

hardwoods were harvested

for charcoal.

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Exhibit Context Plan



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RECOLLECTING ROOTS & RESOURCES AT HOPEWELL FURNACE

The 2016 PHS Philadelphia Flower Show, "Explore America: 100 Years of the National Park Service," occurred between 5 and 13 March 2016. Following is the text that was written to convey our exhibit theme.

DESIGN INTENT

Overall Design Concept

We explore the heft, handiwork, and intimate life with the land that is inherent in our regional industrial heritage.

Horticultural Concept

Foodstuff is grown, gathered, and stored. Plants isolated from disease and development receive attention, as do pioneer plants that signify resourcefulness and perseverance.

Expected Impact on Visitors

Visitors will appreciate 19th century methods of energy, resource, and ecosystem conservation, and be motivated to explore our regional heritage by visiting Hopewell Furnace.

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View 3. Exhibit entrance: Looking beneath the edible roof and into the root cellar.

AWARDS

National Park System Director's Award

Awarded to the exhibit with the best interpretation of a National Park in the 2016 PHS Philadelphia Flower Show.

PHS Gold Medal

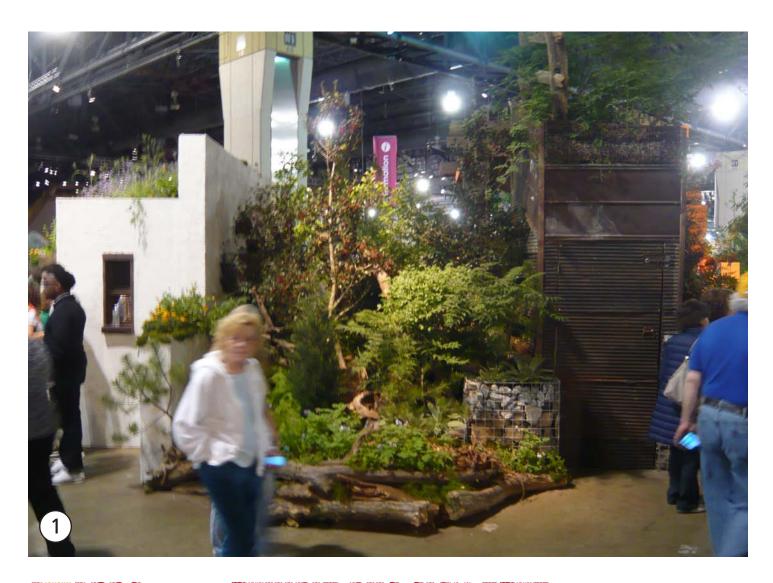
PHS Gold Medal Award

Best use of PHS Gold Medal Plants in a major exhibit.

Special Achievement Award of the Garden Club Federation of Pennsylvania

The category of conservation.

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PHS Sustainability Award

Educational major exhibitor demonstrating the best use of sustainable gardening practices to the public.

Pennsylvania Landscape and Nurseryman's Association Trophy.

Awarded to the exhibit showing the most effective use of plants and best use of design in the education category.

Philadelphia Unit of the Herb Society of America, Inc., Award

Awarded for an outstanding use of herbs or an individual specimen herb. A total of nine ribbons may be awarded.

EXHIBIT PHS SIGN TEXT

Beside a spring and beneath an edible garden, a store of cold roots and fruit await retrieval. Exit and emerge among native trees rising from a floor of mast, downed wood, and rock. Far afield, scarred stumps bleach in the sun; flowers and ferns reach upward and out; sawdust surrounds saplings. Hear water gurgle, hush, and splash from within a darkened, stonewalled source. Find the furnace filled with foliage afire! Recover our past; consider the future.

INTRODUCTION TO SHOW VISITORS

Shot, shells, and cannon cast at Hopewell fired upon Redcoats during the Revolutionary War. Stoves warmed homes and stoked women's suffrage. Former slaves stepped off the Underground Railroad, worked for wages, and owned land. No matter the shape or size, every furnace form included one long-lasting ingredient—Freedom! Our exhibit recalls how ordinary life at Hopewell may inspire independence.



