

**“If there is magic in this planet, it is
contained in water.”**

Loren Eiseley

American essayist and philosopher (1907 – 1977)

ART ON THE WATERFRONT

ALEXANDRIA, VA

Art on the Waterfront Committee

- Formed April, 2008
- Subcommittee of **Public Art Committee**
- Reporting to **Alexandria Commission for the Arts**
- Composed of artists, architects, art administrators, and Alexandria residents

Members:

- Rebecca C. Adams
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- Henry Hollander
- Adam Wishnow
- Susan Cohen - Subcommittee Chair
- Matthew Harwood - Public Art Committee Chair, Alexandria Commission for the Arts



Alexandria's Art Policy

- ✚ Integrate art into the City
- ✚ Promote public awareness of and interest in art
- ✚ Promote Alexandria's cultural heritage
- ✚ Foster tourism and encourage economic development
- ✚ Enhance Alexandria's reputation as a national leader in the arts
- ✚ Provide for future artistic endeavors



From **Policy on Acquired Art**, first adopted in 1987 and revised in September 2008

Art Concepts

- To encourage economic development and foster tourism by making **Alexandria's waterfront** an **arts destination**
- To explore the potential of an **Art Walk** along the river's edge

Examples of public art pictured in this proposal come from all corners of the world. **It is of critical importance that art along the waterfront must work for Alexandria.** Public Art succeeds when it creates a sense of place and complements its environment.



“Wedded Rocks,” Ise Peninsula, Japan



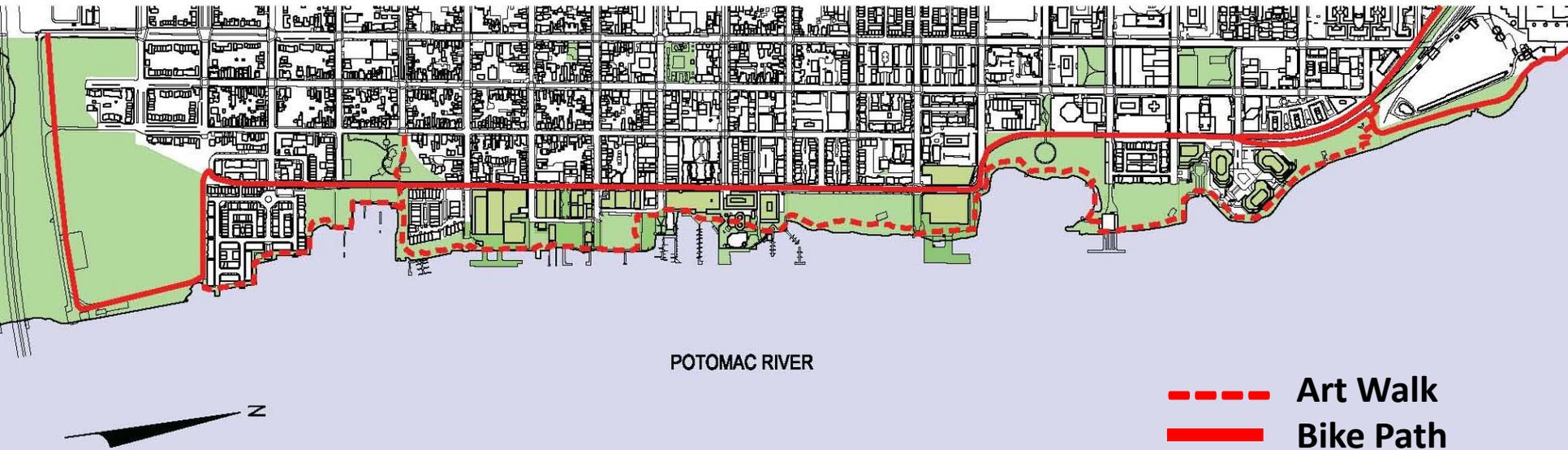
Sol LeWitt, Metropolitan Museum of Art, NYC, temporary exhibit, July 2005

The Art Walk

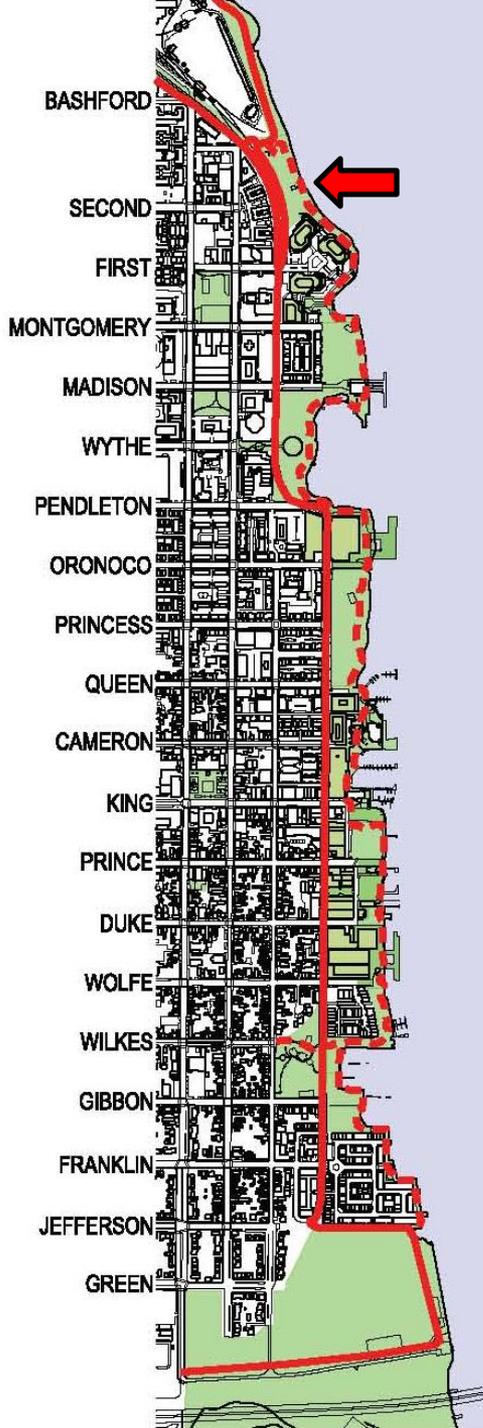
A walking path along the river

The Waterfront of Alexandria

The parks and the residential and commercial properties between Tide Locks Park to the north, Ford's Landing to the south, Fairfax Street to the west, and the Potomac River to the east



