2022 Honorable Mention
Place Design

Yanaguana Garden
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Yanaguana Garden is set in a context that celebrates San Antonio’s legacy as a multicultural community, setting a new standard of community-building through play. Extensive outreach and input from the community made this garden a major destination for residents of San Antonio and visitors alike. The community contributed to the environmental and sustainability themes, as well as the educational and health component, adding an emotional bond to the place. The impact of Yanaguana Garden on the area and region is impressive, as is its catalytic function for economic development and the future of the Hemisfair Park Area, in which the project is located.

It’s heartening to see the many ways the community was engaged in the park’s development, how cultural heritage was respected and celebrated, and how the resulting project is welcoming to all.