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Project paper

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PROJECT RESEARCH: Introduction
Artists & Designers in Cultural Heritage
Photo: Marc Cairns.

Source: Peter Macdiarmid/Getty Images Europe
Process phases of 3D artwork & introduction to the journey....
PROJECT RESEARCH:
Stone Circle site visit & English Heritage Archives
Taylor, A (August 2009) Images recorded inside the Stone Circle at Stonehenge at Sunrise. Stone Circle access granted by permission of English Heritage.
Heel Stone. Digital recording of the stone: shape, surface/ textures and effects of daylight environment

Diagram of Stonehenge 1550 bce
Source: Britannica.com & English Heritage

Stonehenge Survey engraving c.1740
Source: English Heritage National Monument Record Archive 2009
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Single Stone data. Point cloud data processing and stages of surface generation for each individual stone.
Image of completed stone surface mesh
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