



The Garden of Peace is a memorial commemorating victims of homicide and a living reminder of the impact of violence. It is a visual testament to the need for eliminating violence and fostering peace.

MEMORIAL DESIGN

The central focus of the memorial is a dry streambed containing smooth river stones engraved with the names of victims of homicide. Each stone will be similar in size but different and unique like the victims they represent.

The streambed begins with a huge circular black granite stone called "Tragic Density", which symbolizes the enormous weight of sadness and grief. The streambed moves through the Garden and culminates with a trickle of water into a pool out of which rises "Ibis Ascending", a skyward sculpture representing hope.

PURPOSE

It will be a special place where families, friends, and the greater community can remember and celebrate the lives of those taken by violence. We hope the Garden of Peace will affect change through raising awareness and serving as an educational tool.

LOCATION

The memorial site, approximately 7000 square feet, is located in Boston near the State House on Somerset Street. It is adjacent to the plaza of the 100 Cambridge Street Building (formerly the Saltonstall State Office Building). Construction will be completed in Spring 2003

ORIGINS OF MEMORIAL

Members of Parents of Murdered Children originally conceived this memorial. It has since broadened into a statewide coalition of individuals, groups and public officials committed to creating an appropriate memorial to homicide victims.

We are deeply indebted to the late Paul Rober for the vision that culminated in the Garden of Peace. We are also grateful for the design work of two talented local artists Catherine Melina, a landscape designer and Judy Kensley McKie, a sculptor, and herself the mother of a homicide victim.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

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HOW YOU CAN HELP

To get involved you can, make a donation, volunteer your time or include a victim you know in the memorial. You can also tell others about the Garden of Peace. Let us know how you would like to be involved by filling out the form below.

The Garden of Peace is a 501(C)(3) organization staffed entirely by volunteers



I want to help commemorate the lives of homicide victims by:

making a tax-deductible donation in the amount of \$ _____

Please make check payable to the **Garden of Peace**.

including the name of a homicide victim in the memorial (please send me a request form)

making a tax-deductible donation of \$ _____ in honor of:

Name: _____

Please send an acknowledgment card to:

Name _____

Address _____

City State Zip _____

Please print the message you would like in the card:

volunteering my time; I am interested in helping with:

- whatever needs to be done
- mailings
- host a fund-raiser
- help organize event in my community
- administrative work
- other _____

MAIL COMPLETED FORM AND YOUR DONATION TO:

**Garden of Peace
PO Box 8382
Boston MA 02114**



Your information (Required):

Name _____

Address _____

City State Zip _____

Daytime Telephone _____

Additional information (Optional):

I would like to be on your mailing list to receive future information about the Garden of Peace.

Please do not add me to your mailing list

I would prefer to receive information by email

Email address: _____

Someone I knew was a homicide victim, my relationship to victim was:
