

REDMOND CENTRAL CONNECTOR TRAIL

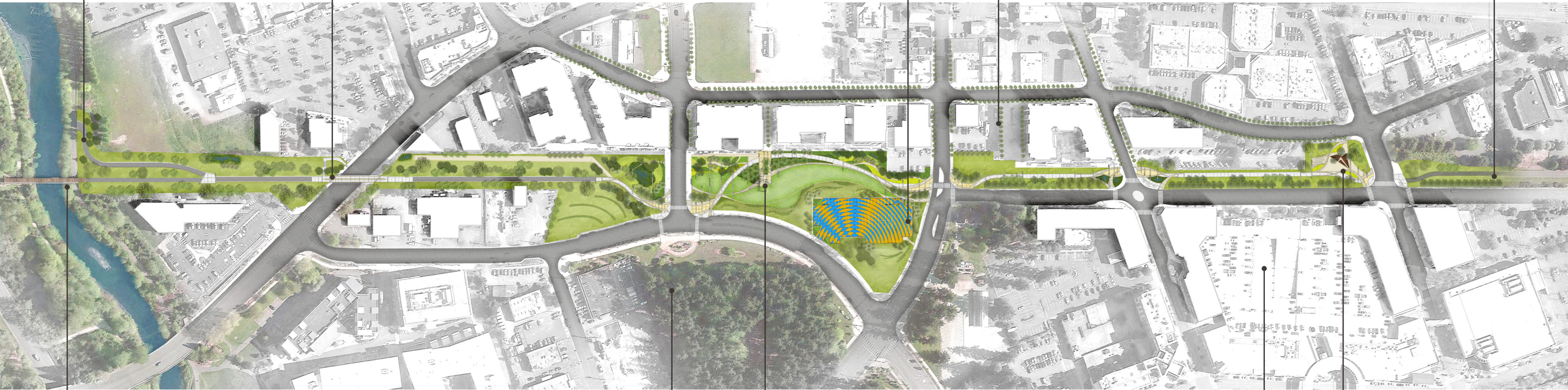


Sky Painting

Sammamish River Trail Connection

Bear Creek Trail Connection

Downtown Redmond



Heron Rookery Preserve

Redmond Town Center



Trestle Crossing (Phase 2)



Signals



Erratic

MORE THAN A TRAIL: The four-mile Redmond Central Connector is a series of events and spaces, each with a unique character, that collectively forge new connections within and beyond the city and between existing trail networks.



THE CORRIDOR FLUCTUATES between naturalistic and urban landscapes, reaching its epicenter in the heart of downtown, where its footprint grows to become a park, plaza, gathering space, and performance venue.



AS AN EXPERIMENT to maximize art integration into a public works project, "Signals" is an art piece made from salvaged railroad elements that serves as a new city icon and gathering place day and night.



BOTH A DESTINATION AND A CONNECTION: The corridor includes destinations along a shared-use trail with a richly detailed landscape. Rails from the 1800s are integrated into paths, drawing users to pause and linger.



AN ECONOMIC CATALYST AND TRANSPORTATION PROJECT: The shared-use trail encourages walking and biking, creating a richer quality of life and a livable, dense downtown realized with millions of dollars in investment and hundreds of new housing units.



INSPIRED BY THE RHYTHM OF RAILROAD HISTORY, concrete ties reimagined as ribbons of raised and flush banding repeat along the corridor while intuitively warning users of approaching intersections.



