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Selection of works

Collective body

Object - 2020

The laptop was factory reset and all data was deleted from it. The clean disk was then systematically infected with seven different types of malware.

Malware tries in vain to search for data that it could exploit, or a network to which it could spread. In doing so, it draws on the computing capacity of the device and interacts with other malware in an endless cycle of actions and reactions.

The collective body can offer its parasites nothing but a hopeless existence.

When the device is turned off, malware will damage the BIOS and block the disk, then it will not be possible to bring it back to life.

This is how the collective body dies.

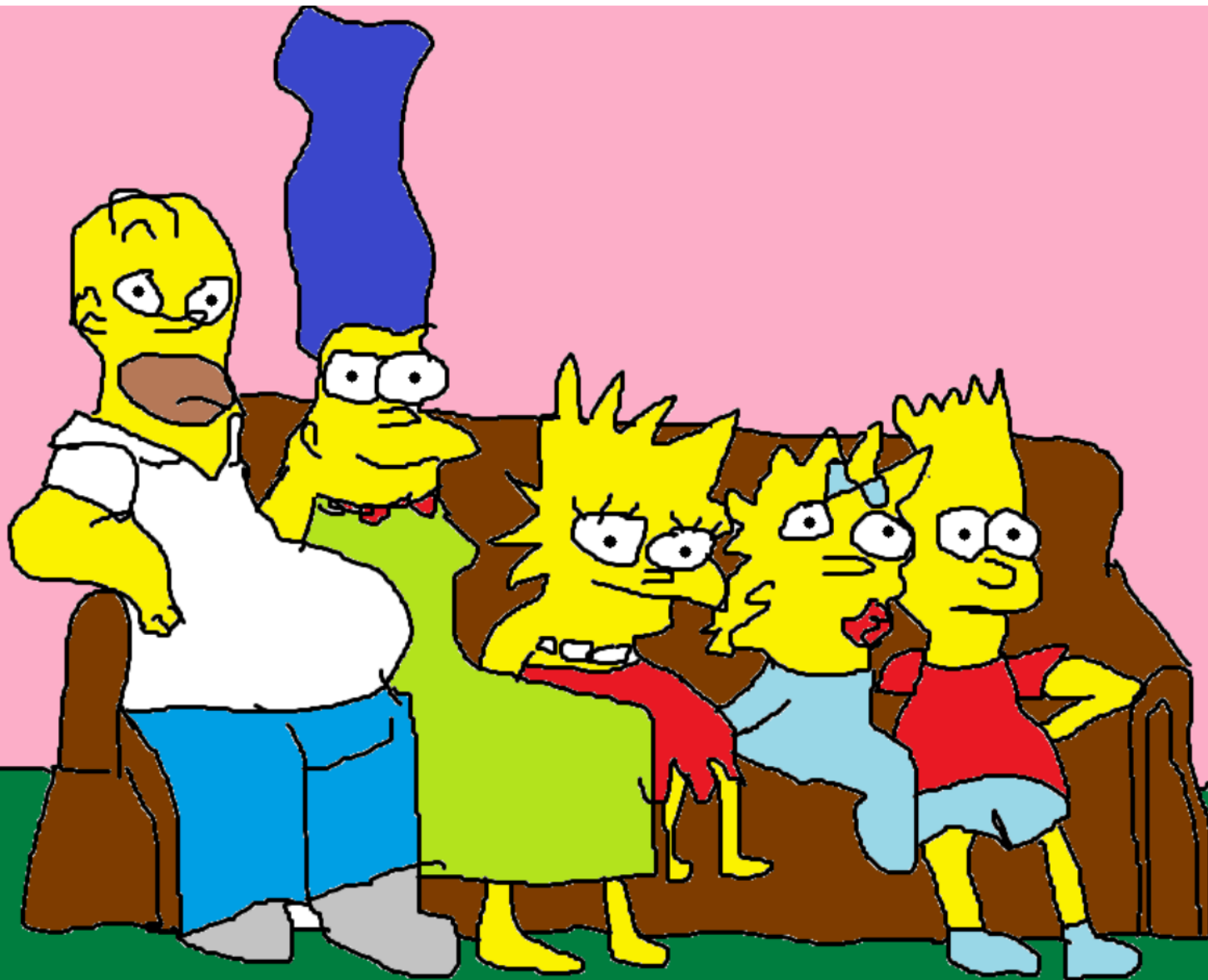
The device was disconnected from the power supply the next day and "died" overnight.

