

## SYNAGOGUE

On first sight it's hard to tell how delicate this building is: 3,000 heavy blocks form the 80 feet high cube (well... near-cube) of the building. The massive stone reminds of sand stone – and of the wailing wall in Jerusalem. The tower is warped – 2 inches per stone row. That way the inner room of the synagogue can be directed towards the east although the lot isn't aligned properly. A curtain of golden metal strings forms the walls of the inner room and is a reminiscence to the transportable tent of the ark of the covenant while the outer wall symbolizes the firm walls of the temple in Jerusalem.

The new Dresden synagogue is located near the original Synagogue which was built after plans of and under supervision of Gottfried Semper in 1838. It was destroyed by the Nazis on November 9, 1938. 63 years later, on November 9, 2003 the new synagogue was consecrated.

