

Project Statement

We have created what we believe to be an immersive, unforgettable experience that will engage, your senses. The Garden of Inspirations encapsulates our understanding of the essential core of Silicon Valley; innovation. Inspired thinking leads to innovation. Our goal is nothing less than for you to have your own inspired experience. Beginning with a simple, single, “drop of inspiration”, the process begins.

The focal point of our offering is a stunning, 88ft. tall, stainless steel sculpture of a drop of water. This sculpture will be nested in a catch basin with water jets directed upward at its base creating the illusion it has “splashed down”. From the catch basin, water flows down numerous channels to basins where other sculptural drops reside. Especially notable is a stainless lotus blossom that opens to reveal a drop inside.

The lush, green grounds will include bamboo thickets, ginkgo and balding cypress trees, pines and native flowers. Another feature is a grove of trees, each grafted with 40 various heritage fruits from the Santa Clara Valley. The Infinity Pond and walkways will border the Inspired Forest. Throughout the gardens meandering paths, grassy resting areas and benches will all contribute to an immersion in beauty inciting repose and reflection.

Income producing features will include, “The Institute of Inspiration”, which will contain venue spaces for the latest interactive technological experiences, lecture areas, casual dining, a gift shop and panoramic views of the sculptural areas.

A specialty restaurant will be cantilevered over the northeast side of the park offering patrons a rich viewing experience while dining on world class cuisine.

The underground grotto, located below the massive drop, will feature seating areas facing a circular curtain water wall. Sounds of flowing water with accompanying brain wave sounds will encourage visitors to rest and replenish.

A footbridge will allow passage between park areas and provide additional observation areas. The entire Garden of Inspiration will utilize the latest in solar methodology.

My creative partner and I, both life affirming artists, believe that at its core, inspiration is about activating all our senses...and listening. To that end, we have created an experiential environment encouraging all visitors to come away nourished and transformed. The spectacular visual effects will support these benefits.

The City of San Jose will now be remembered not only as a bastion of technological innovation, but for the ability to generate universal wonder.