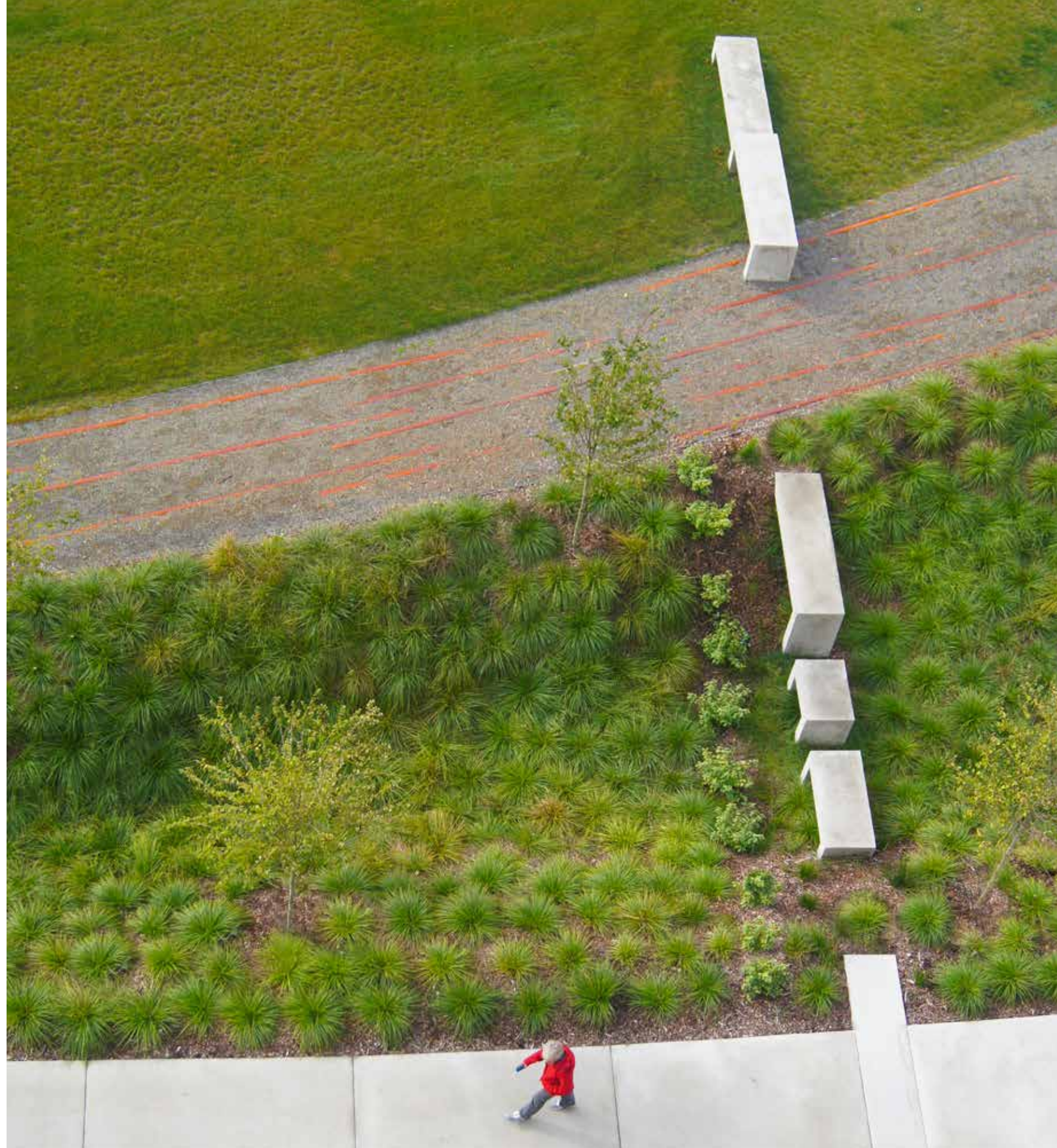
PROVIDING A WELCOME ESCAPE to the densifying downtown, the great lawn supports passive play and sculpted berms buffering major streets. Concrete ties serve as benches and an enticing route over rain gardens.



THE LANDSCAPE TRANSITIONS INTO AN EVENT VENUE in the heart of downtown with built-in infrastructure to support activities. Here, the So Bazaar Night Market fills the corridor on summer Thursdays.



“SKY PAINTING,” an art piece, is a unique stage for events from wheeled sports to festivals. Here, a food truck rodeo makes it easy to forget this space is used as a parking lot too!



REOCCURRING TIES CREATE A RHYTHM along the corridor and serve as flush rumble strips in the trail, an elevated stepping bridge over a rain garden, and a raised pedestal for seating, play or curated art.



NATURALISTIC SEGMENTS PROVIDE ESCAPE, RECREATION, AND CONNECTION to surrounding neighborhoods and landscapes.



