

Stratford's Art in the Public Realm: Project Mapping, May 2010

The table below lists major development sites where opportunities for commissioning art in the public realm in Stratford are being considered, and key commissions (both realised and in development) that are happening in the area.

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High Street 2012 (incl Stratford High Street)	London Thames Gateway Development Corporation (LTGDC), London Development Agency/Design for London (LDA/DfL), with LB Newham and LB Tower Hamlets	DfL, LB Newham, LB Tower Hamlets, TFL, English Heritage and LTGDC	DfL, LB Newham, LB Tower Hamlets, English Heritage, LTGDC	High St 2012 aims to improve the A11/A18 corridor. It forms part of the Olympic Marathon route and transects some of the most disadvantaged neighbourhoods in London, but is historically rich, culturally diverse and links to parks, green routes and waterways. The vision is to create a world class thriving high street which reconciles use by pedestrians and cars, attracts locals, Londoners and tourists alike and reflects community, history and wellbeing.	Lighting and public art opportunities, see Stratford High Street Public Realm below.	Vision study is complete. Lighting and public art to be delivered by March 2011 (Stratford High Street end)	50 years	LB Newham
Stratford High Street Public Realm	LB Newham/LTGDC	LB Newham/ LTGDC, LDA/DfL	LTGDC, LBN, DLR. LTGDC funding works at Bridge Rd; new DLR station funded through DLRL	The aim of the project is to transform the stretch of the A11 that connects Bow flyover to Stratford Town Centre, which will form part of the Olympic and Paralympics marathon route. Public realm improvements will result in a desirable place to live, work and relax. It also includes improvements to create a front entrance for Discover on the high street - these works will be completed in spring 2010.	AECOM appointed as the design team for Stratford High Street, apart from the area covered by DLR improvements (see below). AECOM have produced an overarching pallet of materials for use along the High Street. Lighting and public art opportunities to create permanent commissions that will stand the test of time, helping the area to feel more attractive, welcoming and safe for local people and to lift the image of Stratford High Street - includes enhanced lighting, street furniture and wayfinding. Opportunities for artist commissions.	Brief for art consultants/artists out May 2010. Completion by March 2011	50 years	LB Newham
A11 Bow Footbridge and Walkway	British Waterways	British Waterways, Leaside Regeneration, LTGDC, DfL	LTGDC	Access improvements in progress along the Lea Navigation underneath the A11 Bow Flyover at the bottom end of Stratford High Street. The new footbridge and walkway will provide a continuous footpath and cycle route.	Architects Adams & Sutherland commissioned to provide concept designs - includes lighting underneath the bridge. The design team includes Lighting Consultant, Martin Lupton, and Lighting Designer and Public Artist, Esther Robinson. Stage D designs completed (March 2010).	Subject to funding, this project would be completed in 2010/11 or 2011/12	50 years	British Waterways
River Lea Boat Project (Stage 1)	British Waterways	LTGDC, British Waterways, Olympic Delivery Authority (ODA)	LTGDC	LTGDC Olympic Fringe and developments in the Lower Lea Valley and Olympic Park Legacy include revitalising the waterways. New moorings are proposed at Three Mills and Old Ford Lock - the latter is adjacent to The Greenway, the Olympic Park and Hackney Wick & Fish Island. Accessible moorings will provide the infrastructure for new boat services along the Lea Navigation before, during and after the 2012 Games.	Local artist involved on the design team for the moorings infrastructure.	Stage 1 due to be completed Spring 2010	N/A	N/A
Stratford International Extension (SIE)	Client: Docklands Light Railway (DLR); Art Direction: Modus Operandi Art Consultants	Client: DLR; Design team: Skanska/Grant Rail (inc. Weston Williamson Architects); Modus Operandi Art Consultants; Toby Paterson (artist). Key potential delivery partners: LB Newham.	DLR	6km DLR Stratford International extension converting the North London Line (NLL) between Stratford and Canning Town to DLR operation identified as an opportunity within the DLR public art strategy.	Toby Paterson was appointed as principal artist for the DLR Stratford International route. Commission will include line-wide colour palette, bespoke glazing/ceramic fritting at each station along the route. Large scale wall-based relief sculptures at Canning Town and Stratford International DLR stations are planned, subject to funding.	SI extension due to open in mid 2010	20 years (tbc)	Ownership of works DLRL. Maintenance part of contractual obligation with DLRL and operator and/or franchisee.