Tide Lock Park...north

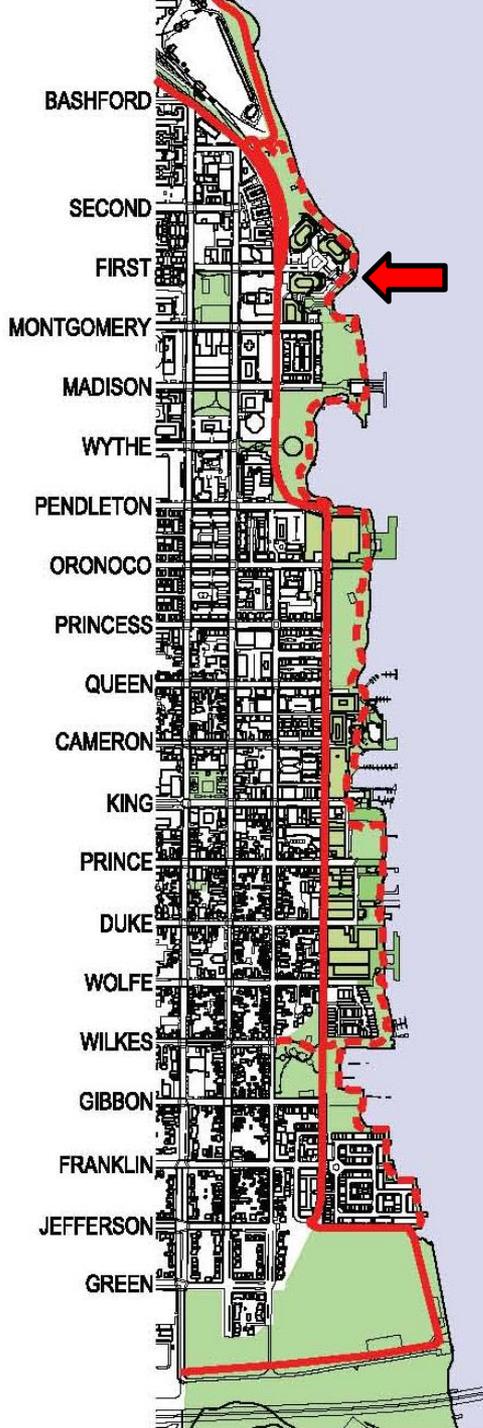




Roppongi Hills Lights, Tokyo, Japan

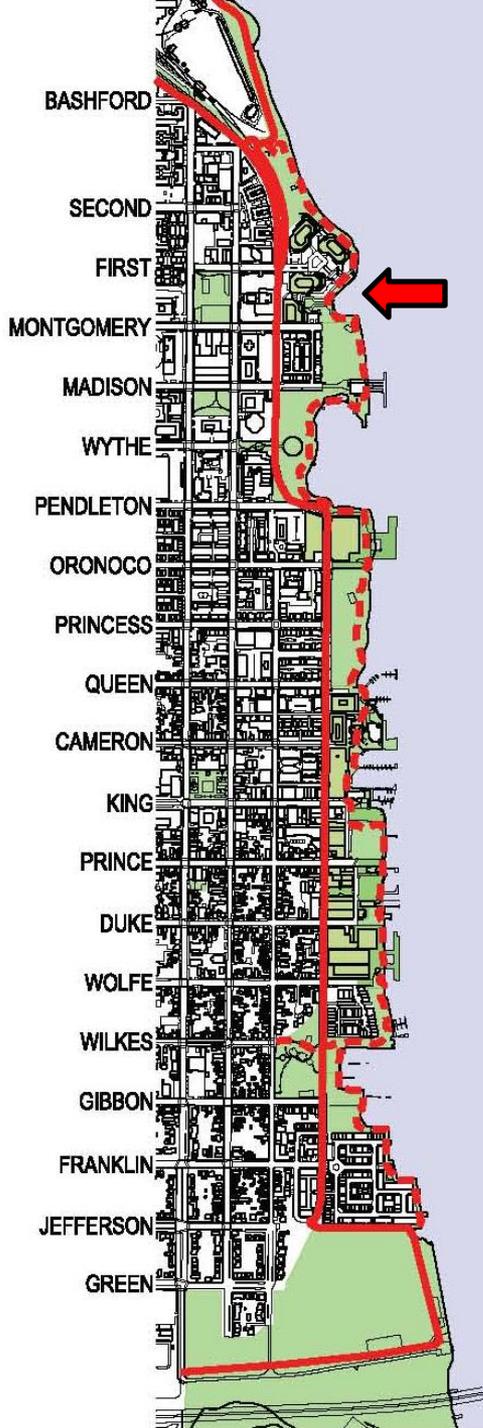


Interactive light sculpture, London, England



Tide Lock Park...middle (Promenade Classique)





Tide Lock Park...south (The Tide Lock)

