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Lessons Learned from Sacramento United Park(ing) Day 2014





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1 Introduction:

Presenting



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- President, CA Sierra Chapter ASLA (2011-2012)
- Vice President, California Council ASLA (2013-2014)
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- Member, National Public Relations and Communications Advisory Committee (2013-current)

Organizer: Sacramento United Park(ing) Day 2013 & 2014

1 Introduction:

What is 'Sacramento United Park(ing) Day?'



Sacramento United Park(ing) Day is...

A yearly event aimed to draw together the design and engineering community of Sacramento where we transform one block of 20th Street into a series of temporary public parks knitted together to raise awareness of green space in the urban fabric of our community. By grouping our efforts together and working with the City to secure permits, we streamline the process, eliminate fees, and enable more groups to participate.



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PARK(ing) Day 2014



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second annual

FRIDAY 10A - 6P SEPT 19 BETWEEN J+K

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Learn more at: www.asla-sierra.org/parkingday

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SACRAMENTO UNITED PARK(ing) DAY IS PART OF AN ANNUAL WORLDWIDE EVENT WHERE ARTISTS, DESIGNERS, AND CITIZENS TRANS-FORM METERED PARKING STALLS INTO A SERIES OF TEMPORARY PUBLIC PARKS.

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Welcome 2014 Sacramento United Park(ing) Day Teams!

"From public parks to free health clinics, from art galleries to demonstration gardens, PARK(ing) Day participants have claimed the metered parking space as a rich new territory for creative experimentation, activism, socializing and play," John Bela, Park(ing) Day Founder.

PARK(ing) Day is an international annual event in which activists and citizens transform metered parking spaces into temporary public parks and other social spaces. PARK(ing) Day was invented in 2005 by Rebar, a San Francisco-based art and design studio, to encourage people to rethink the way streets are used. Since then, PARK(ing) Day has grown into an international event taking place in over 160 cities on 6 continents.

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LETS BUILD ON THE SUCCESS OF LAST YEAR'S EVENT!





SCHEDULE AND DETAILS

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Location:	20th Street between J Street and K Street	1	THE REALLY IMPORTANT STUFF:
Date:	Friday, September 19th 2014	0 V(20th St will be open to traffic . Designs must include some sort of barrier or other element to prevent participants and visitors from renturing into the travel lane. Installations that do not have any type of parrier will be provided with unsightly orange traffic cones.
8am-10am	Setup	Ŷ	Your installation must not exceed the dimensions of your
10am-6pm	Open to the Public	W fa	Assigned PARK(ing) spot. They can not overhang into the travel lane. We recommend that you visit your spot in person to determine other actors (curb height, pedestrian circulation, etc.) that may influence design. Our permit does not allow overhead structures with a solid roof.
5pm	Voting closes		Il installations and materials must be cleared away by 8pm.
5:30pm	Awards!		our group is responsible for obtaining and installing all materials, as well s disposing of them or otherwise reusing them at the end of the event.
6pm-8pm**	Teardown**	ir	ach team will be given an 11"x17" team sign to display on your nstallation. Display in a visible location so people know who to vote for! Thank your volunteers and donors here!
** All teams are invited to move their parklets to the 2nd Annual Rooftop Pop-Up Park event hosted by Rooftop Alliance at the parking structure one block to the south on 20th between K & L. The event will run Friday- Sunday. More details to follow!!!		Р	Please no additional signs/advertising on or near your displays

...and please tweet! 😏 @ParkingDaySac



PARK(ing) SPOTS

Once you RSVP, you will be assigned a Parking Spot for you installation which corresponds with the numbers on the map below. We will accommodate requests for specific spaces on a first come, first served basis.

STALLS 1-12:

The dimension for these stalls will be $7.5 \times 21'$ curb to edge. These are not permanently striped, so they will be chalked the day of the event.

