

Location: Blackburn, East Lancashire
Budget: £50,000
Date: Residency 2011-12
Status: Installation June 2012

Blackburn Central High School

An embossed World Map;
a contemporary figurehead



The design of the Stair Tower cladding panels has been developed in collaboration with a joint group of students and staff from three schools who merged into the new building in September 2012.

The design is an abstracted map of the World that wraps around the stair tower, showing the main outlines of the World's land masses with major cities picked out as circles.

A finer layer of detail will show the main mountain ranges of the World and adds a further texture to the artwork. The material is an embossed (pressed) metal panel that will pick up and reflect the changing daylight and night time lighting conditions.

The map has been drawn using the Peters' projection of the World, as this depicts each country accurately in relative size to one another unlike many other World projections such as the Mercator Projection.