

Art In The Wild

Art In The Wild celebrates its 14th year and was conceived with the goals of presenting quality outdoor art using natural materials, providing educational opportunities, involving the community and harmonizing the art into the chosen site. The works of art are composed of mostly natural materials to blend with Wildwood's nature setting. The project was open to all. The exhibit is one more way to bring awareness to Wildwood's mission - preserving, enhancing, and interpreting the Park's resources.

Artists

Site 1: Chip Hitz – 5th year

Chip believes art has a unique way of bringing people together. Over the years he has been fortunate to have the support of family and friends who help bring his creations to life. Each year the number one goal is simple: to bring smiles to the guests of Wildwood, who stopped by to enjoy the exhibit. *FINDING THE MIDDLE GROUND*

Site 2: Tim Hoover – 2nd year

After spending many years cutting down Oriental Bittersweet, Tree-of-Heaven and other exotic plants, Tim recognized that the textural qualities of these species could be used to create aesthetic value, where formerly they caused ecological devastation. *BITTERSWEET VINERY*

Site 3: Moyra Goughnour – 1st year

Moyra is a seventeen-year-old Junior at Central Dauphin East. She is involved in many activities in and outside of school, like marching band and color guard. It was her art teacher that told her about Art In The Wild at the beginning of the school year, and she thought it would be a great opportunity to delve deeper into her creativity and challenge herself. *THE EQUILIBRIUM OF LIFE*

Site 4: Wil King – 5th year

Wil works with many different forms of art. He has gone through a lot of changes in the past few years and is more confident than he ever was before. *SQUIRREL SEESAW*

Site 5: Richard and Maria Joel – 7th year

Rick and Maria are a married couple, who work as a team to create their installations. Rick is a Physical Therapist and Maria is a Microbiologist, both paint, are skilled in a wide variety of crafts and have been involved in the arts for the majority of their lives. *A MOST DELICATE BALANCE*

Site 6: Vu Quoc Nguyen – 1st year

Vu is a graduate of Pennsylvania College of Art & Design and a practicing physician who is a multimedia artist with a concentration in the studies of nature and meditative aesthetics. *EQUILIBRIUM*

Site 7: Sarah Fogg – 1st year

Sarah is a local artist and high school art educator. She loves to teach ceramics, create colorful paintings and paint murals all around the area. Her artwork is inspired by the fleeting beauty of nature and how we can embrace the world around us. *SPRINKLES OF COLOR*

Site 8: Jill Lippert – 7th year and Mark Cummins 4th – year
Jill is a nature lover and art aficionado. Mark is a benevolent, frustrated artist, and reluctant explorer. They are both local artists and nature enthusiasts. *A FINE BALANCE*

Site 9: Craig S. Bomberger – 2nd year

Craig is a local artist from right here in Susquehanna Township, Harrisburg, PA! In addition to the installation you're seeing here at Wildwood, Craig employs a variety of art media creating a wide array of art objects. *TREE[HOUSE] POSE*

Site 10: Brook Lauer – 5th year

Brook, M.F.A., is a working artist in the Harrisburg area. She uses all mediums from watercolor, encaustic, oil painting and mixed media, to make sculptural art using a blend of yarns and natural materials. She believes the natural world reflects human behaviors in many ways. Brook's goal is to blend the two in her art on and off the canvas to convey a sense of balance and harmony between the two seemingly different worlds. *REUNITED*

Site 11: Carol Reed – 6th year

Carol Reed is an artist, natural dyer, teacher, traveler, maker of interesting messes with the occasional textile conservation thrown into the mix. Her work explores the interconnection of nature, man, chance, and time using repurposed materials, local botanicals, iron, and heat. *IN THE AIR*

Site 12: Mary Chang – 1st year

Mary's artistic practice seeks to (re)frame human and plant relations as ongoing and dynamically entangled, opening space for locating humans in wilderness and wilderness in backyards. Mary and her two children enjoyed foraging for vines and materials to create the dinosaur-inspired, mixed-media sculpture that invokes geologic wonder and engages a worldview of life as change. *HADROSAURUS EGG DREAMS OF DEEP TIME*

Site 13: Lorayn McPoyle – 7th year

Lorayn is a sculpture teacher at Central Dauphin High School and an avid gardener. She is passionate about the outdoors and spends her summers creating visual masterpieces with flowers and stonework. *LIFE IS A BALANCING ACT – SOMETIMES YOU LEAP, SOMETIMES YOU DANCE*

Site 14: Sabrina Lay – 7th year

Sabrina has participated in Art in the Wild since 2018. Working in nature has opened up a new world of art for her. Her other mediums include glass mosaics, painting, mixed media, and her perennial flower gardens. *LEAN ON ME*

Site 15: Beau MacGinnes – 14th year, Jana MacGinnes – 9th year, Aubrey McNaughton – 7th year and Debbie Reihart – 5th year

Beau has been creating sculptures since the inception of Art In The Wild, working with only materials found within the Park. In 2017, his mother, Jana joined him. Aubrey and Debbie offer ongoing assistance in helping to forage and build. *DELICATE HARMONY*

**For more information about each artist,
please visit the Olewine Nature Center.**

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Wildwood Park

Managed by Dauphin County Parks and Recreation Department, Wildwood Park is one of Pennsylvania's premier centers for educational opportunities and outdoor recreation. This public resource is located in the rolling hills of central Pennsylvania on the outskirts of downtown Harrisburg.

