

Call for Stories

Nina Earley's art practice combines an interest in map-making and remembering a place through walking. These walks are turned into drawings, prints, and paintings that show the importance of place and the need to not forget. Nina has long been drawing maps from her memory of locations that are important in her life, and she is intrigued by the prominent history of Walden Pond near her current home. Each of these walks has a story, and Nina would like to collect some of your stories to begin a collaborative artwork about the walks around Walden.

Participate in this year's Artist-in-Residence project led by Nina Earley by sharing a story that centers around Walden Pond in Concord, MA and its surrounding pathways. These stories can be short or long, things you've experienced yourself or stories that you've heard. They can describe a significant life event or an everyday walk.

To share your story, email a one to three page document to Nina at ninaphotographs@gmail.com.

- The story can be captured in whatever format feels most natural: a narrative, a bulleted list, a description, etc.
- Stories can also be shared verbally. To do this, email Nina at <u>ninaphotographs@gmail.com</u> to set-up a time for her to interview you.

This project is open to the public and all submissions are due by February 15. The stories will be used to inform a collaborative art project organized by Nina Earley and worked on by The Umbrella's resident artists. The stories will be presented at Nina's second ArtTalk on March 19 at 3:00 at The Umbrella and the final collaborative art piece will be on display from August 14 – September 15, 2015 during the artist-in-residence's gallery show.

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