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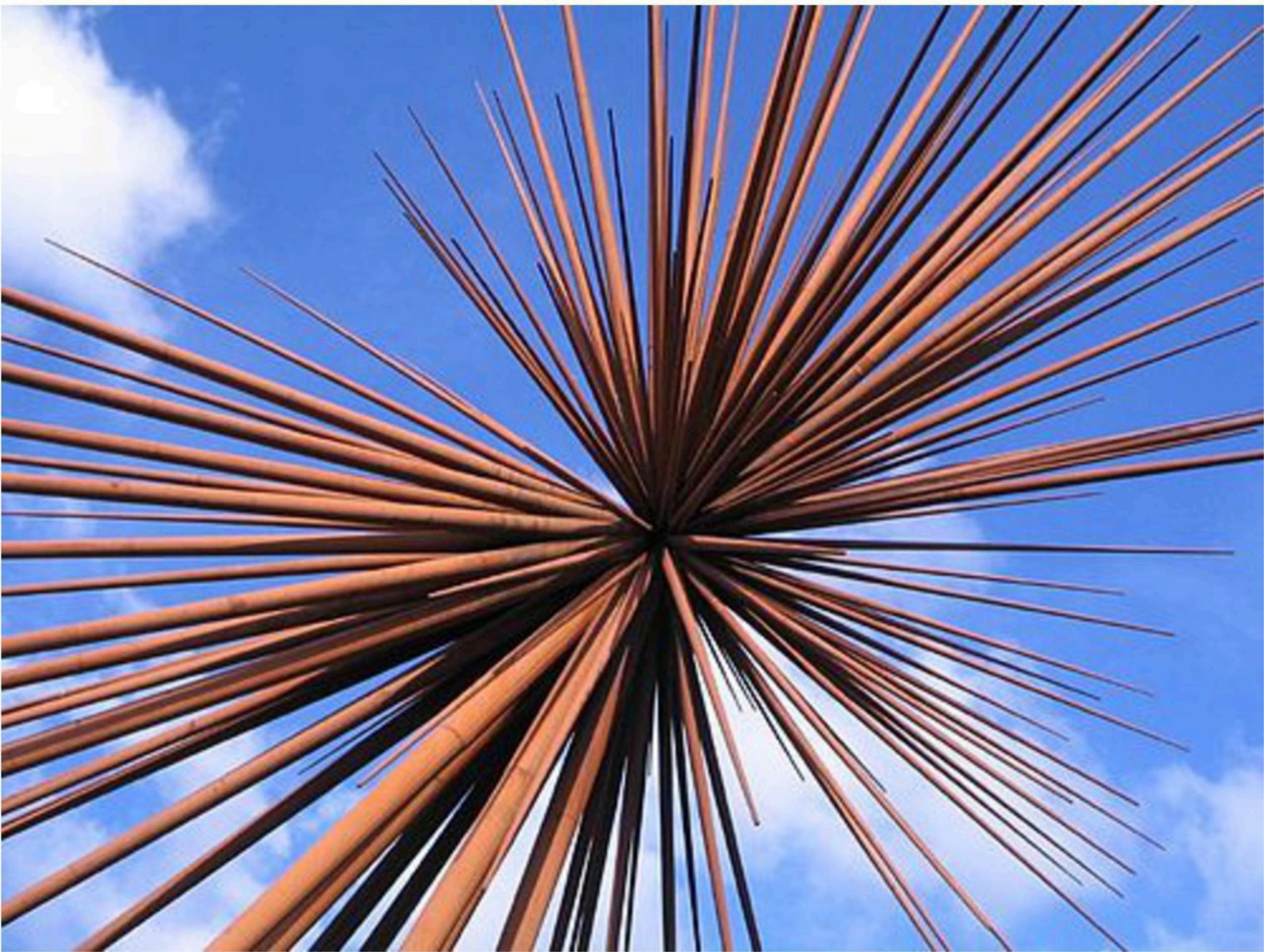


Britain's tallest self-supporting sculpture, the "B of the Bang", is unveiled in Manchester

12/01/2005

B of the Bang was a sculpture by Thomas Heatherwick next to the City of Manchester Stadium in Manchester, England, which was commissioned to mark the 2002 Commonwealth Games; it was one of the tallest structures in Manchester and the tallest sculpture in the UK until the completion of Aspire in 2008. It was taller and leaned at a greater angle than the Leaning Tower of Pisa. The sculpture took its name from a quotation of British sprinter Linford Christie, in which he said that he started his races not merely at the "bang" of the starting pistol, but at "the B of the Bang".

The sculpture was commissioned in 2003; construction overran and the official unveiling was delayed until 12 January 2005. Six days before the launch, the sculpture suffered the first of three visible structural problems as the tip of one of the spikes detached and fell to the ground. Local



January 2020

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30	31	1 New year's	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13 January Exams..	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25 .January Exams	26
27 Week 2.1 (A)	28	29	30	31	1	2

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Manchester Civil Justice Centre, designed by Denton Corker Marshall, opens in Spinningfields

28/02/2008

Manchester Civil Justice Centre is a governmental building in Manchester, England. Completed in 2007, it houses Manchester's county court and the Manchester District Registry of the High Court, the city's family proceedings court, the district probate registry, and the regional and area offices of the Court Service. The Civil Justice Centre was the first major court complex built in Britain since George Edmund Street's Royal Courts of Justice in London completed in 1882. Its distinctive architecture has been nicknamed the "filing cabinet" because of its cantilever floors at the end of the building. The design takes inspiration from Expressionist architecture, as well as the artistic Futurist movement of the 1920s which promotes dynamic lines and a sense of fluid movement.



February 2020

Mo	Tu	We	Th	Fr	Sa	Su
27 Week 2.1 (A)	28	29	30	31	1	2
3 Week 2.2 (B)	4	5	6	7	8	9
10 Week 2.3 (A)	11	12	13	14	15	16
17 Week 2.4 (B)	18	19	20	21	22	23
24 Week 2.5 (A)	25	26	27	28	29	1