

Today's Playground

Why isn't it designed for everyone?

A TYPICAL PLAY STRUCTURE



LOOSE SURFACE

Tan bark & sand not easily traversed with a mobility device and it impairs breathing for those using oxygen tubes.

RAISED PLATFORMS

Completely inaccessible to wheelchair users and those with various physical limitations.

DEFINED PATHS

Predefined long metal ramps offer little play value or opportunity for creative exploration.

RAISED BORDERS

A raised perimeter border keeps those who use a wheelchair or mobility device out.

DULL EQUIPMENT

Unimaginative equipment is not fun for anybody, and is aesthetically unappealing.

NO GATES

Without perimeter fencing around a playground, many children run or wander off quickly and often into busy streets.

CONVENTIONAL

Standard plastic and stamped metal equipment are found in most playgrounds

NO GROUP PLAY

This structure offers no collaborative play elements which limits opportunities for any group fun.

NO RETREATS

the frenetic pace of kids running the maze of these paths makes it difficult for children with autism to enjoy play here.

DISORDER

Dense structures are frenetic and over-stimulating for children with sensory issues and the 1 in 45 who have autism today.

ONE CHALLENGE LEVEL

Overwhelming and challenging climbing and stepping activities do not consider less daring visitors or those with physical disabilities.

NO SHADE

Plastic structure caps do not provide meaningful shade.

NOT FOR EVERYONE

There is no design consideration for the visually impaired.

NO AUDITORY FEATURES

No musical experiences or gentle sounds to help calm overstimulated visitors

NO SEATING

Lack of inviting places to sit and relax.

NOT COMMUNITY BUILDING

Visitors have no dedicated gathering space for community activities.

ONLY FOR KIDS

No features for older children and adults to enjoy.

EVERYONE DESERVES TO PLAY. The first of its kind, **Magical Bridge Playgrounds** are public play spaces that delight everyone. While an estimated 20% of our nation's individuals live with a disability, only 10% of them use a mobility device. That means that the other 90% are living with autism, sensory challenges, cognitive and developmental issues, and complications that arise from aging. They play differently, and Magical Bridge Playground's groundbreaking design considers *all* ages and *all* abilities. With an underlying message of kindness, compassion and empathy, Magical Bridge removes the barriers of today's typical playgrounds and gives everyone a place to play together as never before. Explore with us at www.magicalbridge.org.