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Project Title:	Sulphur Springs Pool Complex
Artist:	Bruce Marsh (American, born 1937)
Year Completed:	2000
Materials:	glass tile mosaic (dimensions)
Commissioning Agency:	City of Tampa, Public Art Program
Architect/Design Professional:	Post, Buckley, Schuh & Jernigan, Inc.
Location:	713 East Bird Street



Photo: George Cott

Project Description

This pool and park complex is a 30 acre multi-use site located off of Nebraska Avenue and south of Bird Street. Historically the site has a rich history, dating back to the late 18th-century and the Calusa Indians. By the late 19th-Century the site was used mainly for medicinal and recreational purposes by Tampa citizens. A complex system of underwater caves, a historic gazebo, and a series of foot trails and bridges continue to make this site unique, historic, and beautiful.

Artist Concept

"Members of the Sulphur Springs community expressed their concern for inclusion of historical references as well as imagery of the Arcade that had been there until the

mid 70s. I researched the early photographs of the locale, primarily from the Burgert Brother Photographs at the Hillsborough Public Library and selected two, the Arcade and the Spring c1930. These images were available on line as digital images and I worked with them from the inception of the design process. I crafted numerous color photographs of the Springs in April 2000 and proceeded to create an image that collaged my photographs with the historical imagery previously mentioned." Bruce Marsh

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