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St. Paul, Minnesota

TITLE	<i>St. Paul Cultural Garden</i>
LOCATION	St. Paul, Minnesota
DESCRIPTION	In an investigation of the cultural landscape surrounding the Mississippi corridor in St. Paul, MN, Cliff Garten conceived of and led this two year project collaborating with five poets and other visual artists. Through a combination of text and sculpture, a garden was designed to investigate issues of racism in American public life. Perched over the Mississippi river, the garden navigates the diverse history of the city through a series of artistic gestures to the urban and historical landscape.
DATE	1991-1993
MEDIUM	Granite, bronze, wood, basalt, water-jet cut steel, core ten steel, mosaic, planting
DIMENSIONS	100'x75'
COMMISSIONED BY	The Saint Paul Foundation, the St. Paul Department of Bridges, the St. Paul Department of Parks and Recreation and Ramsey County
FABRICATION	Cold Spring Granite Co., Cold Spring, MN, Fabrication
LANDSCAPE CONTRACTOR	Keenan and Svieren
POETS	T. Aiken, Sandra Benitez, Soyini Guyton, Roberta Hill-Whiteman, John Minczeski, David Mura, Xeng Sue Yang
VISUAL ARTISTS	Ta-coumba, Armando Gutierrez G.
CLIENT/REFERENCE	Christine Podas-Larson, Public Art St. Paul, (651) 290-0921
PUBLIC PROCESS	Public Art St. Paul, Public Art Administration