What the Symbols
Mean in the
Twelve Central
Panels of the

TERRAZZO ESPLANADE

at

A CENTURY OF PROGRESS

Take this leaflet with you when you go to see the Esplanade. It will translate the colorful story the Central Panels tell.

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JORMING an appropriate and beautiful approach to the Adler Planetarium, the colorful terrazzo esplanade, installed by the National Terrazzo & Mosaic Association, Inc. as its exhibit at A Century of Progress, is one of the few permanent structures of the World's Fair.

This unusual promenade, located on Northerly Island at the far north end of the exposition grounds, was designed by Ernest A. Grunsfeld, Jr., architect of the Adler Planetarium. Its rich and symbolic central designs are the work of the well-known mural artists, John Norton and Tom Lea.

In keeping with its function as an approach to the planetarium, where the march of time is performed by the stars, the esplanade has for its theme the march of the months through the year. Each panel in the central portion symbolizes one month. Beginning with January

at the west end of the esplanade, each month is portrayed in the panels as follows:

Month	Symbol
January	A snow crystal
February	Tree with snow-covered branches
March	The sun at the vernal equinox
April	Rain drops, lightning, clouds
May	Spring flowers
June	Summer blooms
July	Nature in full foliage
August	Summertime and wheat fields
September	Harvest corn
October	Cluster of ripened grapes
November	Barren trees, falling leaves
December	Evergreen tree

Blended in nearly fifty color tones, accentuated by a shallow sheet of water flowing over them, the Cascade of the Months, as the central panels are called, seems a magic carpet of color harmony. In its richness and variety of color and pattern the esplanade is a magnificent illustration of the possibilities of fine terrazzo for both interior and exterior work of permanent beauty.