

Happy New Year 2010

Calendar Refill

We are pleased to send you the refill for the Sharon wooden desktop calendar which was sent to you earlier. This is the 7th in our series of the theme calendars and is on "GIANT BUILDINGS". We hope you like them as much as we liked putting them together.



We will be happy to receive your feed back or suggestions on future calendar themes at cvk@sharonply.com or you can write us at M/s Century Plyboards (I) Limited, No.12 Sriman Srinivasan Road, Alwarpet, Chennai-18.

Plywood Giant presents the World's Giant buildings...

Architecture, like any other form of creativity is not immune to popular trends and styles. Some trends however, endure the test of time and only increase in popularity as the years go by. One such trend is that of Giant Buildings. These massive marvels range from skyscrapers and stadiums, to palaces and places of worship. These structures are true works of art, not just because of their sheer size, but also due to the effort involved in creating them.

In this calendar- the seventh in our series of annual theme desk calendars - Sharon the plywood giant presents GIANT BUILDINGS. We hope that this inspires you to continue dreaming and create your own master piece.

We thank you for your enthusiastic response to our earlier calendars and are as always, keen to have your suggestions and feedback. If you have enjoyed this calendar and would like us to send it to one or more of your friends or colleagues, please send their names, contact addresses and phone numbers to vk@sharonply.com before Jan 31, 2010.



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JANUARY 2010



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Shanghai World Financial Center



Shanghai World Financial Center is an imposing skyscraper in Pudong, Shanghai, China. It is a mixed use skyscraper which consists of offices, conference rooms, observation decks, shopping malls and the world's highest hotel. The most distinctive feature in the design of the building is an aperture at the peak.

FEBRUARY 2010



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Menzis office building, Netherlands



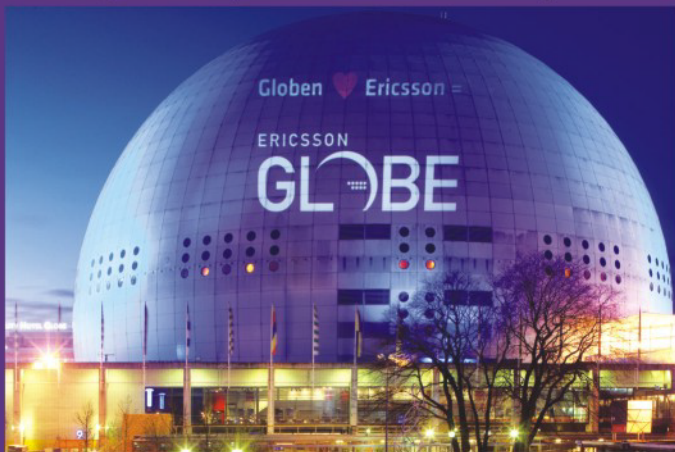
With its high, angular structure, the Menzis office is a distinctive landmark in Groningen's. The 12 storey building is divided into three identical prismatic segments, rotated 90° in relation to each other. With dimensions of 43 by 43 metres, the segments are characterised by functional yet aesthetic compactness. Each segment contains four storeys, intersected vertically by an atrium.

MARCH 2010



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Ericsson Globe, Stockholm



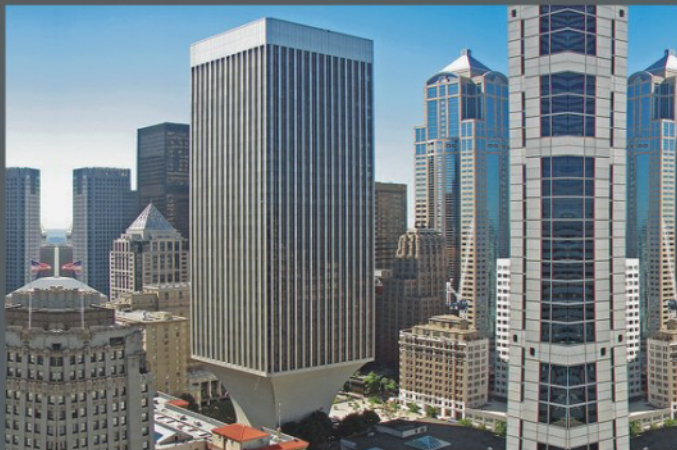
The Ericsson Globe is the national indoor arena of Sweden and is currently the largest hemispherical building in the world. Shaped like a large golf ball, it has a diameter of 110 metres (361 feet) and an inner height of 85 metres (279 feet). It has seating capacity for 16,000 spectators for shows and concerts. The building represents the Sun in Sweden's large-scale model of the solar system.

