

ArtMap Call For Participants

MANIFESTO



About ArtMap

You have been invited to participate in a pan-Toronto arts project! Confirmed artists and arts organizations will each be given a blank wooden piece of a map of Toronto that will correspond to the ward where they live, work or were born. They will then be free to rework this however they see fit (i.e. carving, painting, photo transfer, collage etc.) Once completed the works will be re-assembled and displayed as part of Manifesto 2009 at City Hall and then presented to each respective City councillor as an expression of the importance, unity and vibrancy of arts across Toronto.

What to do

1. Go to www.themanifesto.ca/artmap to check what wards are currently available and to find out what ward you **live, work** and/or were **born** in.
2. Confirm your participation to artmap@themanifesto.ca with your desired ward number(s) in the subject line. You can include more than one ward: e.g. live = ward 33, born = ward 20, work = ward 1. This will increase your individual chances and help us complete the full project. Also include one image that best describes your work or a work example and your contact info (name, phone, email and website / organization – if available.)
3. Please contact us as soon as possible so you can get your desired piece of the map. Upon confirmation you will receive information on how to get your blank wood piece (both pickup and delivery is available). The deadline for receiving the finished works back at Manifesto is on or before September 10th 2009.
4. Each participant will receive \$250.00 to cover a workshop honorarium, small artist fee or materials etc.
5. Please spread the project to any artists or organizations you know of in the 'available wards.'

Other Info

- Priority will be given to organizations involving youth in the production of the work in a collaborative process (especially where there is overlap in submissions) -- but all Toronto artists are welcome to participate.
- More than one piece can come from a single organization.
- Staff may conduct a short phone interview with you about arts in your ward as part of building a Pan-Toronto network and select pieces may be reproduced (with permission) for a future public arts project.
- Each piece will be around 2' x 2' custom cut semi-finished thick ply.
- Need some ideas? Maybe vinyl transfer a photo onto it using OrchidSigns.com, carve it and make woodblock prints, prime it in a bright colour and write testimonials on the back (or front) about what art means to your community, make a collage or layer it with stencils, have every artist you know sign it in different colours over a bright background or stretch a piece of canvas over it and turn it into a painting...

