

THE JETTY



The Jetty design was inspired by the current Friends of the River Fish Hotel, which originally was installed in the River at Michigan Avenue and now is located near the Dearborn Bridge. The Jetty bay greatly expands the Fish Hotel concept of providing food, shelter and protection to a variety of fish and other aquatic species into an extensive series of floating wetlands and water gardens. Boardwalk spaces intertwine with the constructed fish habitat, and provide places for pedestrians to observe, fish and learn from the naturalized river habitat. The goal is to provide a permanent space for ecological experimentation and educational observation along urban rivers. The Jetty landscape will be an extraordinary educational platform for local school groups to observe and understand the ecological cycles of habitat, vegetation, and water quality. As the water gardens grow and thrive, the River water will be cleaner and richer with aquatic life.

