

ARTS COUNCIL NEW ORLEANS



LUNA FÊTE 2016

Illuminating New Orleans December 7 - 10

ART INTERVENTIONS

Redefining Public Art

ARTS COUNCIL HONORS

Brandan Odums, National Performance Network, and Guardians Institute and Donald Harrison Sr. Museum
December 8 at LUNA Fête



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LUNA FÊTE MAP

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| 10. Lucion Billie presented by Harrah's Miracle on Fulton Street | | |

ARTS COUNCIL

NEW ORLEANS

PRESIDENT
+ CEO NOTE



ARTS COUNCIL PARTNERED WITH THE MID-CITY CIRCLE OF THE WELCOME TABLE NEW ORLEANS ALONG WITH LOCAL ARTS GROUPS TO REVITALIZE LEMANN POOL ON THE LAFITTE GREENWAY WITH A COLORFUL COMMUNITY CREATED MURAL

A message from Arts Council President + CEO, Nick Stillman

This Arts Council's staff and board is united behind the vision that art transforms communities. We believe that art is not ancillary, but intrinsic to a thriving and inclusive New Orleans. We created LUNA Fête because we saw New Orleans' art and technology communities ascending. LUNA Fête, we hoped, could be the platform that showcases them, engages the public, and demonstrates how art transforms. 2016 is the Arts Council's third year producing LUNA Fête. In both 2017 and 2018, we're proud to report that LUNA Fête will be a Tricentennial Signature Event. With the 2018 Tricentennial just around the corner, "what kind of city do we want to live in" is the question the entire city is asking itself. LUNA Fête – an event that convenes people around art and artists – also finds us reflecting on this question. We want to live in a city that is unlike any other in the world, and we want to live in a city that supports and celebrates the people and groups that make it this way.

ART TRANSFORMS COMMUNITIES



**UNA
Fête**

PHOTO BY BRYCE ELL

LUNA FÊTE TRANSFORMS NEW ORLEANS' SKY IN A RAINBOW OF COLOR

LUNA Fête, the visionary initiative created by Arts Council New Orleans, returns for four nights to transform downtown New Orleans with art animated by light and technology

NEW ORLEANS-BASED ARTIST BRENNAN STEELE'S 20 FOOT ILLUMINATED BISON ON LAFAYETTE STREET



Free and open to the public, LUNA Fête runs Wednesday, December 7 through Saturday, December 10 from 6-9 pm nightly in Lafayette Square and along Lafayette Street, merging with Harrah's Miracle on Fulton event. Global Rainbow, a monumental light projection by Berlin-based American artist Yvette Mattern, illuminates New Orleans' night sky with seven high-specification lasers representing colors of the rainbow and visible for up to 30 miles from Lafayette Square. Mattern was inspired to create the work after seeing an unusual

rainbow in a beautiful spot at Walden Pond in Massachusetts. With Global Rainbow, the Arts Council aims to connect residents and visitors alike through a beautifully engaging visual that communicates hope and peace. "We're proud to be including Global Rainbow in LUNA Fête this year," said Arts Council President & CEO Nick Stillman. "This is a signature installation in what we believe is becoming an iconic event for New Orleans. If anyone is skeptical that art can be the basis for a transformative event for many communities

across an entire city, this should change that opinion." LUNA Fête's 2014 premiere projection mapping installation created by France-based La Maison Production returns to Gallier Hall with nearby Lafayette Square serving as an advantageous viewing spot for show times at 6 pm, 7 pm, 8 pm, and 9 pm during each night of LUNA Fête. The award-winning team created this site-specific work showcasing the story of New Orleans which includes a fresh new finale for 2016. An additional international artist installation, Billie, sponsored by Harrah's, is a series of spheres created by Montreal-based creative studio Lucion Media, which transforms light

