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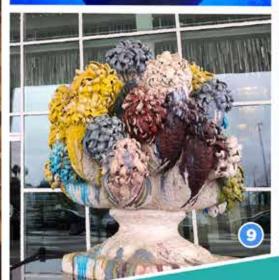


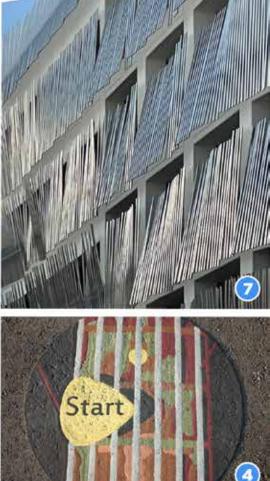












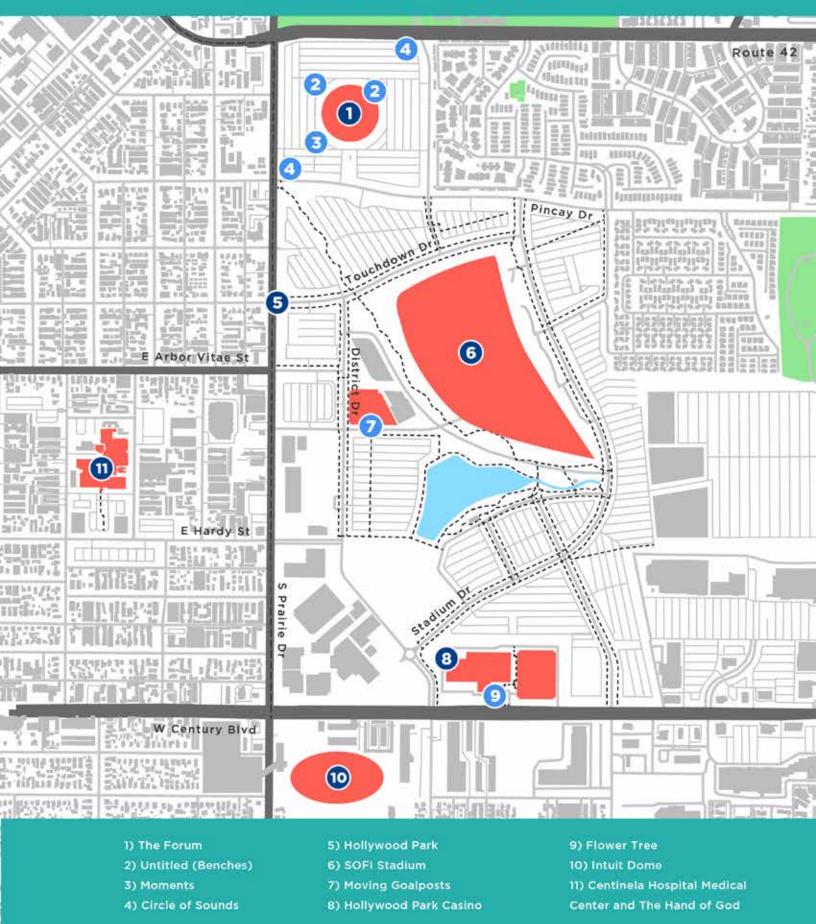


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## **The Forum** Charles Luckman, Architect

1965, Architecture 3900 Manchester Boulevard, Inglewood, California 90305

Inglewood's iconic 20th century architectural landmark is the Forum. Architect Charles Luckman's circular building was inspired by the Roman Coliseum. Completed in 1965, the Forum's monumental white columns stand in contrast to brilliant red walls. Tall exterior arches support the Forum's pillar-free interior with seating for 17,000. The Los Angeles Lakers called the Forum home from 1967 to 1999, giving Inglewood the City of Champions nickname. On the National Register of Historic Places, the Forum was renovated to preserve the exterior façade and upgrading venue acoustics, lighting and seating. A premiere concert venue, it remains an Inglewood landmark.

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#### 2 Circle of Sounds Michael Massenburg, Artist

2015, Inglewood Forum exterior 3900 Manchester Boulevard, Inglewood, California 90305

Michael Massenburg's *Circle of Sounds* is a pathway of markers identifying a one-mile circumambulation through the Forum parking lot. Conga drums, a saxophone, keyboard, violin, and other musical instruments played in the Forum's diverse amplified and acoustic concerts are represented in fifty-four circular medallions. Embedded in the iconic Forum parking lot, the markers connect music and community as a journey, responsive to the community use of the parking lot as a pedestrian exercise trail. Massenburg included four guitar-pick medallions on the quarter mile as incentives for all walking the mile-long perimeter. Circle of Sounds was commissioned as part of the Forum's 2014 – 2015 renovation.

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#### **3 Untitled (benches)** Gale McCall, Artist

2014, Inglewood Forum exterior 3900 Manchester Boulevard, Inglewood, California 90305

Gale McCall's bench sculptures create intimate lounges outside the Forum. Free for community use and concert-goers seating needs, the organic bench designs are fabricated in cast concrete with multiple perforations. These perforations contribute a surprising purple haze to nighttime concert events. These benches by an Inglewood sculptor, were part of a series of art commissions in support of the private percent for art requirement established by the City of Inglewood.