Plantation Life

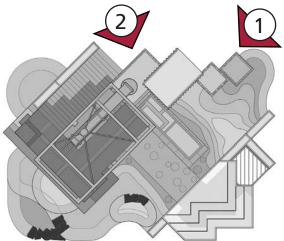
Life on an iron plantation like Hopewell mostly relied on renewable energy from water and charcoal. Food that was grown, harvested, and stored nearby fueled animal and human power. With this in mind, we re-imagined four 19th century elements:

- Root cellar & kitchen garden
- Oak-Chestnut forest
- Rainwater races
- Furnace walls

Recollecting Hopewell

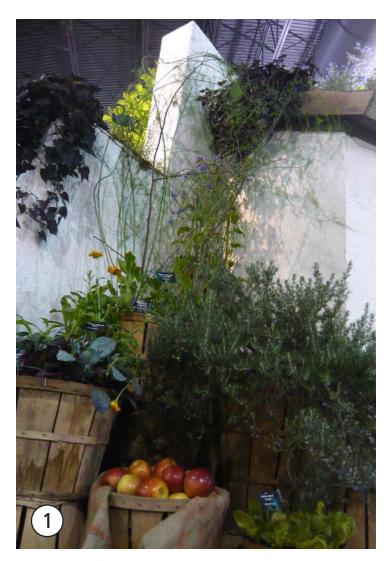
Laborers at Hopewell gathered and readied natural materials for smelting; furnace workers transformed them into durable products. Our exhibit illustrates what we gathered from Hopewell and how we all can work together to produce a resilient landscape.

- Grow, gather, and store foodstuff with little to no energy
- Protect "natural" areas from development
- · Harvest, infiltrate, and slow rainwater runoff
- Reduce waste, recycle, and reuse materials



View 1. Looking into the "stumpery" with the root cellar at left and storage shed at right.

View 2. Looking toward the exhibit exit ramp and rainwater bosh, with the storage shed at left.







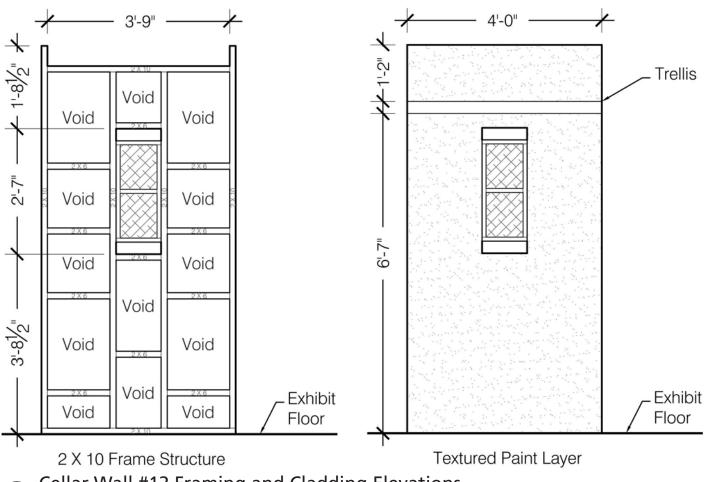
ROOT CELLAR

GROW, GATHER, & STORE FOOD AT HOME

Vegetable, herb, and dye gardens supported the Hopewell community. An orchard yielded oodles of apples, along with potatoes, oats, and corn. Residents preserved and stored food in a springhouse and, probably, a root cellar.

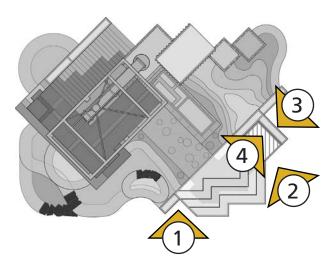
Today, food travels far afield to our plates and is stored in refrigerators and freezers. Let's cool it!

Grow vegetables and fruit-bearing trees in gardens, or on the roof. Store food in a cellar. Doing so decreases energy use, whether to grow, transport, and store food, or heat and cool your home.



