




PARKS + ATHLETICS

BRINGING NATURE TO PLAY



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PROFILE

Founded in 1976, Carducci Associates is a professional landscape architecture and planning firm based in San Francisco and serving a wide range of public and private sector clients throughout California. Emphasizing personal and responsive client service, we work closely with each client during design and construction to devise unique, creative and effective solutions.

VIEWPOINT

We believe no two projects are alike, a conviction we convey through unique site-specific designs. We focus on clients' needs, creating opportunities for interaction between people and nature that result in memorable experiences.

PROFICIENCIES

We conceptualize landscapes that express an artistry and sensitivity to the interaction of social and natural systems. We develop concepts that are purposeful, buildable and sustainable.

We combine creative and technical ability in landscape architecture, planning and urban design with expertise in stormwater management and irrigation, Bay-friendly landscape principles and maintenance practices to conserve water, nurture soils, reduce use of chemicals and comply with stormwater regulations. Our approach creates habitats for birds, bees and other pollinators and beautiful and functional landscapes for people.

We collaborate with clients, other design professionals, multidisciplinary teams and contractors to conceptualize, detail and build complex projects.

We facilitate transparent community engagement processes responsive to the unique requirements of community-driven design that build community support toward a common purpose.

We deliver LEED® certified projects by employing sustainable measures and materials. Our projects provide open space, conserve energy and water, ameliorate the urban-heat island effect, control stormwater runoff, insulate buildings and create outdoor amenities for people.

VALUES

We are committed to the highest standards of social and environmental responsibility and ethical conduct. We provide safe working conditions, treat people with dignity and respect, act fairly and ethically, and use environmentally responsible practices. Our company policies address anti-corruption, anti-human trafficking and anti-slavery.

DRAWING FROM OUR PAST

We draw by hand throughout the design process, using hand drawn sketches and renderings to visualize ideas, develop solutions and collaborate with clients and other design professionals. As a complement to high-tech digital tools, this artistic "soft touch" enables viewers to use their imagination to complete the vision of the sketch. From sketches, we translate our designs into polished digital renderings. By using both analog and digital means, we take the best of the past and modern technology to more effectively design and communicate today.



Fallon Sports Park, Dublin, CA



AT&T PARK



Oracle Park (Formerly AT&T Park)

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SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Working closely with the San Francisco Giant's head groundskeeper, Carducci Associates developed drawings and specifications for renovation of the field at AT&T Park to accommodate Major League baseball play. Our design also facilitates annual refurbishment of the field for use by the National Collegiate Athletic Association and United Football League, among others. Improved drainage and irrigation efficiency allows the field to sustain the variety of field sports, concerts, and special events that take place at the Park. By incorporating sustainable materials, strategies for water conservation and stormwater management, and organic maintenance practices, our design supported AT&T Park's LEED® Silver certification.





Fallon Sports Park

FALLON SPORTS PARK

DUBLIN, CA

Utilizing valuable input from local residents, Carducci Associates developed the master plan for this premier sports facility in Dublin, California. The 60-acre park accommodates a number of competition ball fields: a 90-foot lighted baseball diamond, lighted softball and soccer fields, basketball, tennis, and bocce ball courts, and volleyball. Additionally, the park provides its diverse users with a playground and picnic area, BMX course, water play areas, walking paths, and convenient parking. Representing the City of Dublin's sustainability initiatives, the storm drainage system includes bio-swales and bio-basins that allow storm water to be reclaimed for irrigation of lawns and plantings.









DON BIDDLE COMMUNITY PARK

DUBLIN, CA

In the heart of the city, the new 30-acre community park ties together east and west Dublin through a rich cultural and recreational experience. The Great Lawn and half-mile Promenade Loop organize the park's distinct uses: the highly active North Courts, picnic and play area, the natural riparian habitat of Chabot Creek, the Grove's orchard, outdoor classroom and community garden, the parent paddock, adventure playground, demonstration garden and civic space of Dublin Commons. Iconic and flexible facilities cater to Dublin's diverse residents and visitors, including bicyclists stopping along the regional Iron Horse Trail, BART commuters integrating a convenient exercise routine, and residents organizing a family picnic, participating in games, or attending a community event.





