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With so many different peoples' ideas considered when designing the bridge, there is no surprise in how The James D. Pfluger Pedestrian and Bicycle Bridge itself incorporates countless architectural enthusiasts, athletes and community members. After evaluating between 15 initial designs, and the hand full mod finialists, the "Double Curve" concept, resembling an hourglass was developed by Chas Tonetti, Tere O'Connell, Jamie Wise, Rush McNair and Chris Hutson. Austin secured \$950,000 in federal funds in the early 1990's as widening a walkway on the S Lamar Boulevard Bridge was apart of the Intermodal Surface Transportation Efficiency Act (ISTEA). In 1995, Austin signed a contract with HDR Engineering and held meetings places around the city like the Texas apartment of Transportation as well as The Texas Historical Commission. The next few months were filled with architecture prints, every kind of bridge model ever before used, And ever reusing _____ Bridge, before the "double curve" was chosen.

This intricately shaped bridge was designed in _____ by _____.

Its vast cement, iron, and stone structure is a vast 0.11 miles long, sticking out of the popular Lady Bird Lake trail on one end, connecting Austin's runners, bikers, dog walkers, and photographers alike to the southern banks of downtown, a stones throw from the iconic Austin Power Plant, glowing lights and Trader Joe's. Reaching a maximum elevation of 464.7 feet, the two curves intersect, mimicking the logically natural "paths of travel"; the steel plate binders were made with weathering steel with complex reverse curvatures with variable spacing to match the curvature of the deck and maintain a constant overhang and reasonable interior deck spans. The massive support beams and winding entry raps are all toped with a foot of reenforced concrete, adorned with engraved, green metal benches, plants, and lights.

Countless websites, including popular ones like Google images, Yelp, Foursquare, and facebook, and many printed forms, including look books,

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magazines, and articles. The online photos do as much just as a still shot of the bridge and the breathtaking view of lady bird lake. On many medias the

Questions:

Q: are the names on the benches from people who donated to the Bridges foundation?

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