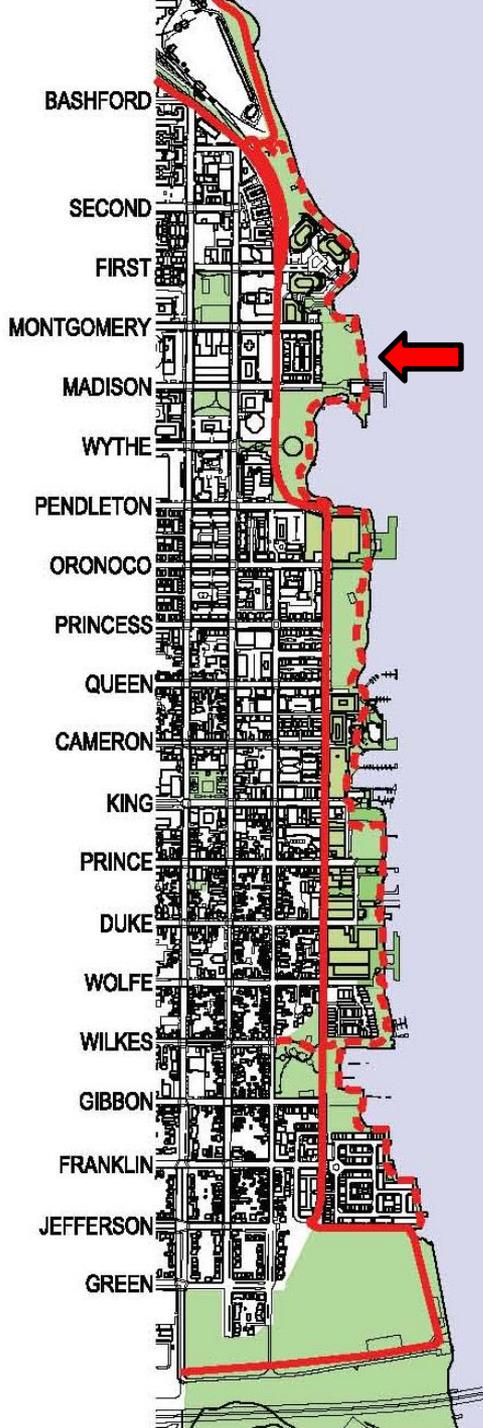




Holmberg Footbridge leading to Hunter Museum of Art, Chattanooga, Tennessee

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Rivergate City Park





London, England



Yerba Buena Park, San Francisco, California



Nancy Holt, Dark Star Park, Rosslyn, Virginia

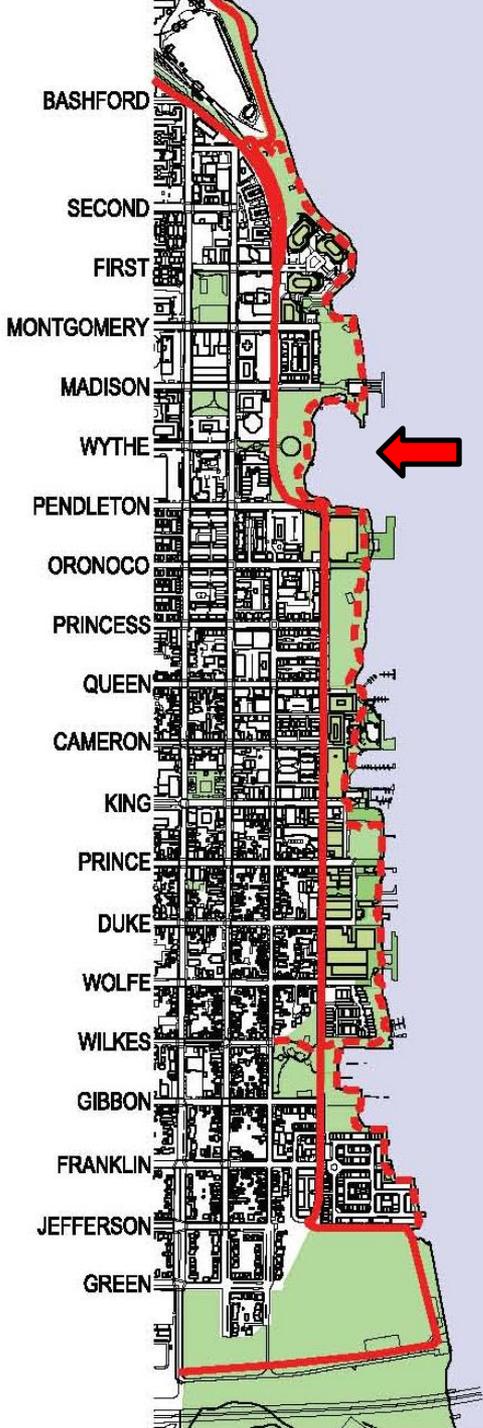


Bus Stop, Mexico City, Mexico



Altina, Cleopatra, Alexandria, Virginia

Oronoco Bay Park





Concept image for the Boxcar Theater



Bosma Dance
Alexandria, Virginia



La Jolla Playhouse grounds, University of California at San Diego

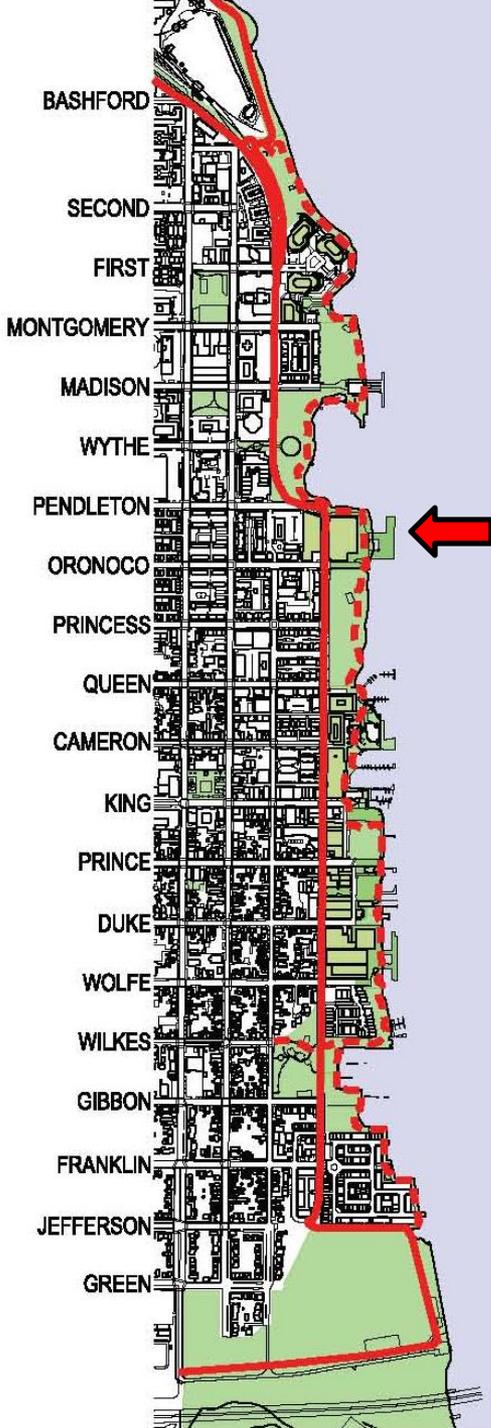


Temporary sculpture for Buddha's birthday, Seoul, Korea



Outdoor festival : " WaterFire," Providence, Rhode Island

Robinson Terminal North





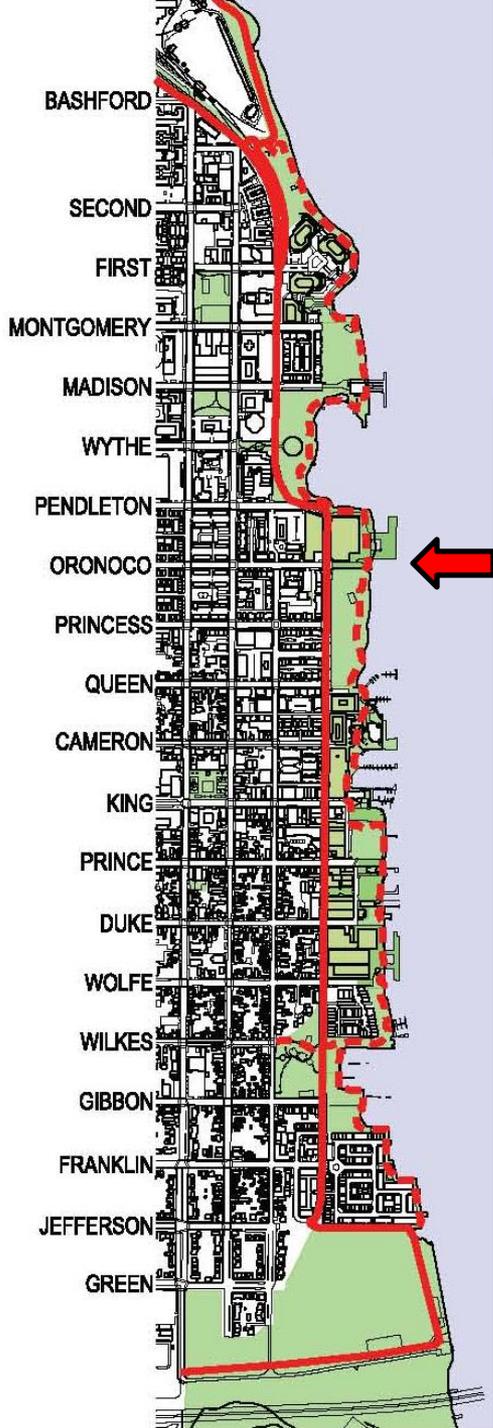
Signature Theatre and Shirlington Library, Arlington, VA



Waterfront Art Center, Scandinavia



Yayoi Kusama, "Pumpkin," Naoshima, Japan



West's Point



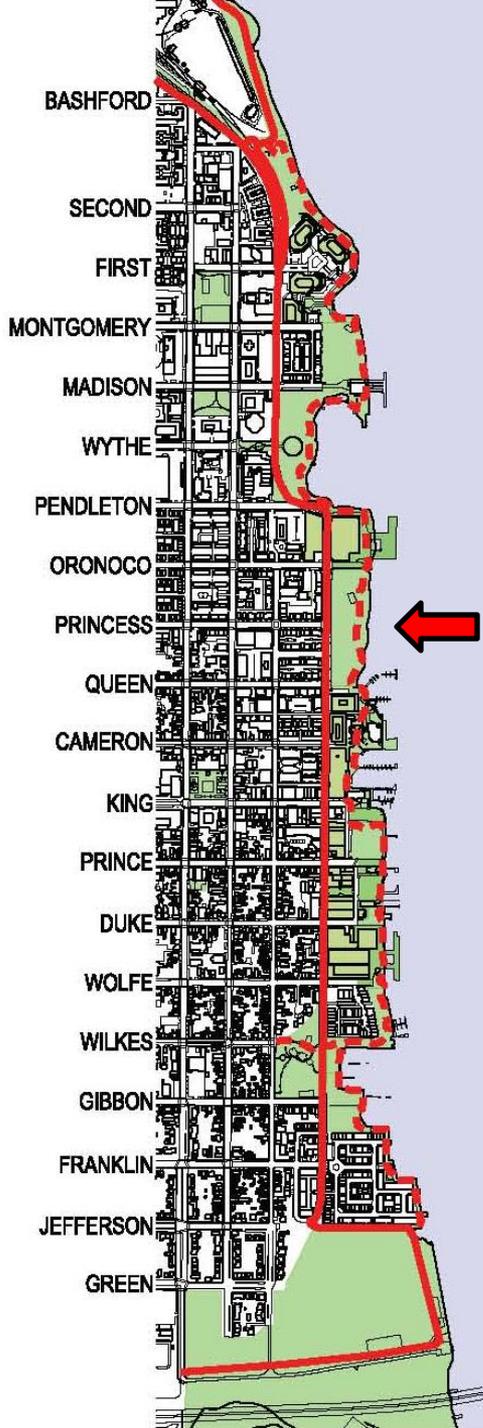


Dale Chihuly Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania



Marta Pan, Hakone Open Air Museum, Japan

Founder's Park





Hanson Puppets



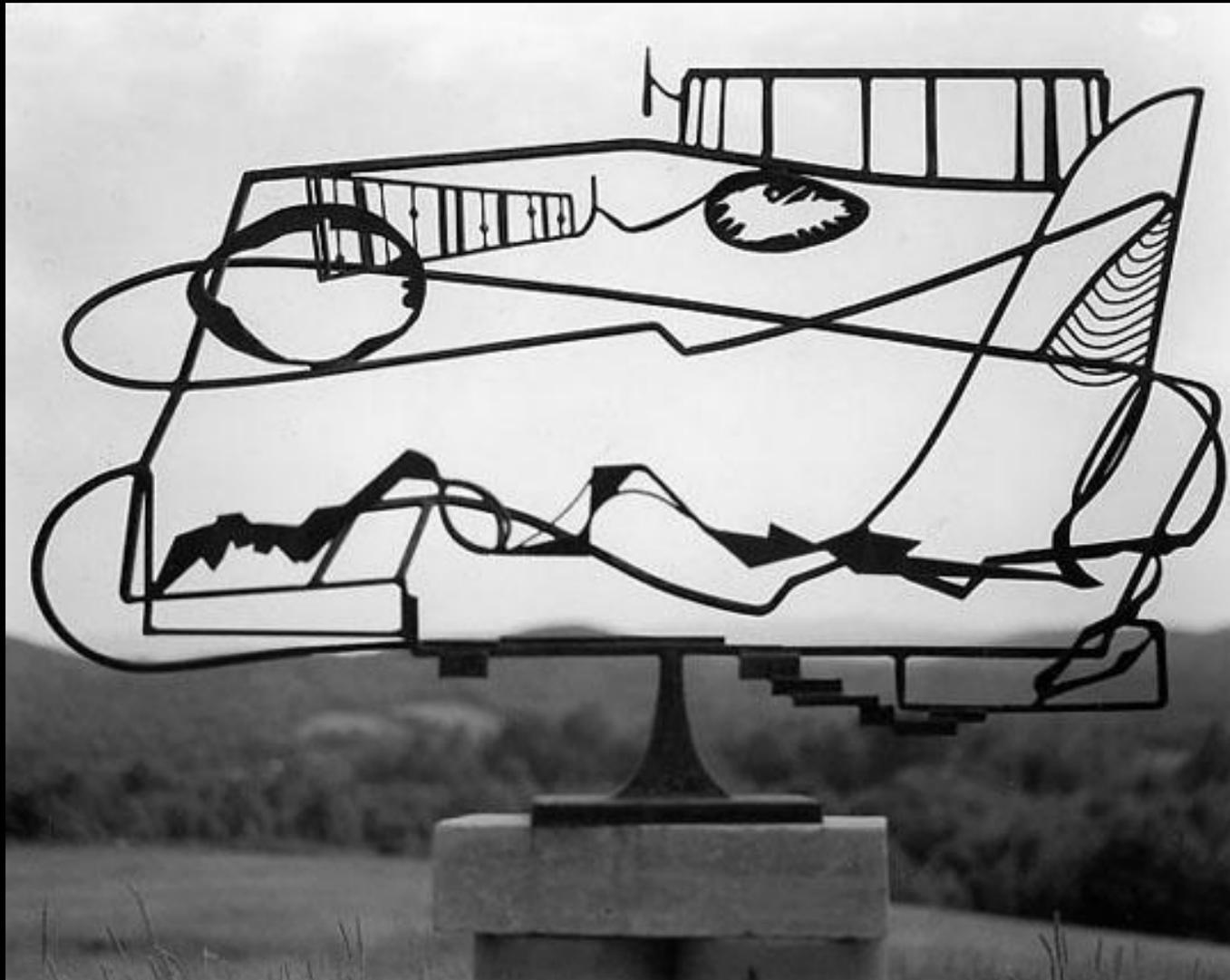
“Paint Alexandria,” Alexandria, Virginia