Cellar Wall #12 Framing and Cladding Elevations

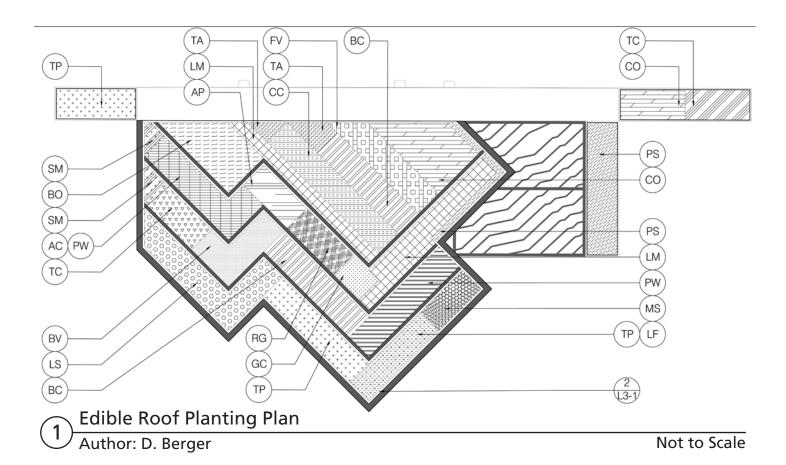
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View 1. Orchard baskets held fruits, vegetables, and herbs outside the cellar.

View 2. Peas stretched across a trellis containing birch tree branches above the exhibit entrance.

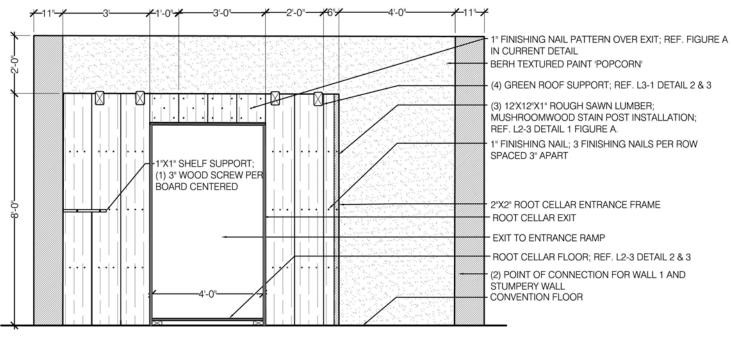
Views 3 & 4. A window made of iron floor registers offered a screened view into and out of the cellar.



Edible Roof Plant Schedule

Abv.	Latin Name	Common Name
AM	Alchemilla mollis	Lady's Mantle
AG	Allium 'Guardsman'	Bunching Onion
AC	Allium cepa 'Pumba'	Hybrid Yellow Onion
AP	Allium porrum 'King Richard'	Leek
AT	Allium tuberosum	Garlic Chives
AO	Asparagus officinalis 'Jersey Knight'	Asparagus
BV	Beta vulgaris 'Bull's Blood'	Beet
во	Borago officinalis	Borage
BC	Brassica oleracea var. capitata 'Red Express'	Red Cabbage
co	Calendula officinalis 'Alpha'	Pot Marigold
CC	Centaurea cyanus 'Florist Blue Boy'	Cornflower
FV	Foeniculum vulgare 'Purpureum'	Bronze Fennel
GC	Gomphrena 'QIS Carmine'	Button Flower
LS	Lactuca sativa 'Escale'	Bibb Lettuce
LF	Lactuca sativa 'Fenberg'	Romaine Lettuce
LW	Lactuca sativa 'Winter Density'	Bibb Lettuce
LM	Lavandula multifida	Fern-Leaf Lavender
MS	Mentha suaveolens	Apple Mint
PW	Petroselinum crispum 'Wega'	Parsley
PS	Pisum sativum 'Super Sugar Snap'	Snap Peas
RO	Rosmarinus officinalis Prostratus Group	Prostrate Rosemary
RG	Ruta graveolens	Common Rue
SM	Sanguisorba minor	Salad Burnet
TP	Tagetes patula Outback	Marigold
TB	Tanacetum balsamita	Costmary
TA	Tanacetum parthenium	Feverfew
TC	Thymus citriodorus 'Argenteus'	Silver Thyme
VH	Viola 'Helen Mount'	Johnny Jump-Up

