

LEHRMAN CAMERON STUDIO



African Village

Exhibition Design

Client

Woodland Park Zoo

Location

Seattle, WA

Size

7,500 sq ft



LCS was hired to develop the story, voice, and design of the Woodland Park Zoo's African Village within an architectural framework designed by Patrick Janikowski Architects. The Village tells about the ever-increasing proximity and complex relationship of people and animals in contemporary East Africa where ancient and modern are combined. LCS developed the personalities of an imaginary teacher, children, local women, and animals who inhabit the village center and embodied their stories in the details — artifacts, furniture, footprints, tracks, and sounds — throughout the Village. Visitors often feel as though they have experienced a day in the life of East Africa. One of the interpreters, who is also a Maasai warrior, said that "it feels like home".

