



Initials carved into a tree trunk along a favorite trail or into a wooden picnic table at a beloved spot serve as poignant reminders that we were here, providing an indelible physical mark in an increasingly transitory, digital world. For my Travel Desk installation, I was drawn to the picnic table as an icon of the San Diego landscape. By pushing the scale of the table itself and carving the table and bench tops with excerpts from the messages typed during the Travel Desk performances, I aim to create an iconic meeting place within the airport, a place where people return to again and again to trace their own stories and read those of others.

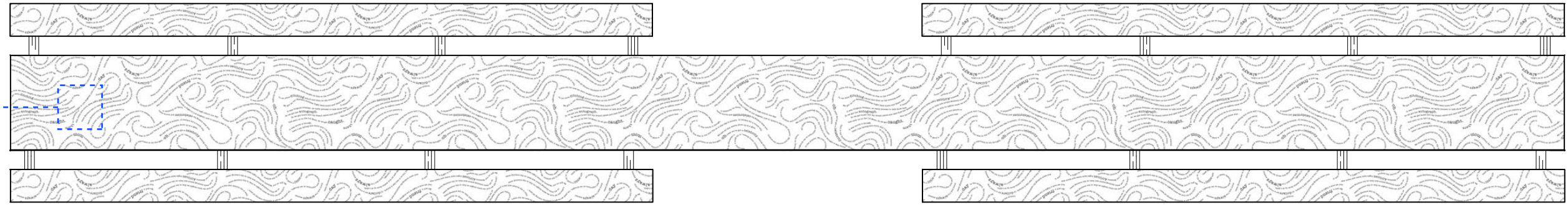
# Travel Desk

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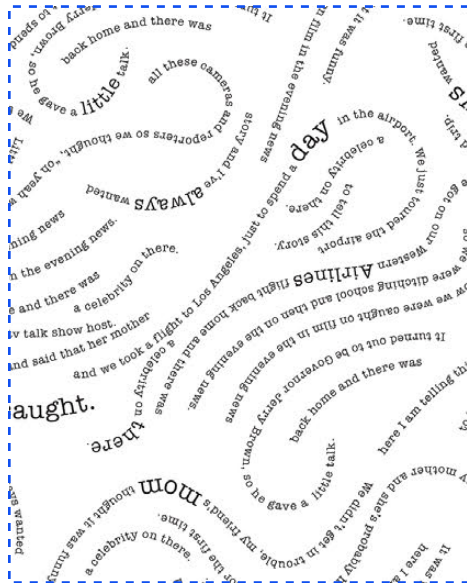




example of engraved text on table and bench surfaces, urban harvest eucalyptus



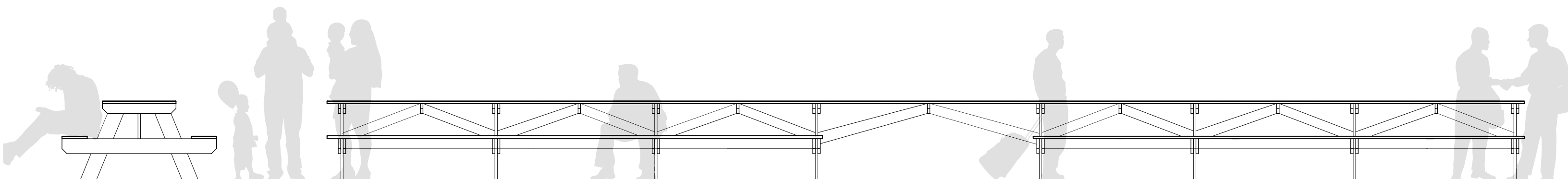
plan view of 40' table highlighting graphic design to be laser etched into surface



excerpts from the messages typed during the August 2013 Travel Desk performances will be integrated into the table and bench surfaces



plan view of 40' table highlighting 8' handicap accessible areas and seating for 24 people





6I was a sailor stationed in Hawaii,  
and I came to San Diego to be married to  
my bride, when we returnee to Hawaii, we  
checkee in with Western Airlines,  
we didnt say anything about be ing newlyweds,  
but someone must have noticed that cake top.  
After we departed from San Diego, the cap tain  
came on the intercome, the PA syst em, and  
announced that there were newlyweds on board.  
Two flight attendants then presented us  
with a small cake, on board, with congratu -  
lations written on it and a bottle of chamagne  
That was such a special memory for a wedding.  
They were just prepared for us. Airlines  
arent like what they used to be in 1979.

Paul and Esperanza Schuereberg

IMPORTANT

Me and a friend ditched highschool one day and we  
took a flight to Los Angeles, just to spend a  
day in the airport. We just toured the airport  
and were looking for celebrities and movie stars.  
It was so cheap, this was in the mid 70s so it  
was like 8 dollars, 10 dollars for a round trip.  
We saw all this media show up at a gate, all these  
cameras and reportersso we thought, "oh yeah we've  
got a celebrity coming off here." It turned out  
to be Governor Jerry Brown, so she gave a little  
talk. Little did we know we were caught on film  
in the evening news so we were ditching school and  
then on the evening news. We got on our Western  
Airlines flight back home and there was a celebrity  
on there. It was Virginia Graham, an early pioneer  
tv talk show host. So we got her autograph. So  
we got home and my friend called and said that her  
mother had seen us on the LA News. So we got  
caught. It was worth it though, here I am telling  
this story and I've always wanted to tell this  
story. This is my mother and she's probably hearing  
this story for the first time. We didn't get in  
trouble, my friend's mom thought it was funny.

Dan Doane

ORIGINAL

I was coming back from France, connecting in  
Dallas on my way to San Diego.  
I was glad I was in first class because I  
was tired. On the flight there was a lady  
with what I thought was a dog in a little  
tent looking thing. It turned out to be a  
sea lion that was being transported from  
the Orlando Sea World to the San Diego Sea World,  
~~FIXXXXXXELASSX~~ first class! It was in the  
seat behind me and it smelled so bad!  
But eventually I stopped noticing and fell  
asleep.

Al P.

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\*remove banners, seating, and video screens

*proposed installation*