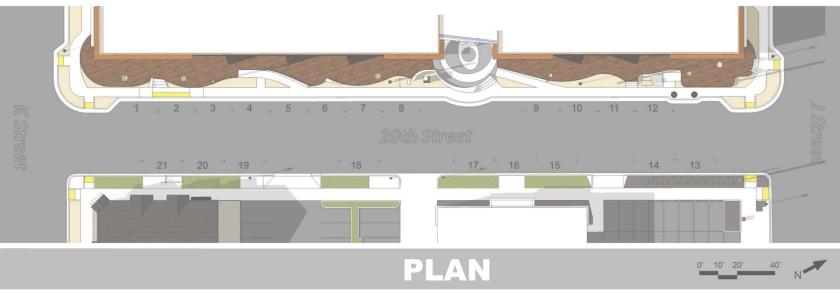
Stalls 13-21:

Most of these stalls are permanently striped and vary in size. Please visit your location to verify the size if you are assigned one of these spots.

EDGE CONDITIONS, SIZE AND AND SLOPE VARY!

PLEASE VISIT YOUR SPOT BEFOREHAND!





THE AWARDS

PEOPLE'S CHOICE

Attendees and participants may vote for their favorite installation (other than their own).

PARKLET-READY

This will be awarded to the installation that has the most potential to be installed as a semi-permanent parklet under the City of Sacramento's Parklet Pilot Program (manual available online). The guidelines for a semi-permanent parklet do not all need to be met to win this award.

MOST SUSTAINABLE

This could be best use of reclaimed materials, an educational installation that engages the public and demonstrates sustainable design, or some other creative design that showcases sustainable practices.

Awards will not be of cash value and mostly confer gloating rights and online recognition.

THANK YOU for your interest and participation!

If you have additional questions or haven't yet reserved your PARK(ing) spot, email parkingday@asla-sierra.org or visit asla-sierra.org/parkingday

Feel free to share this information and invite friends, family, colleagues, and coworkers to participate!



2 Media:

Our Diverse Media Outreach Strategy and Messaging

a. Press Releases

- » Chapter Release
- » City Release

b. Social Media

- » Chapter Facebook
- » Setup Event-specific Twitter Account

c. Self-Publication on Community Calendars

- d. Cross-Event Marketing
- » Parklet Pilot Program 2nd RFP Release
- » UPARK 2014
- e. Professional Photography





2a Chapter Press Release

- 1 page formal release
- 6 pages of images
- Sent 10 days prior
 - Ran Draft by Terry & Karen
- Sent to:
 - KCRA
 - KOVR
 - Midtown Business Assoc.
 - Sacramento Bee
 - News10
 - Sac Business Journal



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

NEWS

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Find more information at: www.asla-sierra.org/parkingday and at the ASLA info table on the day of the event! # # #

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see images of last year's event!



2a City Press Release and RFP

- Worked with the City to develop separate release
- Proposed and successfully ٠ achieved a coordinated Parklet RFP #2 release
- Had City staff on judging • panel
- City staff invited council • members to the event

Request for Proposals "Pilot Parklet" For Temporary Sidewalk Extensions JN:15122 Bid#:P151661003



City of Sacramento Department of Public Works

Date: September 19, 2014

Proposals Due by 4:00 PM, November 3, 2014 Matt Winker **Department of Public Works Parking Services Division** 300 Richards Blvd, Second Floor, Suite 213 Sacramento, CA 95811

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4. on November 3, 2014 to:

