



1960s SCOTTSDALE

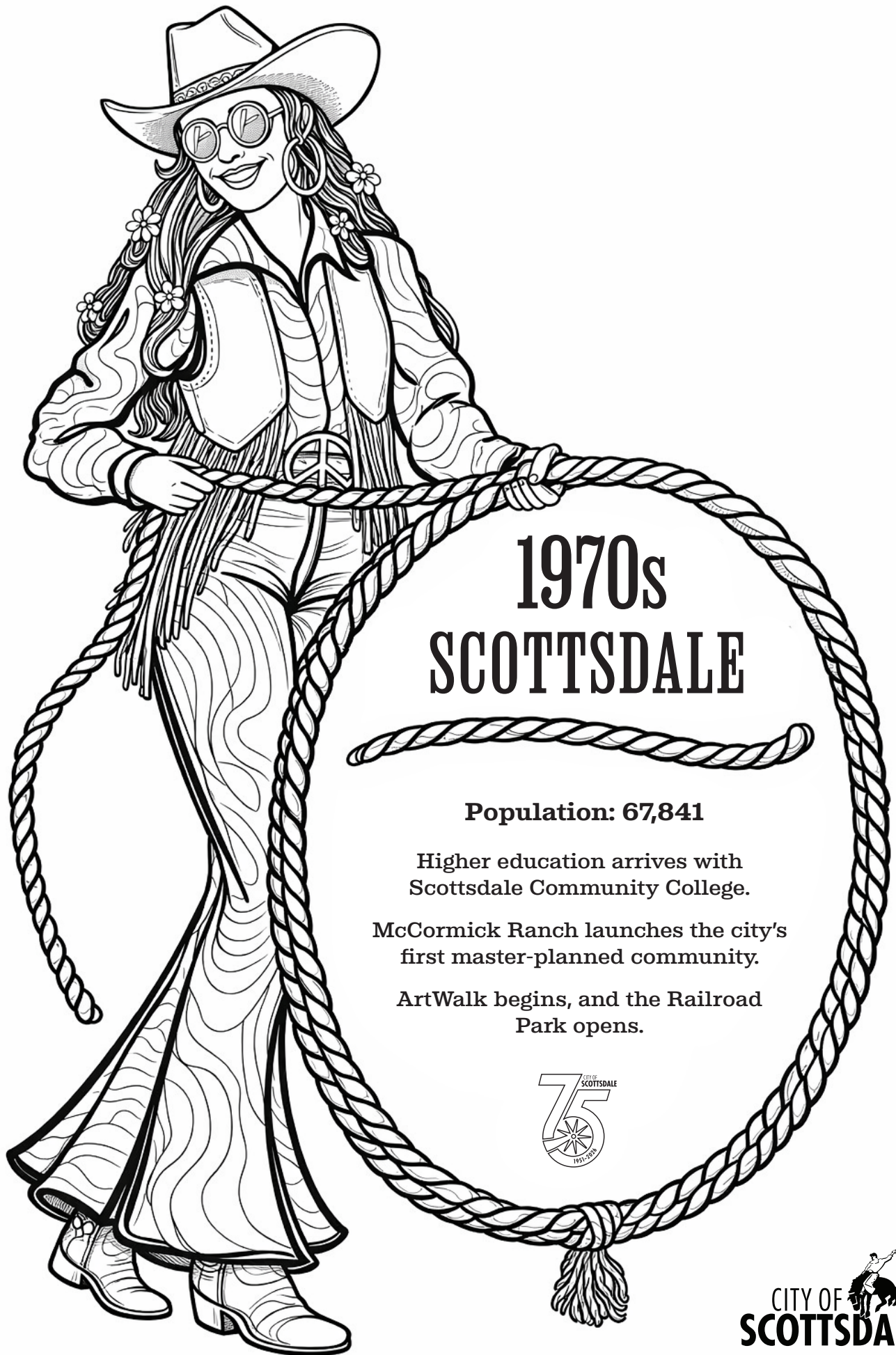
Population: 54,504

Scottsdale becomes a city.

Architect Bennie Gonzales links civic buildings into a walkable arts and government core.

