

Active sidewalks and plazas : Seating and plantings



▲ Facilitating people watching with sidewalk seating



▲ Enabling privacy for live-work spaces by raised porches and landscaping



▲ Integrated planting and seating



▲ Carving out small performance spaces from wide sidewalks



▲ Outdoor games that invite gathering



▲ Integrating water and public art



▲ Parklets and linear plaza spaces from sidewalk



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Active sidewalks and plazas : Dining



▲ Fenced seating immediately adjacent to retail uses



▲ Outdoor dining and retail facades separated by pedestrian circulation zone.



▲ Planters where in-ground planting not possible



▲ Outdoor dining in plazas during weekends and special events



▲ Distinctive retail facades and seating



▲ Activating night life with outdoor dining



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Opportunities for art and play



▲ Using water to create contemplative public spaces



▲ Secure play areas for toddlers



▲ Fountain as a play space for children



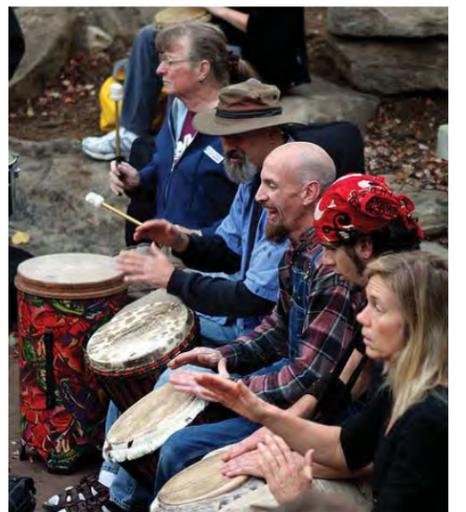
▲ Pop-up play spaces in vacant parcels and parking lots



▲ Artistic expressions through building facades and pavement textures.



▲ Public seating with public art



▲ Spaces for informal musical gatherings



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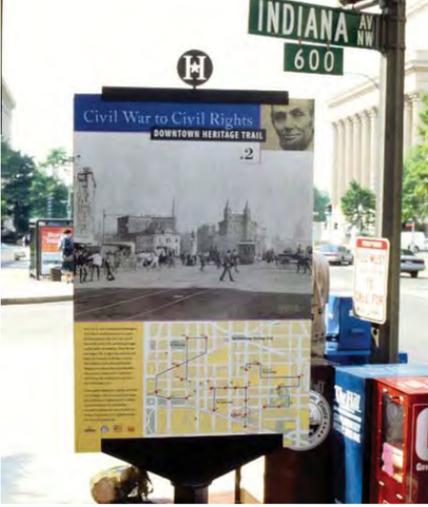
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Identity, Information and Wayfinding



▲ Narrating stories about a place with interpretive historical signs



▲ Furthering environmental education through signage



▲ Supporting local businesses with signage rich on visual narratives



▲ Wayfinding signs



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▲ Interactive signage



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