

BEAMING ICONS FOR THE NEXT GENERATION  
THE INTERNATIONAL MEMORIAL RECONSTRUCTION  
T W I N T O W E R S G O G L O B A L . O R G

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## 2011 Open Call & *Phantom Limbs*

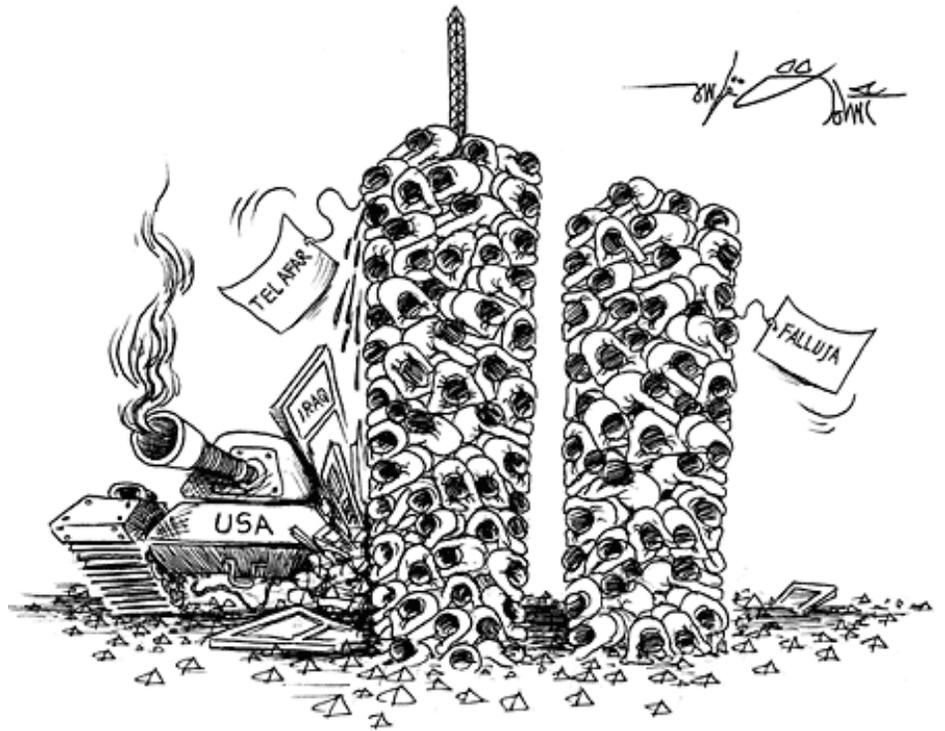
Ten years after the WTC attacks in New York, we are issuing the second of three 9/11 anniversary reports for the **AND AND AND** platform at **DOCUMENTA (13)**.