The airport opens, and residents establish the Scottsdale Historical Society.





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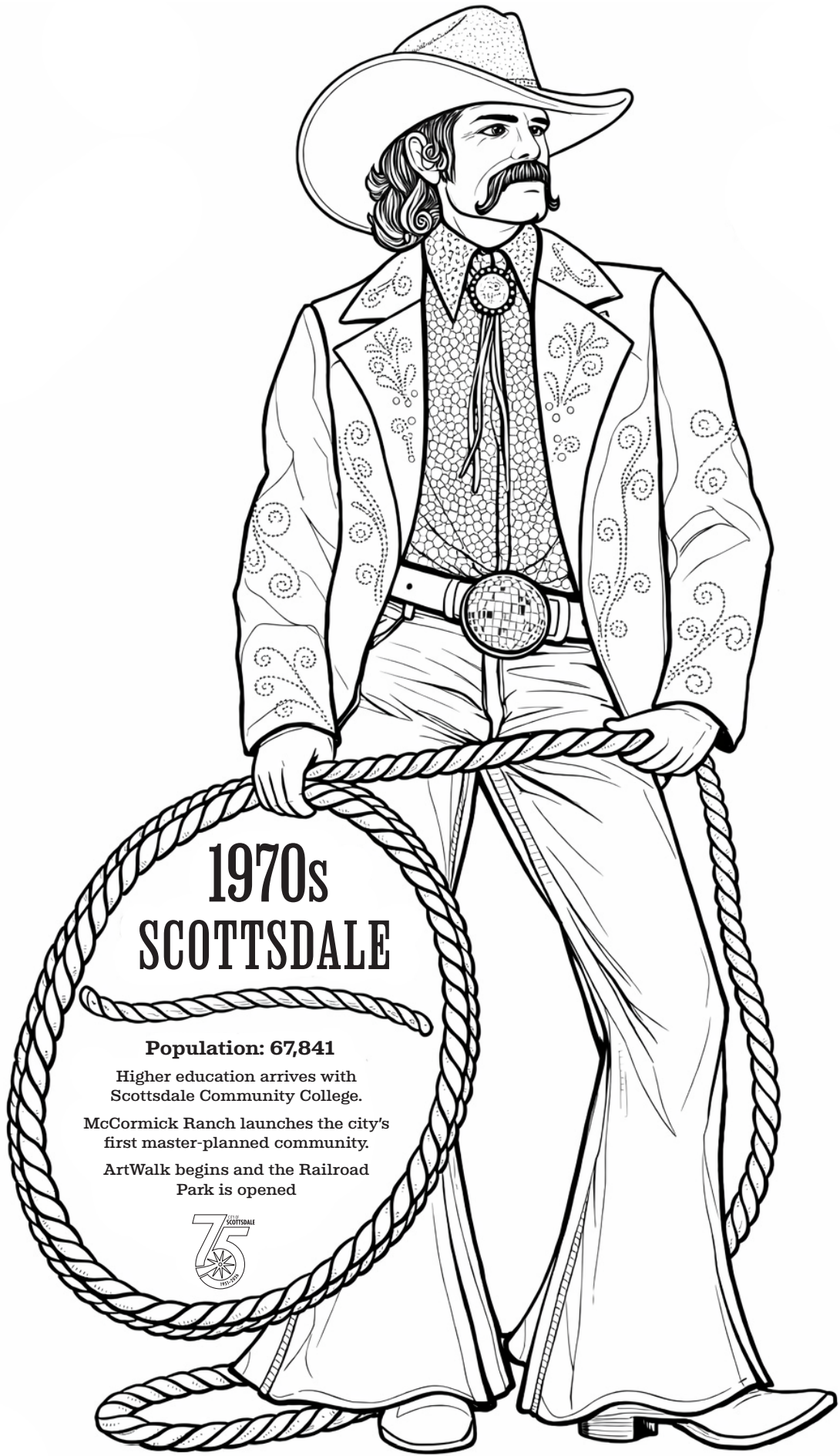