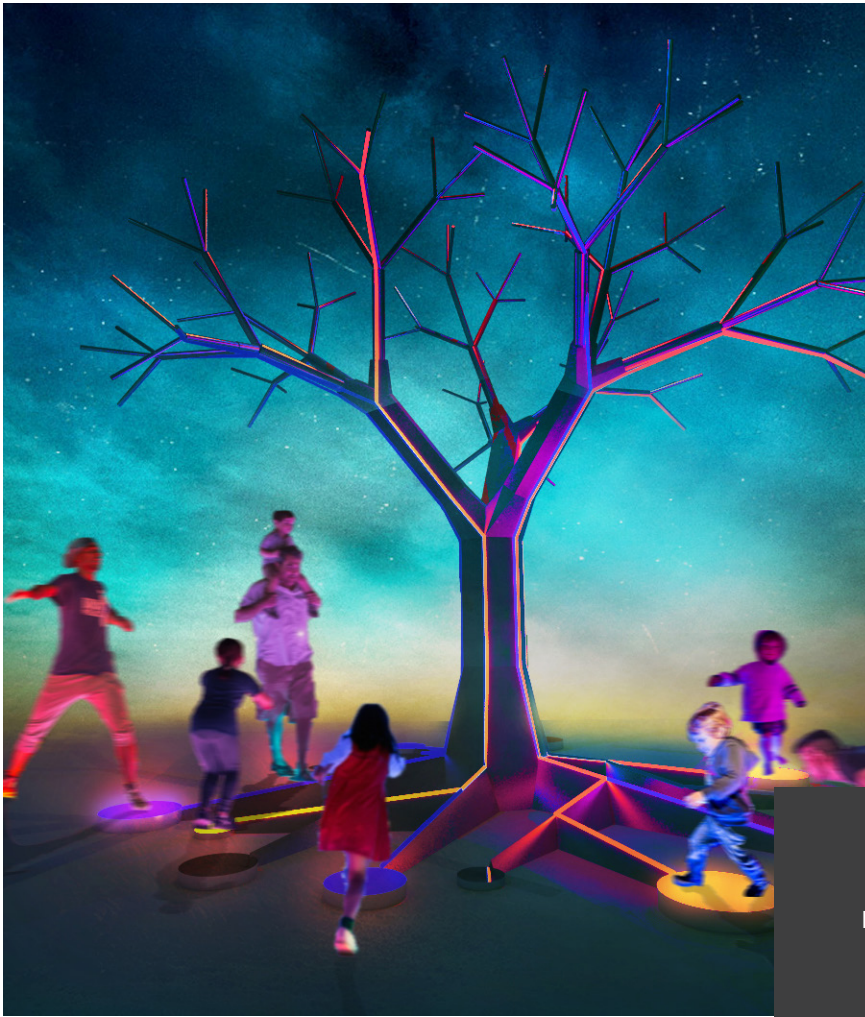
into a dynamic paintbrush. The Billie spheres are sensitive to all sources of light and encourage viewer interaction through smartphones, glow sticks, flashlights, or any other light-emitting device. Using light sources, the audience can create dynamic shapes and illuminated personal portraits on the surface of a Billie sphere. "LUNA Fete is on its way to becoming a signature holiday event for the city of New Orleans." LUNA Fête Committee Chair Will French said. "It's the perfect way to enjoy an entertaining and innovative evening in the city with your friends and family while supporting our local artists, restaurants, and businesses."

LUNA FÊTE'S BEACON, GLOBAL RAINBOW, BEAMS FROM LAFAYETTE SQUARE ACROSS THE MISSISSIPPI FROM 6 PM - MIDNIGHT NIGHTLY



INTERACTIVE BILLIE SPHERES SPONSORED BY HARRAH'S ILLUMINATE LAFAYETTE STREET





ILLUMINATING INNOVATION

Local artists activate the imagination and demonstrate what's possible for the future of lighting in New Orleans.

RAVEN PMG
L-System



CRISTINA MOLINA
Crystal Radio
Private Symphonies

LUNA Fête provides the ideal platform to celebrate New Orleans' creative and tech-based industries, highlighting the intersection of art, architecture, technology, community engagement, and tourism. Behind the scenes of LUNA Fête's public celebration the Arts Council is working to cultivate a network of artists capable of transforming public lighting

in New Orleans. This year the Arts Council formalized the LUNA Fête Artist Training program which seeks to develop and refine a new generation of local creative talent, activating emerging contemporary artists utilizing light and technology in their work. Participating artists were instructed by Gabriel Barcia-Colombo, a faculty member of the Interactive

THE ARTS COUNCIL'S GOAL IS TO SUPPORT LOCAL ARTIST DEVELOPMENT WHILE SOLIDIFYING NEW ORLEANS' POSITION AS THE AMERICAN CITY MOST ASSOCIATED WITH LIGHT, ART, AND TECHNOLOGY TRAINING.



BRENNAN STEELE
Titan the Bison



JENNA DEBOISBLANC
The Cave



ELISE TOUPS • RYAN GROENDYK
Portal Garden



MARTIN BENSON
The Venus Well

Telecommunications Program at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts. The results of their work will premiere during LUNA Fête and include:

Brennan Steele's Titan the Bison presented by Mardi Gras World at Kern Studios is an interactive 20-foot large bison where audience portraits are mixed live with prerecorded graphics to provide instantaneous interactive visual feedback to the viewers on the bison's illuminated skin.

