

Lights on the open air museum of Paris La Défense

Defacto uplifts the open air art collection of Paris La Défense!

Since its design in the 1960s until today, the district of La Défense has been built consistently over the years with major works of art, on a par with the scale of the site, providing structure to the public spaces.

Defacto, the public institution in charge of the management of the business district, is currently developing the project **Paris La Défense Art Collection** in order to showcase the 69 works of art – both discreet and imposing – that pepper the public space. The aim is to improve the preservation and presentation of this extraordinary artistic heritage and to give a new lease of life to this **unique open air art collection**.

This major project, overseen by the Frenak+Jullien Architects (winner of the competition launched by Defacto), was underlined by 3 major initiatives:

1. A restoration and preventive conservation programme,
 2. The creation of routes,
 3. Nocturnal displays revealing the works with light.
- The latter was overseen by Lighting designers 8'18''.

11 of these works from the open air art collection are fully lit by LEC, and 4 others only partly.

Only 3 types of LEC's projectors were necessary to light all 15 works of art, and to meet with the lighting designers' needs. The projectors are **2 flush-embedded ground luminaires** (2855-Meteor and 5716-Allevar) and **1 wall light** (4040-Luminy 4).

Three weeks of night mock-ups



11 oeuvres de cette collection sont entièrement éclairées par LEC et 4 autres en partie :

1. [After Olympia](#) d'Anthony Caro (1991)
2. [Le Pouce](#) de César (1994)
3. [Les Doubles Lignes Indéterminées](#) de Bernar Venet (1988)
4. [Vive le Vent](#) de Michel Deverne (1985)
5. [L'Araignée Rouge](#) d'Alexander Calder (1976)
6. [Les Trois Arbres](#) de Guy-Rachel Grataloup (1988)
7. [Les Personnages Fantastiques](#) de Joan Miró (1978)
8. [Utsurohi](#) d'Aiko Miyawaki (1989)
9. [Le Moretti](#) de Raymond Moretti (1992)
10. [La Cheminée Végétalisée](#) d'Edouard François (2004)
11. [La Défoncée](#) de François Morellet (1990)
12. [L'Oiseau Mécanique](#) de Philolaos (1972)
13. [La Terre](#) de Louis Debré (1978)
14. [Le Casque BC1](#) de Ben Jakober (1988)
15. [Les Cheminées](#) de Philolaos (1973)

Application fields
LEC in the heart of town
LEC lighting up history

Localisation
Paris and suburbs region

Products
● [2855 - Meteor](#)
● [4040 - Luminy 4](#)
● [4040M - Luminy 4](#)
● [5716 - Allevar](#)

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in situ were conducted with our team and the different project's players in order to define the numerous optical mixes of some of the **200 supplied LEC projectors**.

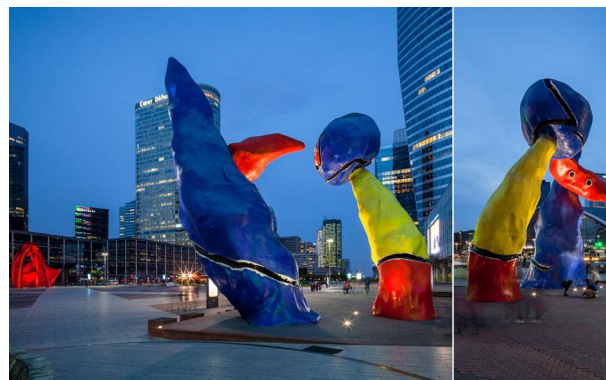
All projectors are controlled in dimming, allowing for precision adjustment and fine tuning on each of the sculptures.

Contracting Authority: Defacto
Lighting designers: 8'18"
Architects: Frenak & Jullien
Installer: Eiffage Energie
Photos: 11h45 for Defacto

Source :

<http://parisladefenseartcollection.com/en/project>

2855 - Meteor



Personnages Fantastiques de Joan Miró (1978)

2 projecteurs 2855-Meteor, en 12 LED 3W blanc neutre, optiques 52° et L1 sont encastrés au sol autour de l'oeuvre.

4040 - Luminy 4



Adjustable on 2 axis



Les Trois Arbres - Guy-Rachel Grataloup (1988)

3 projecteurs en applique 4040-Luminy 4 en 12 LED 3W blanc neutre, optique 6° illuminent l'oeuvre.

Voir aussi [5716-Allevar](#) + [2855-Meteor](#).

4040M - Luminy 4



Adjustable on 3 axis



Vive le Vent - Michel Deverne (1985)

2 projecteurs 4040m-Luminy 4 en 12 LED 3W blanc neutre, optique L4 sont encastrés au sol.

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5716 - Allevard



After Olympia d'Anthony Caro (1991)

30 projecteurs orientables 5716-Allevard, en 7 LED 3W blanc chaud avec mix d'optiques L5 ou L6 réglé selon chaque luminaire, sont encastrés au sol sur la face avant de l'oeuvre en métal, longue de près de 25 mètres.

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