

# Roosevelt Island Site Visit and Analysis

## New York City, USA

Roosevelt Island is located on the East River between Manhattan and the edges of Queens and Brooklyn. Part of the borough of Manhattan, it has a population of about 14,000 and is rich in History and modern architecture.

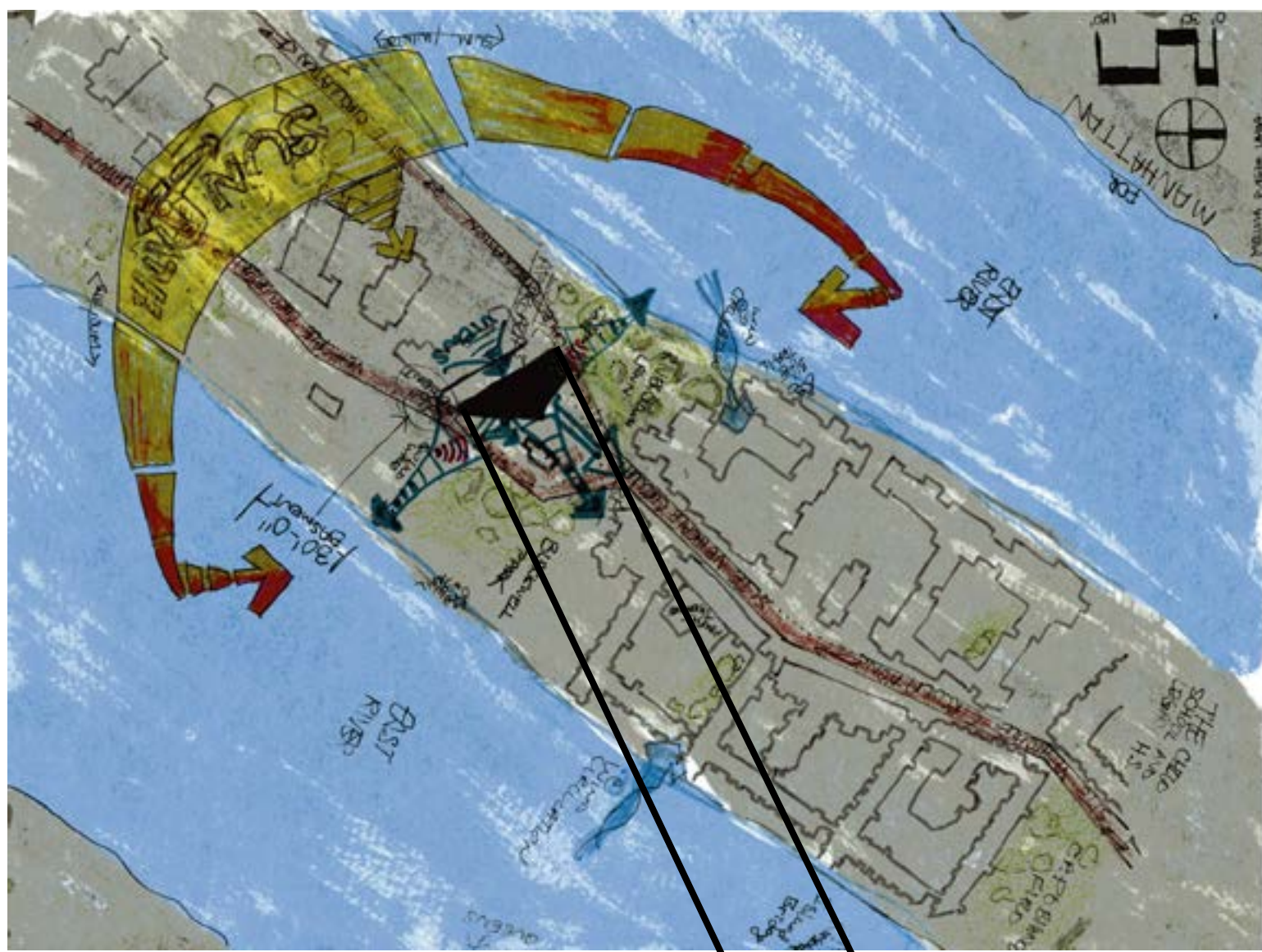
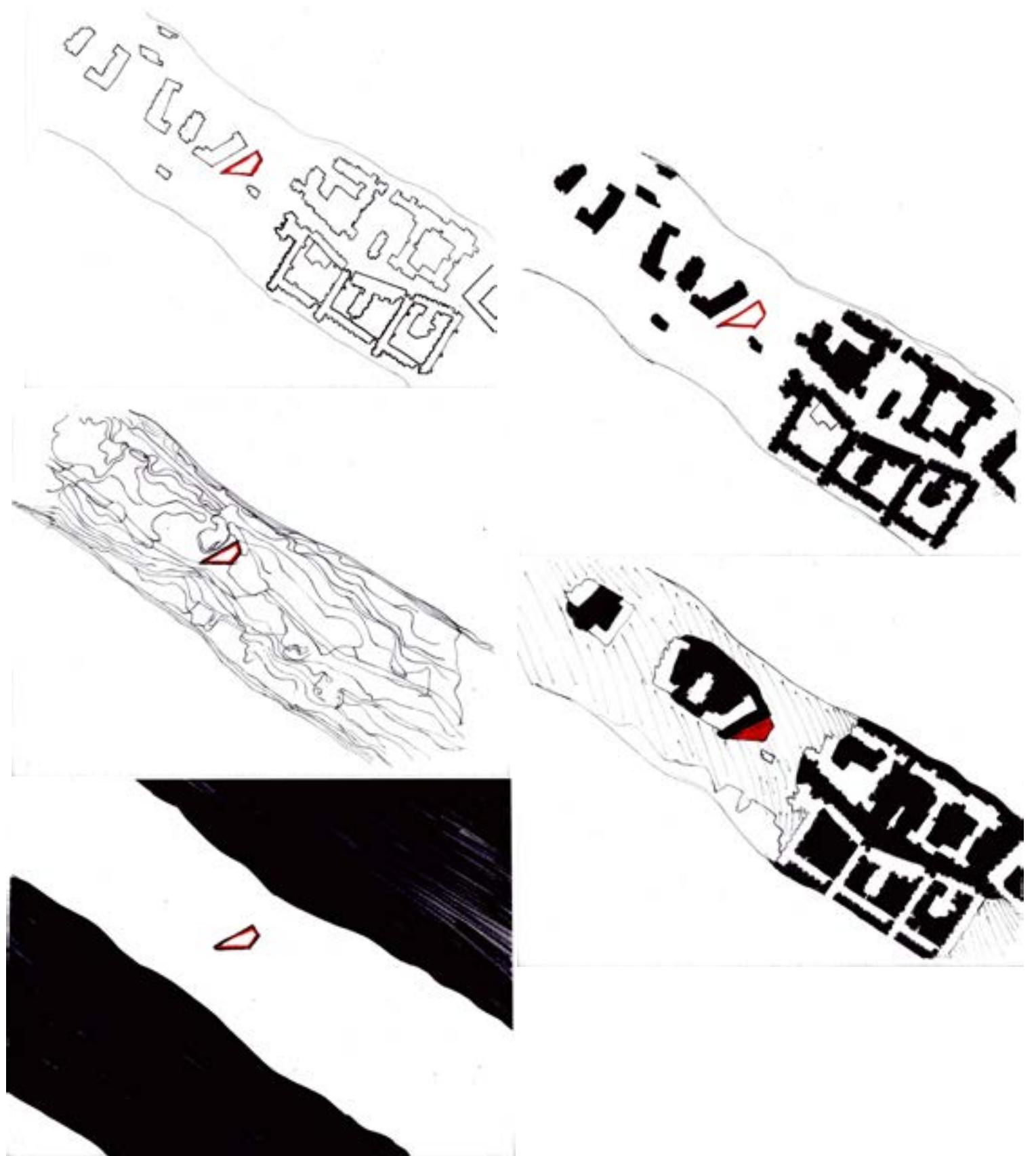
Formally known as Blackwell's Island, due to the owners that cultivated the land, the island was renamed after former United States president, Franklin Eleanor Roosevelt in 1971. The island has had some negative connotations in the past due to its historic hospital, which is now in ruins at the southern tip of the island, but it also has a positive effect on today's community due to the prize winning building currently being constructed.

I believe the island has a nice and unique balance of "old and new" and is a great place for one to jdddh due to its many different characteristics, architectonic thresholds and "nooks", however I also believe that the island could benefit from a more "unified and general use" space for the residents of the community as well as tourist as it was evident to me that the residents of the island take great pride in their community.

I would like to design a building that not only combines the residents with the visitors but also stays true to the historic and modern blend that the island currently has. I would also like to consider incorporating "view and passage" thresholds and passage ways, like the so many that are already throughout the island.

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## Past and Future Circulation and Passages



- ★ = Civic
- ★ = Comercial
- ★ = Residential
- ★ = Modern
- ★ = Historic

