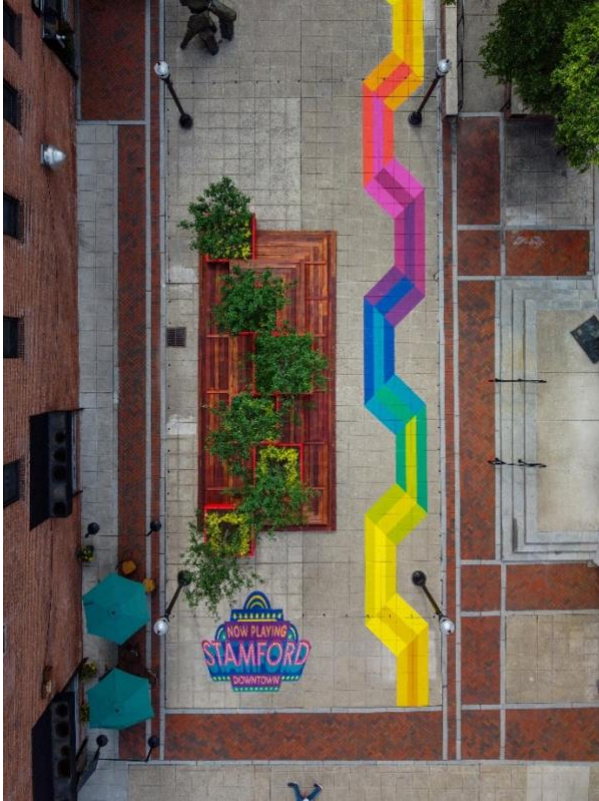


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STAMFORD DOWNTOWN'S KIWANIS PARK PLACEMAKING PROJECT



STAMFORD DOWNTOWN, Conn., July 26, 2022 - The Kiwanis Park Placemaking Project is the first project to emanate from Stamford Downtown's newly created Public Realm Enhancement Plan. The project at Kiwanis will beautify and re-activate an underutilized space within the geographic heart of the downtown while fostering communal gathering and pedestrian connectivity between Atlantic Street and Summer Street. The project includes the creation of a communal seating area constructed from South American Hardwood, which was chosen for its sustainable attributes as it is long-lasting and an environmentally-friendly alternative to plastic building products.

Stamford Downtown retained local muralist Lauren Clayton (studio162.com) to design and install two murals. The first forms a colorful walking path drawing pedestrians from the park's entrance at Atlantic Street to the rear steps leading toward Summer Street. The second mural is a 3D, anamorphic representation of a marquee billboard complemented by hand prints that encourage interaction for photo opportunities. Stantec (stantec.com) designed all site improvements at the park and Eastern Land Management (easternland.com) replaced all planting at the site with native plantings and trees. Festoon lighting, provided by the Christmas Lighting Company (christmaslightingcompany.com), has been strung between the four decorative light posts at the site to encourage nighttime use of the park.

To download additional photos of Kiwanis Park (69 Atlantic Street) and Lauren Clayton (Studio 162) with family/team, copy the link below and paste it to your internet browser.
<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/lliufuq23uw1cf9/AADh3ZOj-s5ISHQi8ZDttQjVa?dl=0>

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