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OUT OF THE DARK, INTO THE ARC

Rusty street signs be damned! Give your bike some TLC with a VIP parking space



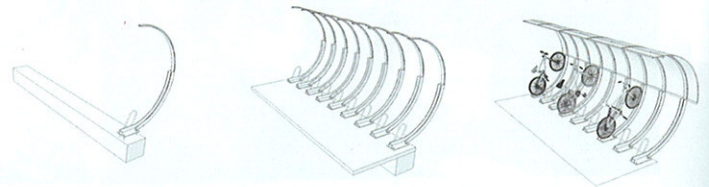
Between potholes and parked cars clogging up bike lanes, the average urban cyclist can encounter some pretty hairy stuff. Enter Bike Arc, a bike-parking system that gives cyclists and their steeds some much-deserved courtesy. Unlike traditional structures that force cyclists to lean their bikes against each other and risk damage, the Bike Arc lifts and separates. “The typical bike rack does not support a value for the bike, respect the user, or respect the wonderful bike transportation itself,” says Joseph Bellomo, founder of Bellomo Architects and the Bike Arc system. Bike Arc also provides a safe haven for cyclists and pedestrians from rain, and discourages thieves thanks to its illuminated roof.

Not only is biking an environmentally friendly mode of transportation, but Bike Arc products are also carbon-conscious. The racks are crafted from recycled resin sheets and small quantities of steel, so the experience is sustainable from start to finish.

In addition to the individual Rac Arc and the 60-bike-capacity Tube Arc, Bellomo has adapted the form for use in small-scale housing, advertising, and even car parking—electric only, of course.—HALLIE BORDEN



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Bike Arc Half Arc



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