Kyusendo recreation Village R2 [Wooden Lace]



Architectural Outline

The site is located along the Kuma River about 40km upstream from the river mouth. There are sheer rocky cliffs on the other side of the river and groundwater flown out from nearby limestone cave runs to the waterfall that leads into the river with sound echoing all day long. Piling up the rows of short timbers makes a surface with many holes like openwork. Such

lace-like structures are used for walls and roofs to create a space. This is the main theme here. During daytime sun light thinned and deadened with those wooden laces pour into inside through countless holes and after the sunset the light escaping from inside will make the whole construction as an *objet* of openwork to showcase the surrounding scenery.



Architectural Data

Name	Kyusendo recreation Village R2 「Wooden Lace」
Location	787 Tsuge, Ashikita-machi, Ashikita-gun
Main function	Accommodation facility
Developer	Kuma-mura Forestry Cooperative
Architects	Masanori Watase & Ayumi Nagayoshi
General Constructor	Koshin Construction
Site area	140.35 m ²
Building area	18.88 m^2
Total floor area	18.88 m ²
Extent	One aboveground floor
Structure	Wooden construction
Outside finishing	Cedar grown in Kumamoto FRP coating
Construction period	February, 2009 ~ May, 2009
Total construction cost	4 million yen





Profile of architect



Masanori Watase	
1968	Born in Shizuoka Prefecture
1992	Graduated from Department of Architecture, Faculty of
	Engineering, Tokyo Institute of Technology
1992	Worked for Kazuyo Sejima Architectural Design Office
	(~92)
1993	Worked for Jun Aoki Architectural Design Office (~97)
1998	Established Designing Room



Ayumi Nagayoshi	
1975	Born in Osaka
1998	Graduated from Tokyo Designer Gakuin
2003~	Works for Designing Room

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