What Will the Harvest Be?	Friends of Abbey Gardens (FOAG)/LB Newham	Nina Pope & Karen Guthrie (artists). Initiated by FOAG, commissioned by LB Newham through Modus Operandi Art Consultants, realised in collaboration with FOAG.	DLR, Section 106, London Development Agency, Arts Council England, LB Newham's Local Fund, Community Spaces programme, Capital Growth Programme. In-kind including from FOAG.	FOAG grass-roots led project. Identified as an opportunity within the DLR public art strategy.	A major commission to develop a project at Abbey Gardens, near to the 2012 Olympic Village, and adjacent to a new extension of the Docklands Light Railway opening in 2010. A 2000 sq meter urban site, protected from development by English Heritage due to its mediaeval monastic and Victorian ruins. Initial phase 3 years, with the intention of continuing in the long-term, dependent on further funding. The project has created a productive community 'harvest garden', animated by free events, and accompanied by a website.	Initial phase 2009 - 2012; potential for long-term development	Initial phase 3 years	FOAG and LB Newham

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Metropolitan Stratford Masterplan	Urban Initiatives leading the team (includes Urban Space Management and Shared Intelligence)	LB Newham, London Development Agency/Design for London (LDA/DfL), LTGDC	LB Newham	The Masterplan will consider the whole of Metropolitan Stratford including Stratford City and much of the Olympic site. It will set out a clear vision for Stratford to become a new Metropolitan Centre for east London and demonstrate how this vision could be delivered in spatial, economic and social terms in the coming ten years.	Public realm considerations.	Adopted as a Supplementary Planning Document, Autumn 2010	N/A	N/A
Stratford Island Public Realm Improvements	Studio Egret West leading the team (includes lighting designers, landscape designers Gross Max, engineers Martin Stockley)	Studio Egret West, LB Newham, London Development Agency/Design for London (LDA/DfL), LTGDC, Westfield, Land Securities	LB Newham, DfL, CLG	To improve the public realm around Stratford Island, including the Cultural Quarter.	The aims for the Town Centre are to create a heart for Stratford in the historic centre, establish a clear identity and improve pedestrian and visual connections across the Broadway to create public spaces no longer dominated by traffic.	By Summer 2011	50 years	LB Newham
Stratford Island University Centre	University of East London (UEL), (design team lead - Make Architects)	UEL, Birkbeck College, LTGDC, LB Newham	UEL, Birkbeck, LTGDC, HEFCE	A new educational and cultural university centre in Stratford's Cultural Quarter.	Opportunity for some public realm work as part of this development	Works to start on site in 2011, centre completed in 2013	50 years	UEL
Stratford Regional Station	Hawkins\Brown	Hawkins\Brown, ODA, Network Rail (NR), London Underground (LUL)	ODA		Platform redevelopment, improved lift access and opening of eastern subway. New canopies, finishes, signage, lighting scheme throughout. New westbound Central Line platform and new mezzanine gateline from Westfield bridge.	NR package currently on site. LUL started on site	50 years	NR/Tubelines
Stratford Regional Station - London Underground	Art on the Underground	Art on the Underground	LUL	The art programme for London Underground	Art on the Underground: a series of temporary research-based commissions for Stratford station in the lead up to 2012. Aspiration for a permanent commission in 2012.	2008 - 2012. Commissions informed by research into the area and collaborations with a range of community organisations, groups and individuals. 2008 - 9: The Stratford Hoard, Alan Kane; The Stratford Grapevine, Lucy Harrison. 2010 - 11: The Stratford Gaff, Matt Stokes. Further commissions in planning.	Variable for temporary projects, but up to one year.	LUL
Maryland Crossrail Masterplan	Crossrail	Crossrail, LDA/DfL	tbc	tbc	tbc	Future project	tbc	tbc