Franklin Ghost Tours, Franklin, Tennessee

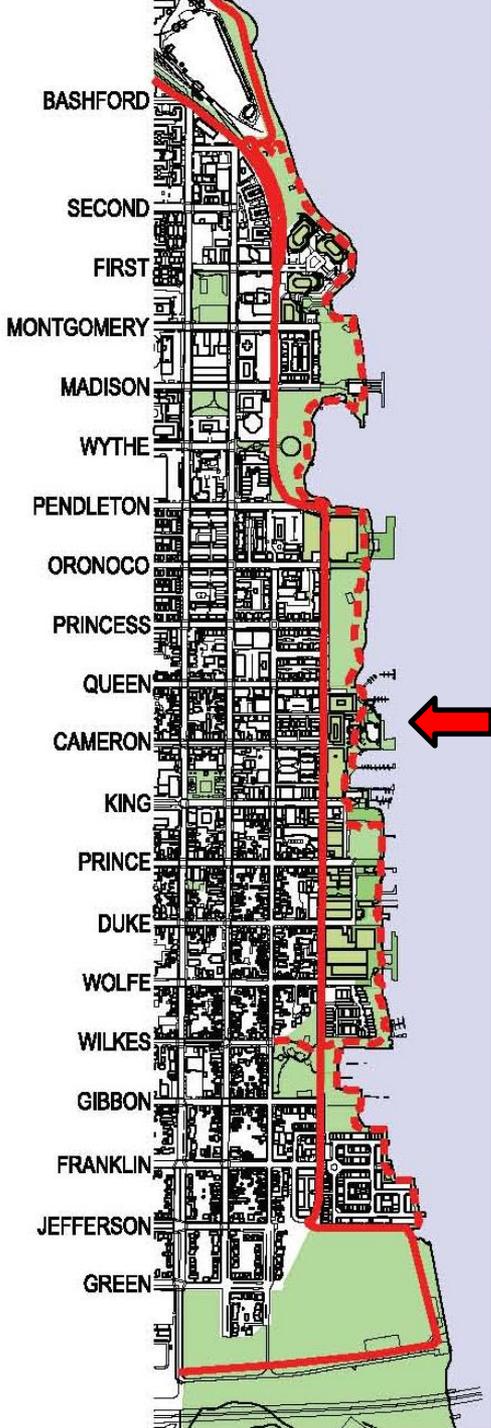


Benches, San Francisco



David Smith, Hudson River Landscape, Whitney Museum of Art, 1951

Alexandria City Marina (North)





Teramachi Street, Kyoto, Japan

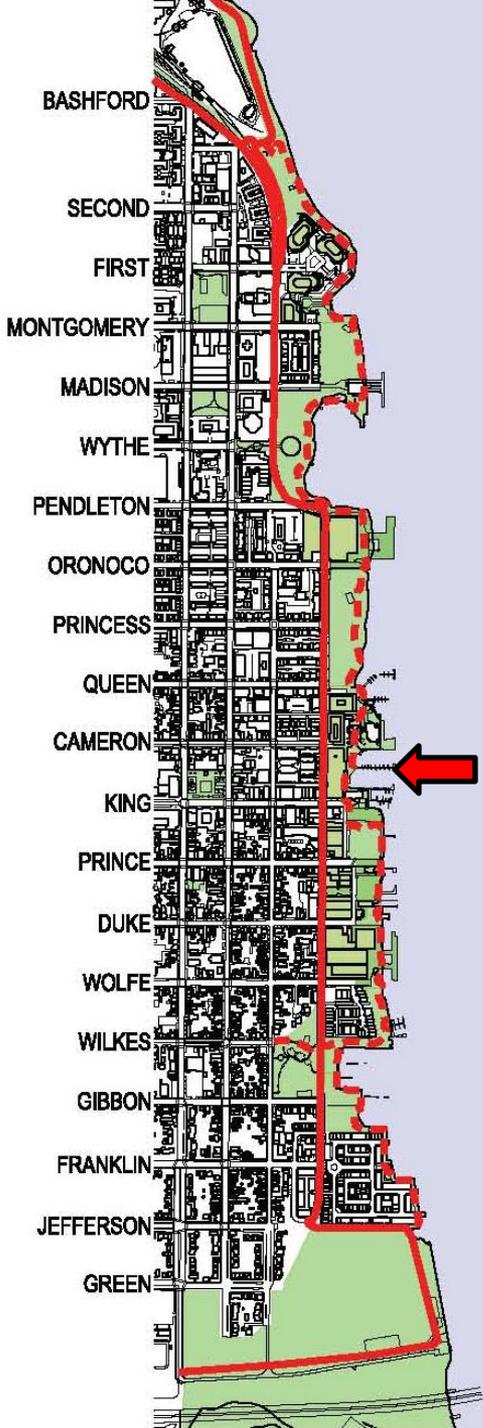


Eastern Market, Washington, DC



Screening fences at the DeYoung Museum, San Francisco, California

Alexandria City Marina (South)



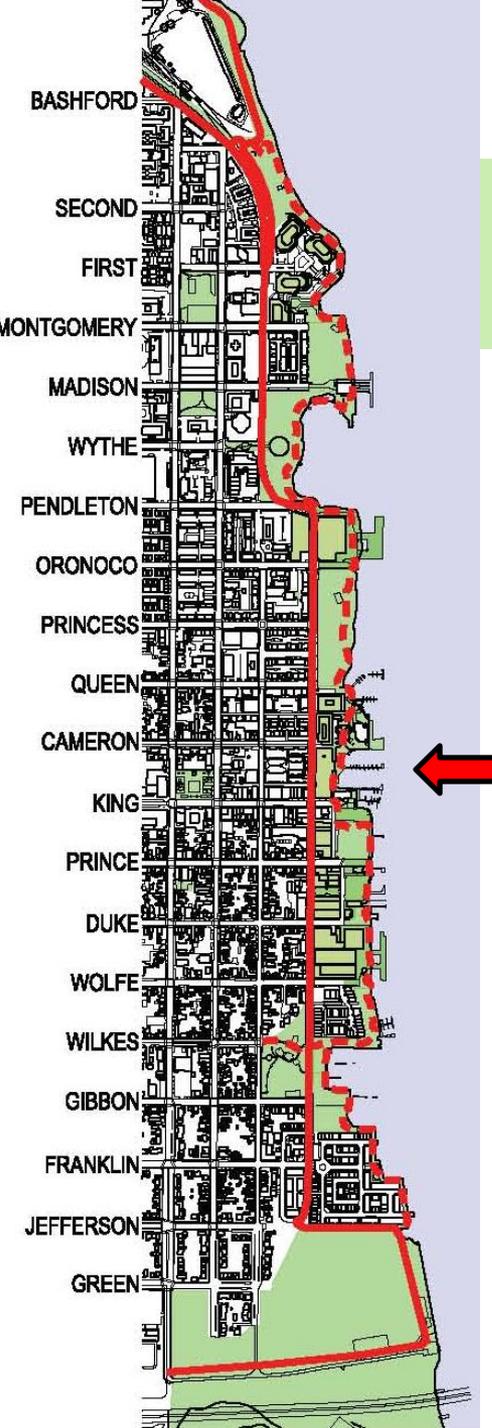


Seascape Canopies, Searsport, Maine



Fence, DeYoung Museum,
San Francisco, California

Torpedo Factory Art Center





Gerry Hofstetter, Washington Cathedral, Washington, D.C., April 2008



Thomas Heatherwick Studio, "Blue Carpet,"
Newcastle-Upon-Tyne, U.K.