Video: <https://youtu.be/inHtREtZtE0>



Sampsons

Illustration - 2019









M2K robotic pet

Object - 2021

The robotic arm of the M2K type in the terrarium represents the role of a small pet in the piece.

The arm mimics the behavior of small creatures in an endless loop of actions.



Time Capsule

Video - 2022

A short narrative video in which we follow a machine comically moving through the city. It makes its way on asphalt between parked cars, on sidewalks, during the day, in the dark, and at night. At the end of its journey, the machine finds its refuge by the side of the road and disappears in the darkness into the deep bush. All this under the sound background of the historic marketing performance of Steve Jobs presenting this machine to the audience as a hot new product in the Apple product portfolio.

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G-2TN6lvzKA&feature=youtu.be>





Monoblock

Performance - 2020

Monoblock, a neglected symbol of globalism, universality and neutrality.

Monoblock breaks down all differences. It expresses nothing at all but itself.

During the performance "Monoblock" I presented the chair as the absolute point of where we are trying to get as a society.

The need to build and tear down is deeply rooted in us and is naturally human.

We are building a new one so we can replace it with a newer one in the future. We tear down someone else's creation to make room for our own.

Video: https://youtu.be/sja_QizLYYc



Packages

Two objects - 2021

Two postal packages equipped with electrical circuits that allow them to come to life and mimic human behavior while they wait alone with other packages in the postal warehouse.

Packages come to life simultaneously every day at 3:00AM for 10 minutes.

Pack 1: Grief and Grief

Package 2: Aggressive Behavior

Video: <https://youtu.be/-q-QXpZKbuY>



Vest 2

Object - 2021

An extension of my older project "Vesta".

Army vest fitted with a camera, light and monitor (in the back of the vest).



Fokus

Object - 2022





Internet

Website - 2022

Search engine based only on Czech automoto discussion forums.

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Website: <http://interinternet.euweb.cz/#gsc.tab=0>

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Internet

Vyhledávací engine založený pouze na českých automoto fórech

Hledej



Počet fór: 68

Počet příspěvků: 8 000 000

Časové období: 2008-2022

internet" je internetový vyhledávač, jehož databáze se skládá pouze z českých automobilových diskuzních fór. Databáze čítá celkem 68 diskuzních fór s více než 8 000 000 příspěvků. pokud narazíte na zajímavé vlákno, neváhejte ho přidat do záložky „Selekce“

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Blank

Video - 2020

Keying on surgical masks.

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hx1b-ZvhPM0+Blank&feature=youtu.be>



Gulp farms

Videogame - 2022

A game in which the player must find a punishment proportional to the offence in a deadlock situation.

The game is currently in development

Trailer here: <https://youtu.be/l2zms5rjLzM>

"JUSTICE WILL NOT PREVAIL UNTIL
THOSE WHO HAVE CAUSED
SUFFERING ARE MADE TO SUFFER
THEMSELVES."

DONT YOU AGREE?

I DO

I DONT

Mace

Metal object - 2023

The oversized mace is presented as a relic of the ancient fallen god.

