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## News Release

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### IMPROVEMENTS BEGIN IN ARTS DISTRICT

Houston, March 4, 2014 – Improvements are now underway at the Grove, the green space bounded by the Moores School of Music, Wortham Theater, Valenti School of Communications and the Fine Arts Building. The courtyard within the Fine Arts Building is also receiving improvements as an extension of this Arts District Landscape upgrade.

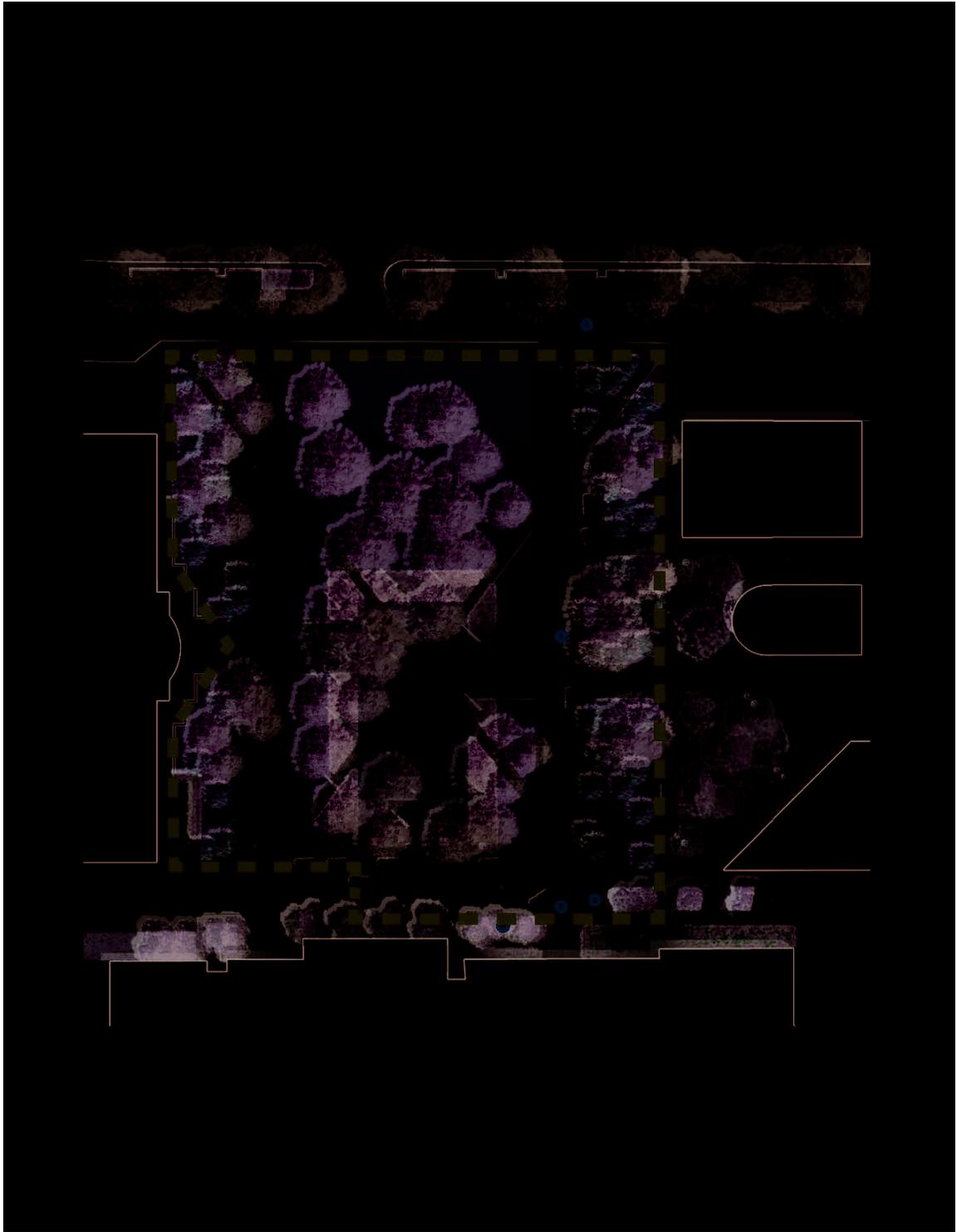
The project will create a welcoming experience for visitors by designing well defined routes to the theater, increasing gathering space, adding way-finding signage, as well as improving lighting and the overall landscape. The improvements will help raise awareness of the various venues in the Arts District and will provide clear direction to first-time visitors.

Minimal impact to campus will involve construction fencing around the site (marked in blue on the map below) that will remain throughout the project. Pedestrian access will be maintained at the perimeter of all buildings. The thru-road west of the Fine Arts Building will be inaccessible through construction.

Vaughn Construction is the contractor and SWA Group is the designer on the project. Substantial completion is scheduled to be done by June 22.

Contact Senior Project Manager Dean Ruck with any questions related to this project at [druck@uh.edu](mailto:druck@uh.edu) or 713-743-8030. For more construction project information, visit the projects section of the Plant Operations website at [www.uh.edu/plantops/projects/](http://www.uh.edu/plantops/projects/).





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