3. **Architecture Contest**: Paris has striking and diverse architecture, from ancient Notre Dame to classic yet modern Louvre and iconic Eiffel Tower, but it's still constantly reinventing itself. Mayor Anne Hidalgo launched an intriguing architecture contest called "Reinventing Paris," aiming to transform forgotten building spaces into environmentally friendly urban designs. The contest drew a total of 372 entries, 75 of which were selected as finalists. Entries ranged from a large spaceship-like building planted with 1000 trees straddling the Peripherie to a former electricity sub-station transformed into movie and event theater.

The building above, entered and designed by Manuelle Gautrand Architecture, was one of the winners. An exhibit was also held at the Pavilion d’Arsonal, drawing thousands of people. The winning designs will now enter the construction phase and will be completed by 2020. The full details are [here](http://leftbankgirl.blogspot.fr/), and the exhibit will be open until May 8.