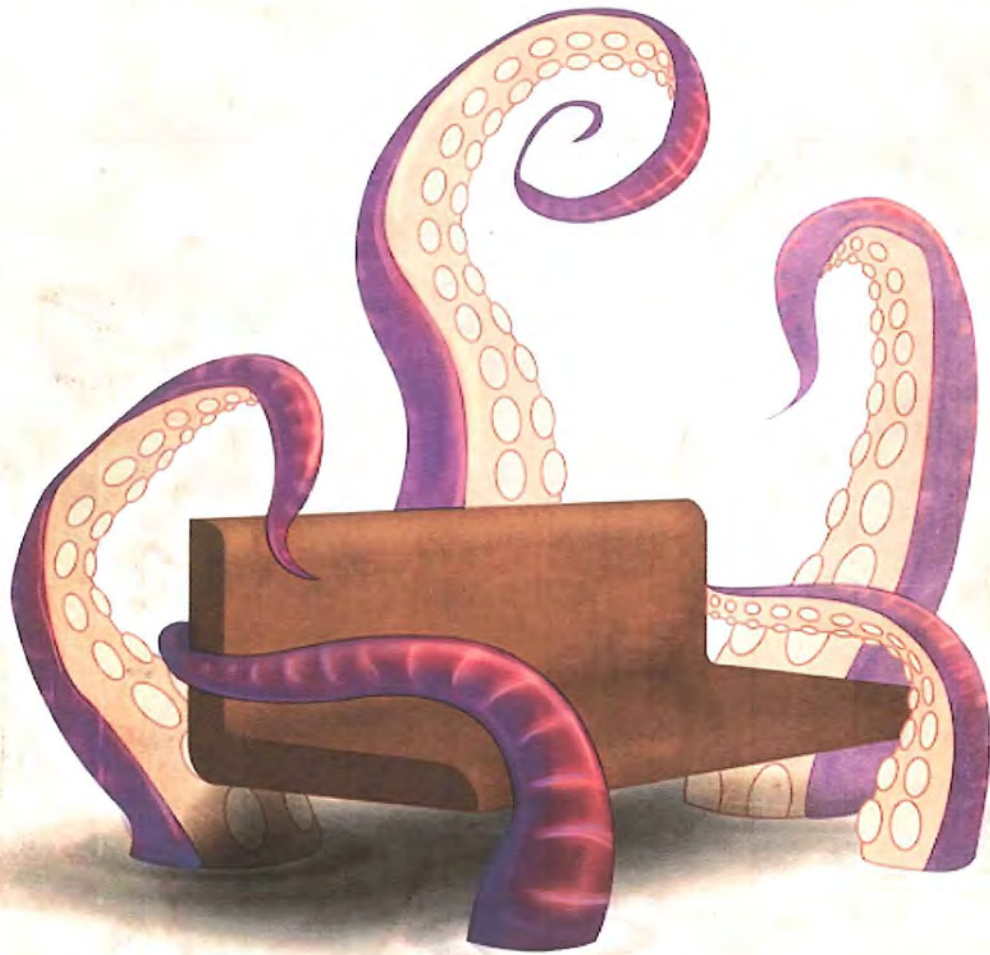
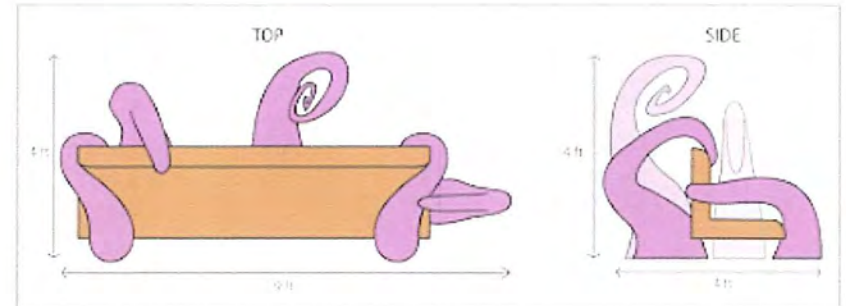
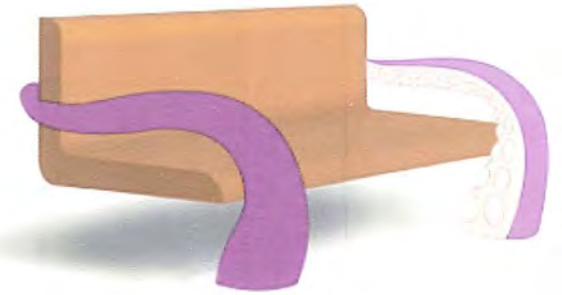


The Tentacle Spectacle



Simpler concept:



The Tentacle Spectacle bench could be made relatively easily out of concrete or metal. The bench would be supported and suspended by the tentacles attached to the sidewalk (all one solid piece). The bench would be attached to the sidewalk at 5 points in total.

It's fun for kids, interesting to teenagers and catches the eye of all passers-by.

Concept Statement

The concept behind the bench design is CREATIVITY and LOOKING FORWARD. This is what art is about. I'm tired of the same old same old. It's time for something new. I thought about designing a bench that relates back to King William St's past or the Lister Block but then I thought, no. Hamilton does way too much looking back at its past and not enough looking forward. We're walking backwards here without even checking over our shoulder. It's time we moved in a new direction, which is obviously something the art-walk is trying to instigate. Because of this, I decided to go with something totally unrelated to what *has* happened on the street and more about what is *going to happen* on the street: tentacles holding up a bench. How awesome is that? Abstract, visually appealing, energetic, eye-catching, and nothing that's been done before. Like the tentacles are doing with the bench, artists are going to both grab hold of and support King William Street within the next decade. This is a step in the right direction for the art-walk and for Hamilton as a whole.