

Candace McKee Ashmun Pinelands Education Exhibit

New Jersey Pinelands Commission • New Lisbon, New Jersey

Project Details

Scope: Visitor Center, 1,200 sf

Budget: \$ 408,849

Project Team

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The New Jersey Pine Barrens are legendary as an artistic and naturalistic source of inspiration and the largest remaining example of Atlantic coastal pine barrens that overlay the famous Kirkwood-Cohansey aquifer. During our design workshop, we expanded the project scope to integrate the entire lobby into the exhibit, expanding opportunities for visitor interaction and engagement with elements, including a working aquifer model, species flip books, cedar water interactive, and two live animal environments.



The exhibit was designed around the four ecosystems of the Pinelands; the Aquifer, Uplands, Wetlands, and Surface Water.

Right: A flip-book, color water color interactive, and aquarium are visible in this photo.



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This interactive demonstrates the ingredients that give the Pinelands its distinctive tea-colored water.



Actual soils samples demonstrate the way water is filtered through the aquifer. The Kirkwood-Cohansey aquifer contains 17.7 trillion gallons of water.

