

Portland is a city of creators, makers, and adventurers. Often forgoing corporate consumption and repetition of the status quo, its inhabitants forge their own path to discovery and ultimately greater satisfaction.



The Green Loop is about experiences: appreciation for traveling through the city in a new way; camaraderie of sharing events with friends, neighbors, and fellow citizens; expanding one's limits by learning and developing new skills.



EXPLORE.  
CREATE.  
ENJOY.

EXPERIENCE  
PORTLAND



# EXPERIENCE PORTLAND: PROJECT NARRATIVE

Experience Portland follows the city's past successes of linking transportation and public spaces into a unified expression, affirming that urban spaces are for people and people are what make this city great. It provides exceptional active infrastructure that emphasizes the rewards and benefits of living in communities of higher density, such as access to amenities, human scale transit, and wider opportunities for connection.

The Activity Nodes and Green Loop path treatments were selected to emphasize the unique opportunities for growth and expression that exist in Portland, and also to create dynamic environments for users to expand the level of interaction with others and their surroundings.

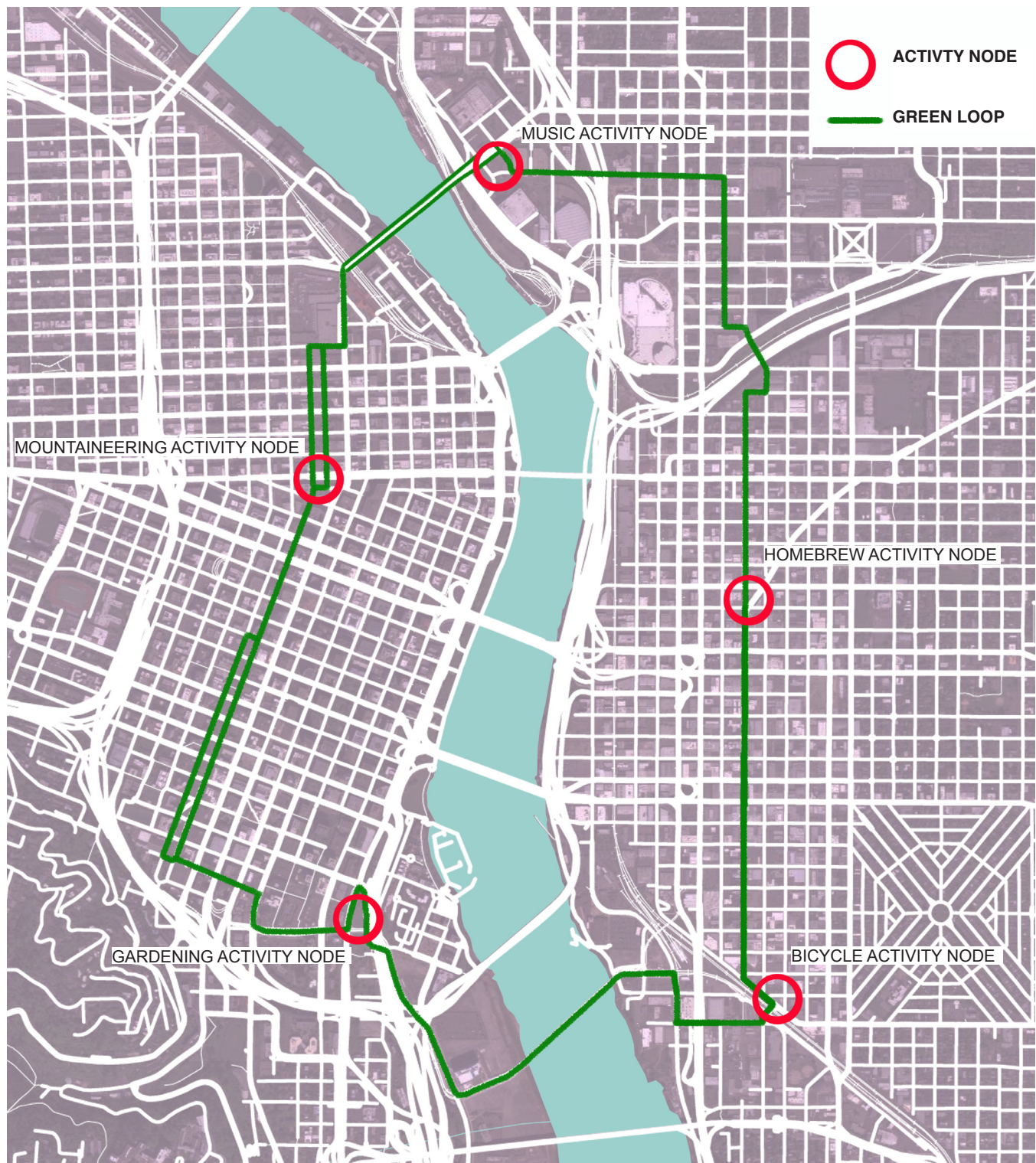
The proposed Activity Node and Green Loop locations, amenities, alignments, and other treatments are ambitious but also realistic. They are primarily located on existing Right of Way area that is currently vacant or undefined. Where private property is impacted, the proposed revisions improve the existing condition and greatly enhance the potential of the Green Loop. The infrastructure and built elements envisioned by Experience Portland are modest investments that have a great possibility to increase quality of life for Portlanders, both economically and experientially.