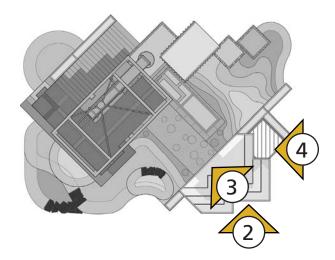




Root Cellar Interior Wall Elevation Looking Into Exhibit

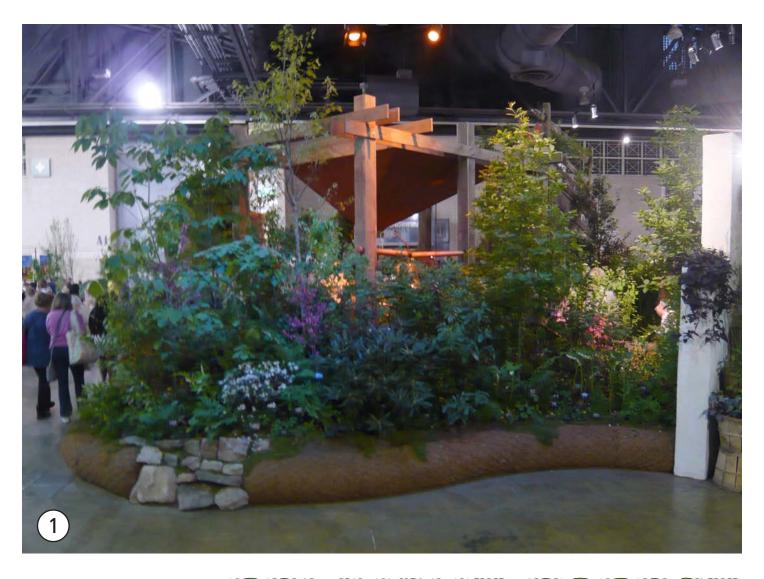
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View 2. Plainsawed black walnut logs served as the fascia of the edible roof, which contained leafy and root vegetables, as well as, herbs.

View 4. The root cellar contained baskets of fruit and tree mast, ceramic jugs and jars, tools of the period, and lanterns. Creaks and hollow sounds created by an elevated wooden floor contributed to the ambiance.



REMNANT FOREST

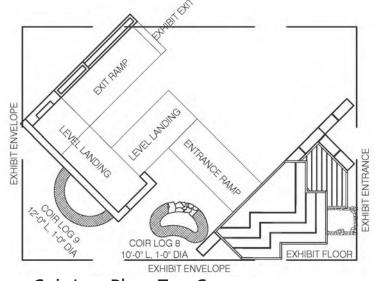
PROTECT, RESTORE, & CREATE FORESTS

Ancient, old growth oak, chestnut, hickory, and beech trees once provided food aplenty to wildlife and the Lenni-Lenape. When Hopewell Furnace was in blast, woodcutters selectively cut trees to make charcoal. While keeping livestock from eating new growth, saplings and seed producers that remained regenerated the forest.

Beyond Hopewell, logging, development, and other human disturbances have disturbed, degraded, or destroyed ancient forests. That's nuts!

Protect all remaining old growth forests, and new ones. Restore disturbed or degraded forests. Create new forests—at home, in rural, suburban, and urban areas.





