SHIRLEY CHISHOLM MONUMENT

Conceptual Design Presentation NYC Percent for Art Program

Amanda Williams & Olalekan Jeyifous, Artists

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PREVIOUS ARTWORK

Amanda Williams, Artist

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It's a Goldmine/Is the Gold Mine Gold-leaf Chicago brick Variable dimensions



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Previous Work

Color(ed) Theory: Crown Royal Bag



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Previous Work

Color(ed) Theory: Harold's Chicken Shack



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A Way, Away: Listen While I Say



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Thrival Geographies (In My Line I See A Line) 2019



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Thrival Geographies (In My Line I See A Line) - Interior Detail 2019

PREVIOUS ARTWORK

Olalekan Jeyifous, Artist

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Crown Ether, 2017 Wood, metal 50' x 35' x 35'



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OLCDC Building Wrap, 2015 Vinyl building wrap 194' x 22'



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Condition of Exile, 2016 Wood, metal, acrylic 12' x 5' x 5'



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Protest!, 2017 Aluminum Dimensions variable



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Inner Sanctum, 2017 Wood, metal, vinyl decal 24' x 10' x 6'



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Durham in Continuum, 2018 Architectural Mesh 42' x 168' x 0'



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Starbucks: Bed-Stuy, 2018 Vinyl wallpaper 28' x 9.5



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HE4SHE Mural, 2016 Vinyl wallpaper 53' x 9'

PROJECT SITE

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ARTWORK PROPOSAL

Conceptual Design Our Democracy Our Destiny

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PROPOSAL BRIEF:

We have created a monument to Shirley Chisholm that celebrates her legacy as a civil servant who "left the door open" to make space for others to follow in her path toward equity and a place in our country's political landscape. Depending upon your vantage point and approach to the Ocean Avenue entrance of Prospect Park, you can see Ms Chisholm's silhouette inextricably intertwined with the iconic dome of the U.S. Capitol building. The composite profile symbolizes how she disrupted the perception of who has the right to occupy such institutions and to be an embodiment for democracy. This trailblazing woman was not diminutive and this monument reflects how Chisholm's collaborative ideals were larger than herself. The ground plane is excavated to mimic the amphitheater-like layout of the congressional floor, with each seat paying homage to those who came after Ms Chisholm as well as leaving room for those who have yet to come.

INITIAL DESIGN

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SIGNATURE PORTRAIT





PARK VEGETATION

FRAMED BY CAPITOL DOME

SILHOUETTE DOME/VEGETATION

INSPIRATION + DESIGN ASSETS: VISUAL/CONCEPTUAL STRATEGY [SCULPTURAL PROFILE #01]

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SHIRLEY CHISHOLM MONUMENT: PROPOSAL

DESIGN ASSETS: SI SI SCULPTURE

DRAFTED BY: A. WILLIAMS O. JEYIFOUS

ARTWORK





WALKING BROOKLYN AS A CENSUS TAKER

WOMEN MARCHING IN SOLIDARITY



02

SHIRLEY CHISHOLM MONUMENT: PROPOSAL

DESIGN ASSETS: SCULPTURE

DRAFTED BY: A. WILLIAMS O. JEYIFOUS

ARTWORK

VOTING RIGHTS MARCH



INSPIRATION + DESIGN ASSETS: VISUAL/CONCEPTUAL STRATEGY [STRUCTURAL PROFILE #02]

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FEEDBACK OBJECTIVES:

DESIGN

- FOCUS: CLEARLY DEFINED "MONUMENT EXPERIENCE"
- SCALE: INSTALLATION SHOULD NOT OVERWHELM SITE
- FENCE ELEMENT: CONFLICTS WITH GATEWAY / USED AS A BIKE RACK
- RECONSIDER SUNKEN ELEMENTS: ADA COMPLIANCE / TRIP HAZARD / GARBAGE AND DRAINAGE ISSUE
- OVERHEAD ELEMENTS: EVALUATE FOR PROTRUSION HAZARDS AND DISCOURAGE CLIMBING

<u>SITE</u>

- ENTIRE SITE MUST BE ADA COMPLIANT
- MAINTAIN CLEAR SITE AND ACCESS CORRIDORS VISUALLY AND EXPERIENTIALLY
- LIGHTING: AVOID IN GROUND LIGHTING / CONSIDER OVERALL LIGHTING AND EXISTING STREET LIGHTS

MATERIALS

- CONSIDER FINISHES: LONGEVITY AND LONG-TERM MAINTENANCE
- PAINTED SURFACES VERY HARD TO MAINTAIN

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UPDATED DESIGN

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FEEDBACK RESPONSE:

DESIGN

- FOCUS: SIMPLIFIED DESIGN TO SCULPTURAL AND POLISHED PAVING DESIGN
- SCALE: REDUCED OVERALL HEIGHT FROM 40' to 32'
- REMOVED FENCING ELEMENT ALTOGETHER
- REMOVED SUNKEN ELEMENTS AND REPLACED WITH PAVING PATTERN / GROUND DESIGN
- ADJUSTED SCALE OF DESIGN TO AVOID PROTRUSIONS AND DISCOURAGE CLIMBING

<u>SITE</u>

- REMOVED ELEMENTS THAT PRESENTED ADA COMPLIANCE CHALLENGES
- ORIENTED MONUMENT PROFILES ON SITE FOR CLEARER ACCESS AND VISUAL SIGHTLINES
- REMOVED GROUND LIGHTING / REVISITING LIGHTING OPTIONS

MATERIALS

- EXPLORING NATURAL METAL FINISHES AND PATINAS



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