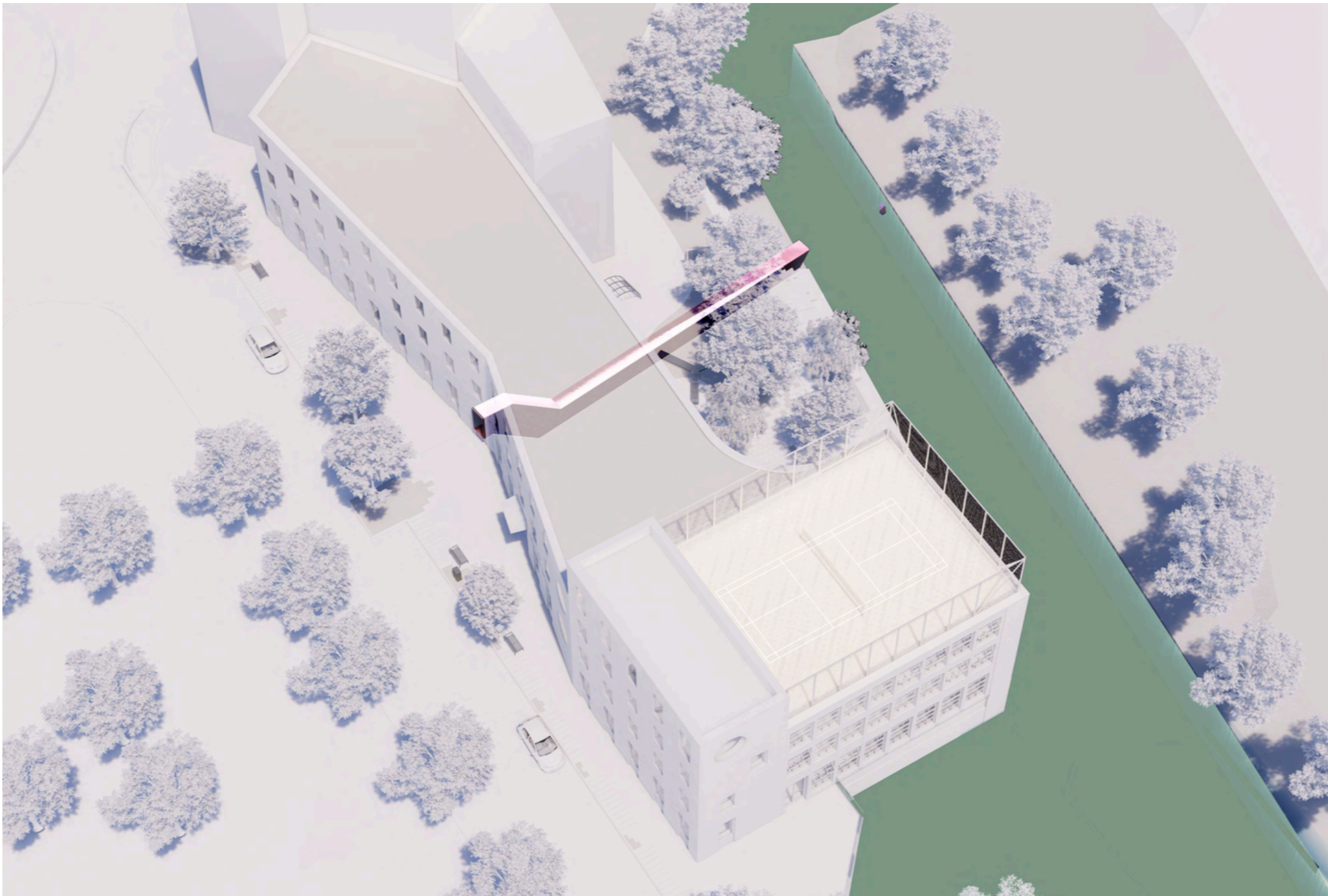


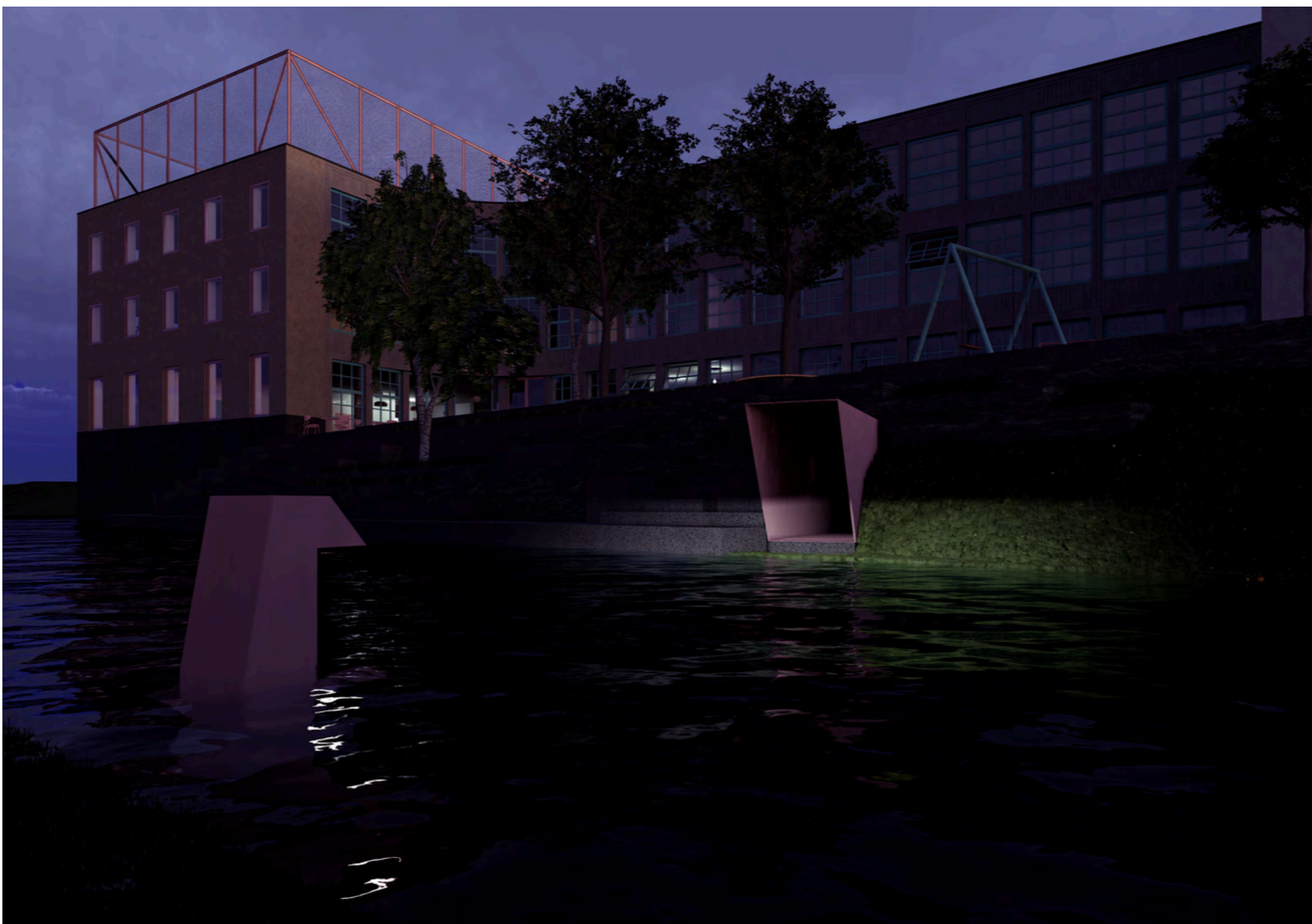


Domovina

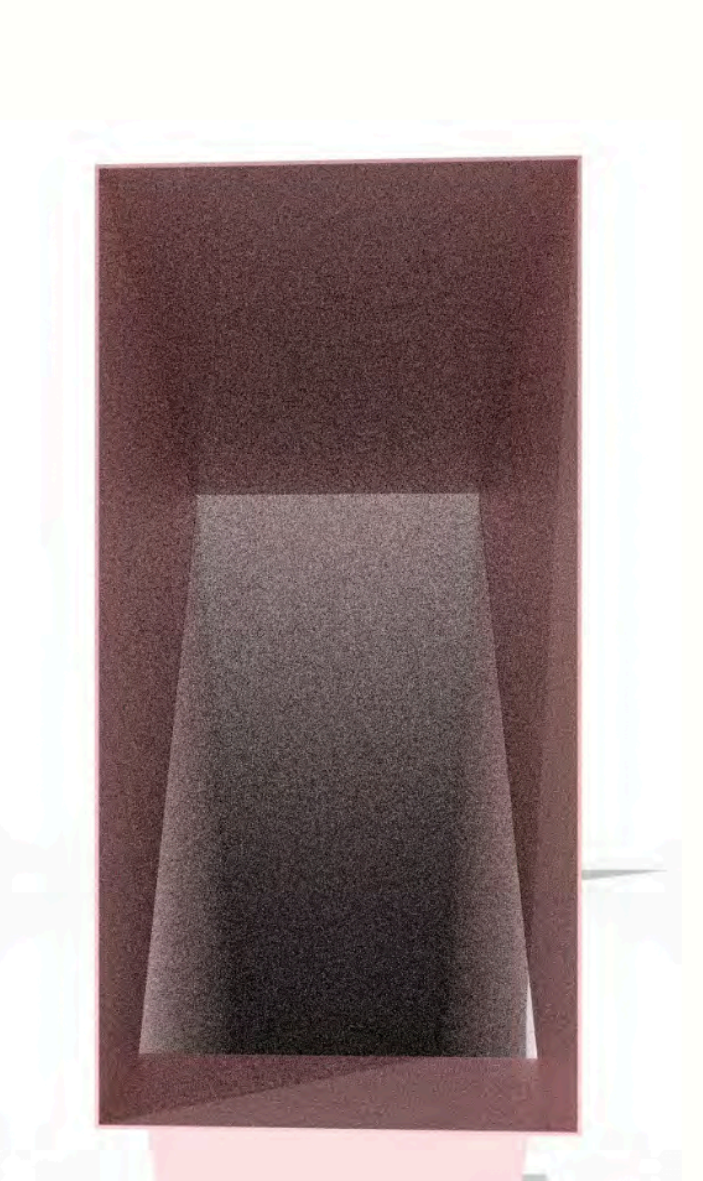
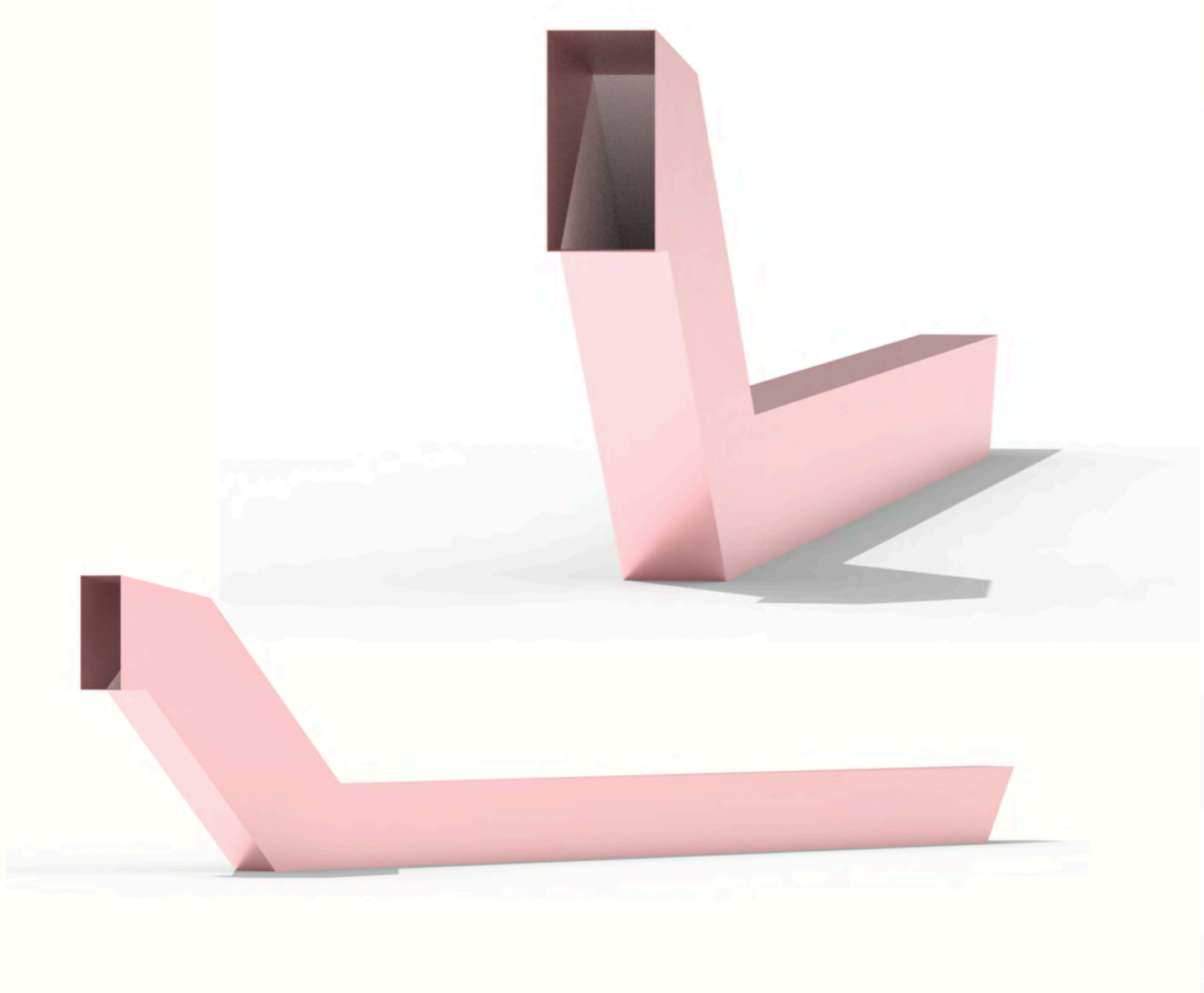
Art/Architecture project - 2023

Collaboration with architect Josef Kučera on the design of an integrated work of art that connects the street level of the medical building with the adjacent stream through a false window. The work uses the principle of acoustic bridge and periscope to transmit the image and sound of the water flow.









