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Sculpture Art

Existing Locations Maintained



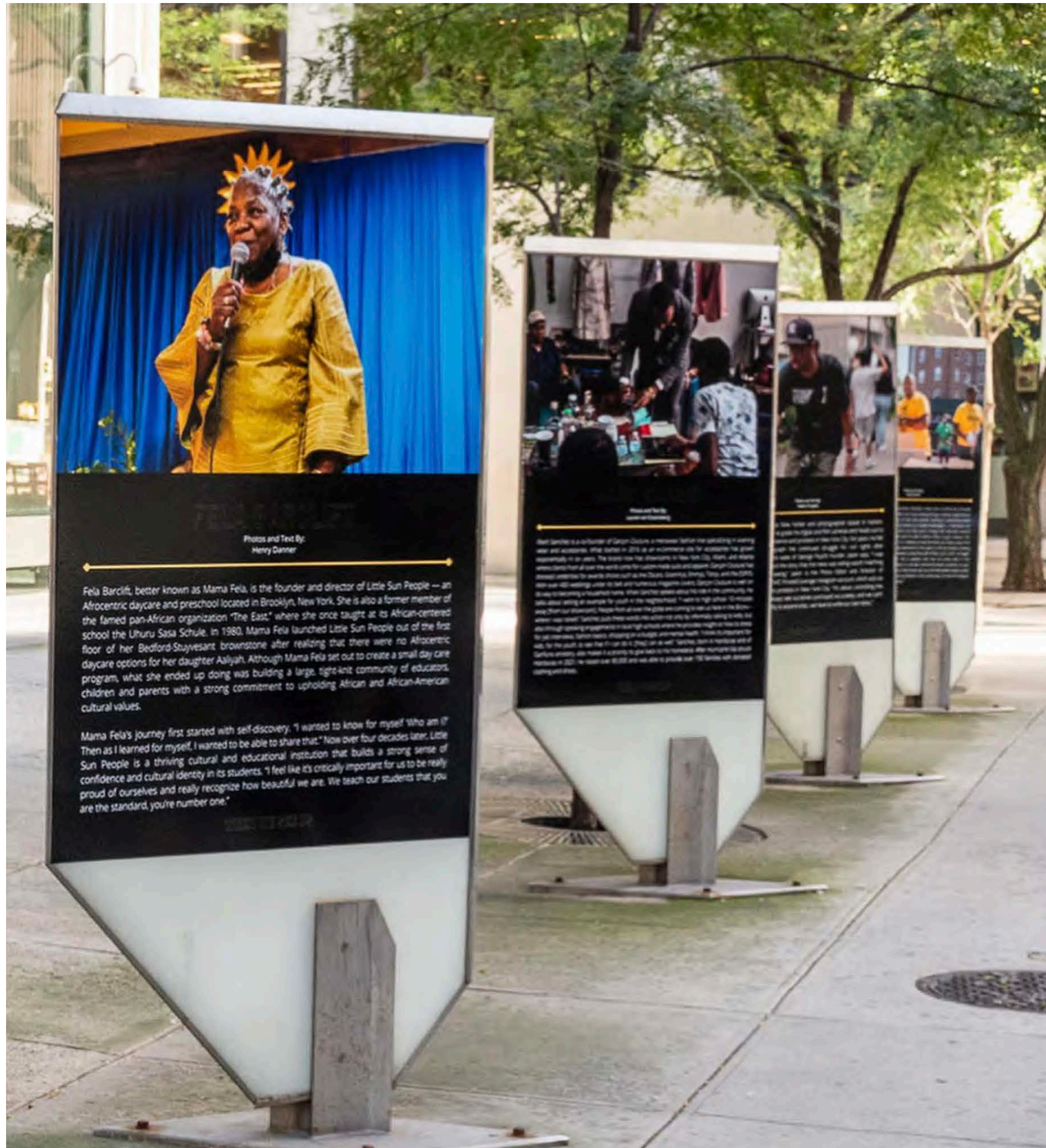




Rotating Sculpture Art Future CAHC Partnership!

- **3** concrete pad locations
- **Flexible space** for future locations within business use zone

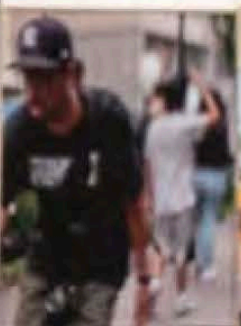
Rotating Art Displays Future CAHC Partnership!



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The RAD program will allow for galleries, community organizations, Culture, Arts & Heritage Commission, and schools, to activate the Main Street corridor with temporary rotating exhibits related to their respective fields.

This is an excellent community engagement opportunity that will naturally tie into Vancouver's community-centric culture, putting it on full display in celebration.

The RAD program will also provide a platform for underrepresented groups within the public realm.

VDA to resubmit CAHC grant
application in next round

Questions?

Thank you!