View Tube: Greenway Activity Centre (NB: completed/current)	ODA/Leaside Regeneration	LTGDC	ODA, LTGDC	Animating the Greenway: ODA Arts and Culture Strategy / Parklands & Public Realm; LTGDC Olympic Fringe developments in the Lower Lea Valley	The Greenway runs from Hackney Wick to Beckton. The View Tube acts as the activity centre on the Greenway and is located near to Pudding Mill Lane DLR station. This new facility, opened in November 2009, is now offering exhibition opportunities for local artists, an active programme of talks and events, a cafe run by Hackney Wick's Counter Cafe, teaching programmes for primary and secondary schools led by London Wildlife Trust and Field Studies Council, and BikeWorks, offer a range of cycles to hire.	Completion date: late July 2009 for Open Weekend then fully open from November 2009	Temporary - at least until end of 2012	Leaside Regeneration/ODA Security
Bridges and Underpasses (NB: completed/current)	ODA	ODA, Jason Bruges Studio (artist), Martin Richman (artist)	ODA	ODA Arts and Culture Strategy	Commissions for 2 bridges 3 underpasses. Both artists based in LB Tower Hamlets and LB Hackney. Jason Bruges' Studio will apply audio, light and tactile elements to the bridge structure to represent the speed and movement of Olympic and Paralympic athletes. Martin Richman's concept commemorates London 2012 with a vision to incorporate recognisable and visually bold graphics and materials on the bridge structure and within the underpasses.	Completion by 2012	Permanent	ODA, then LOCOG, then Olympic Park Legacy Company
Creative workshops: with Higher Education Institutions (NB: completed/current)	ODA	ODA, Royal College of Art/University of East London/London Metropolitan University/University of the Arts: Central St Martins, Grenville Davey (artist)	ODA	ODA Arts and Culture Strategy	Initial seat colour plans for handball, basketball and waterpolo venues and now taken over by LOCOG as part of their look and feel programme. Concepts for 2012 gardens in the Olympic Park. Workshop ideas developed with community groups in five host boroughs. Then interpreted by artist into final installation on the retaining concrete wall in South of the Park.	Winning ideas selected Feb 09, workshops were held Feb 08/Nov 08	Permanent	ODA, then LOCOG, then Olympic Park Legacy Company
Memory Marathon (NB: completed/current)	ODA	ODA, Film & Video Umbrella, Simon Pope (artist)	LDA/ ACE	ODA Arts and Culture Strategy	Pilot project for "Inside/Out" series of artist-led temporary commissions and participatory projects, focussing on the Olympic Park edges and involving local residents. Initial commission to Simon Pope through Film & Video Umbrella.	First commission completed and shown in March 2010. Possibilities for further screenings being explored.	Projects ongoing through to 2012	LDA
Commissions for Athletes Village (NB: in development/forthcoming)	Lend Lease	Lend Lease, ODA	Lend Lease, ODA	ODA Arts and Culture Strategy	Proposals are being developed in an integrated way and focus on links to the park. Artists are on board.	To be developed to Stage D report	Permanent	Lendlease, then LOCOG, then Olympic Park Legacy Company
Fantasticology (NB: in development/forthcoming)	ODA	Artist collective (Klassnik, Rita Ikonen and We Made That), ODA Parklands and Public Realm Team, LDA Hargreaves	ODA	ODA Arts and Culture Strategy	Creative interventions across parklands including planting, meadows and wildlife installations.	Completion by 2012	Permanent and temporary	ODA, then LOCOG, then Olympic Park Legacy Company

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Northern/Southern Headhouses (NB: in development/forthcoming)	ODA	ODA, Modus Operandi Art Consultants, Carsten Nicolai, (artist Northern Headhouse), Southern Headhouse, Contemporary Art Society consultancy	ODA	ODA Arts and Culture Strategy	Northern Headhouse artist commission by Carsten Nicolai. Southern Headhouses: 4 commission opportunities, two per headhouse. Both commissions in progress as of May 2010 with community engagement activities to engage with schools in the five host boroughs.	Northern Headhouse now complete. Artists for Southern Headhouses on board and developing designs.	Permanent	ODA, then LOCOG, then Olympic Park Legacy Company