Robin Sweeny Park

ROBIN SWEENEY PARK

SAUSALITO, CA

The City of Sausalito selected Carducci Associates to renovate Robin Sweeney Park, one of the city's most frequently visited and well-loved parks. Renovations included ADA and playground safety upgrades, a new circulation framework and drainage improvements. Our team analyzed site conditions, conducted public outreach, designed a project web site to engage the community, evaluated input and produced design schemes based upon needs and priorities. The developed scheme received overwhelming public support. Carducci Associates sought to design a truly unique, imaginative, and inclusive nature-based playground that would beautifully and functionally serve the needs of all park users for years to come.





SACRED HEART SCHOOLS

ATHERTON, CA

Sacred Heart Schools hired Carducci Associates to assess synthetic turf options and subsequently, to design a \$5M all-weather athletic facility. The school's new baseball field is now well-equipped with "cool roof" dugouts, canopied practice pitcher mounds for wet weather use, custom steel frame scorekeepers' booth and bleachers, lights, and an audio system for music and game announcements. Adjacent to the field, a "players' lounge" garden is shaded by a mature coast live oak. The site also comprises a soccer/lacrosse field and a softball field with integral anchors designed to secure a 1000-person-capacity tent. An eco-friendly biofiltration system upgrades field drainage. Thoughtful, low-impact design complements the landscape, neighborhood and Atherton community.





JULIUS KAHN PLAYGROUND

SAN FRANCISCO, CA

Carducci Associates worked with the City of San Francisco, Presidio preservation and development groups, playground neighbors and the Helen Diller Family Foundation, to create an accessible playground within the city's historic Presidio. Key elements of our design included respect for the surrounding neighborhood, along with honoring the cultural and natural histories of the Presidio. A sculptural and tactile fountain offers interactive sand and water play for children, encouraging creative development. By opening new avenues of play, the park becomes an active force in creating playtime narratives that help children to socialize, learn, and develop as thinking individuals.





ALDO PINESCHI PARK

ROSEVILLE, CA

This four-acre park serves a residential neighborhood in Roseville, a community that lies within the Sacramento metropolitan area. Curvilinear walkways weave around and through the park, connecting a picnic pavilion, open-air picnic tables, a half court for basketball, children's swing area and a space-themed children's play area. A multi-use turf meadow is frequently used for neighborhood soccer and football games. Bio-swales are integrated into the landscape to remove silt and pollution from surface runoff water.





John Hinkel Park

JOHN HINKEL PARK

BERKELEY, CA

Set within a North Berkeley neighborhood of large homes and leafy, narrow streets, John Hinkel Park is a 4-acre hillside park of steep, rocky slopes blanketed with ancient oak groves. Carducci Associates worked with the City of Berkeley to replace an historic building destroyed by fire with new picnic areas built using reclaimed lumber and native rock. Our team also renovated picnic and play areas damaged by time and weather. Despite competing interests, Carducci Associates was able to guide the community to a design that conforms to Landmark status constraints, complies with ADA requirements, and introduces children to the beauty of California's oak woodlands.



