CONCEPT MASTER PLAN OPTION 1
INSPIRED BY NATURE

Nature, Ecology and Sustainability

LANSDOWNE PARKS MASTER PLAN

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When greater emphasis is placed on the nature, ecology and sustainability theme, then the design approach draws greater inspiration from Richmond's unique ecology and the importance of climate resilience within the community. Serpentine pathways weave through habitat planting and pollinator meadows to connect diverse, active community spaces.

CENTRE PARK

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Performance Stage
- Central Lawn (Informal Sports + Outdoor Concerts)
- Clear + Welcoming Entries
- Habitat Planting
- Picnic Area
- Pollinator Meadow
- Multi-Use Sports Court
- Water Feature
- Games/Activity Zone
- Destination Playground
- Destination Water Play
- Looped Pathways

DESIGN APPROACH
- **Performance stage** area tucked below a sloped green roof that acts as a viewpoint over the park and **central lawn**
- **Destination playground** with **water play** and varied edges, **games/activity zone** near west retail edge
- **Dining/picnic area** near east retail edge
- **Pollinator meadow** areas to northeast with hammocks, swings
- **Multi-use sports court** to east with basketball, beach volleyball, pickleball
- **Welcome plaza** at north with rainwater feature
- Richly planted park edges
- Tree-lined **events plaza** at south edge, serpentine path that overlaps with Linear Park
- Landscape character inspired by fields

CIVIC PLAZA

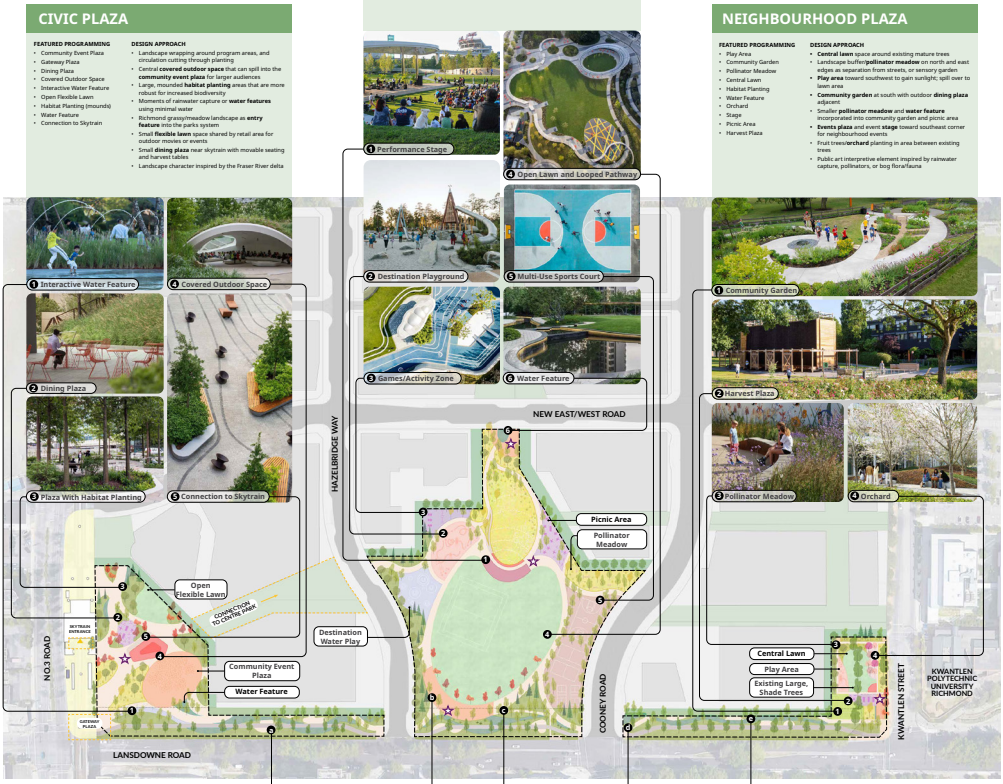
FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Community Event Plaza
- Gateway Plaza
- Dining Plaza
- Covered Outdoor Space
- Interactive Water Feature
- Open Flexible Lawn
- Habitat Planting (mounds)
- Water Feature
- Connection to Skytrain

