

Not an out-take from a kinky movie, but a swimming pool made of plastic sheeting and suspended from cables in the august setting of the professors' lounge at ETH in Zurich. From *Calatrava Complete Works 1979 - 2007*, by Philip Jodidio, Cologne: Taschen, 2007, £79.99. Weighty in all senses except critical acumen, this is another lavish vanity monograph that will require your coffee table to be reinforced. With well-oiled aplomb, Jodidio traces Calatrava's trajectory from the genuinely iconoclastic Stadelhofen Station to the monumental bombast of recent years. Clearly the man has skill, but perhaps should have stuck to kinky swimming pools.

