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Home for Prince Vladimir Statue in Central Moscow Revealed

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The pedestal design for a 16-meter bronze statue of Russia's medieval ruler Prince Vladimir has been revealed.

Pictures of the design were published on the Facebook page of the Russian Society of Military History.

The design around the statue was created to represent a “drop causing ripples in water, in order to create associations with the ritual of baptism,” Moscow’s Chief Architect Sergei Kuznetsov was quoted by the Vedomosti newspaper as saying Thursday.

Borovitskaya Ploschad in central Moscow will be hosting the colossal monument.

"The monument's height will be 16 meters without a pedestal,” said Vladimir Tsvetnov, director of the Culture Ministry's department of cultural preservation. “The statue will be made of bronze and the pedestal will be made from granite."

The statue's planned location is protected by UNESCO's World Heritage Committee.

Last year, the chair of the City Duma's monuments commission Lev Lavryonov told reporters that UNESCO had approved the monument on grounds that its height would not exceed 8 meters.

The project of the pedestal, developed by architectural bureau Ai Architects, will be sent to UNESCO for review, Kuznetsov said.

The monument is expected to be ready for Russian National Unity Day in November, said Vladislav Kononov, executive director of the Russian Society of Military History. "We hope we will make it in time," he said.

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