



Bouroullec brothers create minimalist outdoor installation on Vitra Campus









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Ronan and Erwan Bouroullec have added a marble water feature and circular steel bench to Vitra's campus-like headquarters in Weil am Rhein, southern Germany.



The two-part installation – titled Ruisseau and Ring – is set within a grassy field directly in front of the Herzog & de Meuron-designed VitraHaus building.

It comprises of a tapering slice of grey marble and a band of galvanised steel that runs around a mature cherry tree.

A tap has been fitted at one end of the marble block, allowing water to run down a narrow groove carved out of its centre. The metal ring is intended to serve as a bench where visiting groups can gather and relax.



According to the Bouroullec brothers, the installation explores the different ways in which humans interact with urban and natural settings.

It builds upon ideas first examined in the brothers' Rêveries Urbaines exhibition, which was held at the Vitra Fire Station in 2016.