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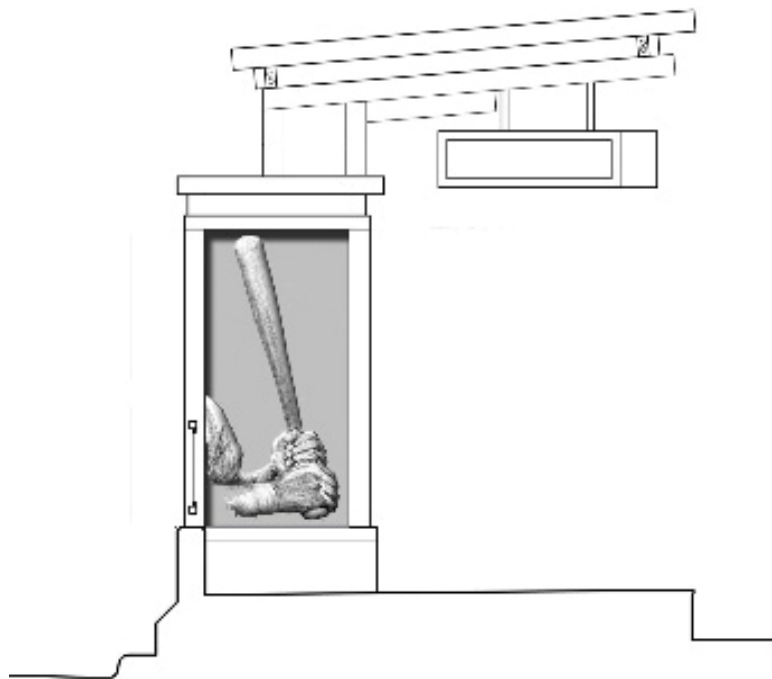
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Central Corridor Light Rail Transit

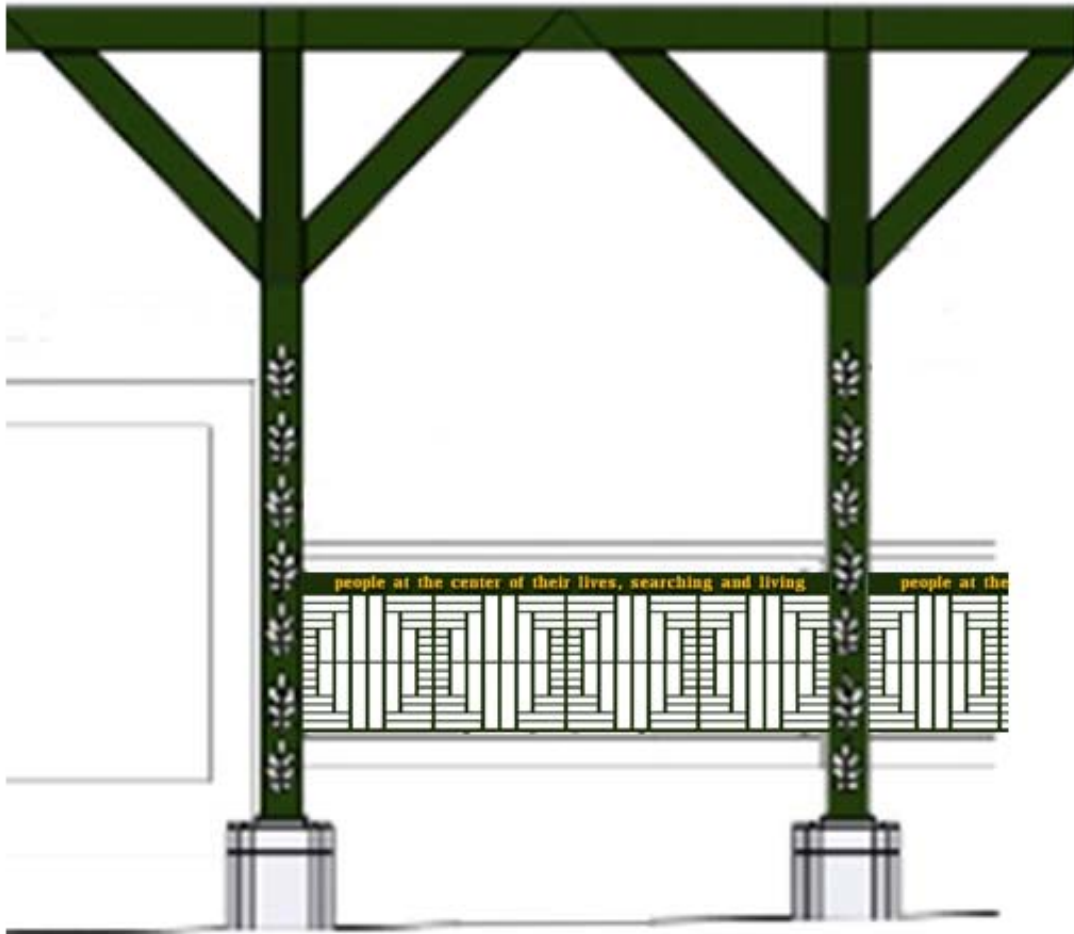
Lexington Parkway Station

Artist Seitu Jones developed this design for the Lexington Parkway LRT Station based on public input received at the station art visioning session held in March, feedback received at the June public meeting and on research and interviews:

- Unique light columns inspired by structural supports for the former Lexington Ball Park, original home of the St. Paul Saints
- Featuring the hands of Roy Campanella (former St. Paul Saint baseball player who played at the Lexington Ballpark) holding a baseball bat on the ends of the large panels on the train side of each platform (split side platform station)
- Tribute to the hackberry and ash trees in the area with cutouts in the light columns of leaves and hackberry leaves featured on the street side of the large panels on each platform
- Railing inset panels inspired by speed, direction, and movement in the area of the light columns
- Jones is working with Tou Saiko Lee, a local poet, to commission a poem about history and nature in metal band of the railing
- Jones is also working with emerging artists Roger Cummings, Satoka Muratake and Peyton on his three stations



Panel end featuring Roy Campanella at bat



Light columns inspired by Lexington Ball Park surround decorative railing

About the project: The Central Corridor Light Rail Transit Project will link downtown St. Paul and downtown Minneapolis along Washington and University avenues via the state Capitol and the University of Minnesota. Construction would begin in 2010 on the planned 11-mile Central Corridor line, with service beginning in 2014. The line would connect with the Hiawatha LRT line at the Metrodome station in Minneapolis and the Northstar commuter rail line, which will begin operation in late 2009, at the new Minneapolis Multimodal Station. The Metropolitan Council will be the grantee of federal funds. The regional government agency is charged with building the line in partnership with the Minnesota Department of Transportation. The Central Corridor Management Committee, which includes the mayors of St. Paul and Minneapolis, the University of Minnesota and commissioners from Ramsey and Hennepin counties, provides advice and oversight. The Central Corridor LRT Project Website is www.centralcorridor.org.