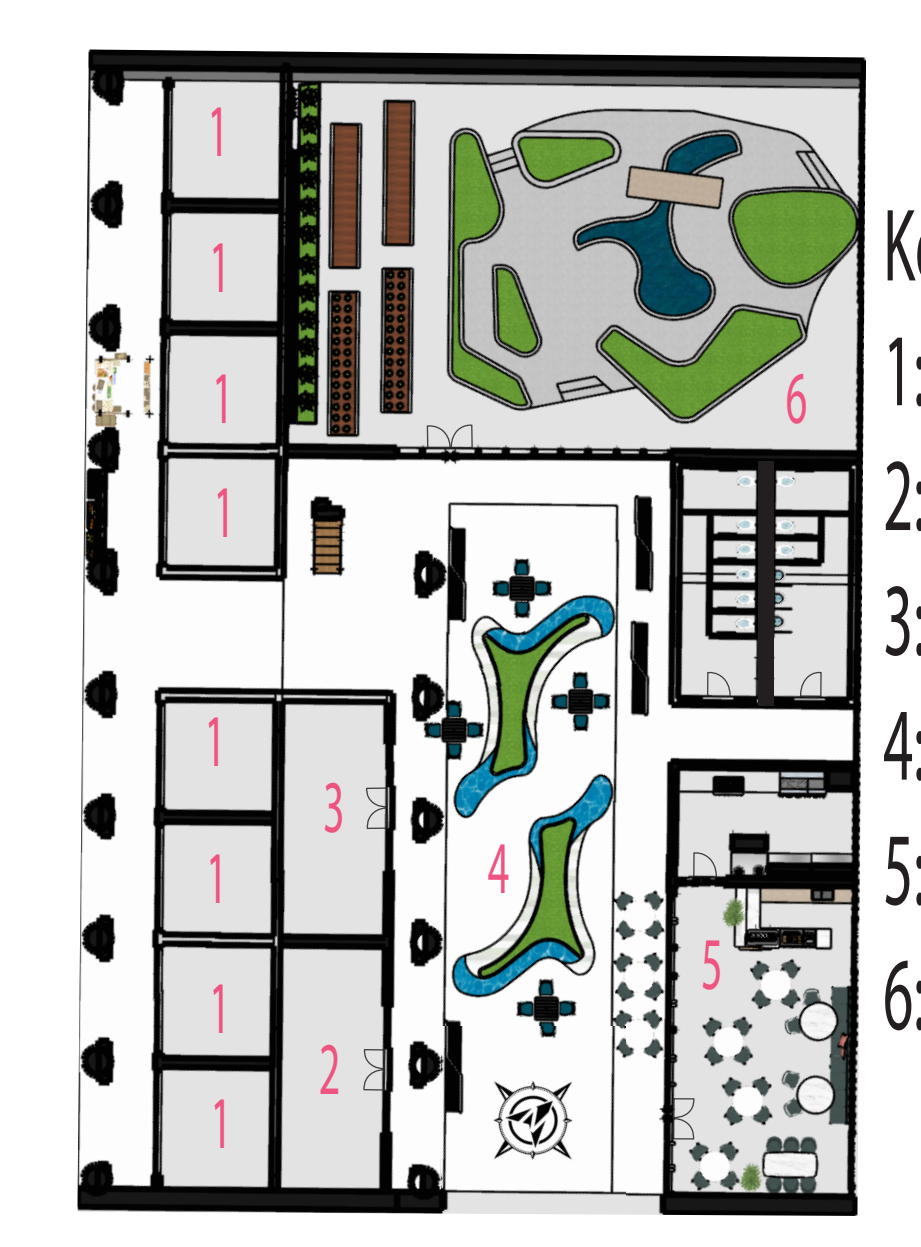
- Key:
- 1: Exhibiton hall
 - 2: Yemeni Cultural hall
 - 3: Movie
 - 4: Collaborative spaces