DESIGN APPROACH
- Landscape wrapping around program areas, and circulation cutting through planting
- Central **covered outdoor space** that can spill into the **community event plaza** for larger audiences
- Large, mounded **habitat planting** areas that are more robust for increased biodiversity
- Moments of rainwater capture or **water features** using minimal water
- Richmond grassy/meadow landscape as **entry feature** into the park's system
- Small **flexible lawn** space shared by retail area for outdoor movies or events
- Small **dining plaza** near skytrain with movable seating and harvest tables
- Landscape character inspired by the Fraser River delta

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAZA

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Play Area
- Community Garden
- Pollinator Meadow
- Central Lawn
- Habitat Planting
- Water Feature
- Orchard
- Stage
- Picnic Area
- Harvest Plaza

DESIGN APPROACH
- **Central lawn** space around existing mature trees
- Landscape buffer/**pollinator meadow** on north and east edges as separation from streets, or sensory garden
- **Play area** toward southwest to gain sunlight; spill over to lawn area
- **Community garden** at south with outdoor **dining plaza** adjacent
- Smaller **pollinator meadow** and **water feature** incorporated into community garden and picnic area
- **Events plaza** and event **stage** toward southeast corner for neighbourhood events
- Fruit trees/**orchard** planting in area between existing trees
- Public art interpretive element inspired by rainwater capture, pollinators, or bog flora/fauna



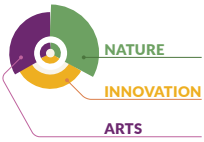
LINEAR PARK

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Separated Pathway Network that Separates Uses
- Entry Plaza
- Feature Lighting
- Water Feature
- Seating Nodes
- Existing Large, Shade Trees
- Habitat Planting

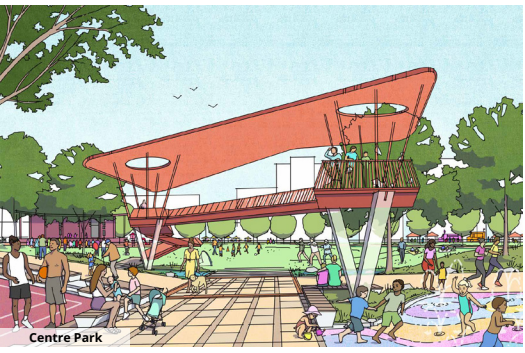
DESIGN APPROACH
- Serpentine pedestrian paths inspired by the river landscape
- Retention of existing trees at south edges and increased planting between bike path and street
- Small **seating nodes** shared between pedestrian and cycling paths with fitness equipment, small garden areas, nurse logs, bird and bee boxes, public art, etc.
- **Feature lighting** elements
- Branches of pedestrian paths connecting to major park spaces
- Small moments for **water features** that follow the flow of circulation
- **Habitat planting** buffers between pedestrian and cycling paths and residential development



Concept Focus



Rainwater capture areas mimic the natural processes of the river's floodplain. Interpretive public art and nature-inspired play highlight themes of water capture, pollinators, and bog flora and fauna, immersing visitors in Richmond's ecological story. Covered outdoor spaces spill into event areas to provide opportunities for the everyday and large events such as concerts, outdoor movies, art celebrations and pick up sports. Planted buffers are located along the park edges to provide separation from streets, while small seating nodes provide refuge along the multiuse pathways, bike lanes and pedestrian promenades.


Centre Park


Linear Park

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CONCEPT MASTER PLAN OPTION 2
ACTIVE LIVING

Innovation, Wellness and Vitality

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When greater emphasis is placed on the innovation, wellness and vitality theme, then the design approach supports innovative climate resilient solutions that promote health, wellness and community connection. Larger plazas provide immersive experiences for visitors of all ages, and smaller nodes within habitat planting cater to intimate gatherings and moments of relaxation.

CENTRE PARK

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Performance Stage
- Open Lawn (Informal Sports + Outdoor Concerts)
- Amphitheatre
- Habitat Planting
- Clear + Welcoming Entries
- Destination Playground
- Destination Water Play
- Water Feature
- Outdoor Covered Space
- Outdoor Fitness Stations
- Looped Pathways
- Picnic Area

DESIGN APPROACH
- This option highlights an innovative, climate refuge approach for Centre Park
- Surrounding building roofs capture and release water into the integrated rainwater system in the park
- A series of **water-capturing pavilions** and **wetland/ rainwater** features line the centre spine
- The **centre spine** features misters, a continuous tree canopy, and opportunities to rest in the shade or engage in water play
- **Habitat planting** includes planted islands/mounds that increase biodiversity and provide small shaded nooks
- **Destination nature-based playground**, **water play area**, and **outdoor fitness stations** are central to the park
- A large **performance stage** and entrance plaza anchors the southeast corner to face amphitheatre seating and a flexible central lawn that can be used alongside the seating for larger events/concerts