Promiň

Kinetic object - 2024

A cold machine that uses the power of a pneumatic piston to emotionlessly emboss the word "sorry" into an 18m long leather belt, without being able to show true regret.

A mechanised linguistically performative outburst of apology that is a soulless substitute for genuine repentance.











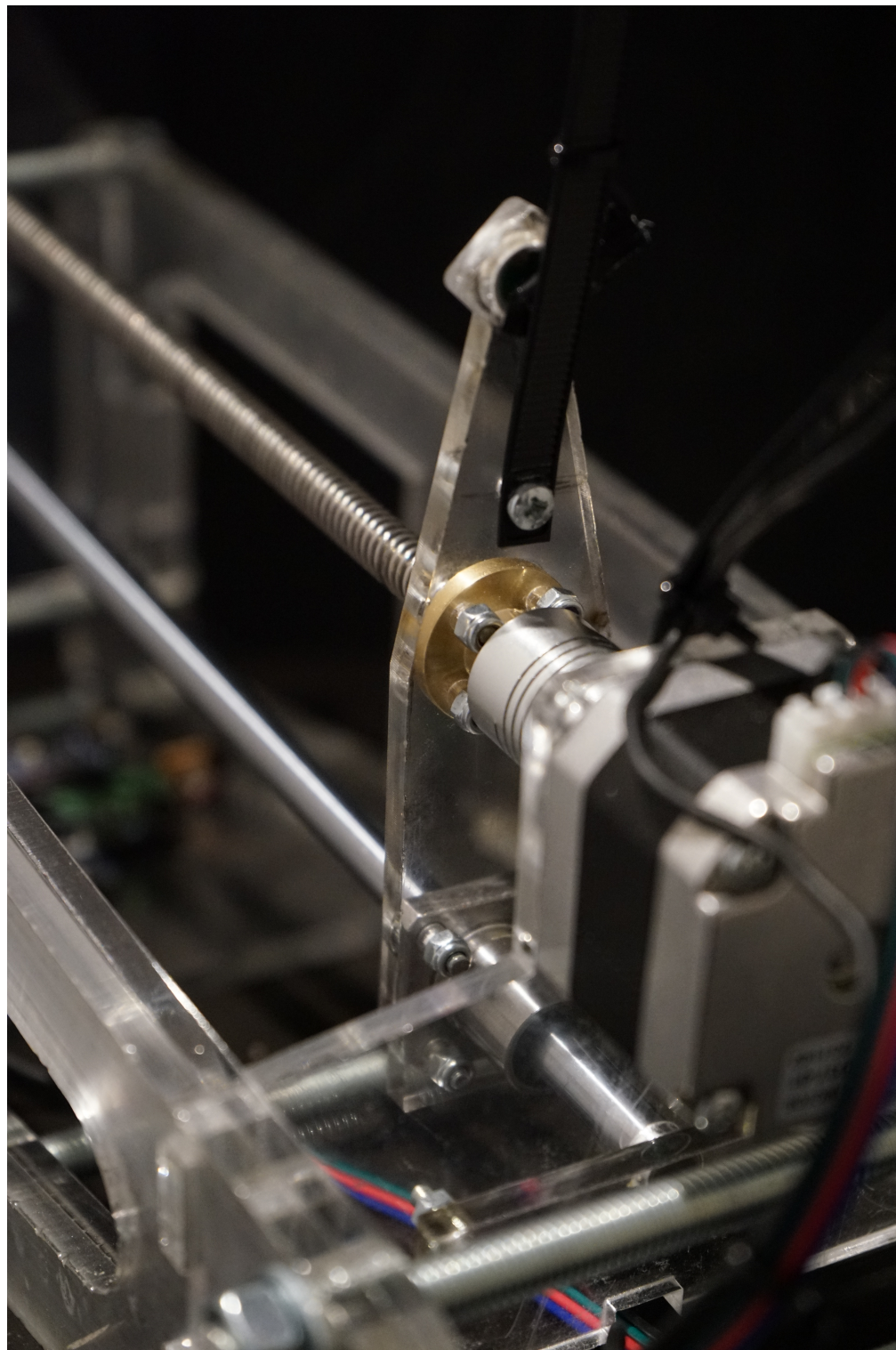
Echo

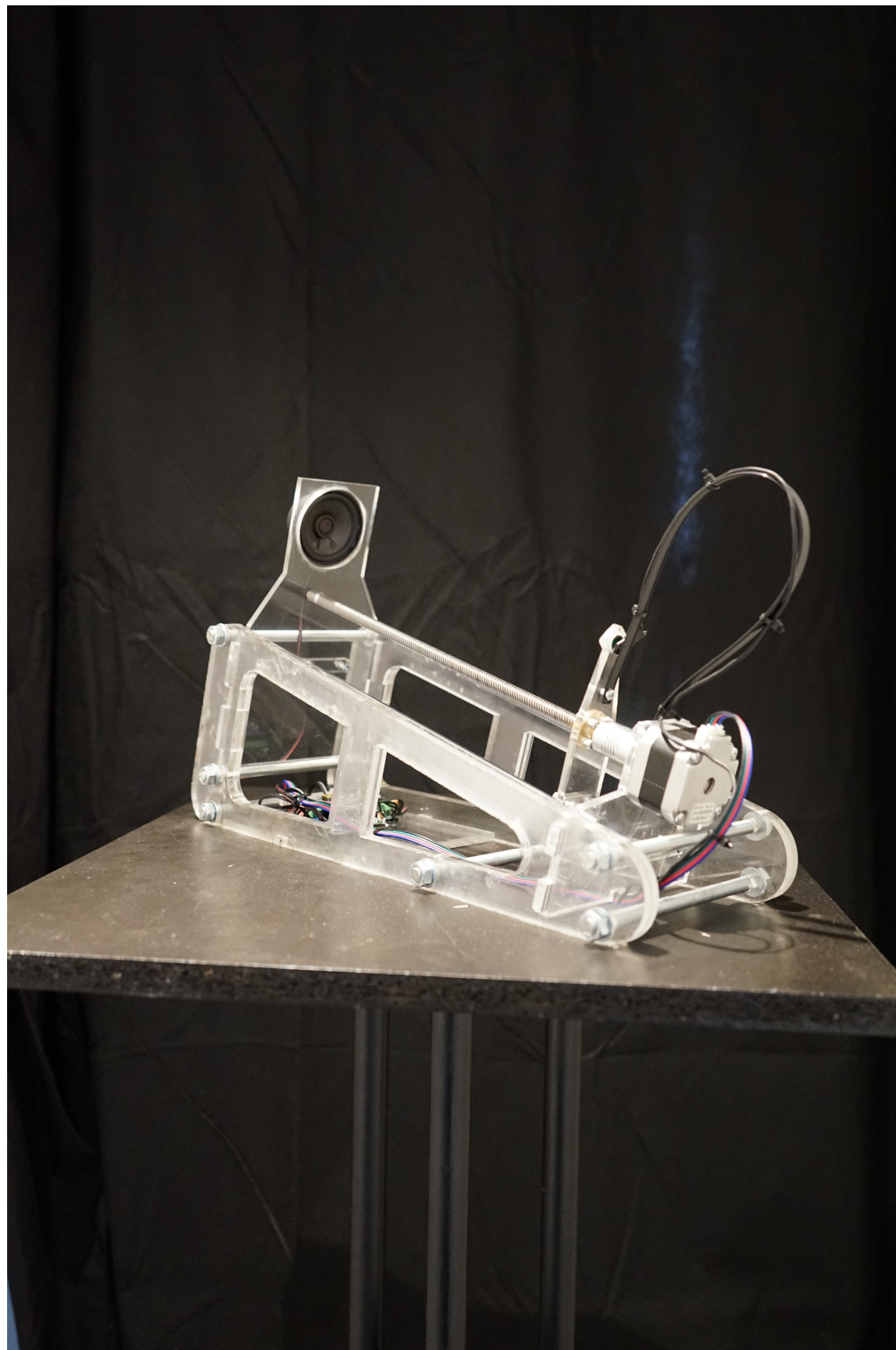
Kinetic object - 2023

A machine embodying interpersonal tension in a kinetic-acoustic loop.

Trailer here: <https://youtu.be/Lhsz693-C1I>







Pantograf

Steel sculpture in public space - 2024

Site specific art installation imitating the iconic current collector of the tram T3 model, located in a park in the center of Prague.

Info here: <https://ctyridny.cz/projekt/jiri-kanak-pantograf/>



