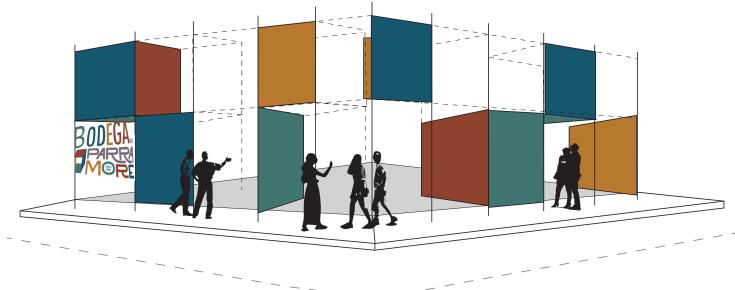


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Cultural Signifigance of a Bodega





Re-interpretation

Project Narrative

The Parramore community is a historic city that has celebrated Black culture for years. Throughout its existence, the residents of Parramore have had to face many hardships, and through those hardships the city has proven itself to be resilient. Parramore represents a genuine example of a common side effect of urban development in many large cities. An inherently rich community which has been socially segregated and disconnected. Although the City of Orlando has made efforts to introduce facilities into the Parramore community, the residents feel as though their true concerns are not being addressed.

Besides all the necessary support that Parramore receives, as architects our intention is to facilitate the growth and empowerment of the community by providing a sense of place that will enable Parramore to celebrate its existence. Considering the significant difference between the idea of community empowerment and acting as an emergency facilitator, our group plans to address the need for a safe space for communication, recreation, and a connection between their needs and services. One way we can achieve these goals is to introduce a new dynamic medium to the existing condition which will eventually be able to resuscitate underutilized spaces.

This approach will provide new points of interest to serve the residents and improve their quality of life and facilitate financial growth by providing them with work. By utilizing a human-scale approach to the context, we designed a framework with specific programs to showcase the flow of activities and the level of applicability of our solutions. Besides social sustainability, this project aims to be ecologically thoughtful and sustainable through simple materials. As an autonomous Architecture, this project will be considered independently from urban infrastructure supports such as water and electricity and be able to support surrounding neighborhoods during emergency situations.

Interchangable Elements