Floor plan 2

Floor plan 3



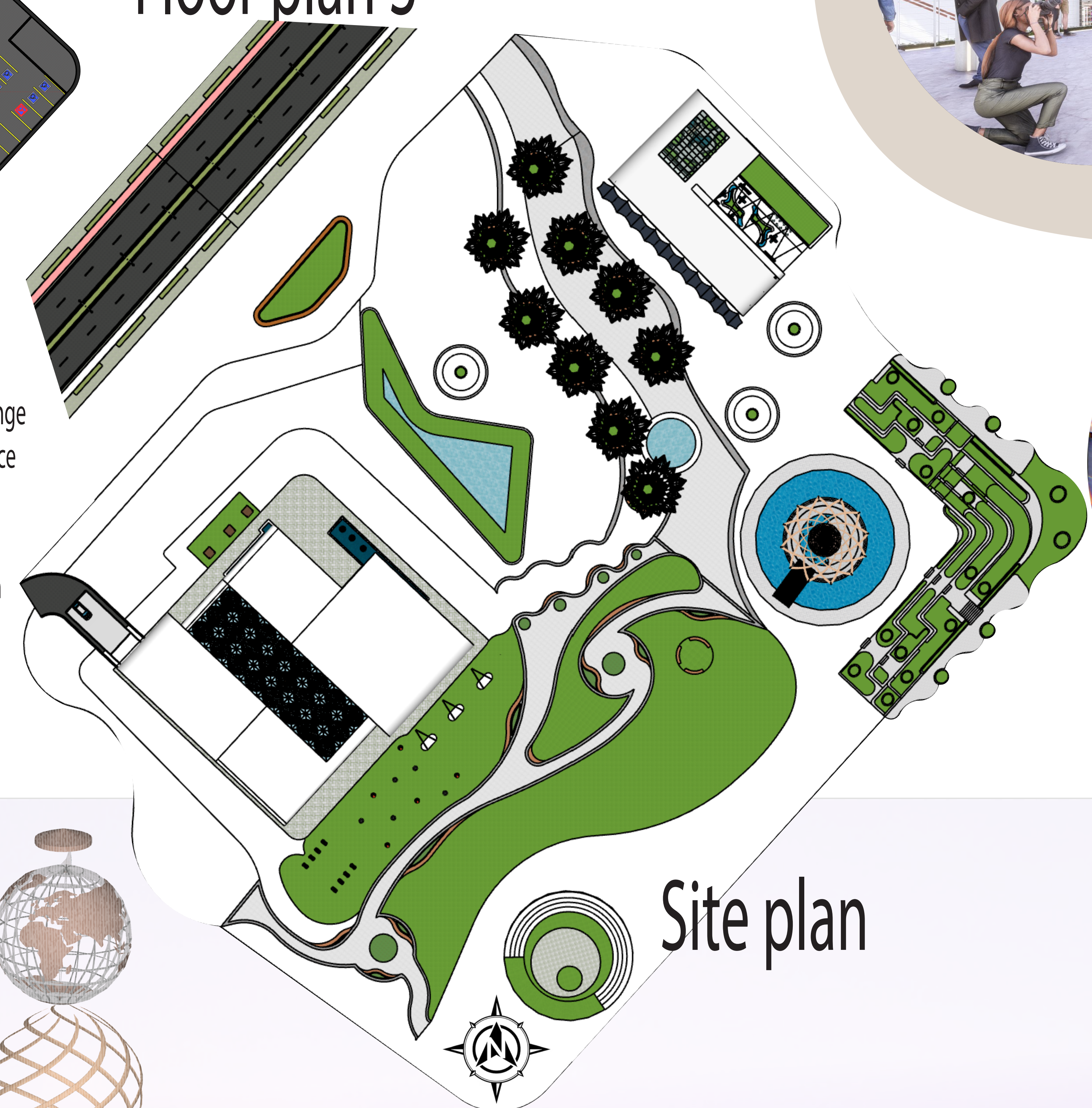
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