# THE GREEN LOOP MASTERPLAN

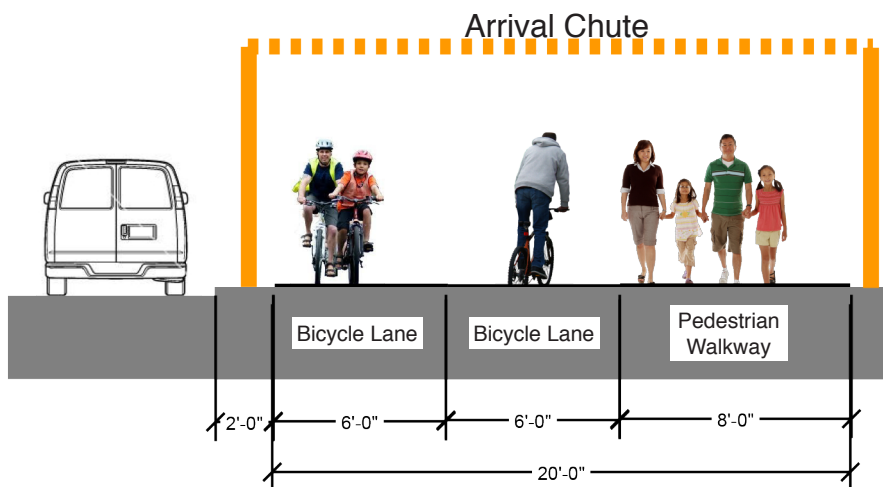
You are invited to Experience Portland by utilizing the Green Loop as a path that connects five Activity Nodes, among many other destinations and districts within Central Portland. The theme of each Activity Node was selected for its importance to Portland's unique lifestyle and culture.



# THE GREEN LOOP PATH: ARRIVAL CHUTE

To emphasize the importance of the Green Loop, Arrival Chutes are provided for approximately two city blocks at the entrance and exit of each Activity Node.

The Arrival Chute informs Green Loop users that they are entering the realm of an Activity Node. It heightens the experience of the approach to their destination and entices visitors and locals to explore and utilize the Green Loop.