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OSALS

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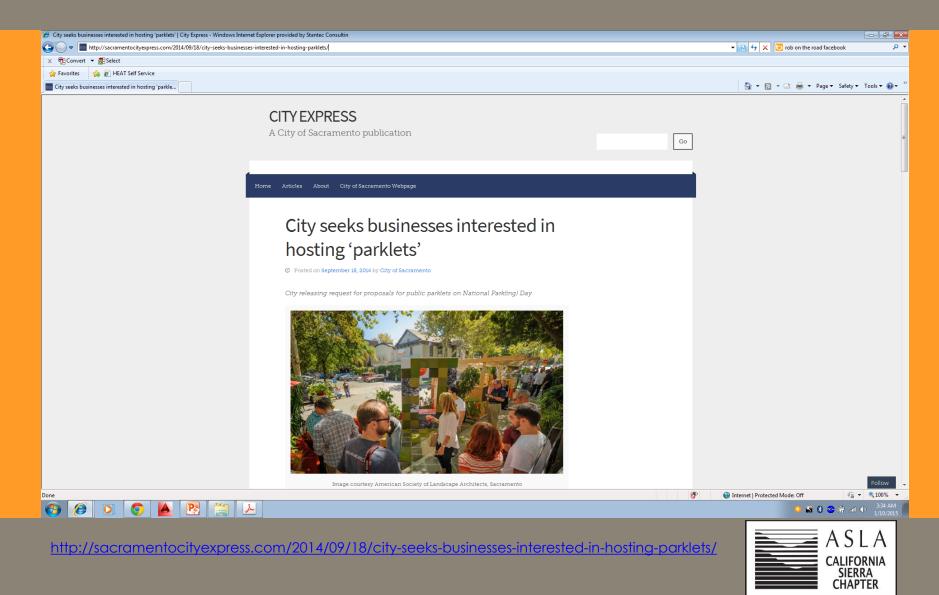
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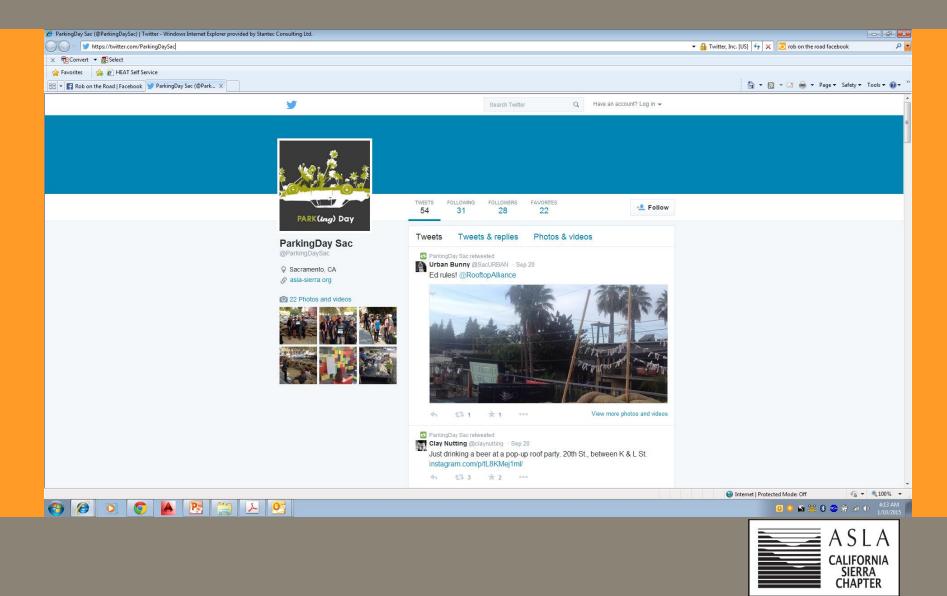


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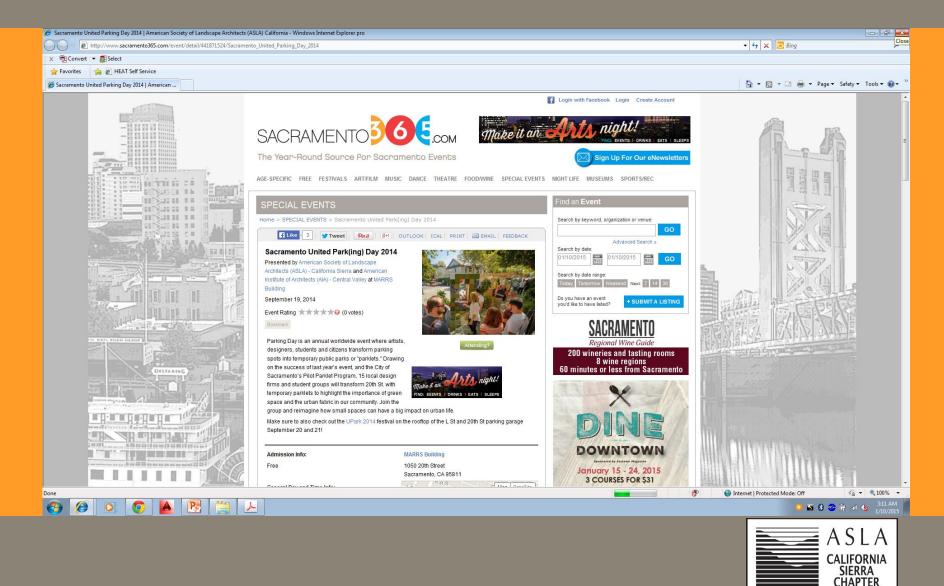