Coir Log Plan, Top Course

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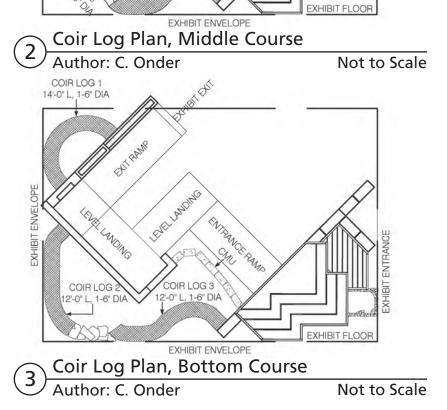
COIR LOG 4

14-0" L, 1-6" DIA

COIR LOG 6

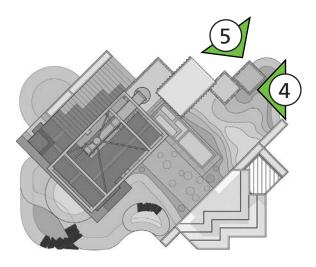
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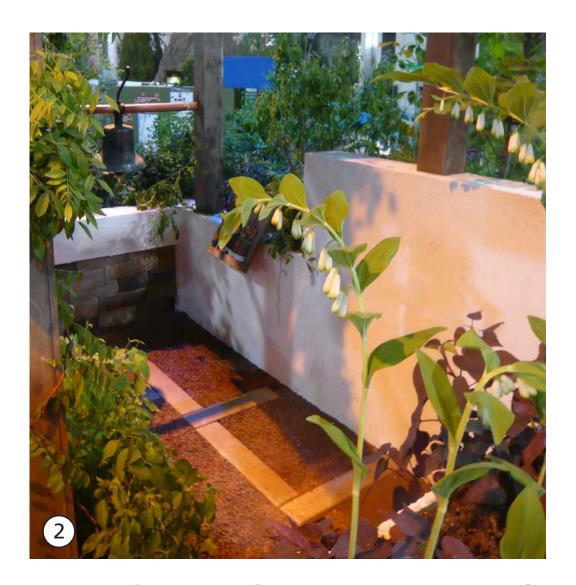






View 4. Sun-loving plants, stumps or logs, mast, and a hornet's nest were included in the "stumpery" area of the remnant forest.

View 5. Besides coir logs, we found and included sinuous boughs or logs as exhibit edges.



FURNACE WALLS

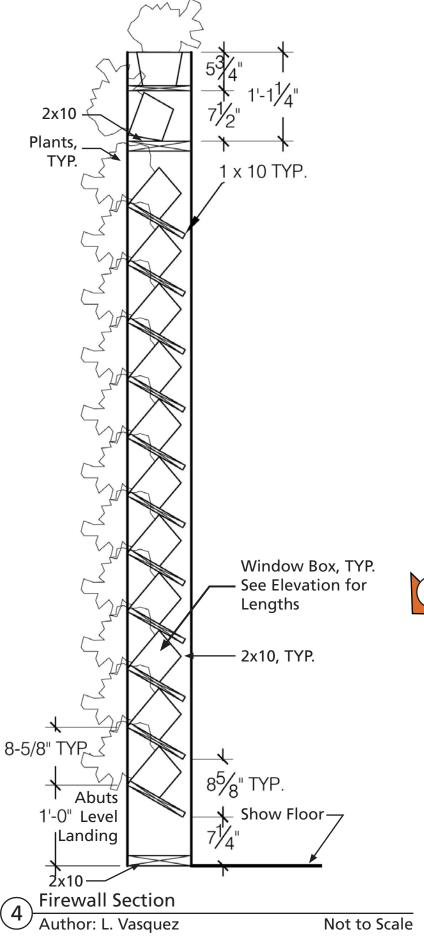
INSTALL GREEN WALLS & ROOFS



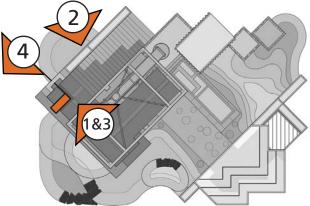
Fillers continuously dumped iron ore, limestone, and charcoal into the furnace. As they melted, gases traveled up and out of the chimney, along with soot, which covered everything at Hopewell.

Today, gases we send continuously into the air are changing the global climate. Roofs and pavement have replaced plants, absorb and reflect the sun's radiation, and heat up our cities.

Let's keep from melting. Planting roofs, walls, and ground planes can cool our cities. When making concrete, replace Portland Cement with slag or fly ash to reduce the creation of harmful gases that result.



