



WATER FROM THE WELL

Water From the Well proposes a circular, above ground water pavilion at Stormont's 'bull ring' - a neglected tarmac threshold at the hill's summit. Drawing on the Lí Ban legend and Seamus Heaney's Lough Neagh Sequence, the design frames water as civic responsibility. Rainwater is gathered then filtered through Lough Neagh sand and other substrate, then displayed, before overflowing to be gathered again. The pool is contoured, shaped after Lough Neagh and enclosed by algae seeded benches that shift texture with the seasons. Repurposed drums store water for reuse in the pavilion with any excess used for watering plants in Parliament Buildings. Subtle and pedagogic, the pavilion functions as laboratory, shrine and classroom - a daily reminder to decision makers and citizens that water, like politics, requires continual tending.