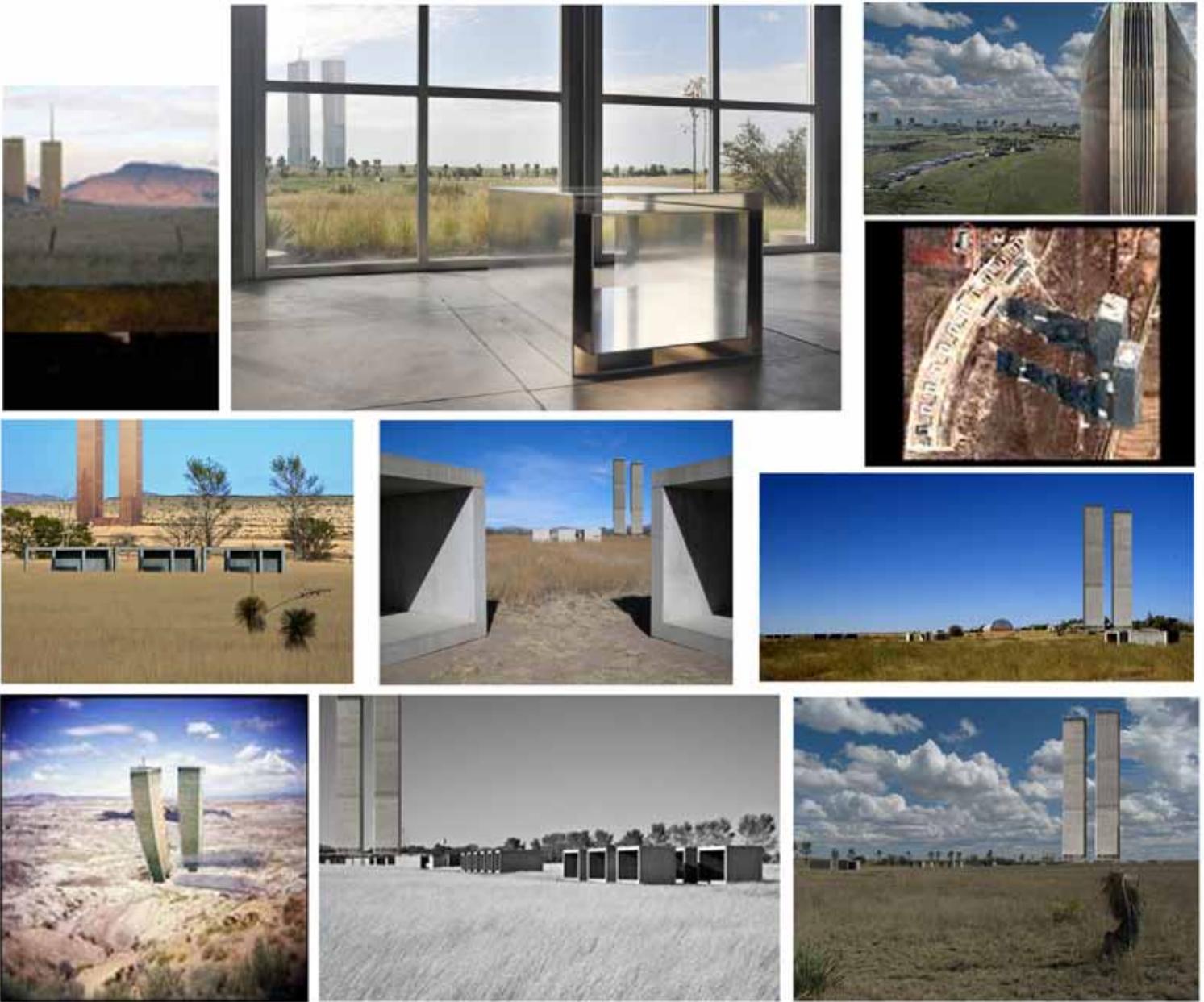
This Second Report focuses on the TTGG's recent 'Open Call', a competition where people were invited to imagine the Twin Towers rebuilt around the world. Almost sixty proposals were submitted between July 31 and September 2, 2011. Five winners were selected by a specialized jury, and another five through an international public vote. The ten finalists were initially announced at the opening reception of my *Phantom Limbs* exhibition in New York (Stephan Stoyanov Gallery, Sep 7 - Oct 9, 2011), and they are now shared in more detail through this international online publication.

Over the course of a decade of conversations related to my conceptual reconstructions of the Twin Towers, I learned that people would

very often respond with their own suggestions of where the Towers should be rebuilt. This spontaneous impulse triggered by the work generated the idea to stage an international competition for the 10th Anniversary of the WTC attacks through the organization of **Twin Towers Go Global**. The 'Open Call' was produced with the help of fellow TTGG artists in residence Jessye McDowell, and Zach Blas, as well as an exceptional jury including photographer Jonathan Hyman; 9/11 listserv "Cybrarian" Arnold Korotkin; 9/11 survivor and published author Michelle Cruz Rosado; Twin Towers II designer Ken Gardner, whose plan received 92% of the popular vote in a 2009 MSNBC poll; 'Yes Men' founders Andy Bichlbaum and Mike Bonanno; and last but not least, the co-founders of the grassroots organization The Twin Towers Alliance, Margaret Donovan and Richard Hughes. While unable to participate, additional individuals invited to serve on the jury were Former Mayor of New York City Rudolph Giuliani; businessman and outspoken supporter of rebuilding the Twin Towers, Donald Trump; Colbert Nation's Stephen Colbert; and Fox News anchor Megyn Kelly. Resident artist Jessye McDowell, and myself were part of the jury as representatives of **Twin Towers Go Global**. The ten images included in the first section of the report correspond to the ten winners of the 'Open Call,' and their captions include the authors' names and title of the proposal. All other images in the report belong to the *Phantom Limbs* series, the cycle of artworks, research and writings that brought me to **Twin Towers Go Global** and also inspired the 'Open Call.' Also in the report is a list of headlines of press releases that were produced by TTGG between the publication of the last **AND AND AND** report and this one. We hope these headlines will give a sense of our many activities, and also provide a broader context for ambitious and expansive mission. These materials all prepare the ground for the third and last report, to be published in 2012 during the Documenta exhibition. The Third Report will bring together political and cultural theorists and activists concerned with the various sites of these reconstructions.

