

## Signal Park

Signal Park is a cluster of urban villages created by overlapping topographical mounds that reflect uninterrupted vista of San Jose's surrounding natural landscape. The project is made of layers of rings forming hills and valleys that are connected by a series of walkways, landscaped areas, cooling stations, small and large gathering spaces, while maintaining existing amenities and monuments. Inspired by the San Jose Electric Light Tower, a series of vertical ring ties that held together vertical scaffold structure is reimagined through a horizontal extension that envisions the full site as a must-see landmark.

The scaffold structure in Signal Park not only works as a structure to create hills and valleys but also works as an environmental infrastructure. It collects and filters rainwater to be used for cooling mist stations and general irrigation for the site. Low-water native plants are used throughout to minimize water use. A balanced distribution of shaded and non-shaded spaces considers a range of thermal comfort. Low-water native plants are used throughout to minimize water use. And the scaffold structure is transformed as a light source at night to provide a dramatic backdrop for the city.

The site is an extension of vibrant activities from the growing downtown area and the surrounding cultural amenities such as SAP center. The project augments the city's cultural and natural infrastructure through spaces for cultural programs, indoor and outdoor event spaces, markets, playgrounds, and skate parks. The project takes a mindful approach to protect and respect the existing landscape and celebrates the opportunity of looking out into Los Gatos Creek and the Guadalupe River. A dramatic illumination at nighttime creates a fantastical vantage point from State Route 87 and Interstate 280.