Typical Arrival Chute Section

**Gardening**  
Garden Tunnel



**Bicycles**  
Bicycle Archway



**Homebrew**  
Hops Trellis



**Music**  
Windpipe Procession



**Mountaineering**  
Bouldering Wall

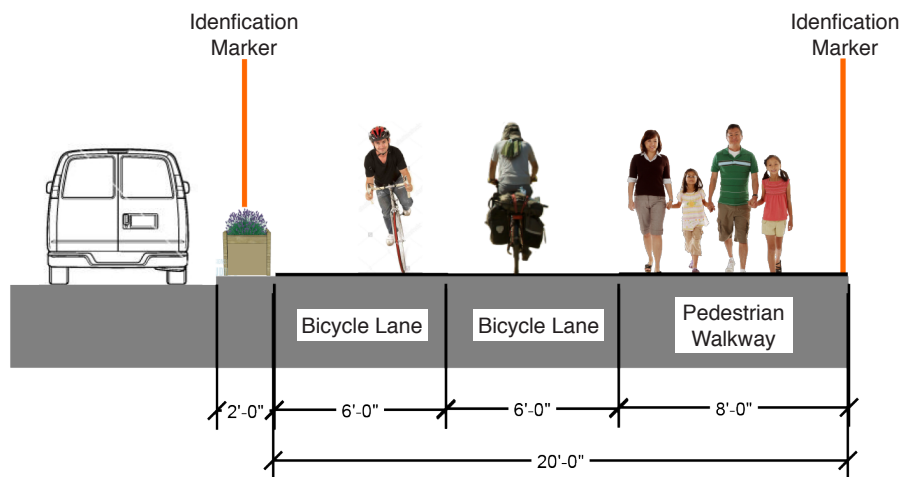




# THE GREEN LOOP PATH: IDENTIFICATION MARKERS

The path of the Green Loop is just as essential as the Activity Nodes it connects. Identification Markers will be placed approximately one per city block between Arrival Chutes, signifying the direction of the nearest Activity Node. This wayfinding element helps users understand that they are on the Green Loop, which direction of travel leads towards a particular Activity Node, and extends the experience of the Activity Node along the entire Green Loop.

While the Activity Nodes provide destinations and stopping points, both the Activity Chutes and especially the Identification Markers are only experienced while walking, running, or bicycling on the Green Loop.



Typical Green Loop Section

**Gardening**  
Garden Post



**Bicycles**  
Bicycle Sculpture



**Homebrew**  
Hops Tower



**Music**  
Speakers with Music



**Mountaineering**  
Bouldering Rocks



# FOUR LEVELS OF EXPERIENCE



## 1. OBSERVE

As you're passing by, pause with others to admire the gardeners tending, the mechanics working, the climbers ascending, the musicians playing, and the brewers, well... brewing.



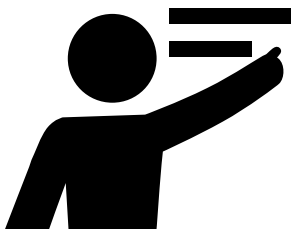
## 2. PARTICIPATE

Engage with the Green Loop by taking home fresh veggies from the urban farmers market, tuning up your bike, climbing the rock wall, dancing with the music, or enjoying a beer.



## 3. LEARN

Classes and exhibits further enhance people's appreciation and involvement. What's the best way to cook nettles? What hops are grown in the Northwest?



## 4. TEACH

Know something special? Share it using the Green Loop's learning facilities.



