

**Centennial &
Automobile Buildings**



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In 1997, ARCHITEXAS was commissioned by the Dallas Park and Recreation Department to prepare a master plan for the Esplanade, Automobile and Centennial Buildings at Fair Park. Fair Park is a National Historic Landmark site containing the largest collection of Art Deco buildings in the U.S. The Plan identified \$32 million in construction cost to restore and reconstruct the “missing elements,” those small scale elements such as flags, lights and furnishings that gave the 1936 Texas Centennial Exposition its character. Seven phases of work have been completed to date. The master plan was later integrated into the Fair Park Comprehensive Development Plan, completed in 2002, with Hargreaves & Associates.

Location

Dallas, Texas

Project Duration

Multiple projects from 1997 – current

Cost of Construction

Phase I Centennial	\$4.2 million
Phase I Automobile	\$1.0 million
Phase II Centennial	\$0.8 million
Mural Conservation	\$1.9 million
Sculpture Conservation	\$0.6 million
Esplanade Fountains	\$0.3 million
Mural Protection	\$1.1 million
Total	\$9.9 million

Square Footage

18,500 sf; 20,000 sf

Scope of Services

Master planning
Full architectural services
Art conservation management
Grant writing

Awards and Publications

Historic Preservation Honor Award for Fair Park, National Trust for Historic Preservation

Restoration Building Award for Centennial Building, Preservation Texas

Preservation Achievement Award, Centennial Building, Preservation Dallas

Preservation Achievement Award, Esplanade Fountains, Preservation Dallas

“Centennial Building Rehabilitation” Online, National Park Service www.nps.gov

Texas Architect “Faded Glory” – Mural Conservation at Fair Park, July/August 2001

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