



WTA ARCHITECTS



# REDEFINING AND DESIGNING OUTDOOR SPACES

Outdoor Spaces are an integral part of our lives that enrich us in many ways. They are beautiful collaborative spaces that cater to our physical and mental wellbeing. Thoughtfully designed outdoor spaces rejuvenate and connect us to nature. These spaces can help us in our everyday lives in the following ways:

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## 1. Therapeutic Spaces

Outdoor spaces and healing gardens have proven to be helpful in the recovery of many patients in healthcare settings. Such gardens can provide solace to a grieving heart and comfort to families who are taking care of a loved one. Outdoor breakout spaces can relax stressed minds in an office or calm anxious children in a school.

## 2. Dynamic and Interactive Spaces

The energy of children and youth can be dissipated through well-designed outdoor areas, that provide interactive and healthful social spaces. Outdoor gymnasiums, swimming pools, one-way sidewalks, jogging tracks, skate parks and play areas are dynamic features that can be an asset to neighborhoods.

## 3. Meditative Spaces

Outdoor spaces need to provide ambiance to relax and meditate, stroll at leisure and ease anxiety for mental wellbeing. A palette of native plants promotes local ecosystems, enhances tranquility and connects us to elements of nature.

## 4. Places of Work

With numerous people going digital and working from home, neighborhood parks could have designated WiFi zones encouraging people to work amidst nature. Adequate seats and work islands, lighting and paved plazas could invite many users to venture into the open. Corporate buildings could integrate their outdoor spaces with the indoors and create extended office spaces.

## 5. Universally Enjoyable Spaces

Outdoor public spaces need to be universally accessible and enjoyable ensuring use by all demographics. Historic parks, monuments, plazas and public parks are adapting this concept.

## 6. Adaptive Spaces

The outdoor spaces need to be adaptive to our changing needs, easily modified from a personal scale to a community level, suited to host individual needs, social awareness drives or community welfare programs.



**WTA ARCHITECTS** has worked on many outdoor spaces that boost community engagement with nature as well as local history and culture. The experiential zone at the Saginaw Children's Zoo enhance learning opportunities for kids, the accessible walkway at the historic Belle Isle Fountain in Detroit, and the sustainable campus for Delta College are just a few of the projects that showcase our understanding and design sensibility for outdoor areas and their uses. We believe that outdoor spaces are an extension of the indoors and need to be designed with the same fervor. We strive to create places that offer the community an unparalleled design that is aesthetically pleasing and highly functional.

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