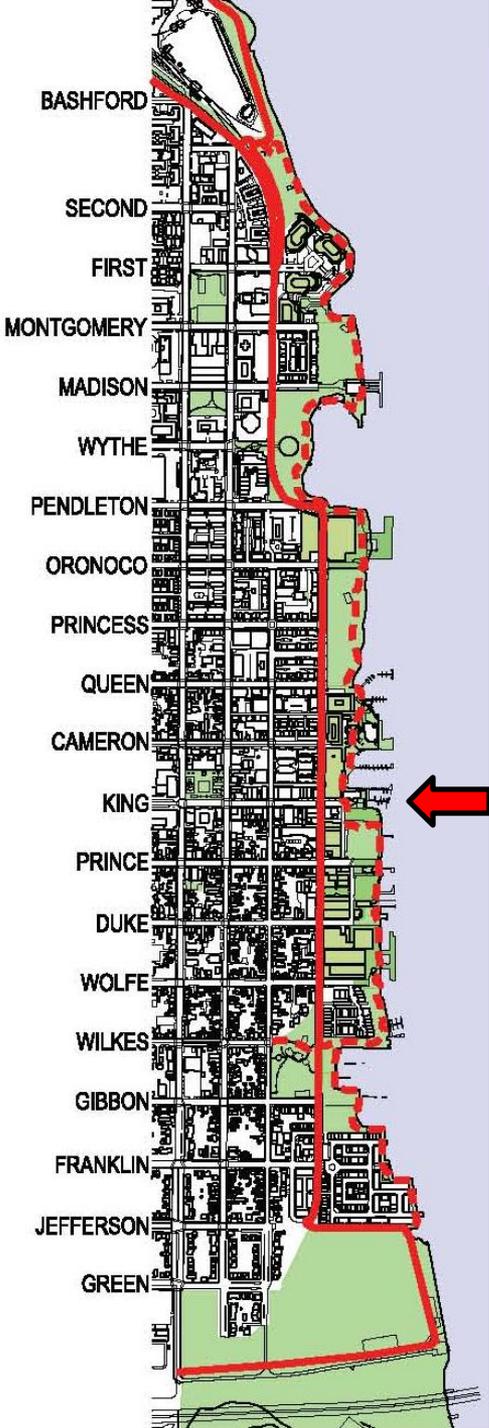


Ice Rink, Detroit, Michigan



Lucette deRugy, Omni William Penn, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania,

King Street Park



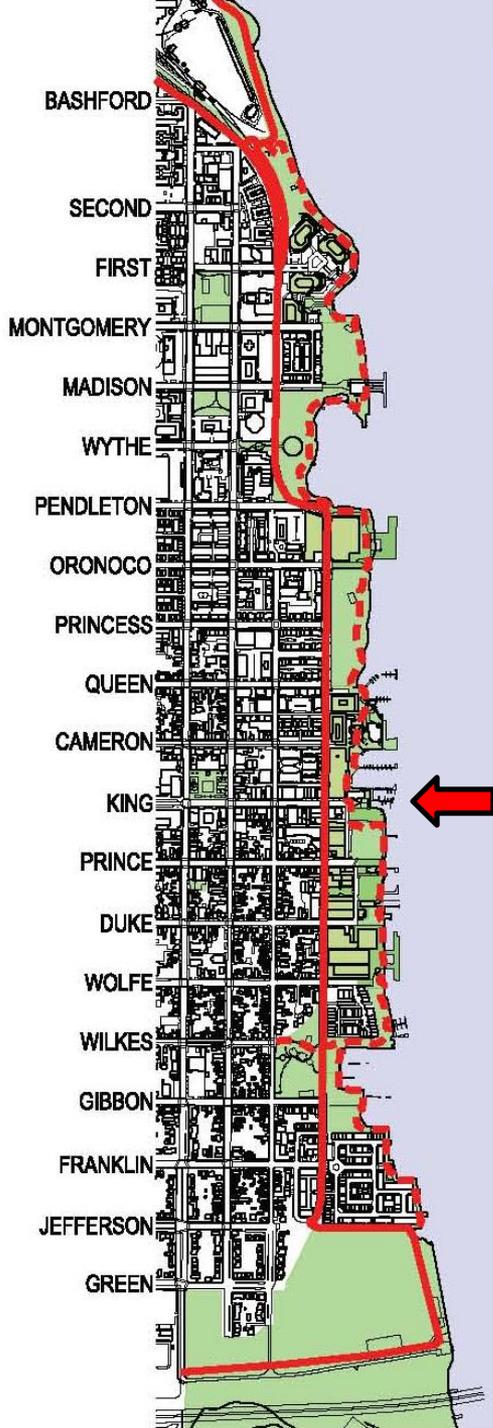


Reflecting Pool, Barcelona, Spain



Patrick Blanc, "Vertical Garden,"
Madrid, Spain (copyright)

Waterfront Park





Robert Irwin, "Two Running Violet V Forms," University of California at San Diego

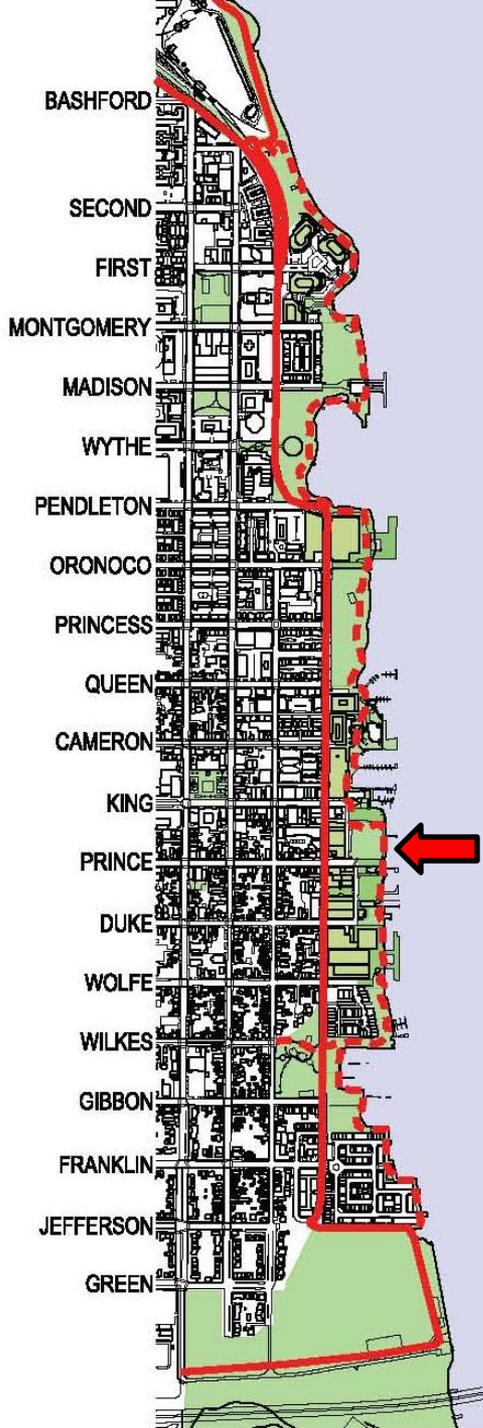


Courtyard, Museum of Modern
Art, New York, New York



Antonio Gaudi, Barcelona, Spain

New City property along the Strand





National Maritime Museum, Cornwall, England



Garden Maze, Hakone Open Air Museum, Hakone, Japan



Labyrinth, Maryland Hall for the Creative Arts, Annapolis, Maryland



Water sculpture, Darling Harbor, Sydney, Australia



Elizabeth Poole, Drawings on the Water, Noosa, Queensland, Australia, temporary exhibit, 2005



Navy Pier, Chicago, Illinois



Dale Chihuly, "Float Boat," Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania

