



Fitzgerald Marine Reserve San Mateo, California

In 2004, The Acorn Group, in association with Ron Yeo, FAIA Architect, developed the interpretive master plan and architectural conceptual design package for a new 3,000 sq. ft. education center and new interpretive sign system at Fitzgerald Marine Reserve located on the rugged San Mateo coastline of northern California. Working with the San Mateo County Parks, the Park Foundation, Monterey Bay Aquarium, the Friends of Fitzgerald, Long Marine Laboratory, and two National Marine Sanctuaries, The Acorn Group created a conceptual design development package of exterior media throughout a three-mile stretch of uplands and marine reef. This media included a trail sign system, interpretive panels on tidepool etiquette, marine mammal viewing platforms, interactive reef sculpture, and outdoor exhibit on the Ohlone culture—all designed to complement and reinforce the exhibits and displays in the indoor Gallery.