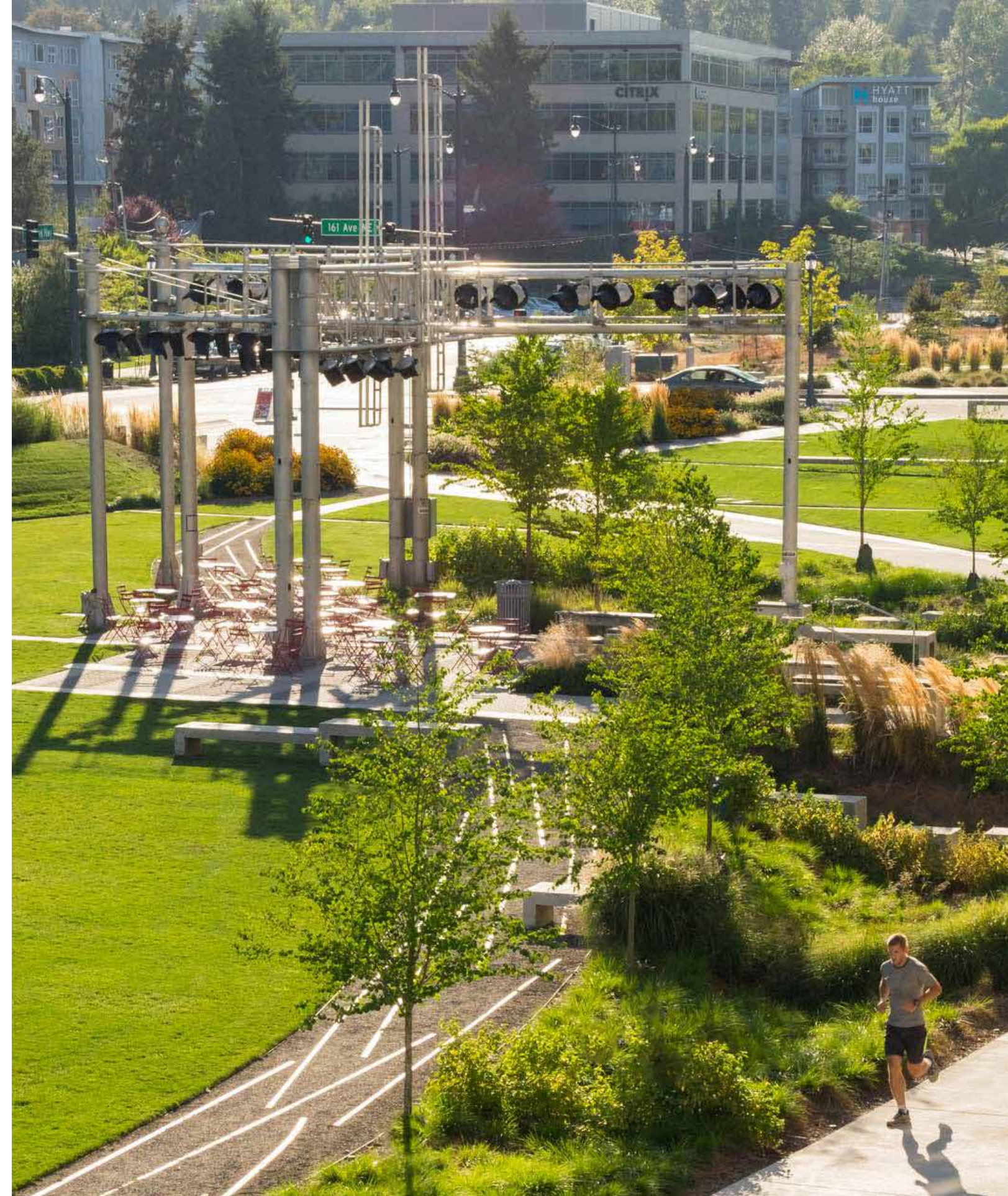
A VENUE FOR PERFORMANCES, programmed bands and the city's artist in residence regularly makes use of the corridor for processional events that populate the trails and parks with engaging performances that invite participation.



“ERRATIC” is a welded quilt of salvaged railroad shoulder plates wrapping an interior filled with railroad ballast. Its rough exterior is cracked like a geode exposing a rich glowing interior.



“ERRATIC” HONORS THE SITE’S RAILROAD PAST by salvaging and reimagining railroad hardware as something new, shaping a new icon for the city and drawing people to pause at one of the many small gathering eddies along the corridor.



FAR MORE THAN PHYSICAL CHANGE, the design and ongoing programming of the Redmond Central Connector is reshaping the lifestyle, culture, and character of Redmond for its residents and changing how the city is viewed from afar.