Cristina Molina's Crystal Radio is an audio-visual installation that transmits intimate, experimental soundscapes directly into audience members' heads through the consumption of crystalline lollipops.

Jenna deBoisblanc's The Cave presented by the

Downtown Development District explores the recent rise of machine learning and virtual reality, creating an enclosed space which imagines the results of human cave drawings should man have been replaced by machine.

Martin Benson's The Venus Well is intended to create a sense of wonder allowing viewers to climb a platform and peer into a magic wishing well which features a radiating mandala in its depths.

Elise Toups and Ryan Groendyk's Portal Garden is a video installation that transforms architectural space into a meditative gateway. The installation uses fabricated surfaces that are mapped with video and act as a pop-up theater that viewers are able to

move through.

Additionally, **Raven PMG** winner of the LUNA Fête local artist prize in 2015, will present L-System. Based on the L-System responsible for plant growth patterns and behavior, the installation uses this basic organic algorithm to determine its form, lighting, and audio patterns using pressure sensors stimulated by its audience as a point of departure.

ARTS COUNCIL HONORS

COMMUNITY ARTS AWARDS

Arts Council Honors is the Arts Council's annual celebration honoring outstanding individuals and organizational contributors to the local arts and cultural community. This year we sought to specifically highlight honorees whose work is in line with the Arts Council's mission to transform communities through art.

The 2016 honorees will be celebrated Thursday, December 8 in a public celebration at the LUNA Lounge in Lafayette Square at 6:30 pm. Award selections were based on artistic excellence, inspired vision, unique achievements, and a deep commitment to transforming communities through art.



**GUARDIANS
INSTITUTE AND
DONALD
HARRISON SR.
MUSEUM**

PHOTO BY JOSE COTTO

Guardians Institute was founded in 2006 by Herreast J Harrison in honor of her late husband, Big Chief Donald Harrison, Sr. with an aim of advocating for cultural programming with a conscience and cultivating greatness in mind, body, and spirit. The Guardians Institute is dedicated to youth development through literacy and oral traditions. The organization is focused on service to the community through education and preservation of West African and New Orleans indigenous cultural arts.

Located at 1930 Independence Street, the Guardians Institute is the home to Donald Harrison, Sr. Museum and Legacy Performance Pavillion. The museum houses artwork, music collections, and many other artifacts from the Harrison family archives. The Guardians Institute has curated dozens of exhibits, seminars, lectures, presentations, and educational performances in New Orleans and across the world. Guardiansinstitute.org.



**THE NATIONAL
PERFORMANCE ART
NETWORK / VISUAL
ARTISTS NETWORK
NPN/VAN**
PHOTO BY NPN

NPN/VAN is a national organization supporting artists in the creation and touring of contemporary performing and visual arts. NPN/VAN is committed to community engagement as well as sharing ideas and knowledge. NPN/VAN represents artists who create unique works and support the presenters who take risks in showcasing them. NPN/VAN has brought innovative performing artists to all corners of the United States for more than 25 years. NPN/VAN addresses issues of artistic isolation and the economic constraints of moving art around the country and the sharing of artistic and community voices. As an artist-centered, field-generated network, NPN/VAN is unique in its structure. Its active and engaged network of presenters form an interconnected web of relationships through which support and services are strategically designed, effectively distributed, and successfully leveraged. *Npnweb.org*

Brandan “Bmike” Odums is the founder and director of Studio Be and 2-Cent Entertainment LLC—a youth education social enterprise that produces mixed media content and events in the overlap between pop culture and social awareness geared towards addressing problems in the community. Brandan’s recent works include “Project Be,” a series of graffiti murals on the walls of the ruined Florida Avenue public housing complex in New Orleans’ 9th Ward depicting iconic African-Americans and heroes of the civil rights movement. The discovery of his underground art gallery sparked a social media frenzy, receiving thousands of tweets, reposting and editorials in local media outlets. As a result of the overwhelmingly positive response to the artistic alchemy of Project Be, Brandan is currently working with the local housing authority to preserve the art for future public viewing. *Brandanodums.org.*



BRANDAN ODUMS
STUDIO BE • 2-CENT ENTERTAINMENT
PHOTO BY MARCUS CARTER

CREATIVE INTERVENTION

Revitalizing the role that public art plays within the context of New Orleans' creative community