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26 Social Media: TWITTER



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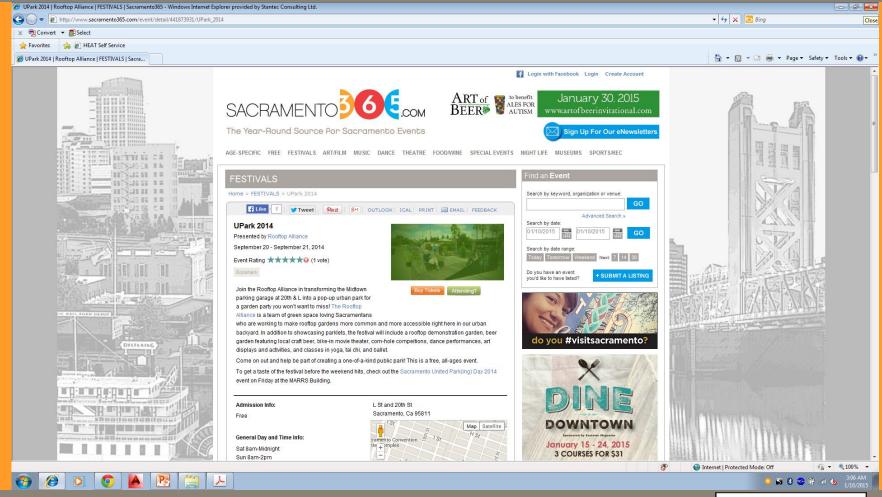


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	group and reimagine how small spaces can have a b Make sure to also check out the UPark 2014 festival o		BUSINESS Save the Date					
	September 20 and 21!	in the roomop of the L St and 20th St parking garage	BUSINESS Save the Date Wednesday, January 21, 2015					
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2d Partnership: UPark 2014





