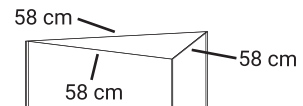
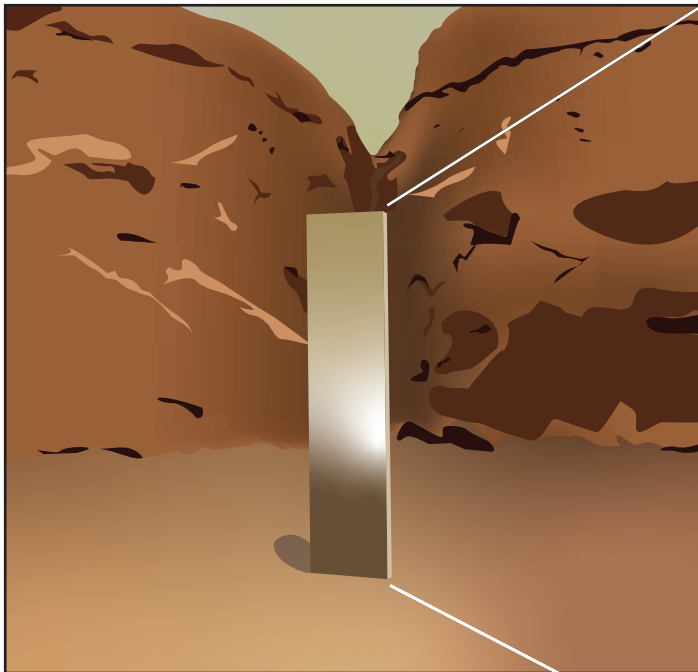
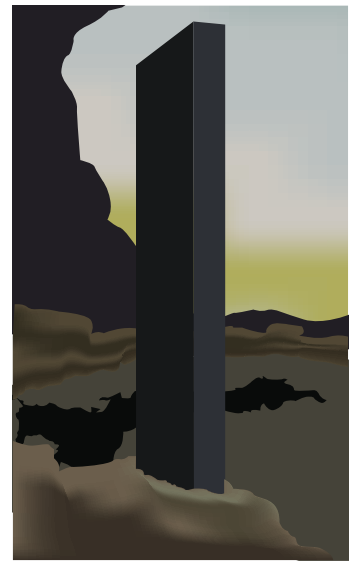


# Strange Monolith found in Utah

inspires awe+confusion  
+ "2001" comparisons,  
then disappears



291 cm

#### Construction

- the monolith is thought to be made of 1/8th inch stainless steel or aluminum sheets
- the sides and triangular caps at top and bottom were joined with rivets, leaving the interior hollow
- the base, implanted slightly in a sawed hole in the bedrock, was lined with silicon caulk or epoxy
- striking the metal of the monolith produced a muffled sound that suggests the use of interior insulation
- weighing in, a professor at the University of Utah School of Fine Arts said that the creation and installation of the monolith could not have been achieved by one person, and that perhaps the mystery is part of the artist's intention

**I**n the neverending saga of inexplicable 2020 occurrences, a strange monolith was spotted November 18th by biologists flying over the area in a helicopter. "There's this thing back there – we've got to go look at it!" one of them recalls saying. What they discovered was a triangular metal monolith of unknown origin, planted in the desert ground. Further examination revealed it to be man-made and 291 cm (about 10 ft) tall. Internet sleuths soon figured out the monolith's location based on publicized knowledge, and as the rest of the world watched and quietly recalled an eerily similar monolith that makes repeated appearances in Stanley Kubrick's "2001: A Space Odyssey," the most curious of explorers made their way to the monolith to see it for themselves. Until on the evening of November 27th it was removed. The Utah Bureau of Land Management received reports of the structure's removal. On November 26, a similar monument was discovered in Romania.