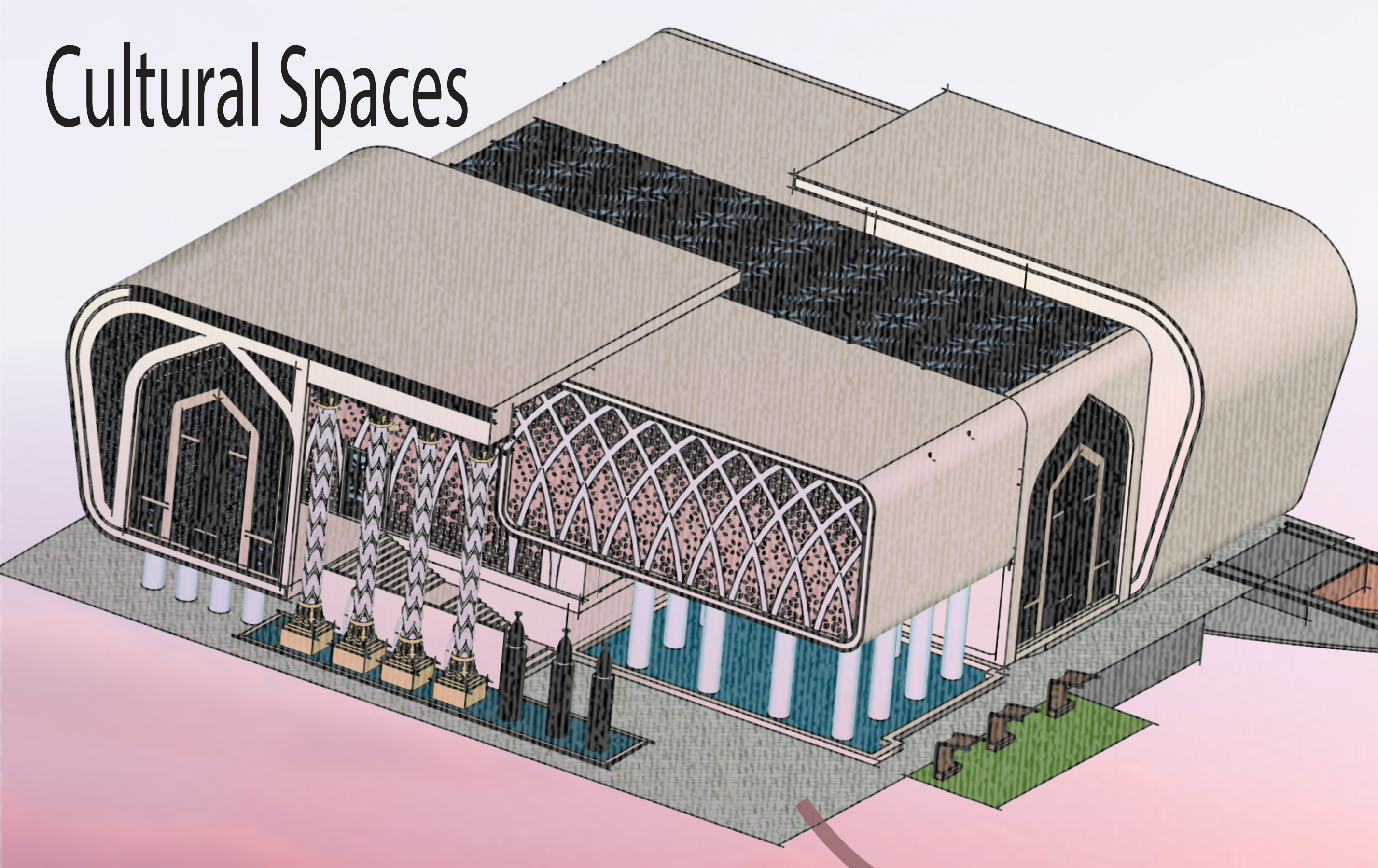
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Floor plan 1

