History Wall
The cyclopean stone wall near main entry emphasizes the entrance by its mass and the arrangement of the bike history.
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Bike Orchard

The journey for bikers starts at the Wheel at main entry by the History Wall. Bikers will park their bikes in the Bike Orchard. The Bike Orchard plaza is laid with natural stone and planted with Corsican Mint ground cover. When you step on mint it releases the fragrance, titillating the nose with its refreshing and relaxing power. The restorative power of mint is part of the overall theme of the hotel to restore the energy and vitality of bikers. Bike trees are operated by solar energy. They provide high security bike parking at or about 15 feet above ground, shade for bikers and serve as strong signature for the hotel as the guests approach from either King or Prince Streets.
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Flute guardrail
Along the Promenade the rail follows the half circle ramps down to the river. Design intentions are to create a dynamic scene of flying birds that is perceived in motion depending on the viewers' angle and speed of movement. Rail tubes have angled slots in their design, based on the flute principle. They are placed in height changing order following a smooth and gradual curved line. Each tube serves as a flute playing a different tone. All together they release music, which is generated by the wind passing through the slots.

Sonic Circle
Meditating and relaxing place where sounds of river, wind and birds are used as raw material, reinforced within the resonating chambers.
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Old Skylight Detail
Retractable schematic skylight

Skylight Detail
Operating with motorized wings

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Canopy Concept
Water color & pencil

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Early pastel drawing of the scent garden with mint species.

Scent Garden
Variety of mint plants with different heights and flowers. The integrated stone walkways, benches and pleasant fragrances encourage visitors to enjoy the view of the Promenade. Bike Tree Orchard paving integrates mint ground cover, which resists crushing, while it releases the relaxing and refreshing mint scent.
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The Wheel
The open round space is for lobby, reception, and dining areas. Floor design is based on the drum and xylophone vibration principles for sound. The concrete diaphragm drum structure creates chambers of different depth which affects the tone of the sound. The deeper the chambers the lower the tone.

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