The Art League School



Madison Street Annex, Alexandria, VA



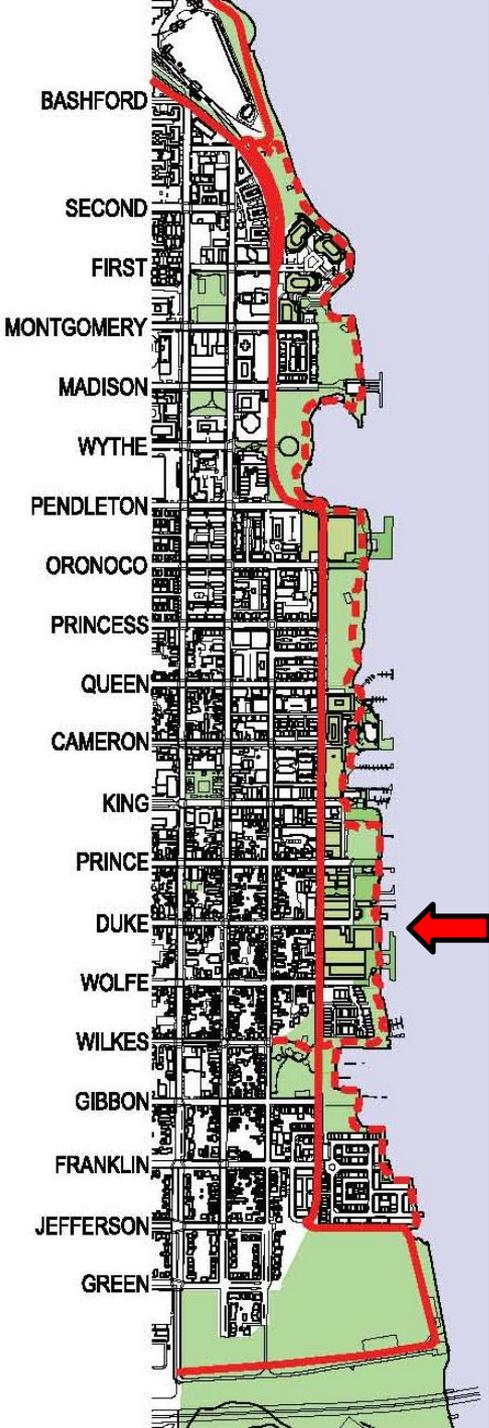
Duke Street Annex, Alexandria, VA

Space for The Art League School along the Waterfront



New Hampshire Institute of Art, Manchester, New Hampshire

Point Lumley





Aristides Demtrios, Joie de Vivre, 2003 ARS

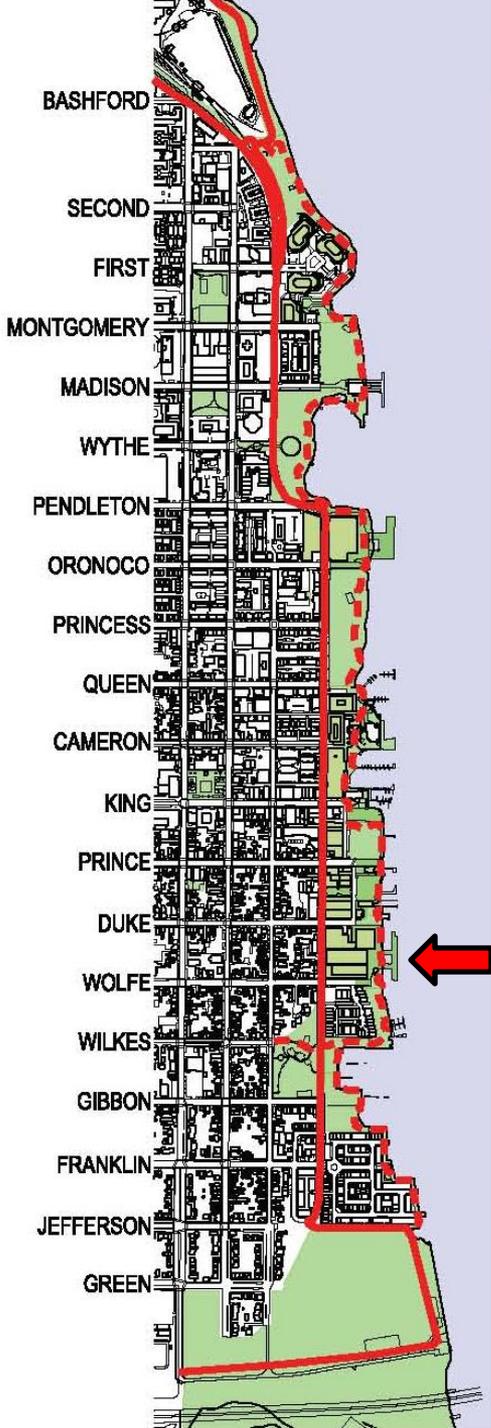


Aristides Demetrios, Joyous Resonances ARS



Fountain , Bergen, Norway

Robinson Terminal - South





Carlos Dorrien, "Nine Muses," Grounds for Sculpture, New Jersey

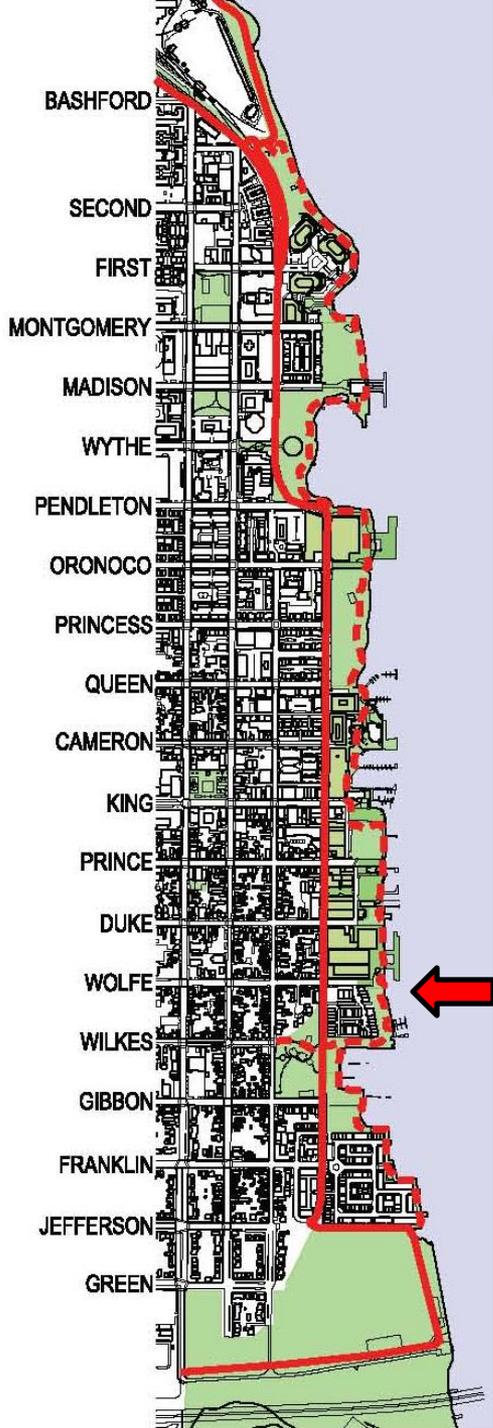


Noguchi, Black Sun, Olympic Park,
Seattle, Washington



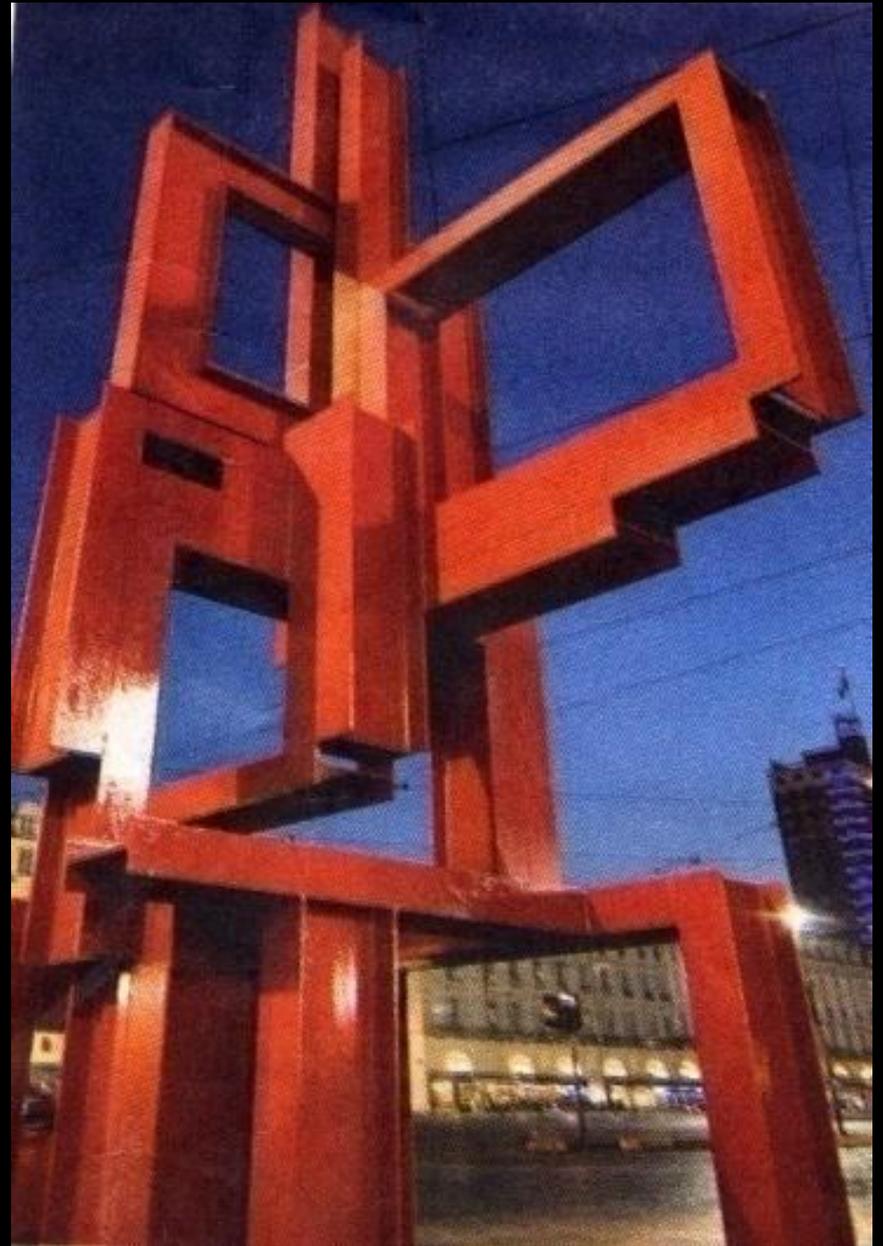
Alexander Calder, Eagle, Olympic Park, Seattle,
Washington