CIVIC PLAZA

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Entry Plaza
- Community Event Plaza
- Large, Shade Trees
- Open Flexible Lawn
- Covered Outdoor Space
- Terraced Seating
- Interactive Water Feature
- Amphitheatre
- Featured Promenade

DESIGN APPROACH
- A vibrant and innovative public space designed to captivate and inspire. **'Wow' Walk** is a stunning promenade lined with creative art installations that feature interactive elements and an immersive experience for visitors of all ages.
- **Community event plaza** hosts medium to large-scale events such as concerts, food truck gatherings, and lively markets. An **interactive water feature** adds a playful touch for and can be turned off to accommodate events.
- The adjacent **amphitheatre plaza** and convenient washroom facilities ensure comfort and accessibility, while the open perimeter creates a lively edge that seamlessly connects with surrounding retail and office spaces.
- **Urban forest** areas offer a peaceful haven for small groups to relax and unwind.

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAZA

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Outdoor Fitness Stations
- Gathering/Picnic Area
- Clear + Welcoming Entries
- Games
- Seating Nodes
- Existing Large, Shade Trees

DESIGN APPROACH
- A vibrant neighbourhood fitness park designed to promote health, wellness, and community connection. A serene **gathering space** shaded by mature, retained trees, providing a natural focal point for socializing and relaxation at the heart of this green oasis.
- The park features enough space to accommodate up to two small **recreational courts**, making it an ideal spot for both casual games and friendly competitions.
- Multiple **outdoor fitness stations** offer a range of exercise facilities to suit various fitness levels, ensuring there is something for everyone.
- For those looking to connect with nature and unwind, the park also includes **seating nodes** within habitat planting, perfect for intimate gatherings and quiet reflection.



LINEAR PARK

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Multi-Use Pathway Network that Combines All Uses
- Entry Node
- Water Feature
- Outdoor Fitness Stations
- Seating Nodes

DESIGN APPROACH
- Linear fitness park designed to foster health, wellness, and community interaction.
- Small **outdoor fitness stations** equipped with outdoor exercise equipment to offer diverse workout opportunities for all fitness levels.
- Dedicated spaces with table tennis to encourage friendly competition and social interaction.
- **Seating nodes** as informal gathering spots and viewing platforms. Opportunities for slides and playful features for all ages.
- **Rain gardens** to manage rainwater runoff, enhance biodiversity, and native planting
- Raised boardwalks to navigate wetter areas while protecting the environment and integrating with rainwater management.



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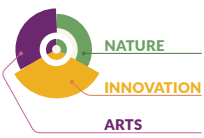
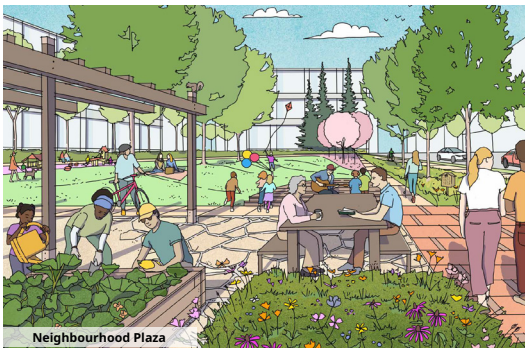



Civic Plaza


Neighbourhood Plaza

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CONCEPT MASTER PLAN OPTION 3
ALIVE WITH ARTS AND CULTURE

Arts, Culture and Heritage

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When greater emphasis is placed on the arts, culture and heritage theme, then the design approach celebrates Richmond's rich cultural diversity and heritage. Community event plazas create opportunities for small and large performances, festivals and markets. Covered outdoor spaces provide shade and refuge while displaying small exhibitions and hosting gatherings and cultural events.

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Interactive art and seating nodes are woven throughout a continuous habitat corridor for moments of rest and play. The park programming is integrated with a series of water-capturing features and habitat areas. The performance stage is paired with amphitheatre seating and a flexible central lawn for community events and informal daily use. Pedestrian promenades are lined with interactive art, to provide an immersive experience for visitors of all ages. Fitness nodes are integrated throughout the park to foster health and wellness.