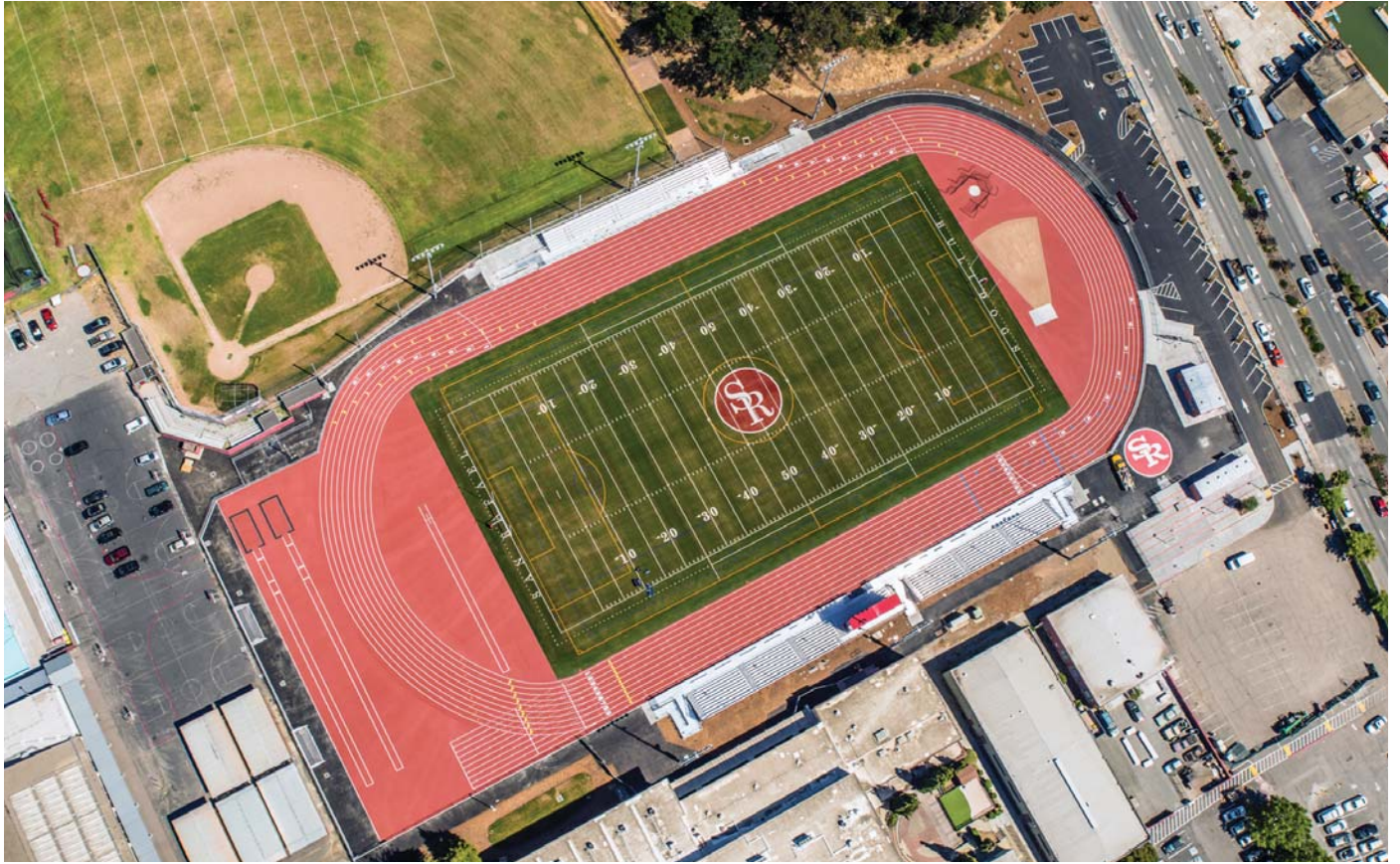


THE WAVE AT EMERALD GLEN PARK

DUBLIN, CA

The “jewel” of the Dublin Park System, Emerald Glen Park was designed and constructed over four phases to enhance public space as the community grew. Carducci Associates participated in three phases of development for this pristine 50-acre site, including the final phase and the park’s centerpiece: an indoor/outdoor aquatic center, a plaza featuring public art, and an amphitheater for year-round concerts. This LEED® Silver project provides Dublin residents with passive recreation space, a weekly farmer’s market, and one of the East Bay’s finest community aquatic centers.





SAN RAFAEL HIGH SCHOOL TRACK & FIELD

SAN RAFAEL, CA

Initiating work with a comprehensive site analysis and feasibility study, Carducci Associates is now developing a new stadium for San Rafael High School. The project scope comprises all-weather turf fields for soccer, football, and lacrosse, as well as refurbishment of a nine-lane track field. Elements to be addressed include: Universal Access, modernization of existing facilities and design of new amenities, with improved circulation, planting, and irrigation throughout. New bleachers and upgraded restrooms, concessions and team rooms, along with energy-efficient LED lighting and a state-of-the-art sound system, will further revitalize this key component of the high school campus.