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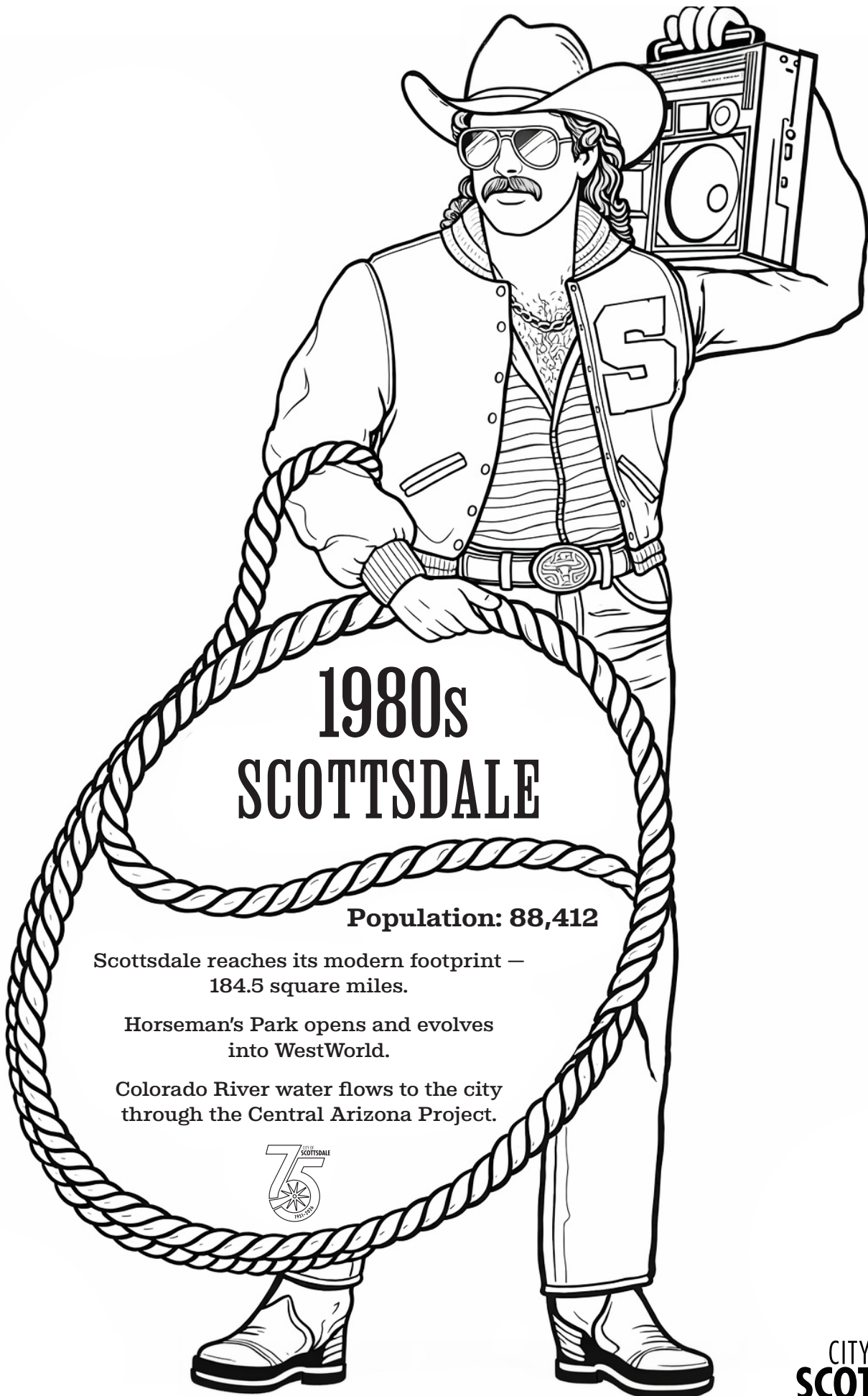
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Population: 88,412