#### 4 Moments Michael Massenburg, Artist

2015, Inglewood Forum exterior 3900 Manchester Boulevard, Inglewood, California 90305

Moments depicts the Forum's history in a site-specific mural on a garden retaining wall near an entrance. Working from event photographs, the artist collaged and redrew the images to honor sports and cultural history including the 1982 Stanley Cup 'Miracle on Manchester' for the Los Angeles Kings. He included images of the Los Angeles Lakers consecutive NBA championships, the Davis Cup final and 1984 Summer Olympics, and other noted events. The mural references the Supremes, Mohammed Ali, Wayne Gretzky, and Kareem Abdul-Jabbar. Weaving moments into a tapestry, Massenburg honors the Forum as an international stage for greatness.

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#### **5** Hollywood Park Current Landscape Architect: Mia Lehrer Associates Original Architect: Arthur Froelich

Current 2020, Original 1938, Landscape 1000 -1050 South Prairie Avenue, Inglewood, CA 90303

Hollywood Park is a legendary Inglewood parcel. A horseracing track, it was built in 1938 by the Hollywood Turf Club. With deluxe finishes it was a magnet for Hollywood celebrities including Bing Crosby, Walt Disney, Samuel Goldwin, Al Jolson, Jack Warner and Darryl Zanuck. Horse celebrities Seabiscuit, Seattle Slew, and Affirmed ran the track, and jockey Willie Shoemaker was a reliable winner and beloved presence. The track closed in 2013.

Hollywood Park reopened in summer 2020 as an open space development with the landscaping plan by Mia Lehrer and Associates. Her design repurposed soils excavated from the sunken stadium's footprint into the perimeter berms, planted with low-water plantings. The six-acre water feature is a revitalization of the race track's original lake. With recirculated water, it adds beauty to public space.

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#### 6 SOFI Stadium HKS, Architect

2020, Architecture Hollywood Park, Inglewood, CA 90303

SOFI Stadium is a glittering and highly visible form covering five acres within Hollywood Park. A marvel of structural engineering, the perforated metal skin provides an open-air experience while protecting visitors from the elements. The 70,000-seat stadium hosts commercial sports and media events as well as community events. A related stadium enhancement is the Champions Plaza and the National Football League media center. A hotel, residential units, retail and office spaces, acres of parks and more artworks are planned.



# Moving Goalposts Ned Kahn, Artist

2021, NFL Media Campus Parking Structure Hollywood Park, Inglewood, CA 90303

Seeking to dematerialize the parking structure façade for the new headquarters of the National Football League's media campus, Ned Kahn created a public art treatment by reflecting light and responding to turbulence. His artwork consists of 4000 aluminum beams, mounted to the garage openings to allow them to sway in the wind. Each beam is counterweighted to return to vertical in between wind gusts. Ned Kahn designed this project in collaboration with Gensler Architects. This permanent public art was fabricated by Gizmo Art Productions.

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#### 8 Hollywood Park Casino Current Architect: JCJ Architecture Original Architect: Matlin Dvoretzky & Partners

Current 2016, Original 1992, Architecture 3883 West Century Boulevard, Inglewood, CA 90303

The impressive Hollywood Park Casino's porte cochére opens to 400,000 square feet of gaming space accessible to those 21 and over. A curated collection of original photographs and paintings are displayed inside. The original *Hollywood Park Casino* was the first United States casino to be located at a racetrack, added to transform the racing property into 'a bettor's paradise'. A swank cultural landmark for 20 years, the casino and track sold to Churchill Downs in 1999, then leased back the casino operators. In 2016 the original Casino was razed and operations moved to the new Casino on adjacent acreage.

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#### 9 Flower Tree Matthew Wedel, Artist

Hollywood Park Casino 3883 West Century Boulevard, Inglewood, CA 90303

Flower Tree, Matt Wedel's ceramic sculpture commissioned for the Hollywood Park Casino entrance of the new facility, is literally splashed with color. The polymorphous sculptural bouquet is situated on a marble-clad pedestal, in contrast with the black and white pavers of the Casino entrance. The gaming property developer and an art consultant, selected the artwork. Wedel's local graduate education and local gallery led to the commission. *Flower Tree* is the largest work in the Casino's art collection.



#### 10 Intuit Dome AECOM, Architect

Under Construction 3930 West Century Boulevard, Inglewood, CA 90303

The indoor sports arena for the Los Angeles Clippers is in construction and expected to be completed in 2024. The groundbreaking was held in September, 2021 to create an 18,000-seat basketball arena, practice facility, sports medicine clinic, team offices and retail space. Community amenities include 260,000 square feet for an outdoor plaza with basketball courts and significant works of public art in new media.

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#### 1 Centinela Hospital Medical Center and The Hand of God Multiple Architects Auguste Rodin, Artist

Hospital organization 1924, Original building 1960, The Hand of God artwork 1920 555 East Hardy Street, Inglewood, CA 90301

Centinela Hospital has served the residents of Inglewood and surrounding areas since 1924. The nonprofit center, noted for community services, maternity programs and trauma care, is the only hospital in Inglewood. The Hospital is also committed to art in the public places.

The Centinela Hospital Medical Center Court of Honor, an exterior plaza, holds a cast of *The Hand of God* by Auguste Rodin. The internationally noted French sculptor made two figures emerging from an irregular rock held by a large hand. The artwork may be read as a metaphor for creation and as the sculptor's creative hand.

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