# GARDENING NODE: INSPIRATION IMAGERY



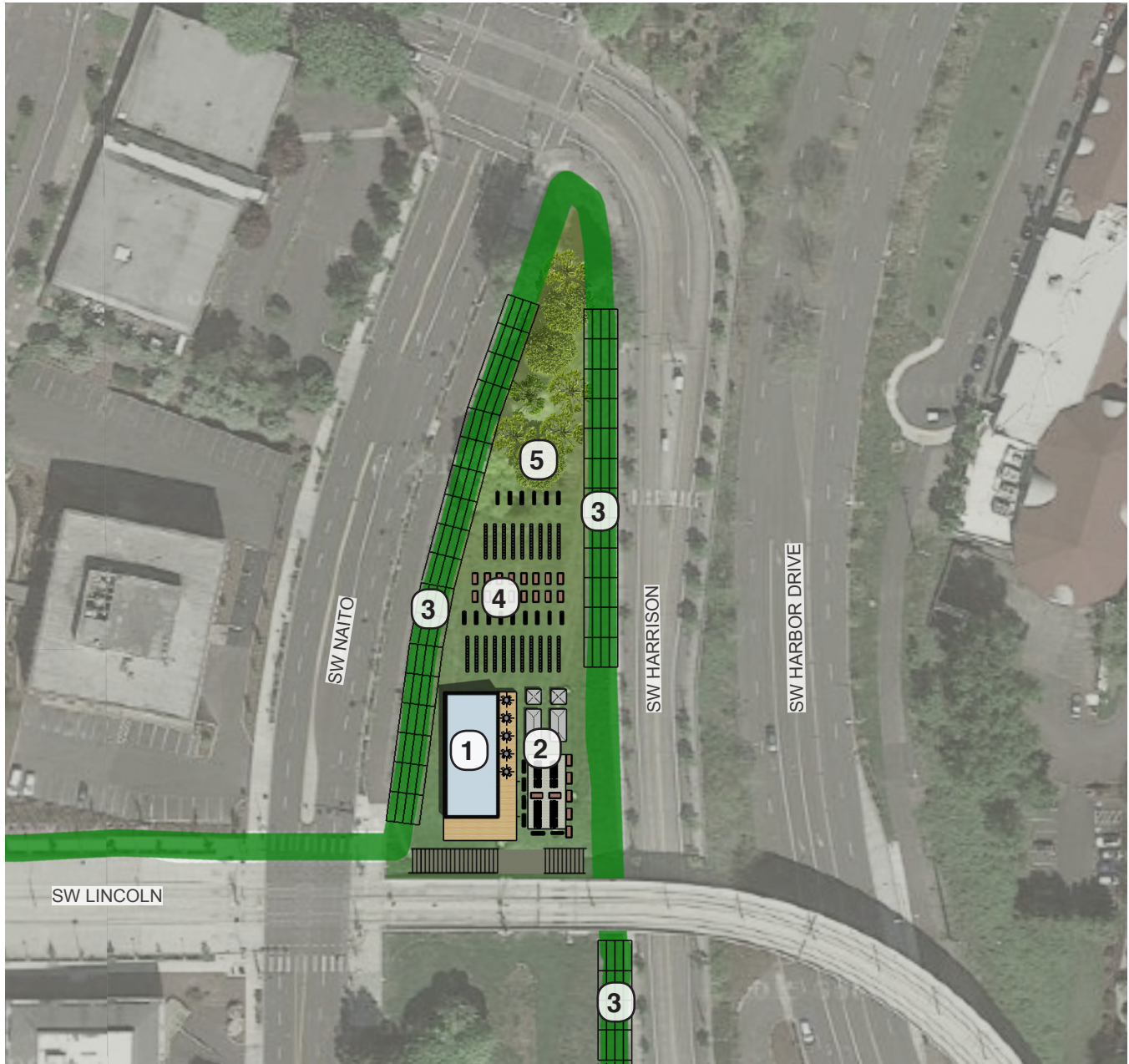
Enjoy the beauty of an urban garden on your commute to work.  
Purchase fresh vegetables for dinner.  
Attend a cooking class with a date.  
Gather with friends for a meal in the garden.





# GARDENING NODE: SITE PLAN

At the bluff between SW Naito and SW Harrison, the most bicycle friendly path was selected for the Green Loop. The path follows a gradual slope, rather than a series of steep and potentially dangerous switchbacks. The path is enhanced by the vegetable tunnel Arrival Chute. The Green Loop extends beyond to SW Lincoln to the west and under the light rail viaduct to the south.



## 1. GARDENING CENTER

Cooking demonstration area, restaurant, and market.

## 2. PATIO

Space for gardeners to sell their fresh harvest to passers by. Tables are nestled in the garden for intimate al fresco dining.

## 3. ARRIVAL CHUTE

Passing under a live, vegetable tunnel signifies the entrance to the Urban Gardening Activity Node.

