“the best architecture comes from a synthesis of all the elements that separately comprise a building...”

-Foster
• Born in 1935 in Manchester, England

• Entered Manchester School of Architecture when 21 years old

• Received Master’s Degree at Yale University

• Norman, Wendy, Sue Rogers and Richard Rogers form firm ‘Team 4’ in 1963

• Foster’s Associates (now known as Foster and Partners) created in 1967

• Receives AIA Gold Medal (1994)

• Wins the Pritzker Architecture Prize (1999)

• Currently has offices across the world in London, Berlin and Singapore with over 500 employees
DESIGN PHILOSOPHY

“Technology is part of civilization and being anti-technology would be like declaring war on architecture and civilization itself. If I can get carried away with some passion about the poetry of the light in one of my projects, then I can also, in the same vein, enjoy the poetry of the hydraulic engineering.”

-Foster

London City Hall (GLA)
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