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ART PROPOSAL FOR THE ORTEGA BRANCH LIBRARY BY THE ARTIST TEAM OF WOWHAUS

Concept

"Abundance" is a duo of large-scale, shimmering glass fish mosaic sculptures that takes as their theme the concept of *abundance*. Visible from both the street and the library, the artwork beckons the public to the site; upon entering the library, visitors learn that the artwork offers insight into the neighboring Pacific Ocean ecosystem as well; the sculptures are destined to become beloved landmarks of the Ortega Branch Library.

Uniquely sited within view of the Pacific Ocean, the Ortega Branch Library is a source of abundant knowledge, a place where people of all ages come to learn and grow. Likewise, the nearby ocean is a wellspring of sustenance, offering an abundance of resources for both humans and animals alike. Both Ocean Beach landmarks - one cultural, the other natural, are vital to the community. These colorful sculptures, shimmering and iridescent, are icons of the abundance that lies both in the library and in the ocean beyond.

The artwork focuses on the significance of two "ordinary" fish that swim in the waters just off shore. Both fish, although relatively unknown, have played a vital role in the natural and cultural history of Ocean Beach.