Roberdeau Park



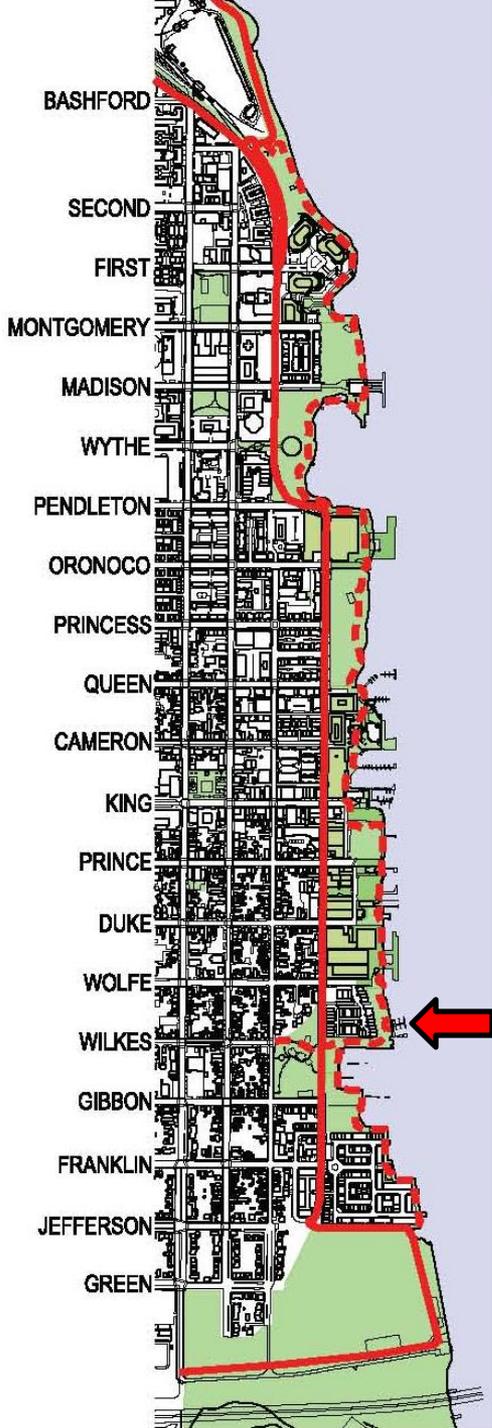


Yerba Buena Park, San Francisco, California



Massimo Ghiotti, Turin, Italy

Shipyard Park/Harborside City Park



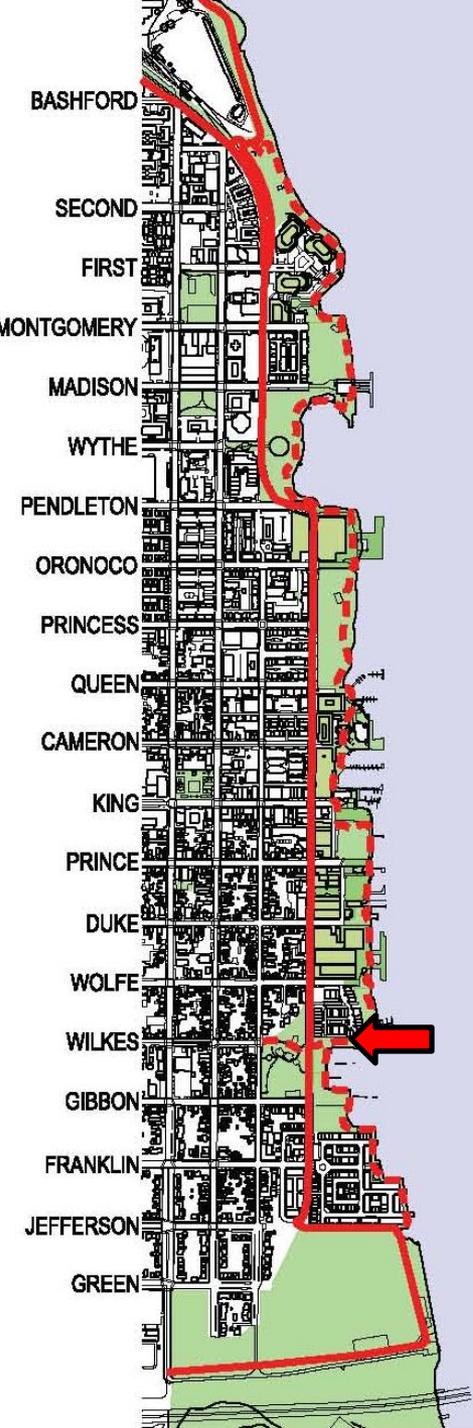


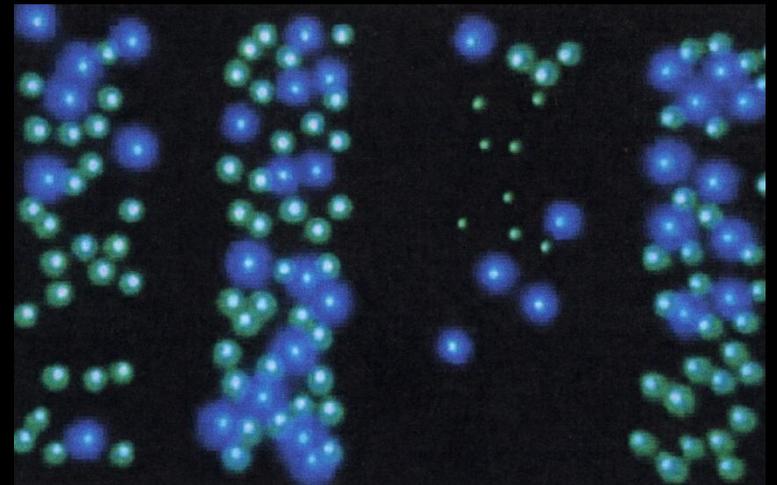
Nancy Schon, "Hare and Tortoise," Boston, Massachusetts



