

Bronze Display Column – Württemberg State Museum Interior Light

Project. Housed in the Old Castle (Altes Schloss) in Stuttgart, the Württemberg State Museum portrays the area's history from the Stone Age to present day in a fascinating way. With this piece of art in front of the building, the museum wants to make a clear statement which increases the perception of its ongoing exhibitions.

Concept/Design. The building housing of the State Museum is constructed of heavy sandstone in lateral axis to the town castle. The strong presence of the castle led to a decision to dissociate the required signal and promotional elements from the building itself. To that end, the architects developed two small, free-standing elements at the front together

with the giant, brown display column giving a central, dominant signal.

Construction. A competition held in 2005 on the theme of external promotion of the State Museum in Stuttgart was won by the Scala Architects and Dr. Greiner (ArtEngineering). The team developed a bronze display column which in spite of the compact nature of the construction materials distinguishes itself by its lightness. In the lower part of the column is an extendable information section made from opaque, light transparent SEFAR® Architecture Fabric which bears up to date details of exhibitions at the State Museum. Height of the display column: 16.4 m; basic size: 60 x 15 cm.

Project/Location: Bronze Display Column outside the State Museum in Stuttgart, Germany

Architect: Scala Architects, Stuttgart, Germany

Builder-owner: State of Baden-Württemberg

Engineering: ArtEngineering GmbH, Dr. Ing. S. Greiner, Stuttgart, Germany, www.greiner-engineering.com

Implementation: aeronautec GmbH, Seeon, Germany, www.aeronautec.de

Construction: Pollux Edelstahl GmbH, Ottenhöfen, Germany

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