Street Trees Make a Difference!



Lack of Sign Control

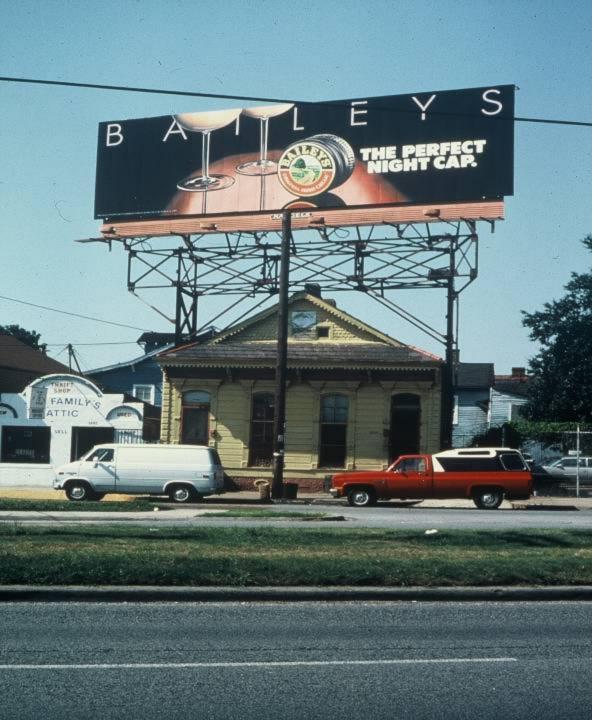












Oversized



Poorly Planned

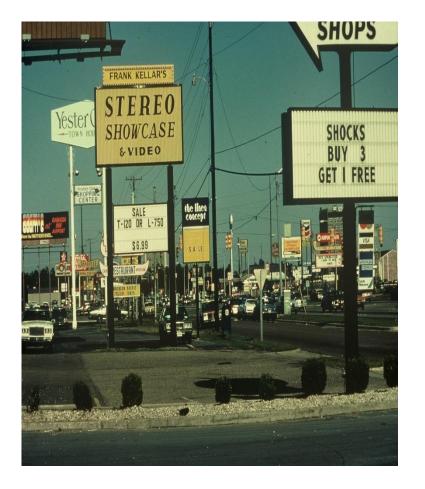


Badly Located

Too Numerous



Corridor Clutter



- "The distinguishing characteristic of suburban strips is their undisguised ugliness, although traffic congestion runs a close second."
- This ugliness must be eradicated if suburban retail is to remain competitive and successful in the future."

Source: ULI. Ten Principles for Reinventing America's Suburban Strips, 2004

Issues to Consider

Image

Cost

Effectiveness



Image



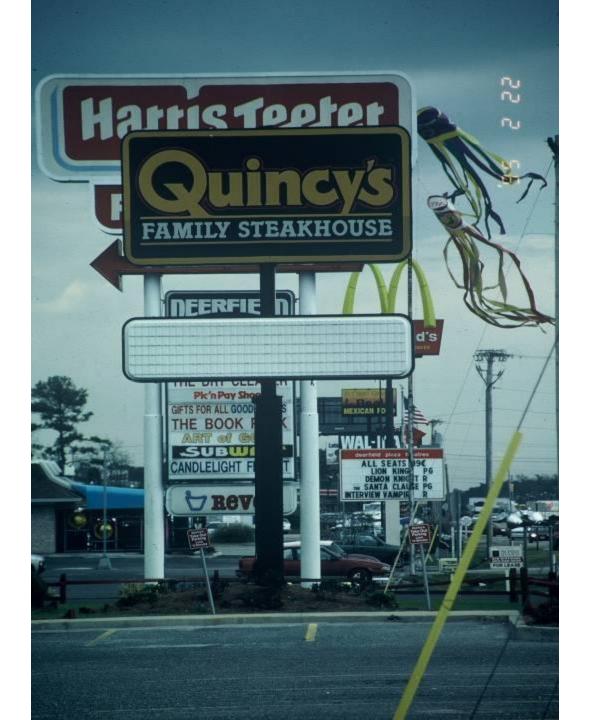
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Public Art



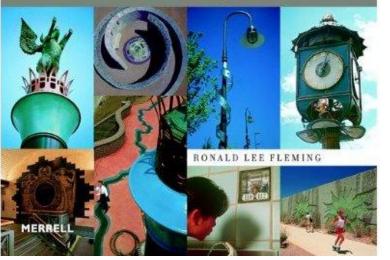
Public Art Comes in All Sizes and Styles



Placemaking Public Art

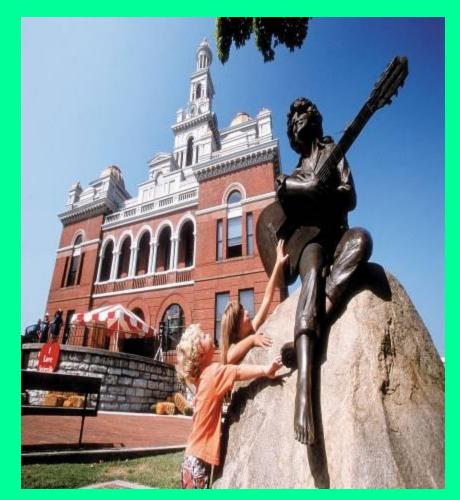
The Art of Placemaking

Interpreting Community Through Public Art and Urban Design



- Placemaking public art is art that that relates to local history, culture, geography, folklore or tradition.
- It is art that helps people understand where they are.
- It is not art dropped from outer space.