CENTRE PARK

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Linear Festival Plaza
- Flexible Plaza
- Performance Stage
- Looped Pathways
- Open Lawn with Berm (Informal Sports + Outdoor Concerts)
- Covered Outdoor Space
- Water Feature
- Destination Playground
- Destination Water Play
- Multi-Use Sports Court
- Picnic Area

DESIGN APPROACH
- Vertical **multi-functional pavilions** that allow for stacked programs including play, covered space, viewing deck, stage, seating, recreation, etc. Vertical elements relate to pacific flyway (opportunities for lookouts and bird watching)
- **Water feature** to provide storage on site during rainy months and opportunities for water play
- Large colourful pavilions/canopy structures provide weather protection and covered event space
- Large **open lawn** for larger events including concerts and festivals. Large **berm** provides seating facing toward the stage for larger events
- Smaller adjacent **flexible plaza spaces** for markets and small concert/stage performances that connect to retail promenade
- **Destination playground** with **water play**
- **Multi-use sports courts** in southeast corner including small courts
- Opportunities for interactive and multi-functional art that can provide shade, seating, and play elements

CIVIC PLAZA

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Events Plaza (movies, exhibitions)
- Entry Plaza
- Arts + Culture Walk
- Covered Outdoor Space
- Interactive Water Feature
- Gateway Plaza
- Dining Area
- Flexible Plaza
- Iconic Public Art Installation
- Performance Stage

DESIGN APPROACH
- **Art, culture, and heritage walk** 'spine' that connects Centre Park and Linear Park
- Central **interactive water feature**
- **Covered outdoor space** to display art and host small cultural events also act as 'cooling' pavilions for climate refuge and resilience.
- Larger **south plaza** for interactive art and events including markets, festivals, and food truck lunches
- Opportunities for colourful pavilions/canopies and multi-functional art (for shelter, seating, and play)
- Smaller **north plaza** can host events such as movie screenings, small concerts, and traveling exhibitions
- Tree allees provide bird habitat and shade for seating nooks
- Adjacent outdoor 'rooms' in Linear Park support art galleries and small covered dining opportunities during markets and food truck lunches

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAZA

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Clear + Welcoming Entries
- Covered Outdoor Space
- Pollinator Meadow
- Play Area
- Seating Nodes
- Existing Large, Shade Trees

DESIGN APPROACH
- Small covered outdoor space (**outdoor room**, event space, space to create and exhibit art)
- **Entry plaza** on southeast corner for interactive art
- **Entry plaza** on north edge of park for small cultural events/markets, exhibiting art
- **Neighbourhood play** area features nature-inspired play
- Small **seating nodes** within habitat planting (intimate spaces for gathering)
- Structures for collecting rainwater for reuse on site (structures provide educational/art opportunities)
- Protected habitat corridor for birds and bats (opportunity for colourful bird houses and community-driven stewardship)



LINEAR PARK

FEATURED PROGRAMMING
- Separated Pathway Network that Separates Uses
- Seating Nodes
- Clear + Welcoming Entries
- Playful/Interactive Elements
- Covered Outdoor Space

DESIGN APPROACH
- Series of small **seating nodes** and interpretive signage woven within habitat corridor
- Habitat corridor: habitat planting for birds and bats, bird watching opportunities from seating nodes, pollinator meadows
- Covered outdoor space for art and culture exhibition adjacent to Civic Plaza. Also used as dining space for everyday lunches and food truck/market events.
- Main **central art plaza** for residential entry with playful/interactive elements
- Multi-use pathway network that separates cyclists, rollerblading and skateboarding from pedestrians including wheelchairs and strollers



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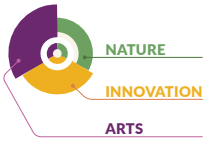

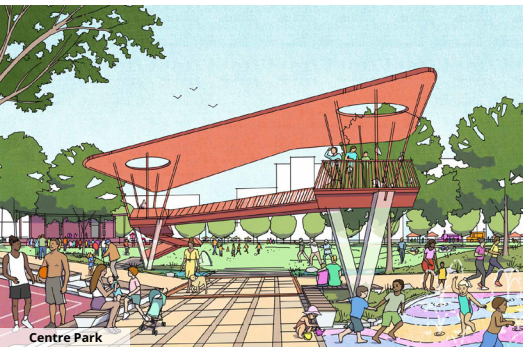
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