Al-Ahram Weekly's 'Ossama' - *Twin Towers Fallujah & Telafar*, posted by Sue Horia



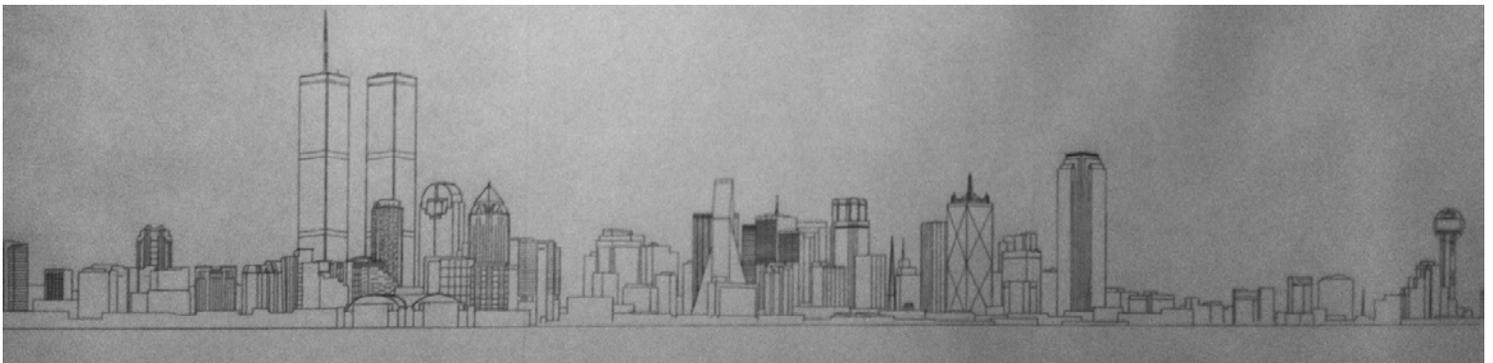


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The TWIN TOWERS belong in space where the contrasts are significant, side by side, overlooking the vast desert as Monoliths on the moon. The idea of rolling sandy waves smashing into massive pillars of hope in a surreal lunar landscape. That's where they belong! Outthere, across the Chinati, standing over the moons shoulder....

(top) Joe Compean - *Twin Towers Marfa, Texas*

(bottom) Roman Reyna - *Twin Towers Dallas*





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**They should rebuild the Twin Towers in the middle of the Ocean,  
on top of the exact spot where they dropped off  
the body of Osama Bin Laden**

(top) Margaret Donovan - *Twin Towers in Athens*

(bottom) Kyong Park

Two News Stories on Williamsburg entry for TTGG Open Call, 2011/08/12

Matt Chaban from New York Observer on Twin Towers Go Global Open Call, 2011/08/08

TTGG Launches International Open Call To Rebuild Twin Towers Outside New York & U.S., 2011/07/31