The Arts Council New Orleans seeks to advocate for, and contribute to, the creative intervention of public art and social impact design in civic spaces. We believe that art and design can be a powerful impetus for public conversations. With that in mind, The Arts Council looks to advance city and statewide dialogue regarding the intrinsic value of art and design in the built environment. It is essential that the city's designated arts organization play a role in advancing the creative economy and public good of our city through the art and culture that define us. In doing so, we must take into consideration what is the need, at this time, and in this place, for a civic design framework that reflects the value of place on the well-being of our home. We believe the principles of a civic design framework, should be inclusive of integrated public artwork and design into the city's major capital projects and should extend well beyond the public realm to include medium and large-scale private projects that have the potential to grow the urban fabric of our city.

EDEN SERIES, BICENTENNIAL WINGS
BY ROBERT DAFFORD

MURAL ARTS

Transforming space through public art & design



Clockwise from top:

EVERYONE'S IN THE BELLY OF SOME BEAST
BY CHRIS PAVLIK

DAY DREAM
BY MILAGROS

DREAMS
BY ROBERT DAFFORD

BEAD DOGS
BY HOLLIS + LANA

As we approach New Orleans' Tricentennial celebration, the Arts Council New Orleans is committed to strategic investments in our creative community, all of them highlighting the transformative power of art and culture. With an ambitious goal to create 50 murals by spring 2018, we expect to produce the New Orleans Mural Project, commemorating the city's rich history and celebrating its bright future by connecting New Orleans' communities through a citywide public art initiative. The project will coincide with a creative master plan for public art that emphasizes employing artists; connecting local artists to local youth; partnering with youth-serving organizations, community organizations, and businesses; and engaging neighborhoods throughout the Greater New Orleans area. In doing so, the initiative will enliven the city's evolving aesthetic landscape, highlight New Orleans as a center for creativity, innovation, and contemporary art, and serve as an unifying symbol for all New Orleanians.

INVESTING IN ARTISTS



**ARTS COUNCIL
GRANTEE, BLACK
FOREST FANCIES**

Grants

The Arts Council New Orleans administers arts grants made possible with city and state funds. The Community Arts Grants Program, made possible by the City of New Orleans, provides operating support to nonprofit arts organizations domiciled in Orleans Parish. Also supported is the street parading traditions of New Orleans, often done by Mardi Gras Indians and Social Aid and Pleasure Clubs. The Louisiana Decentralized Arts Funding Program, made possible by the State of Louisiana, provides support for arts activities that take place Orleans, Jefferson, and Plaquemines Parishes. Artists and organizations interested in applying for grants should email Joycelyn Reynolds, Director of Artist Services, at joycelyn@artsneworleans.org.

Artist Opportunities

To support the growth of artists and cultural organizations, the Arts Council curates a bi-weekly round up of local, national, and international opportunities for creatives. Opportunities range from available studio space, training workshops, artist calls, and Arts

Council commissions. Visit ArtsNewOrleans.org and join the Arts Council mailing list to receive Artist Opportunities emails.

Arts Market New Orleans

Arts Market New Orleans is the city's longest-running juried fine arts market. It is held monthly in Palmer Park, typically on the last Saturday of the month. Guests can explore a selection of 80+ local and Gulf Coast artists specializing in large-scale oil paintings, pottery, handmade jewelry, and much more. On-site food vendors and a live band bring the local flavor. Located conveniently at the last stop of the St. Charles Ave streetcar line, Arts Market New Orleans is a favorite of natives and locals alike. Enjoy a selection of Arts Market artists on-site at the LUNA Bazaar held each night of LUNA Fête from 6 -9 pm in Lafayette Square. Experience the last Arts Markets of the year in Palmer Park from 10 am to 4 pm Saturday, December 17 and Sunday, December 18 in Palmer Park.

LOCAL STYLE

Craftsmanship and creativity abound at the Arts Market New Orleans in Palmer Park



- 1- MERMAID'S PURSE**
NATURAL ORGANICS
Jingling Sea Turtle by Measha Daynes.
- 2- RIDGEWALKER GLASS**
Goblet by Chad and Teri Walker.
- 3- STUDIO IPPIKI**
Hardcover square sketchbook by Yuka Petz.
- 4- BIG EASY**
BIRDHOUSES
French Market Birdhouse by Gary Ward.
- 5- HOME MALONE NOLA**
Framed oyster canvas painting by Kristin Johnson.





CULTIVATING CULTURE

The Arts District Association strives to connect all aspects of the visual arts, culinary arts, and musical arts, along with the art of travel in this sought-after neighborhood.