Use Public Art to Tell a Story



Dolly Parton Statue, Sevierville, TN



Thurgood Marshall Statue, Annapolis, MD

Celebrate Famous People



Babe Ruth – Baltimore, MD



Buddy Holly – Lubbock, TX

Celebrate Famous Events



Lunch Counter Sit-In, Greensboro, NC

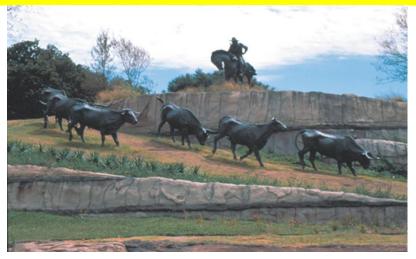
Celebrate Ordinary People



Waterman – Massachusetts



Coal Miners – Pennsylvania



Ranchers – Texas



People Waiting for the Bus



Chisholm Trial Mural – Ft. Worth, TX



Family Album – Takoma Park, MD





Louisville Slugger Museum



Big Postcard Orlando, FL

Integrate Art and Infrastructure





Dan Coogar

Memorial Bridge – Washington, DC



Lion Bridge – St Augustine, FL



Frog Bridge, Willimantic, CT



Denver, Colorado



Big blue bear at Denver Convention Center



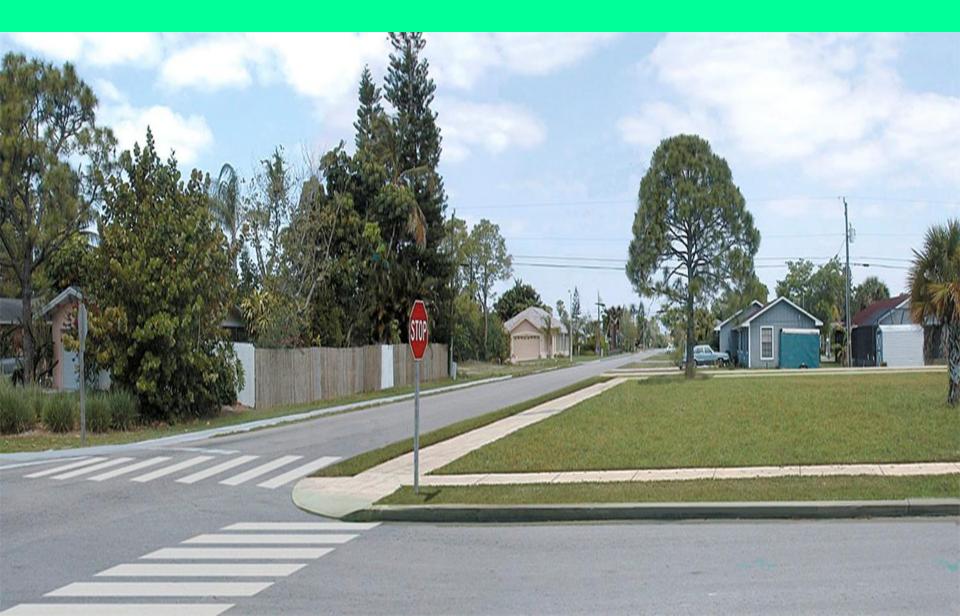




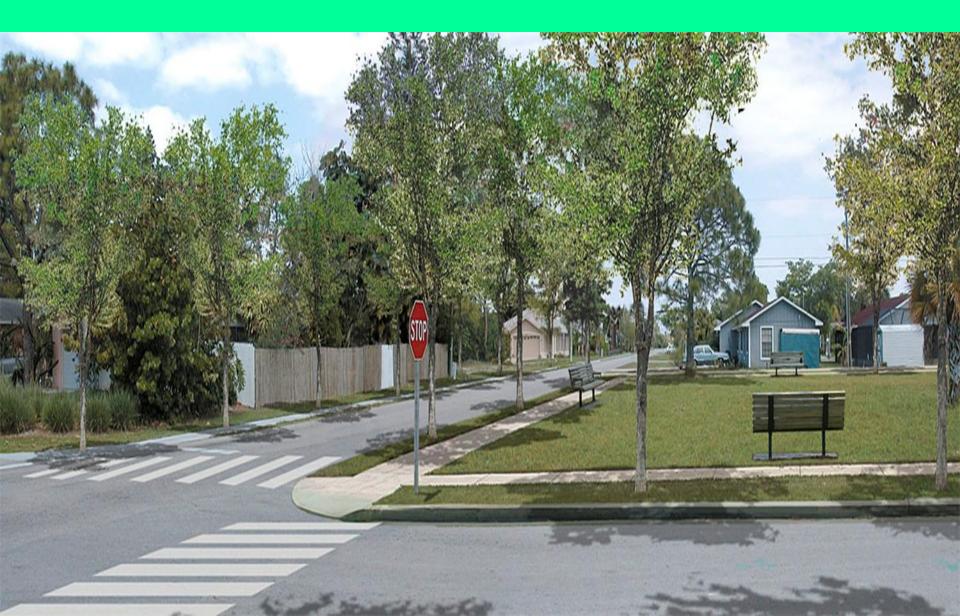
Existing Condition



Add curbs, sidewalks, crosswalks



Street trees and benches



Mix of housing types



Fountain and play area



Keys to Corridor Upgrades

- Develop a vision
- Engage leaders and the public
- Remove impediments
- Enhance development mechanisms
- Create supporting codes
- Invest in infrastructure
- Think about health impacts
- Execute relentlessly

Thank You!

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