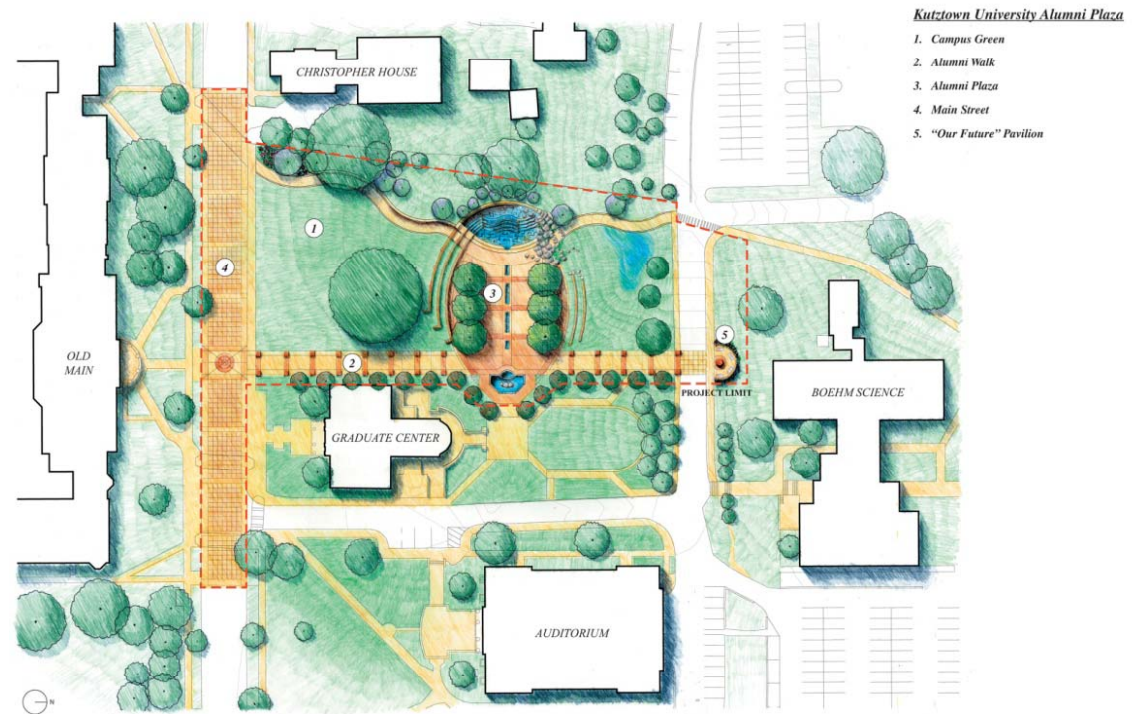


KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY'S ALUMNI PLAZA

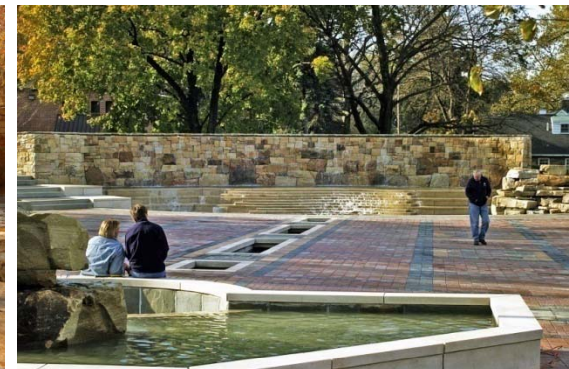
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Wells Appel's design for Kutztown University's Alumni Plaza is rooted in 'place making'; the creation of a 'sense of place' through the integration of community values, cultural heritage, functional program, and innovative design.

The Plaza is the focal point, with a combination of fixed and fluid surfaces. When the water feature is turned off, the plaza serves as an amphitheater for lectures and performances. A paving pattern inspired by Pennsylvania Dutch quilting forms the Alumni Walk. The plaza's edge erodes with the use of limestone, referencing the stone barn construction and geology of the region. Alumni Plaza steps down to an infiltration meadow, providing the water quality treatment and infiltration of stormwater.



Amphitheatre / Fountain



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