The Manzanita Gathering Place

Engaging Youth In Creative Place Making

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About Me

Education:
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Specializations:
• Children’s Outdoor Play and Learning Environments
• Community Engagement and Facilitation
• Place Making
San Diego Gathering Place Project

What is a Gathering Place?

- **A SPACE** for people of **ALL AGES** and walks-of-life to celebrate, relax, play and socialize. It is a place to meet and **BUILD SOCIAL CAPITAL**.

- Designed and Built by the **COMMUNITY**
Manzanita Gathering Place
San Diego, CA

BEFORE
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Day 1: Community Input Meeting

What are your ideas for the Manzanita Gathering Place?

Agenda
1. Introductions
2. Ground Rules

Themes
- Apple
- 4 Corners
- Safety
- Hummingbirds
- Lighting
- Seating
- Art
- Shade
- Seating/Table
- Plants/Garden
- Accessible Route

1. GPS
2. Corner Markers
3. BBQ Area
4. Full Project Team
5. Seating Patterns
6. Shade
7. Statue, Center Piece
8. Accessible Route
9. Stage
10. NO Hiding Places
11. Keep the View
12. Restroom
13. Electrical Charging
14. Daily Path
15. Painting
16. Exercise
17. Trellis
18. Lighting
19. Stage
20. Solar
21. Apple
22. Nature
23. Small Scale
Day 1: Community Input Meeting
Day 2: Youth Design Workshop
Day 3 & 4: Community Design Workshop
Day 5: Student Model Workshop
Day 8: Community Design Review
Early Success
Art Making Workshop
Early Success
Art Making Workshop
The Community Build
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The Community Build
The Celebration
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Thank You!

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