## 4. GARDEN

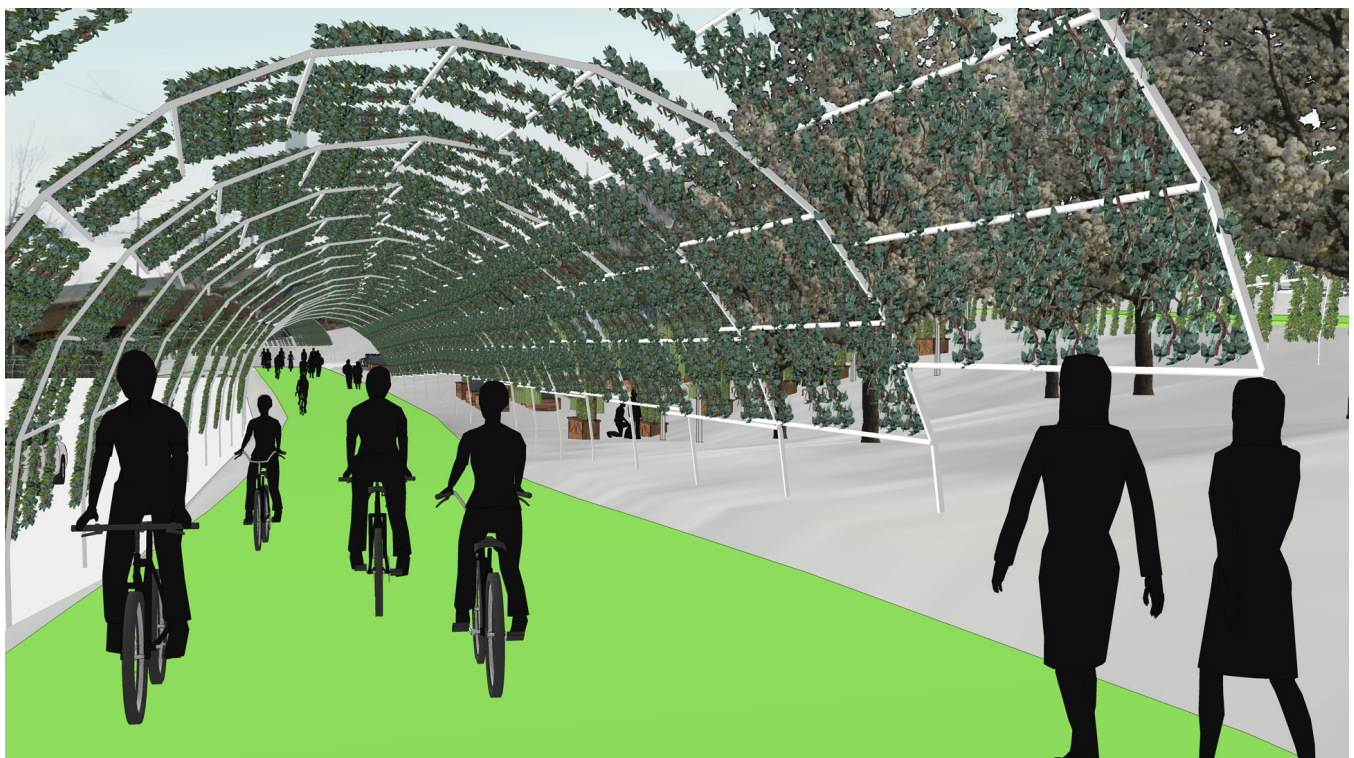
Terraces and raised beds climb the sloped site, creating a peaceful and productive garden.

## 5. ORCHARD

The north edge of the Urban Gardening Activity Node is comprised of a dense food forest.

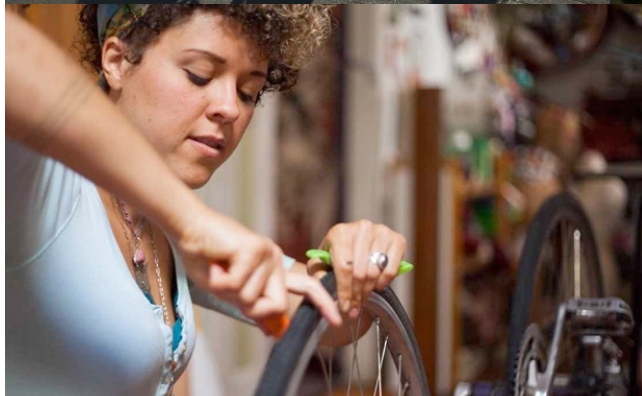


# GARDENING NODE: EXPERIENTIAL PERSPECTIVES





# BICYCLE NODE: INSPIRATION IMAGERY



Celebrate the freedom and power of the bicycle!  
Learn maintenance and repair techniques.  
Share tips for mountain biking and touring.  
Meet up for group rides.





