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Stainless steel, 126” x 55” x 25” (3.20 m x 1.40 m x 0.60 m)
Location: The Bravern, Bellevue, WA
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Julian Voss-Andreae is a German-born sculptor based in Portland, Oregon. Trained as a physicist, his science-inspired sculptures are critically acclaimed and have been commissioned by multiple institutions and private collectors in the United States and abroad. His work has been featured in leading international journals, such as Nature, Leonardo and Science.