TTGG Joins Day of Service in Observance of 9/11 10th Anniversary, 2011/07/30

Twin Towers Go Global to Collaborate with Stephan Stoyanov Gallery, 2011/07/29

TTGG Welcomes Jessye McDowell, Incoming Resident Artist, 2011/07/29

Twin Towers Go Global Granted Relics From Ground Zero, 2011/07/26

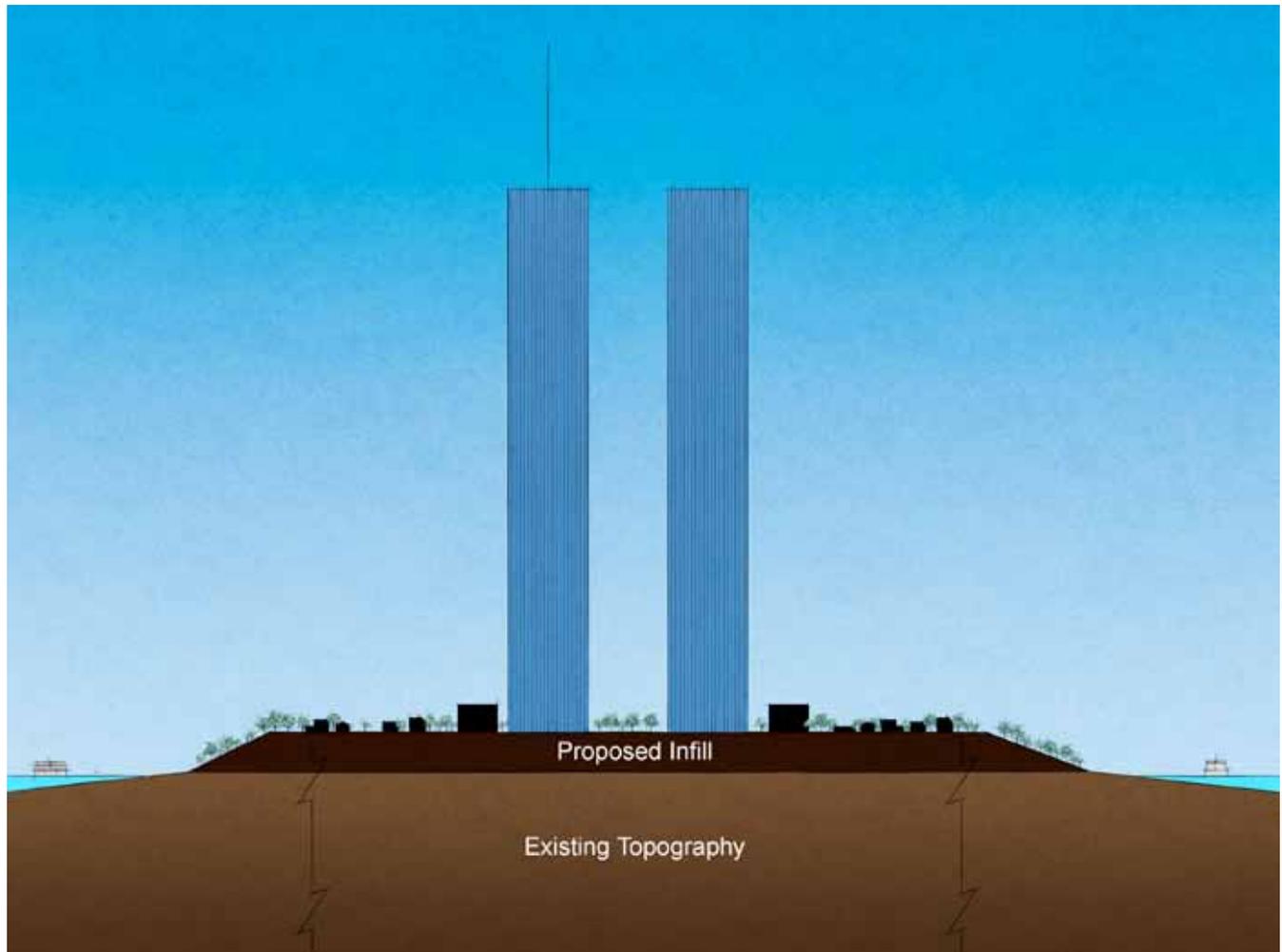
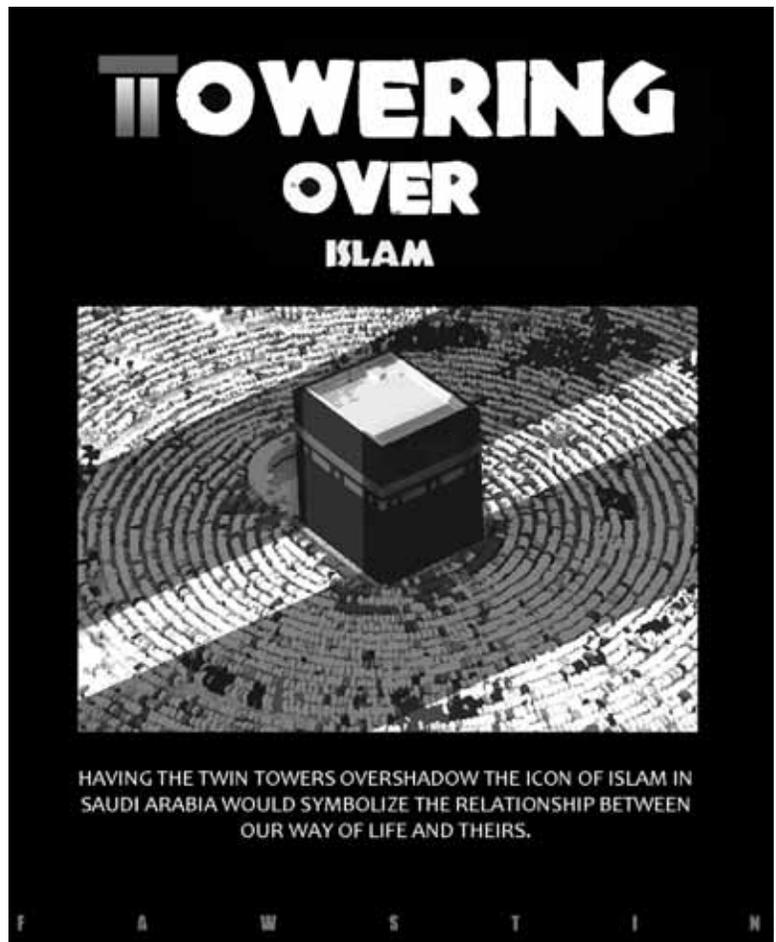
Al Jazeera Purchased by James Murdoch; New Office Opening at Twin Towers Go Global Gaza City, 2011/07/22

