



DAY TO DAY INTINERARY

Hosted by Creative Growth
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Symposium Coordinator – Mary Fashik

JUNE 1 – 4, 2022
9:00AM – 5:00PM

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Wednesday, June 1, 2022: Welcome and an afternoon of Disability Justice

On day one of our third annual symposium, we celebrate the opportunity to gather in-person once again. We look to strengthen the bonds forged during the last two years of the pandemic. We start the day by welcoming newcomers and listening to their experiences. In the afternoon, we will dive into Disability Justice as it relates to the arts and its impact on the advancement for people with disabilities.

Agenda

- 9:00am - 9:30 am:** Gather/breakfast
- 9:30am - noon:** Welcome and intros from new attendees:
Jung-Suk Ryu, National accessArts Centre, Calgary, Alberta Canada
Tommy Ralph Pace, Orange Show Center for Visionary Art, Houston, Texas
Robyn Jablonski, Project Onward, Chicago, Illinois
- Noon - 1:20pm:** Lunch
- 1:20pm - 1:30pm:** Reconvene
- 1:30pm - 3:00pm:** Moderated discussion regarding best practices involving advancement of artists from both an art lens and disability justice lens with Disability Justice panelists *Lawrence Carter-Long, Mary Fashik, Emily Ladau, Artist and Creative Growth Board Member Katherine Sherwood alongside Creative Growth Artists Susan Janow, Avery Babon, and Lynn Pisco.*
- 3:00 - 3:30pm:** Break
- 3:30pm - 4:30pm:** Person Centered Thinking and The Final Rule
Sheraden Nicholau - Regional Manager, Bay Area - State Council on Developmental Disabilities
Rebecca Leinhard, CEO - Tierra del Sol
- 4:30pm - 4:45pm:** Wrap-up
- 6:30pm:** Welcome dinner: [Duende Restaurant](#) (A contemporary Spanish restaurant)
468 19th Street (Oakland)
Seated family style dinner

Thursday, June 2, 2022: Core issues regarding art making

Day two's agenda is a busy one as we focus on core art making issues including getting started with new artists and advancing the more established ones. Lunch will take place at the Creative Growth gallery with a chance for some to visit the studio. The afternoon will entail compelling presentations on exhibitions, product design and a helpful incentive for new, emerging or growing centers to discuss core needs.

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- 9:00am - 9:30 am:** Gather/breakfast
- 9:30am - 11:00am:** Fueling Phases: Developing an artists practice, from beginning, to intermediate to advanced
Progressive Arts Studio Collective, Visionaries and Voices and Tierra del Sol and Creative Growth
- 11:00 – 1:00pm:** Pizza party at the Creative Growth gallery with a performance by artist William Scott and a visit to the studio
We will be walking to Creative Growth.
*Allotted number of studio visitors will be limited.
Masks are **required** for all visitors. Please advise Tom or Mary as soon as possible if you'd like to be a visitor.
Temperature checks and proof of vaccination are required.*
- 1:00pm:** Reconvene
- Afternoon - Breakout sessions:**
- 1:00pm - 2:45pm:** Disruption, Disability Culture and Exhibitions
Le'Andra LeSeur and Lawrence Carter-Long, DisArt
- 2:45pm - 3:00pm:** Break
- 3:00pm: - 4:30pm:** **Option A:** Product development
Visionaries and Voices
Option B: The fundamentals – overview of basic and important concepts and practices for new or emerging studios including philosophy, staffing, exhibition and payments
*Kathleen Henderson - Creative Growth
Malcolm Hecht - Elbow Room
Lucy Gross, Katie Stahl - Sage Studios*
- 4:30pm - 4:45pm:** Wrap-up

Friday, June 3, 2022: Looking Outward: Our Projects and Partners

As we begin to wrap up the symposium, we start the day by shifting the focus onto ourselves with a presentation on managing stress and burnout. We will also take some time to explore community partnerships, art fairs, and examples of site-specific gallery projects led by two Creative Growth artists.

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- 9:00am – 9:15 am:** Gather/breakfast
- 9:15am - 10:30am:** Time Out: Caring for ourselves - How to manage stress/burnout/exhaustion as staff in the field
Suzy Dito – Greenhouse Wisdom
- 10:30am - 10:45am:** Break
- 10:45am - noon:** Community Engagement
Center for Creative Works
- Noon – 1:00 pm:** Lunch
- 1:15pm:** Reconvene
- 1:15pm - 2:30pm:** Giving the artist the gallery
Rebecca Hamm - Tierra del Sol
Creative Growth artists Nicole Storm and Eli Cooper
- 2:45pm: - 3:45pm:** Art Fairs: Is it fair to say you want to exhibit your work?
Arts of Life, Creativity Explored, Tierra del Sol
- 3:45pm – 4:00pm:** Break
- 4:00pm - 4:45pm:** Wrap-up

Saturday, June 4, 2022 – Nonconformers: Labels and contexts for disability in the visual arts past and present

On this last day, we are honored to be joined by keynote speaker *Lisa Slominski* who will discuss key concepts from her recently published art history book. There will also be a fun optional excursion to San Francisco to visit the Yerba Buena Center For The Arts.

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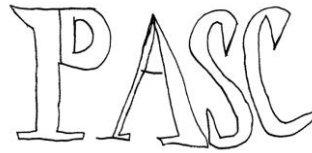
10:00am: Keynote - London Calling!

Nonconformers: A New History of Self-Taught Artists (Yale University Press, 2022)
Author *Lisa Slominski* to lead a virtual discussion with *Nicola Wright*, Curator of Studio Voltaire, and *Sheryll Catto*, Co-Director, ActionSpace, London

Optional: **Excursion to Healing Exhibit**
[Yerba Buena Center for the Arts](#)
701 Mission Street
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