



THE UMBRELLASM

DISCOVER YOUR ARTS

Art Ramble 2023: *Geo-Metric*

About The Art Ramble

The Art Ramble is a temporary outdoor public art installation sited around the Fairyland Pond in the Hapgood Wright Town Forest, in collaboration with the Concord Natural Resources Division.

Call for Art

Geo-Metric literally means Earth measurement. While traditionally, basic geometry relies on axioms used to measure fixed shapes and construct solid objects that will stand the test of time, “Geo-Metric” here refers to the ability to measure change. Our planet is constantly in motion and changes with exposure to light, temperature, weather, human intervention and climate change. The season visibly changes from summer to fall over the run of the Art Ramble, but what are the changes and patterns (geometric or otherwise) that we do not see? How can we make visible the patterns of nature and their disruption - raising awareness of the threats to our environment as well as nature’s keen ability to adapt and

survive? This year's Art Ramble focuses on work that measures the change that results from exposure to the environment or to human intervention. Work may be ephemeral and disappear, grow in size or strength, or change form. We welcome works that are interactive or participatory allowing visitors to measure naturally occurring change or contribute to change in order to illustrate (without actually inflicting) human impact on the environment. All media, including sound installation (via QR code, though sound must be download ahead of time due to connectivity issues in the forest) and performance will be considered.

BIPOC artists are encouraged to apply.

Please note this is a Leave No Trace exhibit; from installation to dismantling, nature must be left intact and all materials brought to the site must be removed at the end of the show. No pieces can be installed in or on the water. Artists are responsible for installing and deinstalling their own work. All work will be subject to approval by Concord Natural Resources.

The Umbrella receives 30% commission on any works sold in the exhibit. Final pieces are expected to match the proposals, and if they don't, The Umbrella may choose not accept the piece. By submitting a proposal, artists acknowledge The Umbrella Arts Center and the Concord Natural Resources Division assumes no liability for artwork on the property during the exhibition.

Independent exploration of the site prior to creating a proposal is encouraged. Additional information regarding the installation site may be found in the Hapgood-Wright Town Forest Guide at <https://concordma.gov/DocumentCenter/View/29013/Town-Forest-Brochure>

To Apply

You may submit up to three works for consideration by filling out the

[application form](#) by June 1, 2023 11:59PM.

If you do not have a gmail account and have difficulty uploading images and documents, you may submit a .PDF to Stephanie@theumbrellaarts.org containing the following information:

1. Artist's Name
2. Artist's Address
3. Artist Website
4. Artist cell phone number
5. Resume/CV
6. Project Statement: outline what you envision and accomplish with this work as informed by the site and interactions with the public
7. Title of work (s) (You may submit up to 3)
8. Images of work (s)
9. List any workshops, live performances or participatory engagement events that could go along with your work (optional)
10. Link to an online portfolio of past work and projects, or attachment of a pdf including 5-10 high resolution JPEG images of past artwork. For time-based media, link to 3-5 video/sound recordings.
11. Please provide any additional information.

To use the application form, click [here](#)

Exhibition Information

Selected artists will be awarded a small honorarium.

Submissions due June 1, 2023

Notification: June 11, 2023

Site selection at the forest: Saturday, June 24, 2022

Bio, Statement and Label info due - July 15, 2023

Installation Dates: Saturday and Sunday, August 26 & 27

Exhibition: September 1 - November 19, 2023, Hapgood-Wright Town Forest, Concord, MA

Walkabout and Artist reception - Sunday, September 10, 2023

Curated by Stephanie Marlin-Curiel

<https://theumbrellaarts.org/art-ramble>

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES June 1, 2023, 11:59PM.