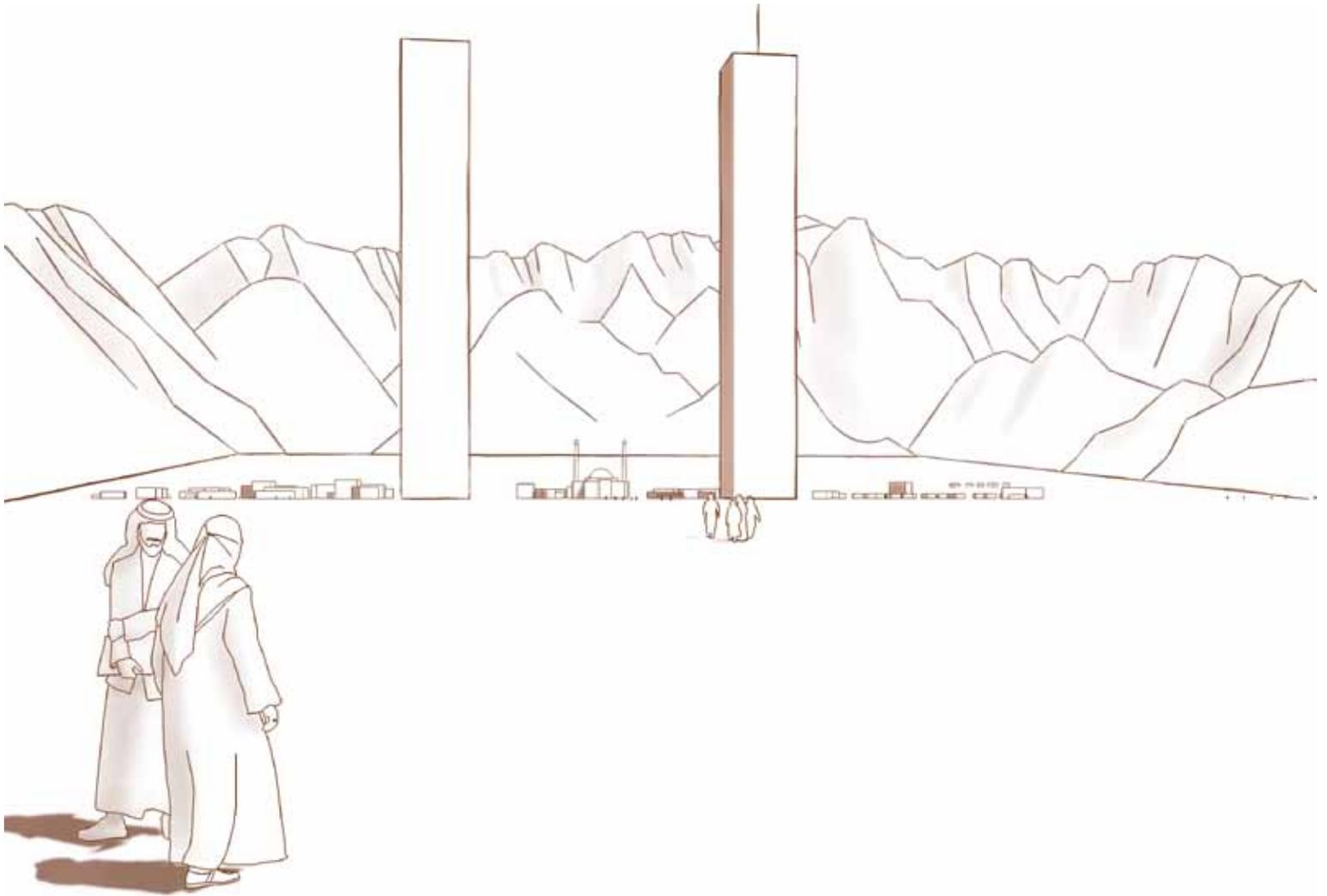
Homeland Security & Defense Business Council to Open Offices in Twin Towers Baghdad, Kabul, 2011/07/21

