

“Venus Rising”

Location: Brisbane, Australia

Artist: Ross Wolfgang Buttress

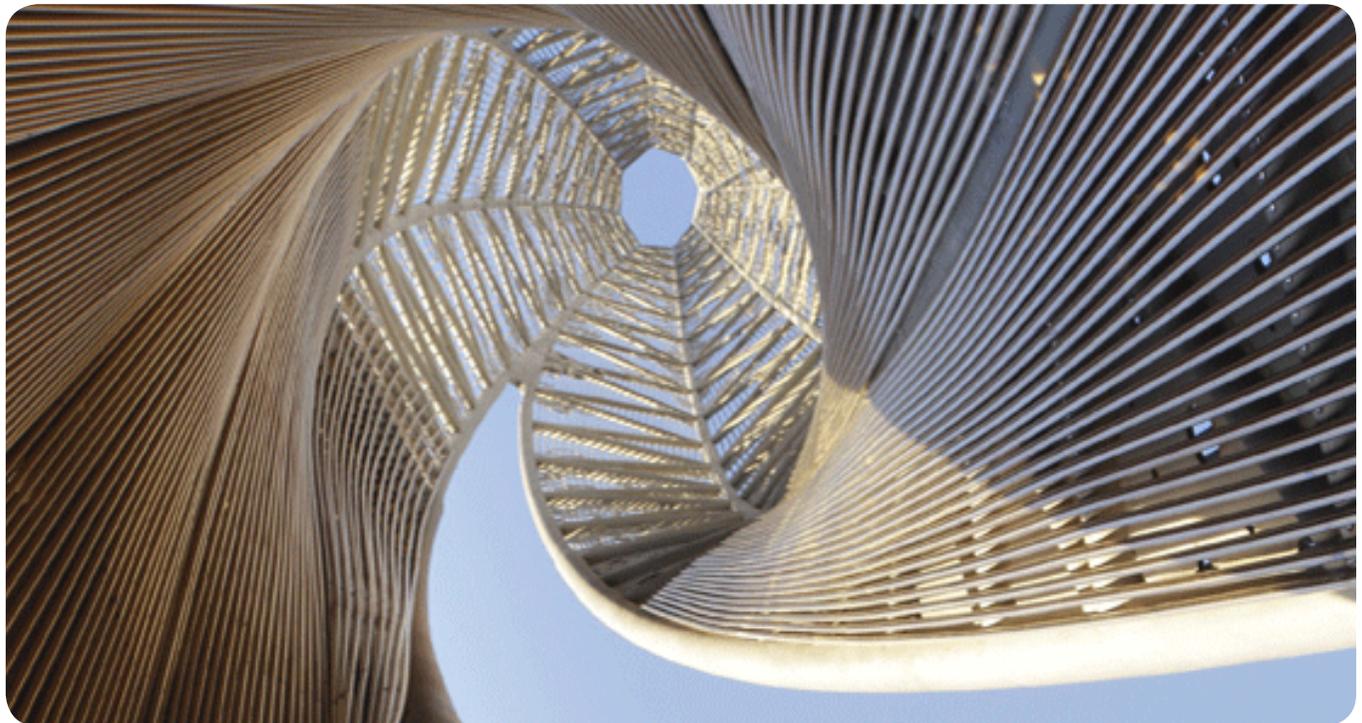
This sculpture is entitled Venus Rising and was designed by the public space artist Wolfgang Buttress, who took his inspiration from the Fibonacci Spiral as well as the intersecting spines of a Nautilus Shell. The structure stands 23 metres high and is located in the Stainless Steel Sculpture Park at Kangaroo Point Park, overlooking the river in Brisbane.

Venus Rising features 10,790 individual welds and more than 7 km of grade 316 and 2205 duplex stainless steel tube, pipe and round bar supplied by the ASSDA Sponsor, Sandvik.

Having worked with stainless steel for over 25 years, the artist said that the material provides strength, and combines an ability to look good over time with minimal maintenance, and has the flexibility of finishes which works well both practically and aesthetically. The variety of finishes which can be achieved with stainless steel through polishing, glass blasting and heat treatment is great. The material needs to be strong, resilient and look as good in 50 years as it does on installation.

Details

Environment:	marine
Grade/surface:	316 and 2205 duplex stainless steel tube, pipe and round bar
Date of completion:	2012
Manufacturing company and material supplier:	Sandvik
More information:	assda.asn.au



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