Scottsdale reaches its modern footprint —
184.5 square miles.

Horseman's Park opens and evolves
into WestWorld.

Colorado River water flows to the city
through the Central Arizona Project.





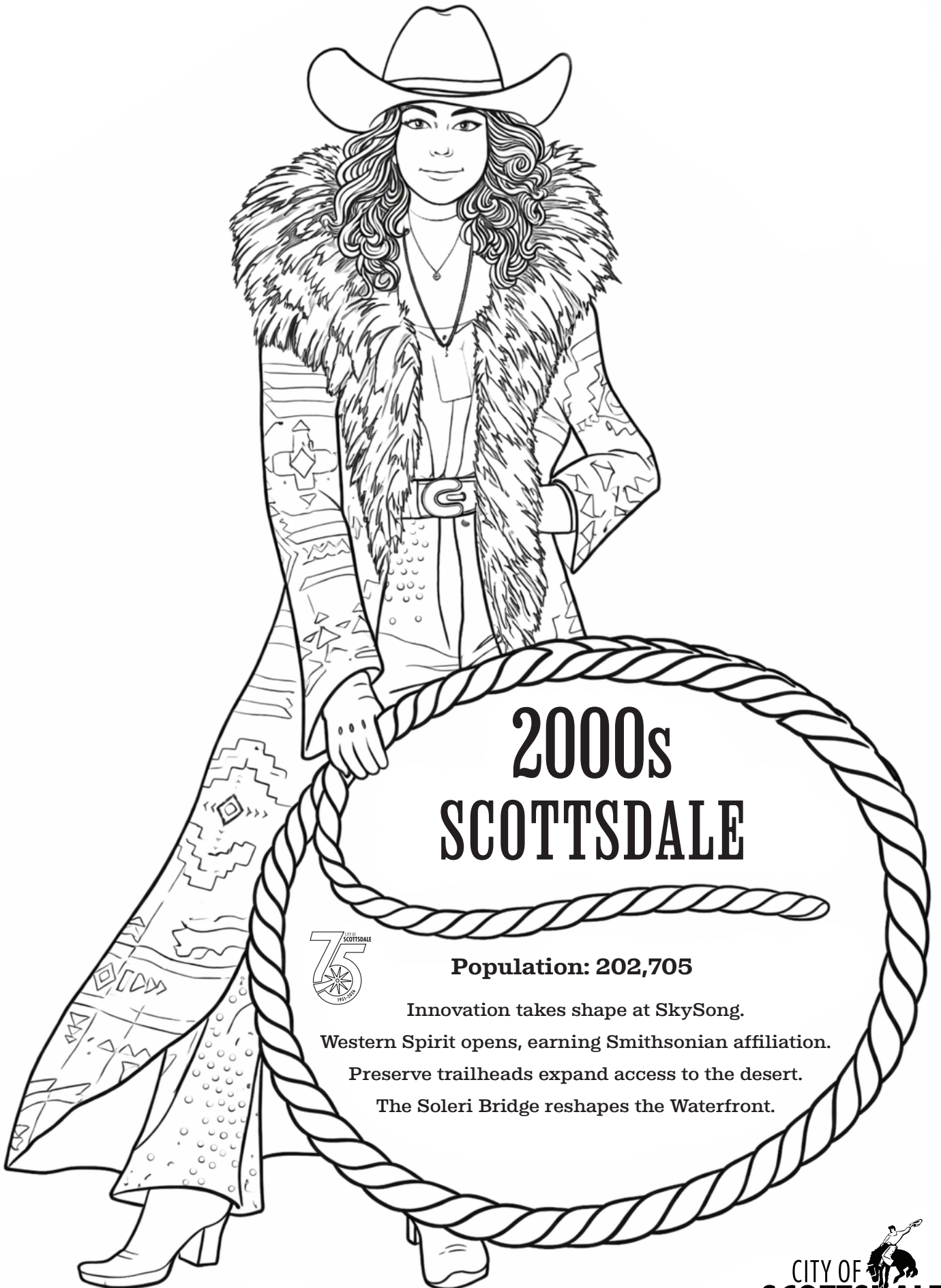
1990s SCOTTSDALE

Population: 130,069

Voters protect the future, creating the McDowell Sonoran Preserve and approving funding to secure nearly one-third of the city as permanent desert.

SMoCA opens in Old Town.





