

# SITES ALONG THE NORTH CHRISTIAN SIX-MILE LOOP (STARTING FROM THE VISITORS CENTER)

# AT&T/SBC SWITCHING STATION

Paul Kennon of Caudill, Rowlett, Scott designed this building in 1978. Distinctive for its mirrored glass facade and its primary colored accents, the building houses electronic equipment. Giant yellow, orange, red, and blue "organ pipes" on the west alley side of the building provide a colorful accent, and have become an iconic image of the modern architecture of Columbus. The pipes are actually color-coded, functioning stacks for the building's heating, ventilation, and air conditioning system. Building service entry doors and other exhaust elements are also accented with primary colors.

# **IRWIN-SWEENEY-MILLER CEMETERY PLOT**

Ride through the city cemetery, where you will find the burial site for the city benefactors who were instrumental in much of what has made Columbus so admired.

### **SCHMITT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Harry Weese designed the original school in 1957, which launched The Cummins Foundation architectural program. An addition in 1991 by Leers, Weinzapfel & Associates accommodated a growing school population.

#### NORTHSIDE MIDDLE SCHOOL

Harry Weese designed Northside Middle School in 1961 with repetitive use of brick arches, most with inset windows. An addition in 1992 by Leers, Weinzapfel & Associates accommodated a growing school population.

# **NORTH CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

This is the last building designed by Eero Saarinen before his untimely death on September 1, 1961. Roche Dinkeloo & Associates completed the building in 1964, and Dan Kiley landscaped the multi-acre site, including the parking lot with its unique "parking rooms." (National Historic Landmark)

### THE NEW BROWNSVILLE COVERED BRIDGE

The focal point of a circular pond in the award-winning Mill Race Park, created by the legendary landscape designer Michael Van Valkenburgh. The hundred-foot long truss bridge can transport you back to 1840, when it crossed Whitewater River near Brownsville.

### **STANLEY SAITOWITZ STRUCTURES**

Stanley Saitowitz, Emeritus Professor of Architecture at the University of California, Berkeley, designed several colorful and playful structures in Mill Race Park, look for the Columbus-Red steel!

# **CUMMINS INC. IRWIN CONFERENCE CENTER**

(Formerly Irwin Union Bank and Trust) Cummins Inc. Irwin Conference Center was designed by Eero Saarinen in 1954, with landscape design by Dan Kiley. It is a low, glass-walled building set in a grove of trees. Unusual domed lights and an open interior creates a large open room and a feeling of openness and friendliness, a radical departure from the traditional bank. The modern bank is linked to the 1910 office building and three-story building by a three-story glass arcade, which was designed by Kevin Roche and added in 1973.