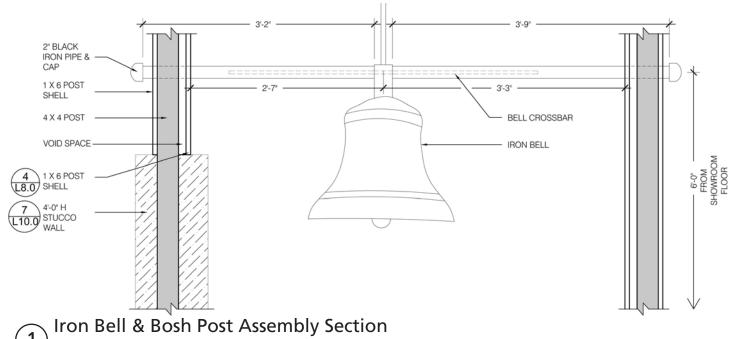




View 1. Bead lighting beneath amber glass cullet and steel grating near the base of the firewall recalled molten iron "tapped" from the furnace.

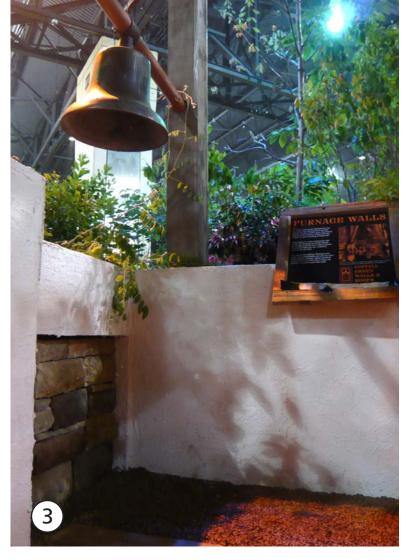
View 2. Concrete pavers on the level landing recalled the iron pig bar pattern made by gutterman. Wall heights increased incrementally toward the firewall, and stone beneath the bell mirrored the presence of stone on the firewall.

View 3. We modelled the figure of the firewall after the form of the furnace interior.



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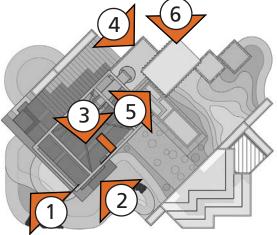


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View 2. Visitors regularly rung the iron bell, which was aligned with the center of the firewall. At Hopewell, a bell signaled that the furnace was ready to be tapped.

View 3. The landing and walls accommodated space for bell ringing.

Views 4 and 5. Horizontal layers of sheet metal represented the strata revealed while mining for iron ore.

View 6. Tree seeds in hardware cloth depicted the organic soil horizon on top of the material shed.







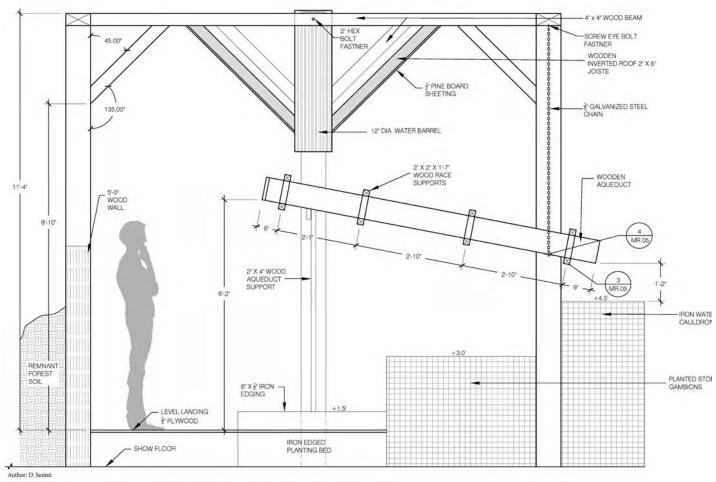
WATER RACE

CAPTURE, INFILTRATE, & SLOW RAINWATER

Hopewell's builders diverted rainwater into channels called races. Water fell onto and turned a water wheel, which pumped pistons and blasted air into the furnace to raise the temperature high enough to turn ore into iron.