APRIL 2010



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Rainier Tower, Washington



This 40 storey skyscraper scales a total height of 514 feet (393 feet without the 121 foot base). The skyscraper has an unusual appearance, being built atop a 121-foot (11 storey) concrete base that tapers towards ground level, like an inverted pyramid. It was designed by Minoru Yamasaki, who also was architect of the World Trade Center in New York City.

MAY 2010



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Bahrain World Trade Centre



The Bahrain World Trade Centre is a 240 metres (787 feet) high twin tower complex located in Bahrain. It is the first skyscraper in the world to integrate wind turbines into its design. This 50 storey structure currently ranks as the second tallest building in Bahrain, after the twin towers of the Bahrain Financial Harbour. The building has received several awards for sustainability including the 2006 LEAF Award.

JUNE 2010



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Palace of Parliament, Romania



The Palace of the Parliament in Bucharest, Romania is a multi-purpose building containing both chambers of the Romanian Parliament. According to the Guinness Book of World Records, the Palace is the world's largest civilian administrative building, the most expensive administrative building and the heaviest building.

JULY 2010



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Mode Gakuen Cocoon Tower, Tokyo



Cocoon Tower is a 204 metre (669 ft), 50 storey educational facility located in the Nishi-Shinjuku district in Shinjuku, Tokyo, Japan. Completed in October 2008, the tower is the second-tallest educational building in the world and is the 17th-tallest building in Tokyo. Its vertical campus can accommodate 10,000 students.

AUGUST 2010



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Kingdom Centre, Riyadh



Also known as Burj Al-Mamlaka, this is the tallest skyscraper in Saudi Arabia. This mixed-use tower contains a 5 level shopping centre and alos the highest mosque in the world. The tower's unique design consists of a simple elliptical building topped with a curved opening where a 60 metre observatory bridge spans an inverted catenary arch.

SEPTEMBER 2010



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CCTV Headquarters, Beijing



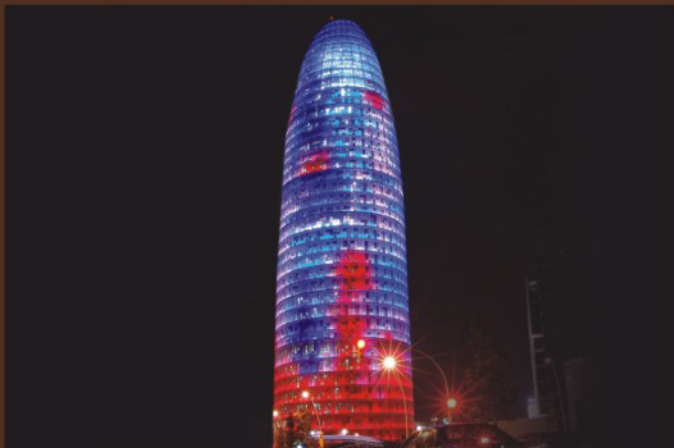
The CCTV Headquarters is a skyscraper in the Beijing Central Business District. It stands at 234 metres (768 feet) tall and has 54 floors. The main building is not a traditional tower, but a loop of six horizontal and vertical sections covering 473,000 square metres of floor space, creating an irregular grid on the building's facade with an open center. The building's shape has earned it the nickname of 'big shorts'.

OCTOBER 2010



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Torre Agbar, Spain



The Torre Agbar, or Agbar Tower, is a 33 storey tower in Barcelona, Spain. It was inspired by Montserrat, a mountain near Barcelona, and by the shape of a geyser rising into the air. Measuring 144.4 m (473.75 ft) in height, it consists of 38 storeys, including four underground levels. A defining feature of the building is its nocturnal illumination made up of 4,500 LED luminous devices that allow generation of luminous images in the façade.

NOVEMBER 2010



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Olympic Stadium, Montreal



The Olympic Stadium is a multi-purpose stadium in the Hochelaga-Maisonneuve district of Montreal, Quebec, Canada. It was built as the main venue for the 1976 Summer Olympics. The stadium was designed by French architect Roger Taillibert as an elaborate facility featuring a retractable roof, which is opened and closed by a huge 175 metre (574 feet) tower. This is the tallest inclined structure in the world and the sixth tallest building in Montreal.

DECEMBER 2010



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Willis Tower, Chicago



Willis Tower, formerly named Sears Tower, is a 108 storey 442 metre (1,450 feet) skyscraper in Chicago, Illinois. At the time of its completion in 1973 it was the tallest building in the world, surpassing the World Trade Center in New York. Currently, Willis Tower is the tallest building in the United States and the fifth-tallest freestanding structure in the world.