'HET KAN NALMERE'' IS POSSIBLE IN ALMERE



As a trash producer living in a consumerism society, can you imagine if you would be responsible for all the trash you produce?

In the cities we live there is this hidden layer of trash we produce, which someone takes care of and make sure our living space remains clean.

Braambergen has been the place, which took care of the waste of a whole city of Almere. And is probably one of the last landfills of The Netherlands. Where is all our trash going next?









TRASH"URE"

The Trash"ure" museum arises as an outdoor exhibition space, not build out of walls but out of flowers, intensifying the special relation between Almere and the nature and celebrating the man-made land/landfill, also by proofing that something beautiful can grown above a layer of trash.

Once Braambergen is one of the last landfill of the country, the Trash"ure" museum would function as an education tool to build awareness and to rethink future solutions to deal with the waste, spreading a new consciousness about what we did in the past and what would can we improve in the future...

The permanent exhibition of the museum has the topic of "What would I be today if I had not been dumped into the landfill?" and along it the visitors would observe various objects which belong to the landfill, but they could have had a different destination, which needs to be developed in the near future, once there won't be more trash dumped into the landfill.

Relating to the context of the city, in which its inhabitants are openminded and used to innovative and experimental ideas, as the slogan says "It is possible in Almere!', I consider the site a strategic place where I imagine people engaging this experience and eventually, arising interesting ideas of what's the best solution to manage the waste in the future...



1:1 INTERVENTION THE BALCONY

In relation to the 1:1 intervention we developed, as general overview I think as a group we achieve a good result, making a significant intervention which was able to somehow show the potential of this site, and I think the interaction between the visitors and the site was quite positive, and was also interesting to heard the stories and opinion about the site.

As a balcony member, if we would have more time, we would probably work more in the details, related to where to place what... but in general I think our improvised and spontaneous way to play with the materials worked out, we were lacking good pallets to finish the structure but somehow we played with the materials to fill the gaps, even some unexpected moments as the square filled with styrofoam, having this initial idea of playing with different materials and textures, he achieve it when and see people reaction stepping on it. The path cut out of the grass by itself had a strong presence marking the route. Once people would know that we were using trash materials to develop the intervention I excepted them to not feel confortable to seat for example, but I was surprise by the way they easily engage the intervention.



