//Augmented Sound Sculpture by Lukasz Karluk

ABOUT THE PROJECT

HoloDecks is an umbrella project for a number of studies which focus on transforming sound through different mediums. The project was made by Lukasz Karluk, a digital artist working in the fields of interactive installation and generative computer art.

This study begins with a custom application built in openFrameworks which visualises audio from a song, in this case by One-ohtrix Point Never, titled Zebra. The base shape chosen for the visualisation is a disc which has always been a ubiquitous shape associated with music storage formats such as compact discs and vinyl records. Audio data from the song displaces the geometry of the disc to create a swirly visual echo of the audios last few seconds. (1)

At any point in the visualisation, a snapshot of the generated 3d model can be taken (2). The model is exported in .ply by open-Frameworks format which then needs to be converted into .obj format so it can be printed with a Makerbot 3D printer (3).

Up to this point, the sound has been transformed from pure audio data, into a software visualisation and then materialised into the real world using a 3D printer (4). A final transformation is undertaken by augmenting the 3D printed sound sculpture using a mobile device to see another layer of audio reactive visuals mapped to the object (5, 6).

Personally I think this is one of the project that more interested me. The author succeded to use the power of the Agumented Reality technoloy to create a fresh new approach to visualize sound.