Architects and Engineers for 9/11 Truth Visit Twin Towers Go Global Liverpool, 2011/06/27

(right) Bosch Fawstin - *Towering Over Islam*

(bottom) Joyce Green - *Two Towers and a Levee*





A good place for the towers might be on the mountain of Kobeshugel, not far from Karlsbad. On September 11, 1819 while walking there, Goethe wrote the following observations in his meteorological diary:

(top) Mirwais Hotak - *Twin Buddhas Return to Afghanistan* (bottom)  
 (bottom) Silvia Maglioni & Graeme Thomson - *Twin Towers on the the Mountain of Kobeshugel*

- Twin Towers Go Global Delegates Attend Historic Delivery of 9/11 Relics, 2011/06/18
- MacMaster Joins Twin Towers Go Global Liverpool as Public Relations Head, 2011/06/17
- Beck Invites Twin Towers Go Global Gaza City to "Restoring Courage" Rally in Jerusalem, 2011/06/15
- Former Blackwater CEO Erik Prince to Give Reading at Twin Towers Go Global Paris Headquarters Paris, 2011/05/14
- Twin Towers Go Global (TTGG) New York to Join Impromptu 'Obama Killed Osama' Celebrations, 2011/05/04
- Chinese Auction House to Open Office in Twin Towers Panmunjom, 2011/05/03
- TTGG to Mark One-Year Anniversary of Spill With Donation and Celebration, 2011/04/16
- Libyan Art Comes to Twin Towers Go Global in Kabul, 2011/04/16
- TTGG Announces Departure of Key Baghdad Official, 2011/03/17
- TTGG To Host Fundraiser for ACLU's Fight Against the Patriot Act, 2011/03/04