Poppies, Tasmania, Australia

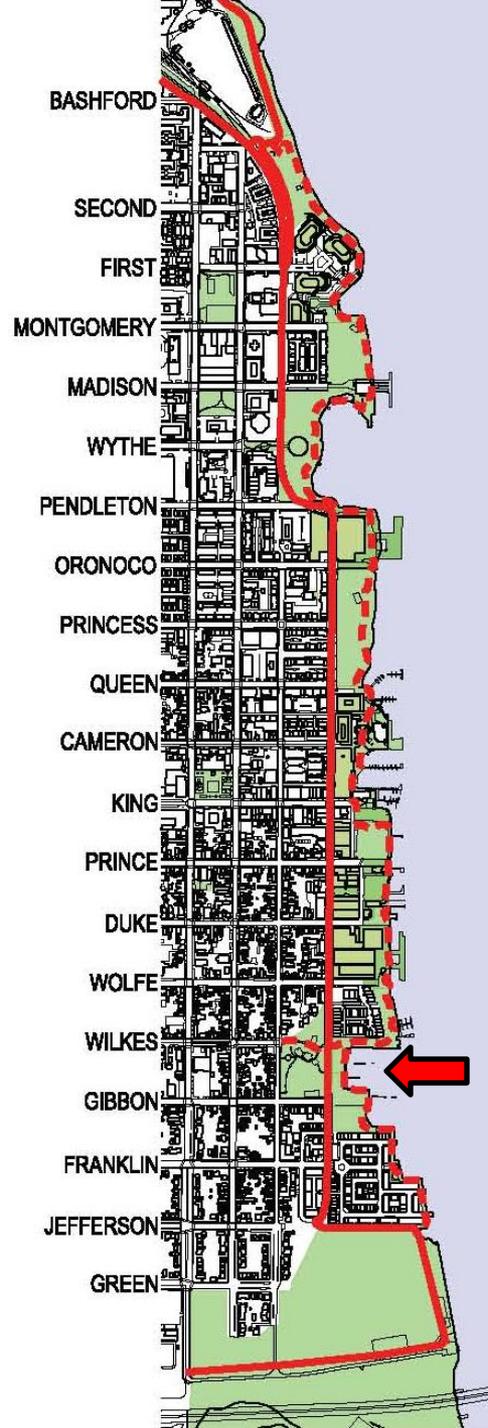
Wilkes Street Tunnel





London Bridge pavement lighting

Windmill Hill Park





Play area, Hakone Open Air Museum,
Japan



Climbing Ropes, Santa Fe, New Mexico



Concept image of Alexandria crosswalk

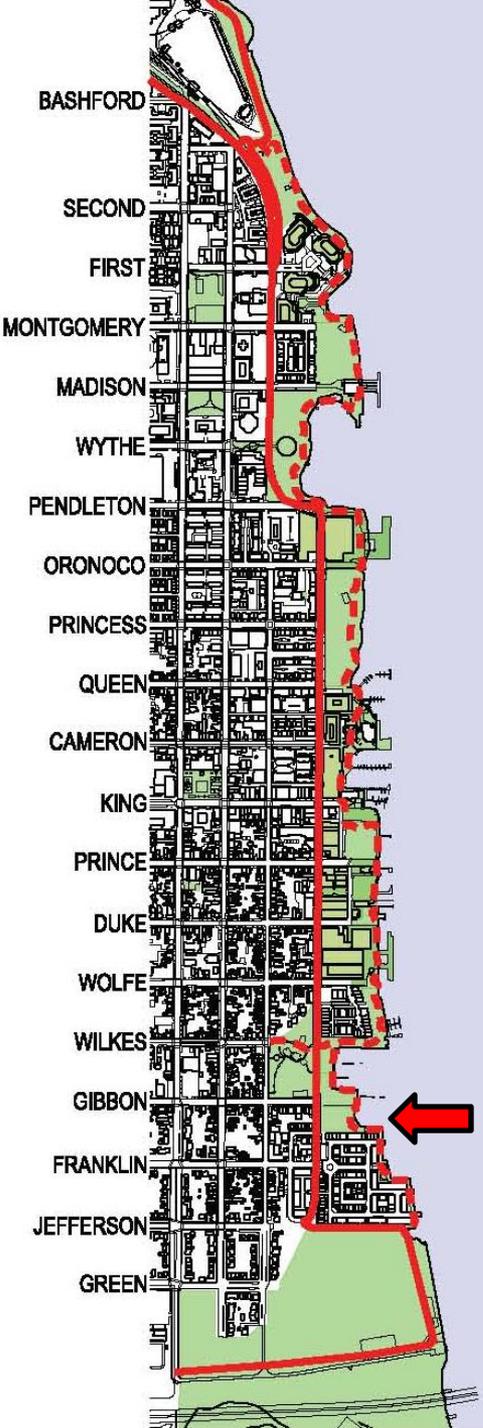


Solar Tree, Taos, New Mexico



Helix Wind Turbine

Pomander Park





Dog/Horse Fountain, Stanford White, Norfolk, Connecticut



Jeff Koons, "Puppy," Bilbao, Spain



Ed Carpenter, "Grasshopper Bridge," Phoenix, Arizona



Joost van Santen, Mill ,Ede,
Netherlands



Jean-Louis Charpentier, Antibes, France 2007

Green Roofs



Green Roof, Chicago City Hall, Chicago, Illinois



California Academy of Sciences
San Francisco, California





Cons Music, Sydney, Australia

Future Infrastructure

Benches, bike racks, manhole covers, street signs, highway privacy walls....all subjects for art





Parking, Seoul, Korea



Elliott Pinkney, "Running for the Blue Line,"
Los Angeles, California



Bike rack, Ian Mahaffy and Maarten DeGreere, New York, New York



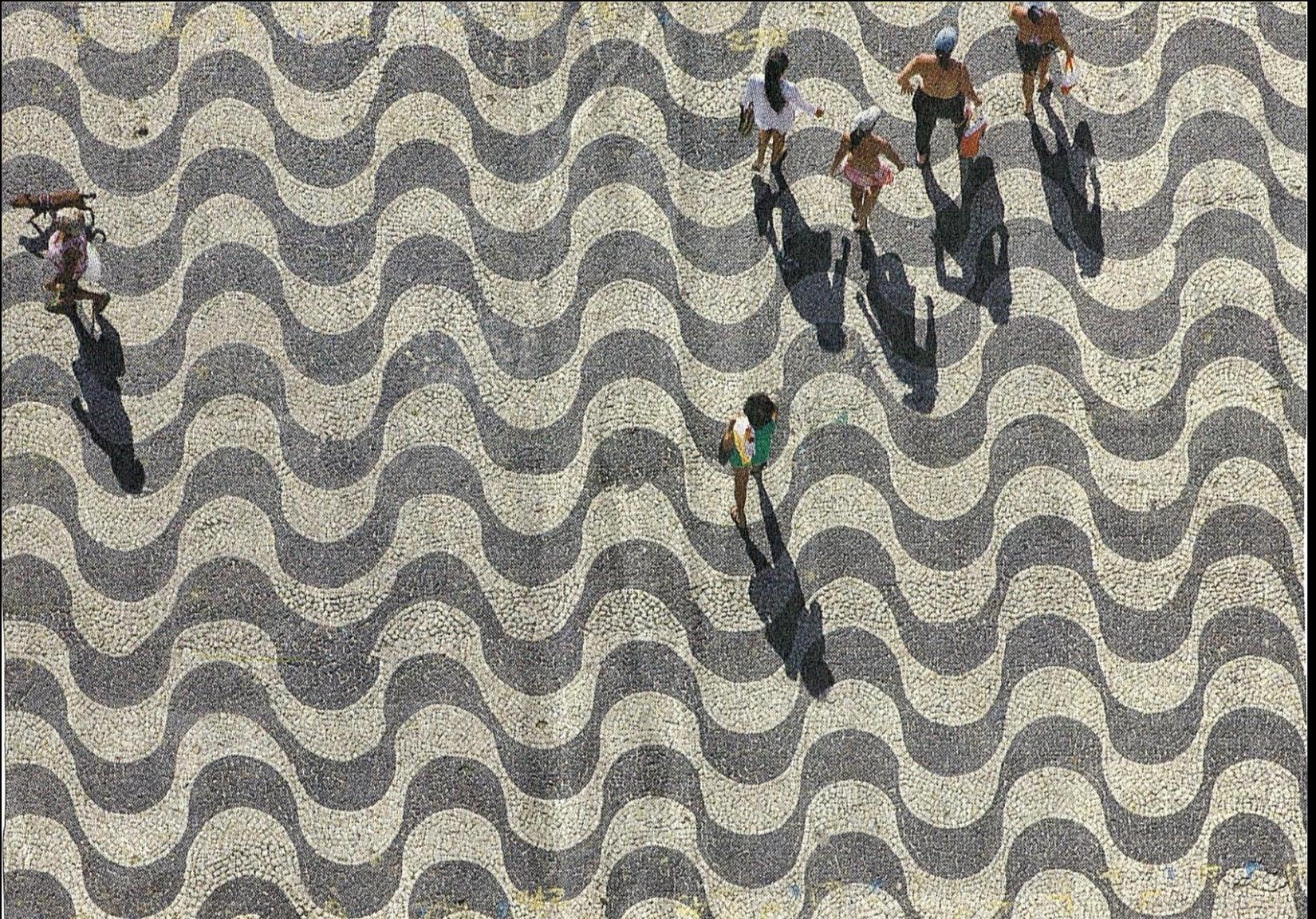
Bike rack, DeYoung Museum, San Francisco, California



San Francisco, California



Yosemite National Park, California



Burle Marx, "Sidewalk," Copacabana Beach, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil



Directional plan, Paris, France

It is our hope that Art on the Waterfront will:

- **Bring new vitality and growth to the waterfront**
- **Generate new business for the community**
- **Provide an exciting environment for residents and tourists**





