SoundPost Overview

When Your Story is Bigger Than Your Sign



Mattie Stepanek Memorial Park Peace Garden.

Solar powered
SoundPost with four
selections of poetry
written and read by
Mattie.

Photos courtesy of John Slater, Slater Associates.

Let your signs do more.

Powered by mains, batteries or solar cells, our SoundPost audio signs tell your stories in a personal, professional manner—every time.

- No reenactment volunteers? Recreate history with character voices, sound effects and music.
- Short visitor center hours? Share compelling images and not-to-be-missed information despite being closed for the day.
- Trail guides brochures not enough? Identify birdsongs and wildlife calls, speak Native American languages—even where there's no power.

SoundPost audio signs add enjoyment and meaning for everyone. And they provide access and another style of learning for visitors with handicaps.

With the combination of a weatherproof, vandal-resistant graphic structure and today's maintenance-free audio technology, your whole story will be ready for every visitor.





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How SoundPost Audio Signs Work

Visitor Experience

Designed to serve a family or small group, the SoundPost allows visitors to press a push button to start program playback. To suit browsers wanting only highlights as well as more inquisitive visitors seeking in-depth information, SoundPosts may be made with single or multiple messages.

An eye-catching graphic panel mounted on the SoundPost or nearby draws visitor attention. For visitors who are hearing impaired, the sign serves as a visual cue for the accompanying audio program. For visitors who are visually impaired, the audio offers a way to get meaning from the sign. Everyone benefits from the added dynamic of sound.

Graphic Panels

Whether you want bright sharp colors or muted tones, today's graphic panels last for years and resist vandalism and fading. Typical sizes are 20"W x 16"H and 36"W x 24"H. Create your own or let Vista Group assist. When wall mounted or stand-alone graphics are used, SoundPost listening stations may be made without a graphic panel.

Program Content

You can develop and load your own sound files or choose from Vista Group's message production services, including: script writing, editing, music and sound effects, character voices, narration, and translation. Programs can be any length.



Sentinel Rock State Park. Trailside SoundPost with rechargeable batteries.

Photo Courtesy of Vermont State Parks

SoundPost Structure

SoundPost columns are sized to accommodate the graphic panel and power source. They are made of 1/8" aluminum, powder painted with a slight texture to resist damaging effects of weather and grime. Deck mounting on a cement or similar pad facilitates removal for service in later years. An in-ground mounting model is available, if preferred. Standard colors are Charcoal, Black, Green, Gray and Warm Brown.

Electronics Panel

Electronics are installed on a removable aluminum panel mounted on a locked access door. The panel houses the digital message repeater and wiring harness to the vandal resistant push buttons and speaker. Wiring harnesses are labeled for ease and safety when servicing equipment. The repeaters will hold the message even if the power goes off. For seaside locations or others where humidity is high, ask about our harsh environment weatherproofing.

Power

Power is brought to the SoundPost via mains, rechargeable batteries or solar panel. Vista Group's proprietary battery circuit savers are installed when appropriate.

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