ReCONNECT AT CONNECT 2019 / 90TH ANNIVERSARY EDITION

ReCONNECT is a call for outdoor installations created with repurposed and recycled materials to be displayed during Bernheim’s CONNECT event on Saturday, August 24, 2019, from 6:23 to 10:23 p.m. (Duration is always two hours before and two hours after the sun sets at 8:23 P.M.)

BACKGROUND: CONNECT is Bernheim’s annual summer celebration honoring the relationships of science, nature and creativity. Lake Nevin comes alive with spontaneous art, drum circles, light sculptures and musical performances from renowned artists along with hands-on art and science activities. Inspired by the sustainable mission of Forest Giants creator Thomas Dambo, ReCONNECT challenges artists to turn materials otherwise slated for trash into treasure by presenting art made predominantly of recycled and found materials, encouraging viewers to reimagine the potential of everyday discarded products. As an added creative challenge to the arts community, Bernheim is offering up all leftover Forest Giants materials as building blocks for submission proposals. Materials range from bourbon barrel staves and heads, discarded Louisville Slugger bats, building materials of various dimensions, an abundance of natural materials and more! Repurpose. Recreate. Reimagine. ReCONNECT!

GUIDELINES FOR ReCONNECT ARTIST PARTICIPATION:

- All repurposed artwork must be pre-approved by submitting information requested on the entry form provided below
- All repurposed outdoor artworks must be able to withstand various weather conditions.
- Artists that apply as a team or group must appoint one person as the primary contact.
- Funding/Reimbursement: Bernheim has limited funding for individual projects and is willing to fund $200-$600 for selected artworks. Artworks requesting larger amounts must be warranted by the size and scope of the installation and not solely based on the reputation of the artist.
- Due to staff demands on the day of event, all ReCONNECT installations must be in place no later than Friday August 23rd. Event day exceptions include the addition of alternative light sources, including solar, candles, battery operated lights, and other non-grid tied power. Other exceptions need prior approval with Visual Art Coordinator, Jenny Zeller.
- All ReCONNECT installations must be uninstalled no later than August 30th.
- For those with an interest in incorporating fire into their installation, advance permission must be granted. Please be aware that the state of Kentucky can enact no-burn conditions without prior notice.
• While we will do everything to protect submitted artworks, Bernheim is not responsible for any damage incurred while the works are installed on site. Please consider this when submitting.
• Artists receive free entry to event.

Calendar:
July 5th: ReCONNECT Call for submissions open

July 5th – July 26th: Artists are invited to Bernheim to tour Lake Nevin, view available (leftover Forest Giant) materials and to meet with Visual Arts Coordinator Jenny Zeller to discuss proposal ideas. Contact Jenny Zeller at jzeller@bernheim.org to make an appointment during this time.

July 28th: Deadline for submissions*

July 29th: Applicants will be notified of their status

August 19th – August 23rd: Install days for accepted works

August 24th: CONNECT 2019, 6:23 – 10:23 p.m.

August 25th – August 30th: Timeframe for uninstalling installations

August 30th: Last day to uninstall artworks

* Early submissions are encouraged. Proposals will be reviewed as they are received and early notifications will be sent for accepted works.

Contact Jenny Zeller with any questions by email at jzeller@bernheim.org.

By submitting a proposal to ReCONNECT, you are giving Bernheim permission to photograph, record, or document your entry for any purpose. In return, Bernheim agrees to properly credit documented works, promoting the artist, as well as Bernheim’s CONNECT event and the Arts and Nature program.
ReCONNECT at CONNECT 2019 Call for Artist Entry Form:
Please submit the following information to Jenny Zeller at jzeller@bernheim.org. Deadline for submitting proposals is Wednesday July 28\textsuperscript{th}, 2019. Early submissions are encouraged. Proposals will be reviewed as they are received and early notifications will be sent for accepted works. Bernheim will make final selections and inform applicants of their status by July 29th. Early accepted proposals for ReCONNECT will be used to promote the CONNECT event.

Artist / Point Person Information (Please provide names of every team member if submitting as a group with indication of point person for the team.)

Name ____________________________________________________________
Email __________________________________________________________________
Address __________________________________________________________________
City ___________________________ State ___________ ZIP _____________
Phone __________________________________________________________________

1. Provide a brief (150-word max) description of your entry submission including the request for funding the work. Does your installation require any foreseeable help from Bernheim staff and/or volunteers?

2. List the repurposed materials planned for use in constructing your artwork/installation. Be as specific as possible.

3. While not required, we highly encourage your submission to incorporate non-electric dependent light so it can easily be viewed at night. Think about how light can be incorporated and describe how you would envision illuminating your installation. If fire will be used, please be as specific as possible.

4. Please provide the dimensions of your entry to the best of your knowledge.

5. Attach up to 5 jpegs or pdfs that help you define your artwork / installation. This can include drawings or mockups. None are required, but images are helpful in conveying your ideas.