Gareth Roberts - "Serenity" *Rebuild on a Tropical Island*

Iraqi Refugees in Cairo Seek Safety at Home; TTGG Helps, 2011/02/04

Twin Towers Guantanamo Bay to Help Weary Soldiers, 2011/01/10

Twin Towers Go Global (TTGG) Announces Site for Twin Towers New Orleans, 2011/01/06

Twin Towers Go Global Darfur Developers May Separate North and South Towers if Sudan Divides in Two, 2011/01/03

US Embassy in Baghdad Represents Faith in the Future, 2010/10/27

TTGG Board Tours the USS New York, 2010/10/27

WikiLeaks Physical Archive of Leaked Documents To Be Housed in WTC Baghdad Building, 2010/10/27

9/11 Anniversary Report by TWIN TOWERS GO GLOBAL – A Collaboration with dOCUMENTA(13), AND AND AND Platform, and Artist Pedro Lasch, 2010/09/11

Artist Pedro Lasch Accepts Invitation to Join TTGG, 2010/09/04

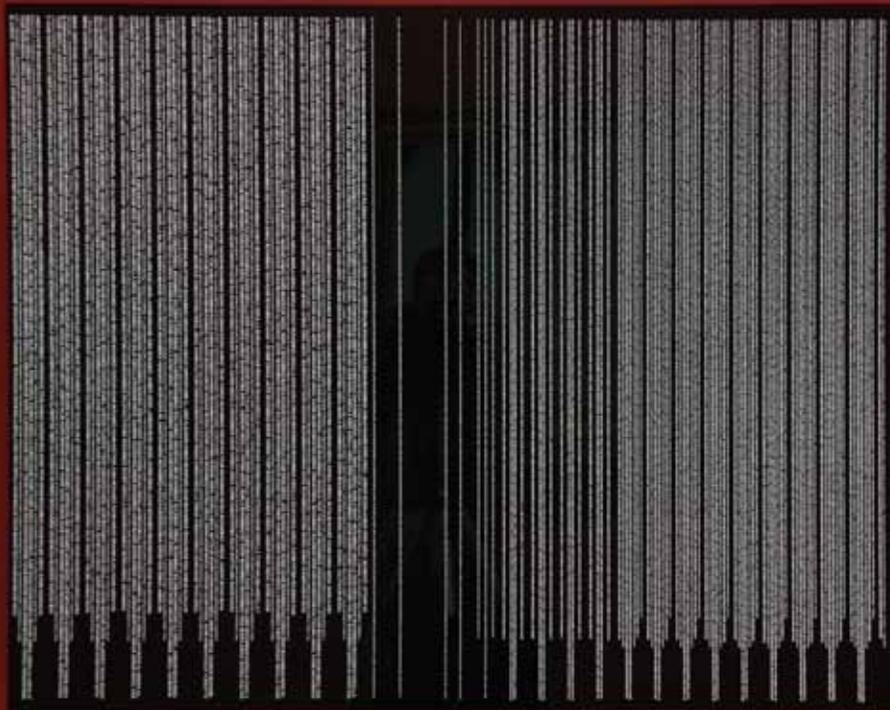
Vladimir Beuys Santana Announced as Architect for WTC Gaza City, 2010/09/04

The next section of the report presents images from the *Phantom Limbs* series, created between 2001 and 2011. This cycle consists of twelve oil paintings, each 36x48 inches. They correspond to twelve places around the world where the New York Twin Towers are to be reconstructed as an international memorial. Some of these places are contested territories or relevant sites for international affairs between 2001 and 2011. Other sites correspond to cities where the Twin Towers have been recreated by light beams to commemorate September 11, 2001. Each painting has different stylistic, iconographic, and technical characteristics that bring various layers of complexity to the independent paintings and the installation as a whole. While the paintings are the central component, the work includes sketches, writings, and visual materials for optional display. The paintings represent new WTC buildings in Kabul, Budapest, Baghdad, Paris, Guantanamo Bay, Liverpool, Darfur Region Refugee Camps, Montevideo, New Orleans, Panmunjum DMZ (North-South Korea), and Gaza City.



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WTC DARFUR

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WTC GUANTANAMO

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WTC PARIS

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WTC Panmunjum DMZ

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WTC Baghdad

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