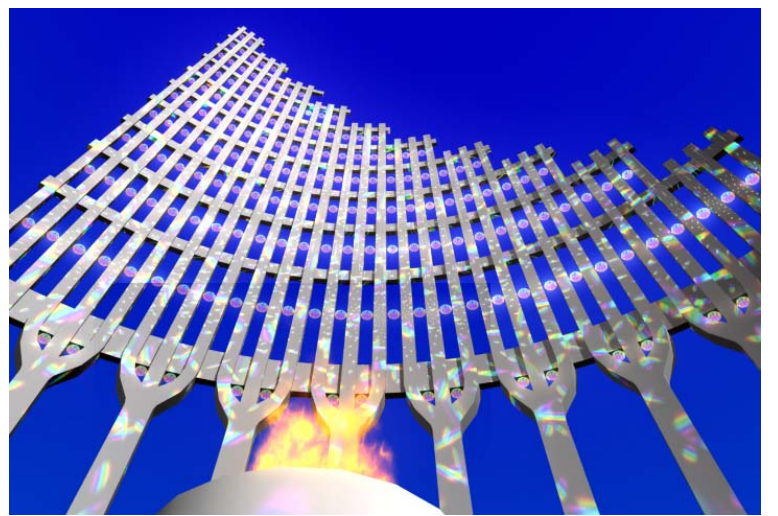


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"Preserve ground zero for the world to see in beautiful array; reassemble a portion of the surviving Twin Tower iron wall. This powerful image, known around the world, speaks of history, desperation and strength.

"The Memorial is recreated on the original 208 foot by 208 foot WTC footprints. Cold steel and nature work together in harmony, representing how all walks of life and different nations were forever bonded on this very site, September 11, 2001. Mature live oak trees, walkways, water features and benches would line the Memorial perimeter.

"Three thousand crystals, placed in the open window areas, symbolize the lives lost. These prisms would paint an ever-changing rainbow onto the surrounding memorial and park, reflecting lasting beauty and memories of happier times. Twin 9 and 11 bell carillons, placed in the openings at opposite ends of the WTC wall, would chime inspirational songs. On each anniversary, the world's largest bell, 10 feet in diameter, would ring the victim roll call.

"No two days would ever be the same at the memorial, with the variables of sun and seasons, paralleling how quickly life changes and, influenced by 9/11, will never be the same."

-Brus D. Messinger, New York