

Arcadia Creek Linear Park

City of Kalamazoo, Michigan

Awards

Merit Award, 1987

Michigan Chapter of the American
Society of Landscape Architects



The Arcadia Creek Linear Park was developed as a pedestrian promenade paralleling Arcadia Creek through downtown Kalamazoo. The Creek, formerly an enclosed storm sewer, was uncovered in the early 1990's as part of a flood control project. The linear park was constructed through seven blocks of north downtown and links the Westnedge Avenue corridor with the Arcadia Commons development (a public/private development partnership formed to develop properties along the creek) and the Arcadia Festival Site which anchors the east end of the site. The design components of the Linear Park include ornamental handrails, brick-paved walkways, creek overlooks, a pedestrian bridge, site furniture and landscaping.

In addition to the Arcadia Creek Linear Park, O'Boyle, Cowell, Blalock and Associates, Inc. has also completed site design guidelines for the Arcadia Commons Partnership, as well as site development plans for the National City Bank Complex and the Festival Site.



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