Public Realm Commissions initiative (NB: in development/forthcoming)	ODA	ODA, LDA, Greater London Authority (GLA), LOCOG, Olympic Park Legacy Company, Communities and Local Government (CLG) -TBC	TBC	ODA Arts and Culture Strategy	A small number of high quality, world-class, landmark commissions to provide showcase for, and attract to them, the best creative talent available to the UK. The projects need to have local involvement, national interest and worldwide reach in a variety of ways. Possible projects in development include light commissions; a series of entrances/place makers around the perimeter of the Park, pavilions or 'Park Hubs', and fountain/water features.	Completion by 2012, with some entrances to be completed post-Games by 2014	Permanent from 2012	ODA, then LOCOG, then Olympic Park Legacy Company
Angel Lane (NB: in development/forthcoming)	ODA	ODA, Royal College of Art (RCA)	ODA	ODA Arts and Culture Strategy	Competition by RCA students to deliver a graphic treatment to an external wall linking Stratford to the Olympic Park.	Completion by summer 2011	Permanent from 2010	LB Newham
Other ODA Projects in Development (NB: in development/forthcoming)	ODA	ODA	TBC	ODA Arts and Culture Strategy	Audio/sound project; Moving Words (poetry project for the Olympic Park and beyond)	Completion by 2012	Permanent and temporary	ODA, then LOCOG, then Olympic Park Legacy Company
Big Bertha	Westfield	Westfield, LB Newham	Westfield	Westfield Public Art Strategy	Big Bertha is the name of the tunnelling equipment used to connect St Pancras to the new Stratford International Station. The commission is for an artist to create sculptural seating with disassembled pieces of the equipment.	Selection of shortlisted artists complete; community consultation early 09.		Westfield
Town Centre Link Timeline Bridge	Westfield	Westfield, Newham Council	Westfield	Westfield Public Art Strategy	The Town Centre Link will connect Stratford town centre to the new Stratford City development. The pedestrian bridge is 12m wide and 150m long, and will stretch over the railway lines from Meridian Square. Commission for an artist to work with the local community to create a timeline which reflects Stratford's history through dates, images and text inscribed in granite paving.	Selection of shortlisted artists complete; community consultation early 09.		Westfield
Story of Stratford	Westfield	Westfield, Newham Council, Helen Marshall (artist)	Westfield	Westfield Public Art Strategy	Artist-in-residence Helen Marshall is working with Colgrave Primary School and Stratford school to document each stage of development at the site, with a brief to creating artworks which respond directly to the evolution of the site.	2 year lens-based project		Westfield
Green Spaces	Westfield	Westfield, Newham Council	Westfield	Westfield Public Art Strategy	In direct response to Westfield's consultation with young people, an artist, with the assistance of students, will design and create a temporary forest or garden for display around the Stratford City site (e.g. at Meridian Place, International Station, and in the final year at Stratford Place).	tbc		Westfield
East London Dance	Westfield	Westfield, Newham Council, East London Dance	Westfield	Westfield Public Art Strategy	East London Dance will create, perform and capture on film, three works that explore the history, identity and future of Stratford City.	tbc		Westfield
Studio East	Westfield	Westfield, LB Newham	Westfield	Westfield Public Art Strategy	High-profile artists' bursary scheme to encourage skills development in East London.	tbc		Westfield

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