# BICYCLE NODE: SITE PLAN

To make the most of this site, we advocate for expanding the node for 1/2 block into SE Sherman St. There a dedicated building can be erected to house maintenance classes, bike club meetings, and other events.



## 1. LEARNING CENTER

Repair, maintenance, technique, this building is dedicated to sharing knowledge about the bicycle.

## 2. REPAIR STANDS

Outdoor repair stands for easy bike work.

## 3. ARRIVAL CHUTE

Bicycle inspired archways and sculptures announce the entry to the Bicycle Node.

## 4. BIKE PARKING

Ample places to park.

# HOME BREW NODE: INSPIRATION IMAGERY



Absorb the vibe as the after work crowd meets for happy hour. Indulge in a much deserved pint after a long bicycle ride. Chat with a brewing enthusiast about the challenges and rewards of their craft. Drop in for a homebrewing class, treat your friends and family to a round of your own creation.



# HOME BREW NODE: SITE PLAN

The Green Loop runs in a straight path on SE 7th and continues adjacent to the Homebrew Node.



## 1. HOMEBREW CENTER

Brewing demonstration area, brewing equipment, retail space, informal bar.

## 2. BEER GARDEN

Courtyard space creates an inviting urban refuge.

## 3. CAFE

Small cafe area allows inhabitants a more public gathering space to see and be seen.

## 4. ARRIVAL CHUTE

Entrance to the Homebrew Node is defined with a series of hops trellises that are both visually and aromatically stimulating.



# MUSIC NODE: INSPIRATION IMAGERY



Enjoy the sights & sounds of a performance.  
Attend a music class, learn an instrument.  
Ask someone to dance.  
Play with friends.





# MUSIC NODE: SITE PLAN

The Green Loop extends across both sides of the Broadway Bridge and joins together at the intersection of N Broadway and N Larrabee. It passes along the Music Node and continues east on N Ramsay.



**1. MUSIC CENTER**  
Classroom, coffee shop,  
and rehearsal space.

**2. MUSIC  
PLAYGROUND**  
Outdoor instruments for  
visitors, young and old,  
to experiment, enjoy, and  
engage.

**3. AMPITHEATER**  
A small performance  
venue is nestled in the  
natural contours of the  
site with a stage for  
performers, dancers, and  
musicians.

**4. ARRIVAL CHUTE**  
Proximity to the Music  
Node is expressed with  
stainless steel pipes  
of a variety of heights,  
creating sound as wind  
passes through.



# MOUNTAINEERING NODE: INSPIRATION IMAGERY



Celebrate the wilderness inside the city.  
Watch climbers on the urban rock walls, or  
appreciate the view as you climb to the top.  
Hang out with friends by the campfire.  
Just as Jamison Square brings the beach,  
the Mountaineering Node brings the mountains.





# MOUNTAINEERING NODE: SITE PLAN

The Green Loop crosses W Burnside at the North Park Blocks. Using both Park Ave and 8th Ave north of SW Ankeny, it then combines and continues south on SW Park. Along the North Park Blocks trees and a traverse wall define the Arrival Chute.



## 1. LEARNING CENTER

A meeting space for mountaineering clubs and climbing classes. Picnic tables available for people to stop and relax.

## 2. CLIMBING TOWERS

Outdoor rock walls give people a place to climb, and passerbys a sight to enjoy.

## 3. CAMPFIRE

A gas fire surrounded by permanent concrete 'logs' complete the mountain experience.

## 4. ARRIVAL CHUTE

Trees on one side and a low, horizontal climbing wall on the other.



# MOUNTAINEERING NODE: EXPERIENTIAL PERSPECTIVES

