

Head in the Clouds

case study
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Location: Governor's Island, NY, United States



Architect: STUDIOKCA

Owner: N/A

Year of completion: 2013

Climate: Humid Subtropical

Material of interest: Recycled Plastic Bottles

Application: Exterior and interior

Properties of material: The project is made out of 53,780 recycled bottles which is the amount thrown away in NYC in one hour. The form is made out of a series of 'structural pillows' made from one gallon jugs on the exterior. The interior is made up of sixteen and twenty-four ounce water bottles filled with blue food coloring to illuminate the space inside.

Sources:

Architect website: <http://studiokca.com/projects/head-in-the-clouds/>

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