

Tempe Marketplace Stylons

Art in Private Development Fact Sheet



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Photo: Craig Smith

Location

Rio Salado Parkway just west of the 101 freeway

Artist

Brandon Sullivan

Completion

2007

Medium

Steel pylon, photography on vinyl

Description: Tempe Marketplace is not a mall, it is a destination that it prides itself in being the new, hip location for Valley residents to shop, dine and hang out. The artwork that fills the space is designed to inspire, challenge and add dimension to the lives of each resident that visits the center. Each of the nearly 30 feet high graphic signs that line the expansive space of the Marketplace evoke feelings of fun, relaxation and a hint of adventure – all qualities that a patron is looking to experience on a day trip out to the Marketplace's stores, or a night out at one of its many restaurants with friends and family.

Funding: This project was funded by the individual developer as a requirement of Tempe's Art in Private Development Ordinance.

Artist biography: Brandon Sullivan is a local photographer who has lived in the Valley for over 15 years. Sullivan graduated from Central Michigan University in 1998 with a Bachelor of Science Degree and a Bachelor of Applied Arts degree, majoring in Two Dimensional Arts (Photography) as well as Psychology. Brandon has held the position of Photo Editor for two local magazines and his exhibition experience includes The Phoenix Art Museum: Design in the Atomic Age (2003), Saginaw Museum of Arts Annual Photo Show (1999) and the Metro Times Photo Awards Showing (1999).

Artist statement: The photography is meant to function as one with the elements that are intertwined throughout the property for those visiting the center, as it should also incorporate a sense of community identity for the city of Tempe.