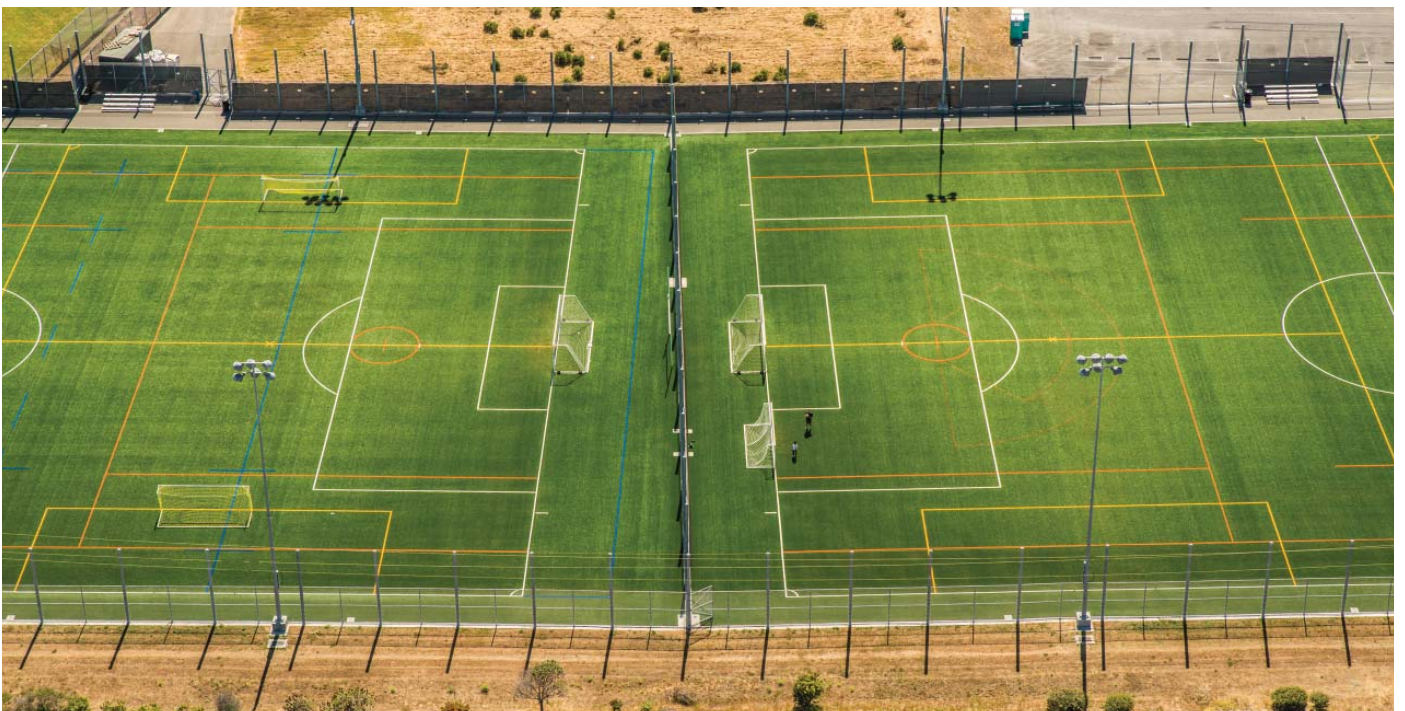


Tom Bates Regional Sports Complex

TOM BATES REGIONAL SPORTS COMPLEX

BERKELEY, CA

This synthetic turf fields complex is considered the most highly used athletic fields facility in Northern California, with approximately 300,000 player hours per year recorded. When it came time for the City of Berkeley to replace the synthetic turf, the City approached Carducci Associates for our synthetic turf and infill knowledge, community engagement successes, and as subject matter experts to help the community and the Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) stakeholder cities understand the project complexities. Carducci Associates led the community engagement process, studied and recommended replacement turf system options, provided cost analyses for installation and life-cycle costs, and helped craft technical memos from the City of Berkeley to the other JPA stakeholder cities.





San Marin High School Athletic Fields

SAN MARIN HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETIC FIELDS

NOVATO, CA

Working in collaboration with Novato Unified School District, Carducci Associates undertook renovation of the track and field at San Marin High School. The redesign included bleachers, underground electrical for future sports lighting and a synthetic field for football, soccer, and related sports, surrounded by an eight-lane, 400-meter all-weather track. These additions and improvements increase ADA access, promote student/player safety, result in fewer injuries, and provide year-round usage for students and members of the community alike.





San Marin High School Athletic Fields, Novato, CA

“Your firm is about the only one I’ve worked with that always responds and always follows-through.”

-Project Manager, City of Novato

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