Our streets, driveways, curbs, and drains divert rainwater, too. Rainwater races into them, contributes to flooding and erosion, and causes property damage.

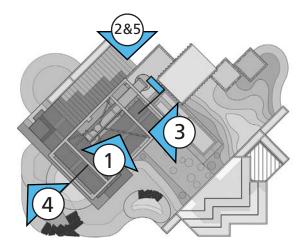
So, race out and get barrels to capture and reuse rainwater at home. Hurry! Put down pavement that slows rain and lets it seep in. Dash away and build a rain garden. Go! Get a green roof.



Bosh and Water Race Section Looking Toward Firewall

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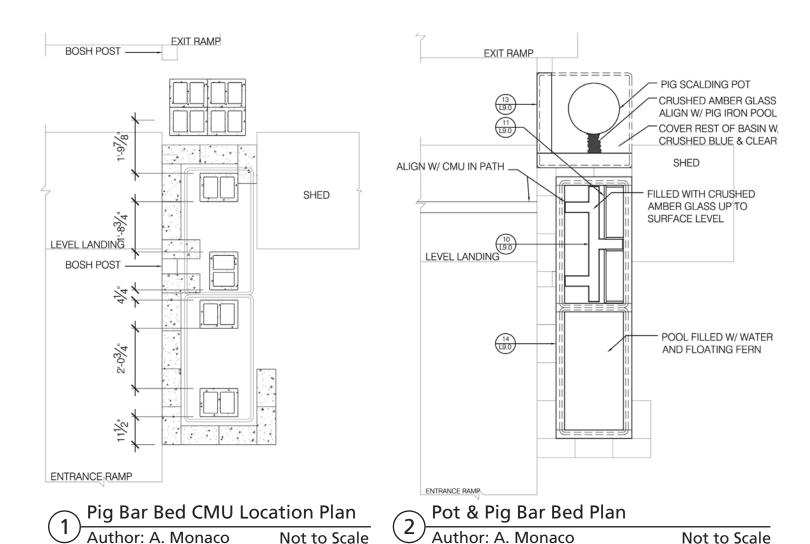


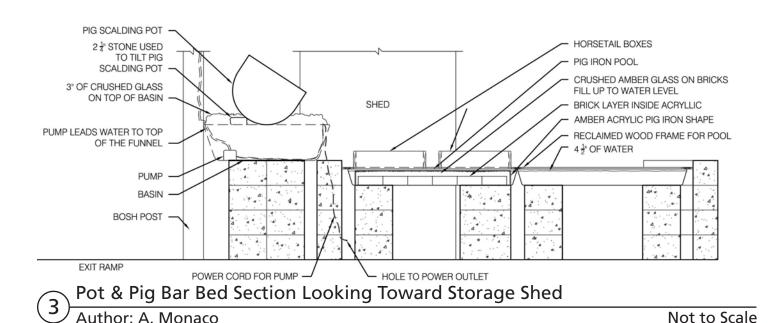


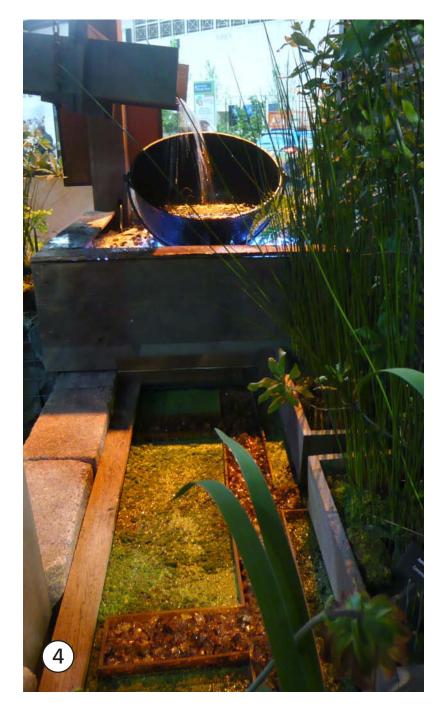
Views 1 & 2. Visitors walked beneath, around, and beside the water bosh and race before exiting.

