

An aerial photograph of a city landscape. In the foreground, a large green park with a winding river flows through it. A multi-lane highway runs parallel to the river on the right side. In the background, a dense urban area with many buildings is visible under a hazy sky.

# Nature based parks: Breathing Life into urban spaces

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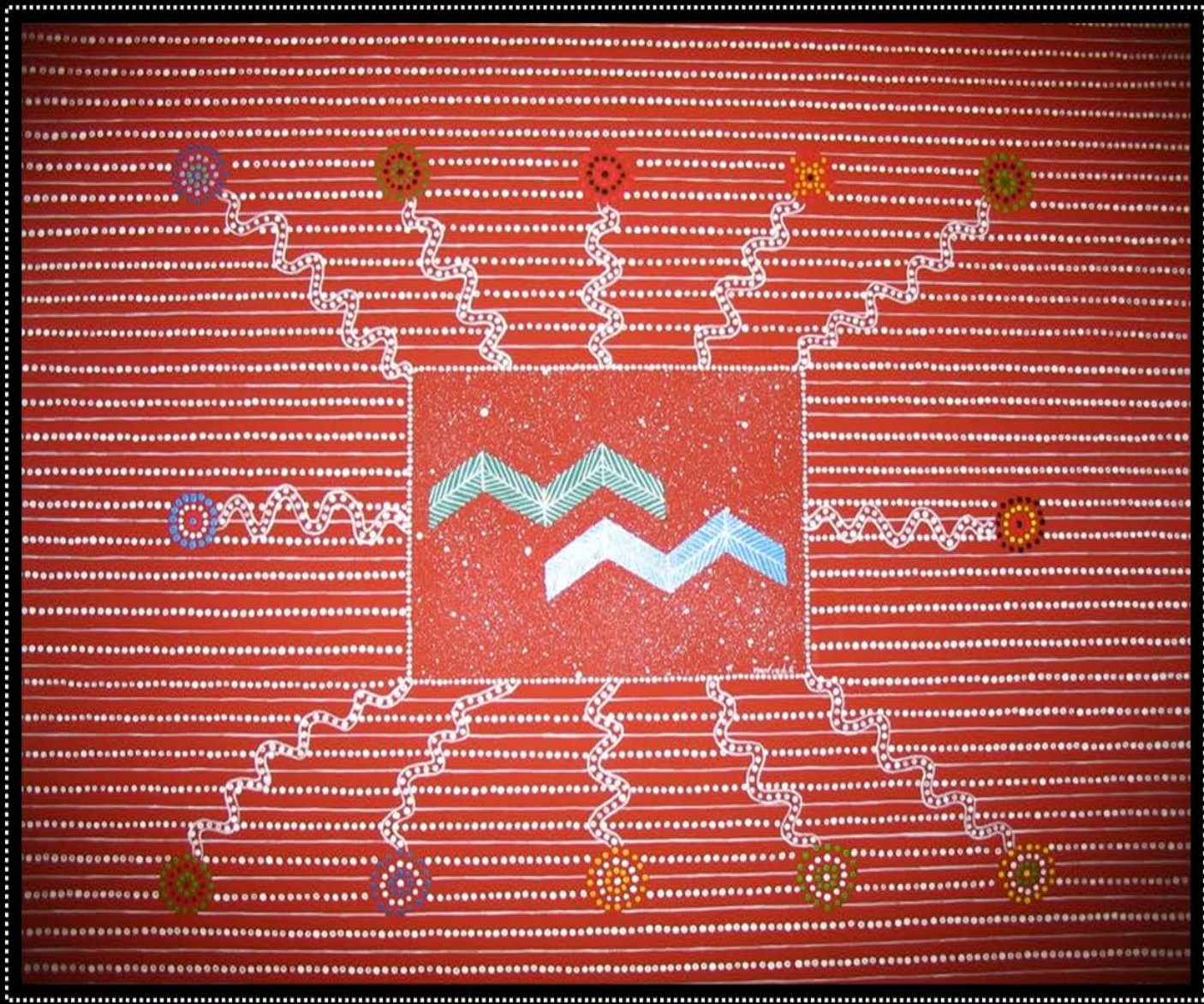


  
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*A connection understood*

*Connections*  
Manfred Ratzmann 2006





*and planned for*

... a sanctuary for pale faced  
Sydneyites feeling the pollution  
physical, mental and social of the  
densely packed city ...

1879

Abundant evidence is available to  
substantiate the views of city planners,  
the medical profession, and  
psychologists that proper outdoor  
recreation has a most beneficial effect  
on the health, morals and business  
efficiency of communities....

1929

























# More than just a harvest















  
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