Over 125,000 people use the Park annually. Its 229 acres are a haven for countless species of flora and fauna centered around the 90-acre freshwater wetland. A popular three-mile loop trail encircles the park with side trails and boardwalks for a total of 6 miles of trails.

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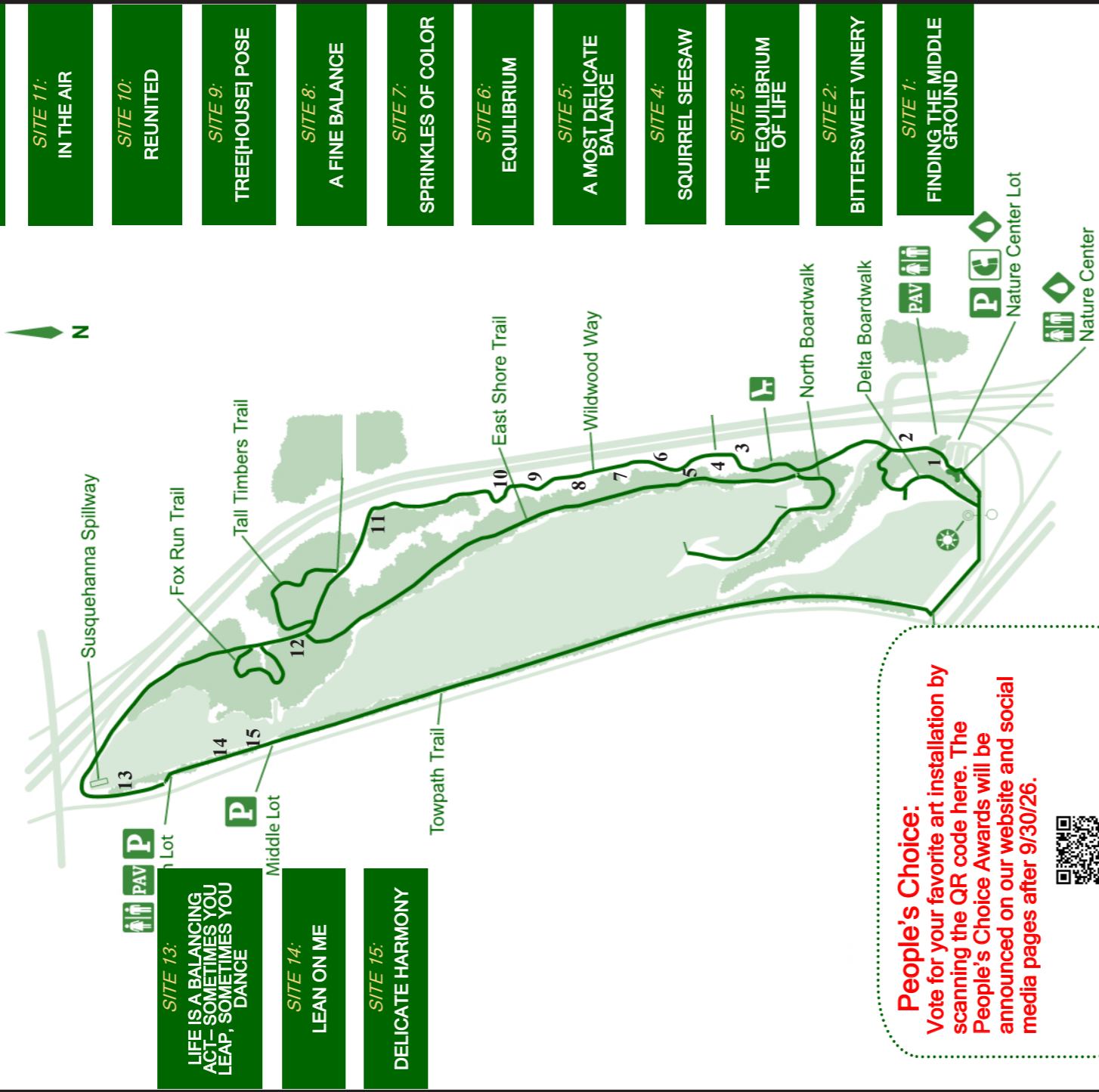
Celebrating 14 Years of
Art In The Wild
Naturally Inspired Trailside Creations
March 29 – September 30, 2026
Theme: *Balance*



Wildwood Park
100 Wildwood Way
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Artist Credit: Craig S. Bomberger
Our Thoughts Can Change the World – 2025 Installation

Art In The Wild 2026 Installation Location Map



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Vote for your favorite art installation by scanning the QR code here. The People's Choice Awards will be announced on our website and social media pages after 9/30/26.



Unless otherwise indicated, PLEASE DO NOT TOUCH or damage the art installations. They are for the enjoyment of all visitors.

The trail loop around Wildwood Park, including Wildwood Way and the Towpath Trail, is 3.1 miles.

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Video

The Art In The Wild video is shown at Wildwood's Olewine Nature Center and can also be viewed at explorewildwoodpark.org. It is a great way to see all the art if you do not plan to travel to the fifteen sites. The video was filmed and produced by the videography students at the Capital Area School for the Arts Charter School. Thank you to them and Alexander Zemaits, CASA Film and Video teacher.