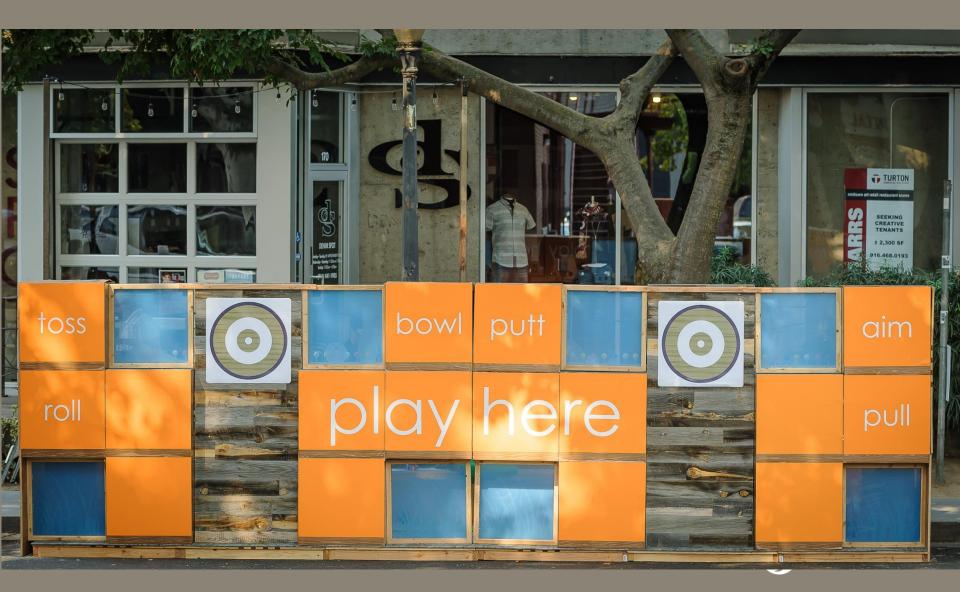


















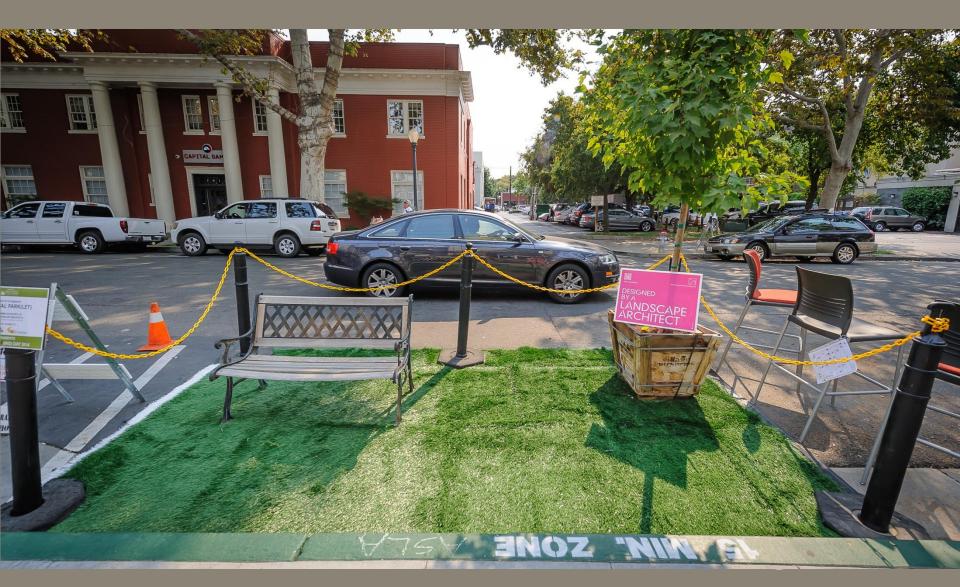
















3 media...?

Why aren't they responding? Will they show up?

- Understand you compete with other 'more sensational' stories
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- Be prepared for day-of coverage
- Know who the topic reporters are and approach directly
- Establish working relationships with topic reporters

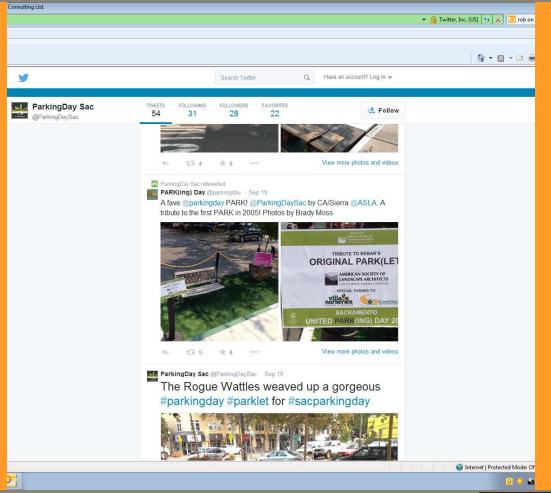
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Who showed up and how did it go?

