

2017 Art in the Loop Project: Cue!



Art:

on the **Line** - *KC Streetcar*

at the **Library** - *KC Public Library Central Library*

The Art in the Loop Project is a curated outdoor exhibit of temporary artworks and performances that takes place each summer in Downtown Kansas City. The goal is to infuse the center of Downtown Kansas City with innovative and engaging temporary art that will refresh, intrigue and surprise our audience of Downtown employees, residents and visitors. Equally important, the project creates an opportunity for local emerging and established artists to increase their audiences and extend their practices into the Downtown environment with curatorial support.

The theme for our 2017 project is "Cue!" - meaning a signal or prompt to act. Taking inspiration from the current ARTwall installation "Cue!" by Larry Thomas which imagines 8 diversely patterned human figures queuing up on a billboard-style artwork adjacent to the Power & Light District, we are looking to artists to cue new interpretations of our City. Artists cue viewers into reimagining and understanding our everyday experience. As Downtown Kansas City undergoes a vibrant transformation, we invite artists to cue new interpretations of this urban landscape: how can we experience Downtown in fresh ways through visual, physical, and performative cues?



ART INSTALLATIONS

Eight to eleven engaging, site-responsive artworks will be installed along the KC Streetcar route and at Streetcar Stops from May - September 2016. Two-dimensional, three-dimensional, video and interactive digital artwork will be considered. The installations will be visible from the public right of way, informative signage will be provided for the public. Artist talks and guided walks will also be available. Sponsor recognition will be included on the signage.



WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME CONCERT SERIES

A diverse selection of local musicians, dancers and poets will perform at lunchtime on Wednesdays throughout the summer. The performances will take place on-board KC Streetcar and at specified stops. Performances at the Kansas City Public Library Central Library will take place in Kirk Hall and on the Rooftop Terrace.

2017 SCHEDULE

- Artist Applications Due (February)
- Artist Selection Panel Deliberations (March)
- Kick Off Reception & Artist Talks (April 26, 2017)
- Artworks Installed (May)
- Lunchtime Performances (May - September)
- Closing Reception & Program (November 1, 2017)



We Need Your Support

The Art in the Loop Project is a partnership of the City of Kansas City, Missouri, the Downtown Council and KC Streetcar. The project showcases local artists who have made Kansas City the center of the Creative Crossroads, attracting national recognition to our region. It also supports efforts to attract young people to live and work in our City by providing unique cultural and entertainment opportunities. All activities are free and open to the public.

Support local artists! Bring easily accessible cultural experiences to the Downtown community! Become a corporate sponsor today!. Sponsor levels range from \$1,000 to \$15,000. Contact Ann Holliday, ann@downtownkc.org or 816-979-1072 for more information.

www.artintheloop.com

2016 Art in the Loop Highlights

“Kansas City never fails to regale in the realm of bringing artists, the public, education and opportunity together. There is a monumental, or even Athenian, aspect to this year’s Art in the Loop Project: Connect. This kind of event is indicative of a generous and open-minded city that is proud of its artists and thinkers; so much so that it foregrounds them in its streets, dazzling its visitors, and ensuring no one returns home without a clear understanding of Kansas City’s inherent prestige.”

Alex Anderson

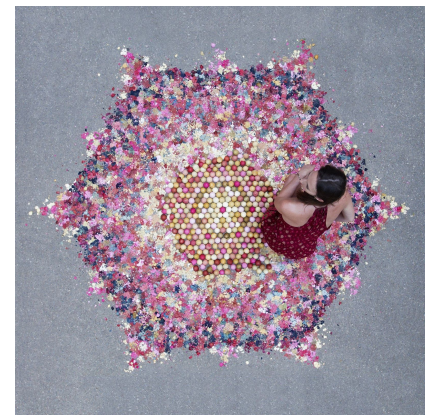
KC Metropolis, July 12, 2016



“Art on the Line, an expansion of Art in the Loop, is like a progressive dinner for art lovers - a feast of contemporary works that can be viewed in air-conditioned comfort from inside the streetcar”

Cindy Hoedel

Kansas City Star, September 18, 2016



“I applaud the young musician for creating music for our city. We need to continue to promote the creativity of artists in our city.”

Audience member

“The Art in the Loop program takes revitalization to the next level. I love walking into a public space in Kansas City and being surprised by an artistic performance. It makes the city feel spontaneous and fun!”

Audience member

“...programs like Art in the Loop help to build your confidence in producing quality works for our community. Life Turning would never be possible if I were to have attempted to build this on my own.”

Lauren Thompson

Life Turning



“By being a part of Art in the Loop, my work has been further validated as important within the context of the Kansas City artscape.”

Maura Garcia

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“The reaction and turnout were everything I was hoping for...many thanks to Art in the Loop for giving me the opportunity to finally perform this piece in a public space.”

Alison M. Greene

Walking on Eggshells Mandala

Credits

- *Cue!* by Larry Thomas (2016-17 ARTwall, Town Pavilion Garage, 13th and Grand)
- *I See You* by Rachelle Gardner Roe (2016 Art in the Loop Project)
- *Inspired Pedestrians* performance and film by Elizabeth Stehling (2016 Art in the Loop Project)
- *Life Turning* by Lauren Thompson (2016 Art in the Loop Project)
- *Walking on Eggshells Mandala* by Alison Greene (2016 Art in the Loop Project)
- *Cubanisms* performed by Ensemble Iberica (2016 Art in the Loop Project)
- *Soundshapes* by White Art Studio (2016 Art in the Loop Project)