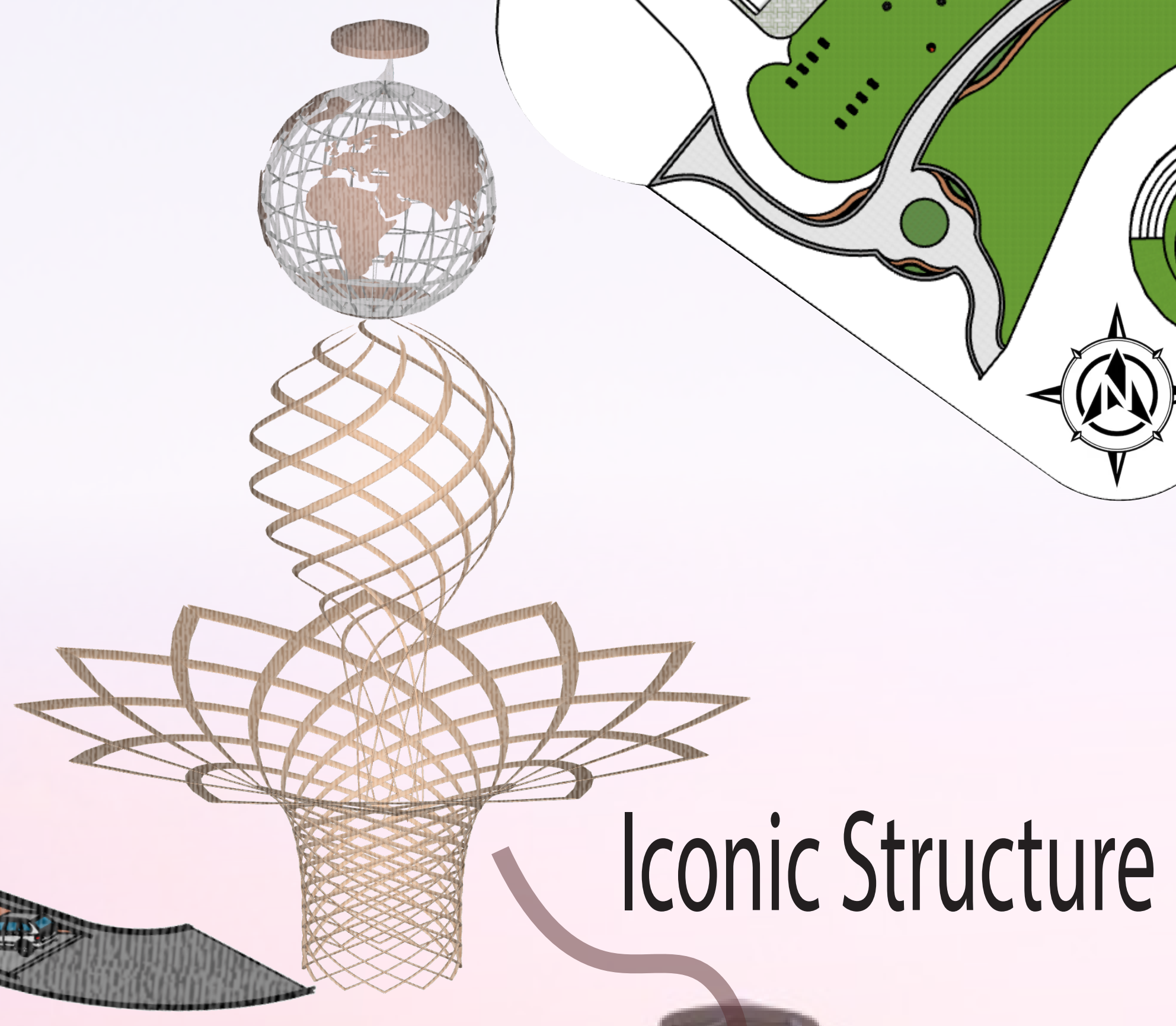
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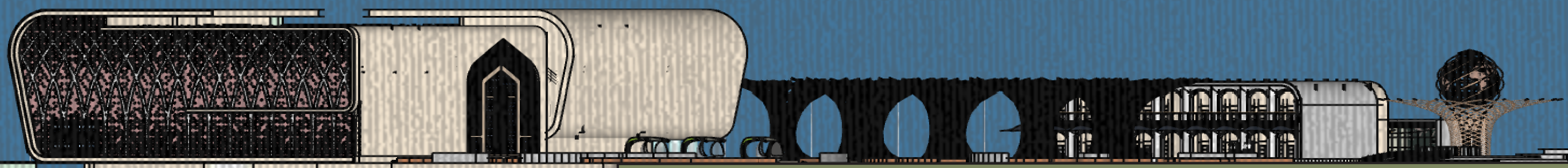
Site plan



Cultural Spaces



Iconic Structure



Elevation Overview