**ART FOR ART'S SAKE | DOWNTOWN AT
ARTHUR ROGER GALLERY**

photo by Marcela Correa

The Arts District of New Orleans is rich in character and features stylish, cutting-edge galleries, prestigious museums, and some of the best restaurants and bars in an architecturally distinctive historic district of New Orleans. The Arts District of New Orleans Association (ADNO) was created in the 1990s in an effort to improve the neglected Arts/Warehouse District to help bring art enthusiasts to the neighborhood. This led to the establishment of the First Saturday gallery openings, which bring crowds of people to the district every month. ADNO has since partnered

with other institutions, like the Downtown Development District, in an effort to cultivate economic development in the downtown area. Today, the nonprofit organization includes 20 contemporary art galleries, 3 world-class museums/institutions presenting visual and performing arts, a rotating outdoor public sculpture collection, numerous cafés, bars, and prominent restaurants all working together to support and reinforce the unique qualities of the Arts District. In addition, ADNO hotel partners offer more than just a comfortable place to



ENJOY A SPECIAL LUNA FÊTE ART WALK

**SATURDAY, DEC. 10TH 5 - 7 PM
300 - 700 BLOCKS JULIA STREET**



ART PATRONS ADMIRING BLAKE BOYD'S EXHIBITION AT THE BOYD | SATELLITE GALLERY.

photo by Marcela Correa



WHITE LINEN NIGHT ON JULIA STREET

photo by Michael Alford



LEMIEUX GALLERIES DURING THEIR REGIONAL FINALS OF THE BOMBAY SAPPHIRE ARTISAN SERIES.

photo by Marcela Correa

stay by offering guided art walks and other arts-based programming. ADNO hosts free gallery receptions every First Saturday of the month from 6-9 pm on the 300 - 700 blocks of Julia Street, which often

premiere new exhibitions. ADNO also sponsors three major events every year: Jammin' on Julia, White Linen Night, and Art for Arts' Sake | Downtown. These fundraising events are meant to encourage

both tourists and the local community to appreciate the art scene in New Orleans. As the Arts District grows and innovates, it continues to find ways to expand and redefine its mission, including

expert-led guided tours and various projects in collaboration with the Arts Council.

artsdistrictneworleans.com

ARTS DISTRICT NEW ORLEANS.

The Arts District of New Orleans invites everyone to enjoy the lavish offerings of our hospitable art galleries, museums, performance spaces, bars, and restaurants. The First Saturday Art Walk will be held every first Saturday of the month, down and around Julia Street, beginning at 6pm.

SPECIAL LUNA FETE ART WALK Galleries Open
Saturday, Dec 10th from 5 to 7 pm on the 300 to 700 blocks of Julia Street



GALLERY MEMBERS:

1. Alex Beard Studio
2. Ariodante Gallery
3. Arthur Roger Gallery
4. Beata Sasik Gallery
5. Boyd | Satellite
6. Brand New Orleans Art Gallery
7. Callan Contemporary
8. Degas Gallery
9. Gallery 600 Julia
10. George Schmidt Gallery
11. Jed Malitz V2 Gallery
12. JONATHAN FERRARA GALLERY
13. Julie Silvers Art
14. LeMieux Galleries
15. Martine Chaisson Gallery
16. Mallory Page
17. May Gallery and Residency
18. Octavia Art Gallery
19. Soren Christensen
20. Stella Jones Gallery

MUSEUMS & FOUNDATIONS:

21. Contemporary Art Center
22. George Rodrigue Foundation of the Arts
23. Ogden Museum of Southern Art
24. WWII Museum
25. The Poydras Corridor Sculpture Exhibition presented by The Helis Foundation

FRIENDS:

26. Aunt Sally's
27. Bittersweet Confections
28. Carmo
29. Cellar Door
30. Cochon Cochon Butcher
31. Emerils
32. Herbsaint
33. La Casita
34. The Lafayette Hotel
35. Legacy Kitchen
36. Louisiana Products
37. Lowes Cafe Adelaide and Swizzle Stick Bar
38. Mammoth Espresso
39. Marcello's Restaurant & Wine Bar
40. Merrill
41. Mulates
42. New Orleans Auction Galleries
43. The Old No. 77 Hotel & Chandlery
44. Peche
45. Pulp & Grind
46. Renaissance New Orleans Arts Warehouse District Hotel
47. South Market District
48. St. James Cheese
49. Stumptown Coffee Roasters
50. World of Beer

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