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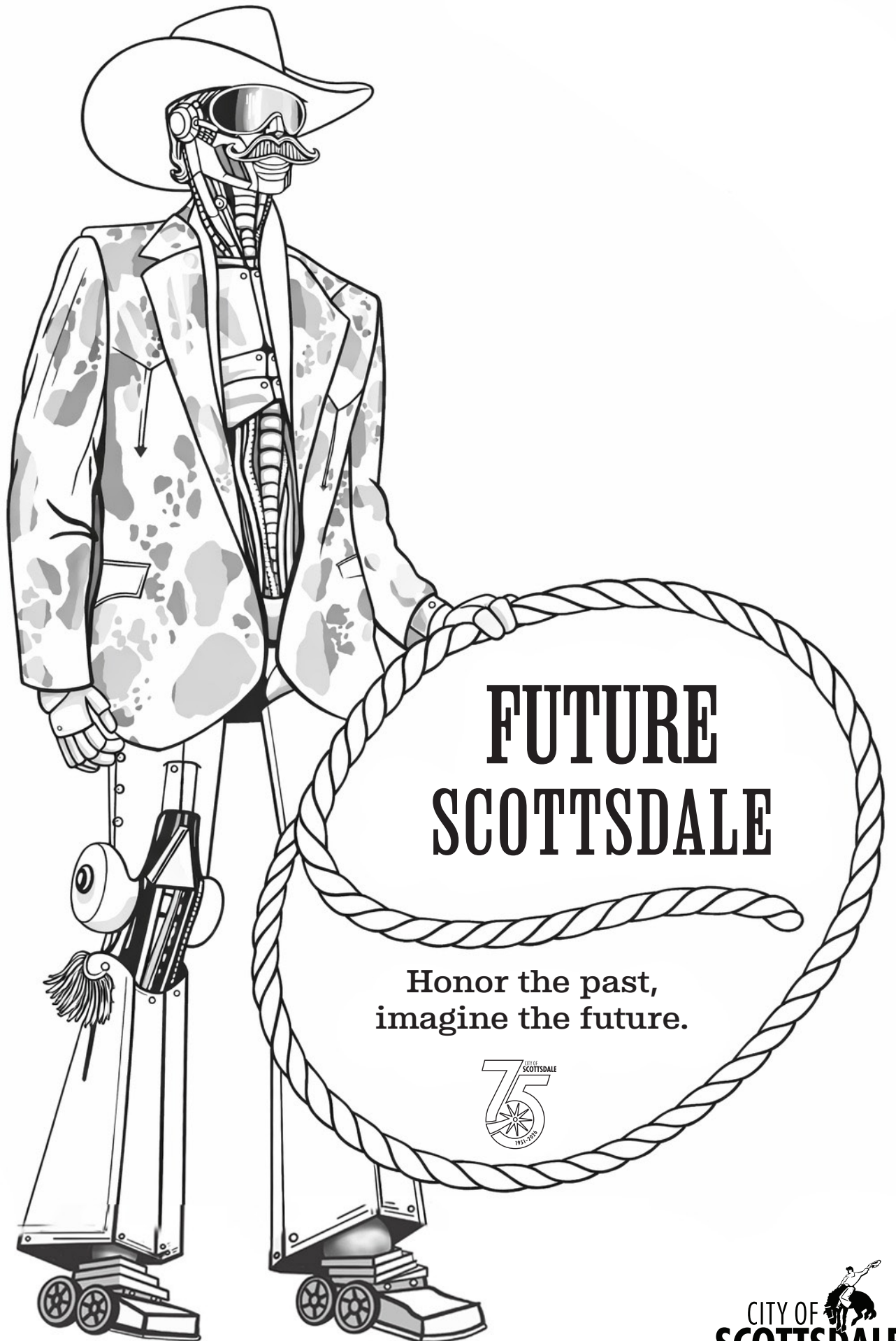
Population: 202,705

Innovation takes shape at SkySong.

Western Spirit opens, earning Smithsonian affiliation.

Preserve trailheads expand access to the desert.

The Soleri Bridge reshapes the Waterfront.



FUTURE SCOTTSDALE

Honor the past,
imagine the future.