View 3. The bosh "captured" and directed rain water onto a wooden race.

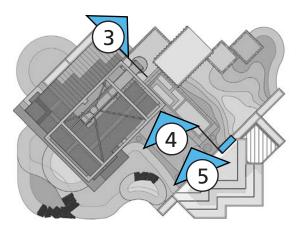
View 4. The race, suspended by iron chains, directed water into an iron pig scalding pot that was tilted to mimic the pouring of molten iron into a pig bar bed formed by a gutterman.











View 4. Water spilled from the iron pot into gutters of crushed glass like molten iron. Additionally, the water seeped into the glass cullet and related to rain water infiltration. The lower pig bar bed, made of amber glass cullet surrounded by acrylic, symbolized both the iron pig bar bed, as well as, the dendritic pattern of waterways.

View 5. Concrete masonry unit (CMU) blocks around the pig bar bed were recovered from campus and used in a previous exhibit. The color, strength, and ease with which they could be placed were desirable traits.

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FOREST DWELLERS TO PROTECT & RESTORE

Amelanchier laevis Allegheny Serviceberry
Carpinus caroliniana American Hornbeam
Castanea dentata American Chestnut

Castanea pumila Allegheny Chinkapin

Cercis canadensis Eastern Redbud
Fagus grandifolia American Beech

Ilex verticillata Winterberry Holly Kalmia latifolia Mountain Laurel

Nyssa sylvatica Black Tupelo

Pinus strobus White Pine

Quercus alba White Oak

Quercus prinus Chestnut Oak

Quercus rubra Red Oak

Rhododendron maximum American Rosebay

Rhododendron minus Piedmont Rhododendron

Viburnum dentatum American Arrowwood

PLANTS THAT PIONEER & PERSEVERE

Campsis radicans Trumpet Vine Comptonia peregrina Sweet Fern

Dennstaedtia punctilobula Hay-Scented Fern

Dicentra spp. Bleeding Heart

Dryopteris marginalis Leather Wood Fern

Hydrophyllum virgnianum Virginia Waterleaf Juniperus virginiana Eastern Redcedar

Morella pensylvanica Bayberry

Pinus rigida Pitch Pine

Pinus virginiana Virginia Pine

Polemonium reptans Jacob's Ladder Verbascum thapsus Common Mullein

Zizia aurea Golden Alexander



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FOR BEDS FILLED WITH RAINWATER

Azolla caroliniana Mosquito Fern

Cornus sericea Red Osier Dogwood

Equisetum hyemale Winter Scouring Rush

Iris versicolor Blue Flag

Juncus effusus Common Rush

Lemna minor Common Duckweed

Osmunda regalis Royal Fern

Pontederia cordata Pickerel Weed

Sarracenia leucophylla White Pitcher Plant

FIERY FOLIAGE FOR ROOFS, WALLS, & GROUNDS

Ajuga reptans Bugleweed

Carex oshimensis Sedge

Heuchera spp. Coral Bells

Ipomoea batatas Sweet Potato Vine

x Heucherella spp. Heucherella

GROW, GATHER, EAT, OR STORE

Alchemilla mollis Lady's Mantle

Allium tuberosum Garlic Chives

Borago officinalis Borage

Brassica oleracea Red Cabbage

Foeniculum vulgare Bronze Fennel

Lavandula multifida Fern Leaf Lavender

Mentha suaveolens Apple Mint

Petroselinum crispum Parlsey

Phaseolus coccineus Scarlet Runner Bean

Ruta graveolens Common Rue Sanguisorba minor Salad Burnet

Tanacetum balsamita Costmary



LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE & HORTICULTURE

Double-sided Abbreviated Exhibit Plant List Card

Available to show visitors; originally 4" wide X 9" high



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