- TWITTER response
- Rob an the Road (KVIE)
- FOX40NEWS
- INHABITAT

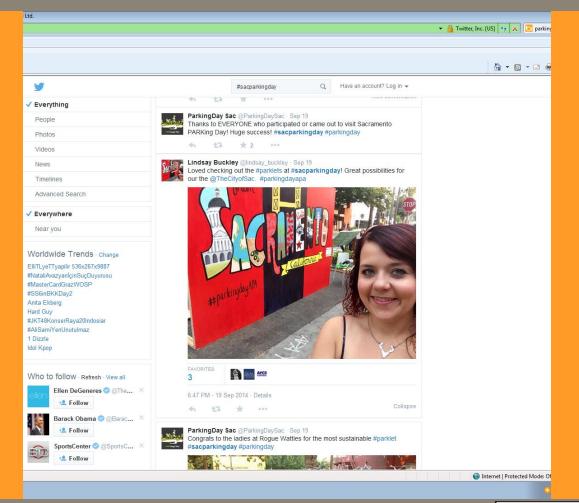


4 TWITTER response Tweet by Park(ing) Day Founders





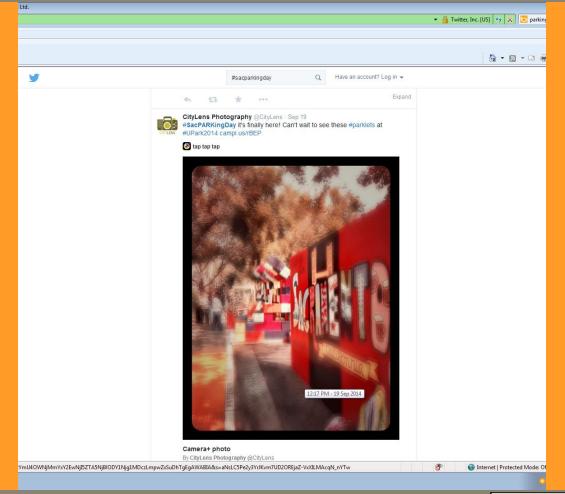
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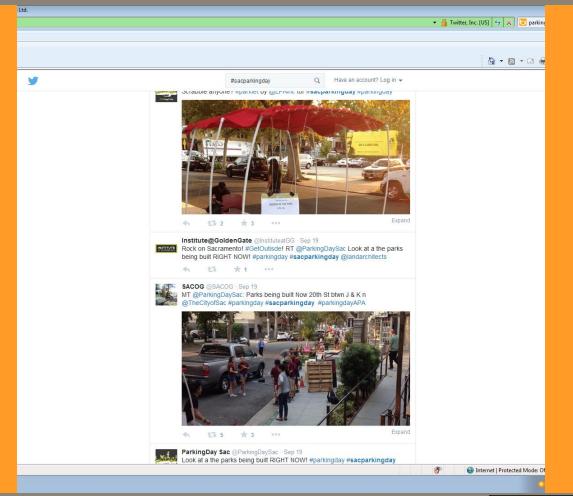
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Local Photographers





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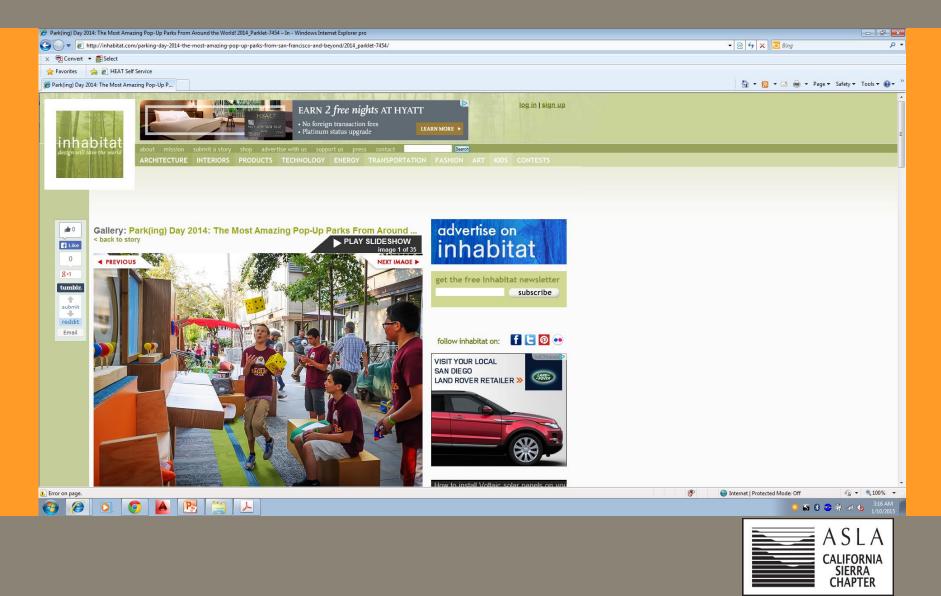
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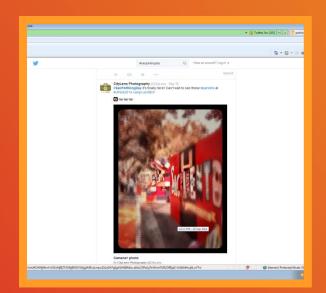


INHABITAT



5 Conclusions

- **Plan Early** \bullet
- **Collaborate with Allied Groups** \bullet
- **Diversify your Pitch** \bullet
- Location (social media, calendars, flyers) **》**
- Messaging **》**
- **Get Creative** •







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