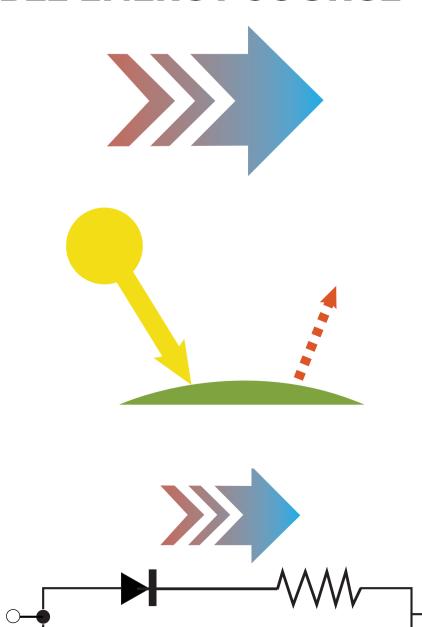


WATERFRONT PARK

Copenhagen's success is contributed to its strategic location as a port city. It was important to make the design accessible to those traveling by boat. The design carves away a portion of the land to make a mini port where boats can leisurely congregate.

RENEWABLE ENERGY SOURCE



HEAT TRANSFER

Thermal energy moves from hot places to cold places. Heat transfer can be through conduction, diffusion, convection, advection, or radiation.

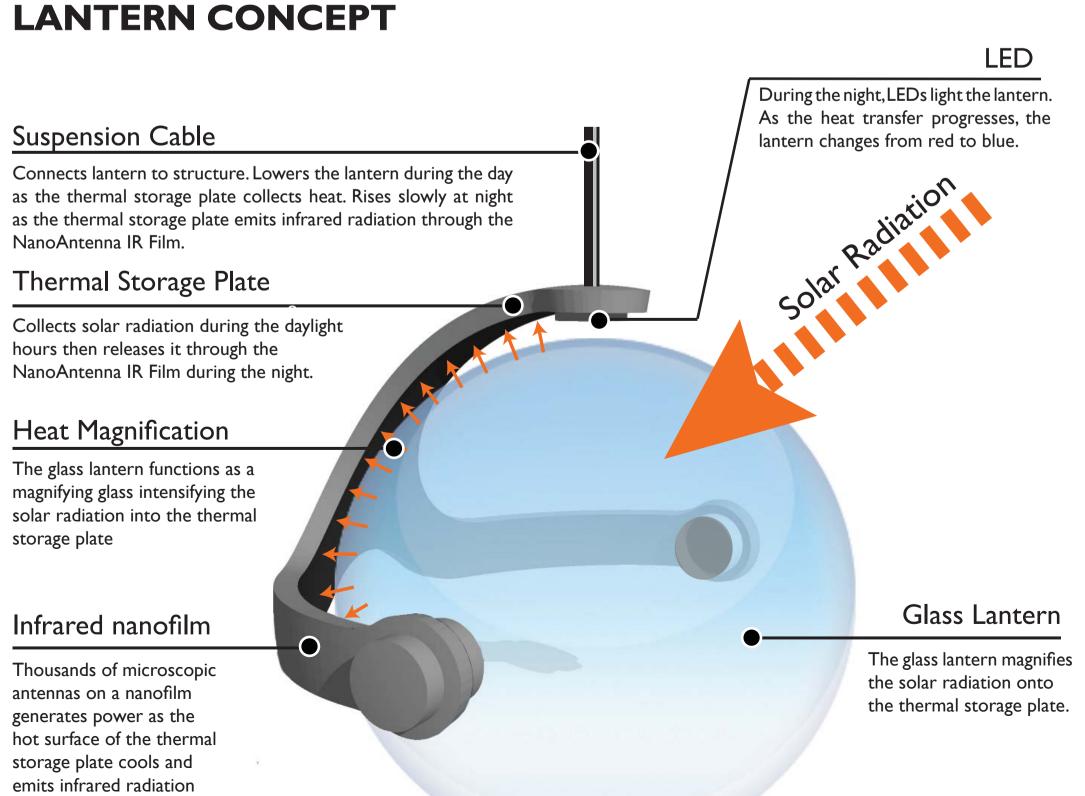
INFRARED RADIATION

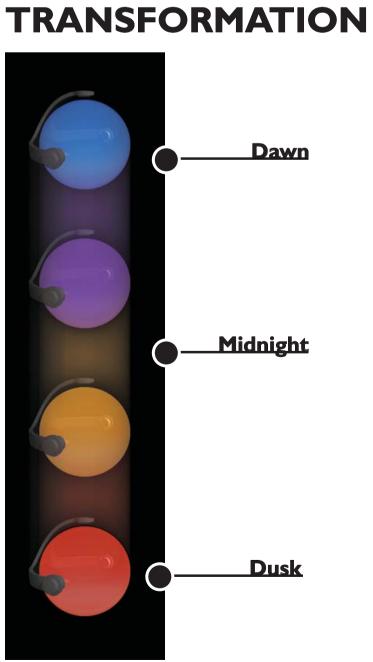
Only 51% of incoming solar energy is actually absorbed by Earth's surface of which 21% is then emitted into space as infrared radiation through the principle of heat transfer.

COLLECTING INFRARED RADIATION

The collection of infrared radiation occurs at the microscopic level between diodes and antennas. During the night, when thermal energy is expelled from a heat sink, the emitting infrared radiation moves across microscopic antennas toward the sky. The thermal transfer of hot to cool across the antenna makes it act as a resistor which in turn generates voltage. A surface could be coated with a nanoscale film containing thousands of these microscopic circuits to generate power.

into the sky.





At night, the lanterns are lit with LED's. The color of the lantern changes throughout the evening as the warmth of the thermal storage plate emits infrared radiation into the sky. The lanterns begin the evening red, but as the infrared radiation dissipates from the thermal storage plate, it shifts to yellow then purple and finally blue when the heat exchange is completed.