AnySquared Projects

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<u>AnySquared</u> is a collaborative network and a platform for artists. Propelled by a profound sense of cooperation with artists, neighbors, and the larger community, our mission is to support projects that promote inclusive participation in arts activities. Our foundation is the belief that we can accomplish anything if we work together.

Ongoing Projects & Series

Studio Day Wednesdays | 2010-present

AnySquared has met almost every Wednesday for over 13 years. Our studio days are our most important incubation space where we cultivate our relationships and make art together, engage in discussions, and plan events. older photos

Art Exhibitions and Special Art Events | anysquared.tumblr.com | 2010-Present

AnySquared Spotlight Art Talk Series | Online Programming | Dec 2020–March 2022

Art@Coles Art Series (43 exhibitions – see selected exhibits below) | anysquared.tumblr.com | Apr 2010–Present

SkillShare Series | 2-hour workshops | 2023-Present

AnySquared invites guests and members to share an introduction to a skill.

8 O'Clock Shops | 1-hour workshops during studio days | 2015–2019

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Figure Tuesdays life drawing sessions (in collaboration with Agitator Cooperative Gallery since 2017) | 2015–2020

Cinema Minima Film Screenings | cinemaminimachicago.tumblr.com | 2010–2014

Selected Exhibitions, Events, & Projects

2023

Home Not Home Premiere Exhibit, Programming and Workshops | Agitator Gallery | June-July 2023

Photoshop Basics with Jarrett Brown | AnySquared | May 2023

Tribute to Project Logan exhibit | Art at Coles | May 2023 - Aug 2023

The Regulars: AnySquared Performance Night | AnySquared | April 2023

AnySquared Showcase | 6200 N Lincoln Ave | April 2023

Art in Stitches SkillShare Workshop with Monstrochika | AnySquared | April 2023

Serious Play featuring Raine Kam Yung & Nez exhibit | Art at Coles | Feb 2023 - April 2023

2022 (overview for 2022)

Off the Streets featuring BBoyB, MapsSketchbook, and Undersea Gravy exhibit | Art at Coles | Nov 2022 - Jan 2023

Viva La Vida: Day of the Dead Installation | Comfort Station | October 2022 (Creating the Ofrenda)

Music Fest Live Artists | Coles, Café Mustache, & Easy Does It | October 2022

Belmont Cragin Community Mural | 5034 W Armitage | September 2022

Peace-In honoring those killed by gun violence | La Villita Park | August 2022

#42 featuring art by Rita Garcia Sindelar, FNGRZ, Nieda Aguilar, & Ivy Waegel | Art at Coles | July - Oct 2022

Art in the Park | Unity Park | July 2022

Against Da Fence Mini-Art-Fest | A Collaboration of AnySquared & Renegades of Funk | Project Logan | July 2022

Passions Exhibit | Casa Hernandez | June 2022

Palenquefest | Logan Square Park | May 2022

Life & Love in Covid Times | Art at Coles | March 2022

Breakfast Show | Studio Nez | March 2022

<u>AnySquared Spotlight Art Talk Series</u> | Online Programming | Dec 2020–March 2022 <u>AnySquared's Art Swap</u> | <u>post 1 post 2 album 3</u> | Hairpin Arts Center | February 2022

2021 (overview for 2021)

Ornament Tournament | Comfort Station | December 2021

<u>Dia De Los Muertos/Day of the Dead installation</u> | Comfort Station | November 2021

AnySquared's Art Off! | Hairpin Arts Center | October 2021

Against Da Fence Mini-Art- Fest | A Collaboration of AnySquared & Renegades of Funk | Project Logan | September 2021 Art in the Park | Unity Park | July 2021

Against Da Fence Mini-Art- Fest | A Collaboration of AnySquared & Renegades of Funk | Project Logan | June 2021

<u>AnySquared Spotlight Art Talk Series</u> | Online Programming | Dec 2020–Mar 2022

<u>Life in Progress Video Series</u> | Online Programming | Feb–Mar 2021

2020

<u>AnySquared Spotlight Art Talk Series</u> | Online Programming | Dec 2020–Mar 2022

Family Art Kits | Logan Square Mutual Aid | Helped pack a couple hundred Family Art Kits | November 2020, Chicago

<u>Project Logan Mural Center Spot</u> | Project Logan | November 2020, Chicago

Art-in-the-Park Coloring Book & Art Kits | Unity Park | Created Coloring Book, Packed 1,000 Children's Art Kits | June 2020

<u>LIP 20/20 Arts Festival</u> | Hairpin Arts Center | Mar–Jul 2020, Chicago (programming postponed/canceled due to Covid)

<u>LIP 20/20 Exhibition</u> | <u>Album 1</u> & <u>Album 2</u> of Opening | Hairpin Arts Center | March 7, Chicago

Art Swap Meet! a community building event | AnySquared Studio | February 2020, Chicago

2019

Twenty Under Twenty | AnySquared Studio and exhibit at Hairpin Arts Center | Aug-Oct 2019

AnySquared's arts mentor and exhibit program features Chicago artists aged 20-years-old and under.

Against Da Fence Mini-Art-Fest | A Collaboration of AnySquared & Renegades of Funk | Project Logan | June 2019

GallerySquared An All-AnySquared Artists' Showcase | AnySquared Projects Studio | May 2019

#39 featuring Kerry Couch, Angela Davis Fegan, Tracy Kostenbader, and Karissa Talanian | Art@Coles #39 | May 2019

2018

Featuring paintings by Larry W. Green and Orlando Martinez | Art@Coles #35 | July-Oct 2018

<u>Against Da Fence Mini-Art-Fest</u> | A Collaboration of AnySquared & Renegades of Funk | Project Logan | June 2018

Street Photography by Emilio Nadales | Art@Coles Series #34 | March-June 2018

2017

<u>AnySquared's Becoming Mural</u> | An AnySquared group mural project | Funded by Northwest Arts Connection's YOPA project in the 30th Ward | South of Kilbourn Park, Under the Metra tracks on Roscoe | Sept—Nov 2017

Art by Maria the Wolf | Art @ Coles Series #32 | Jun-Nov 2017

The Evolution of Ramadi Asati | Art@Coles Series #31 | Mar–May 2017

Paintings by Zelene Jiang | Art@Cole's Series #30 | Jan-Feb 2017

2016

<u>Transatlantic Rumours, Chicago to Liverpool</u>, a collaborative exhibition between AnySquared Projects in Chicago and the Rose Howey Cooperative Art Gallery in Liverpool, England | Oct–Dec 2016

<u>Logan Square Dog Park Mural</u> | a collaboration of AnySquared, ABC, & Renegades of Funk with 2 lead artists, 5 featured artists, 40 crew artists, and 200 community members | Funded by the Logan Square Dog Park | Jan–Sept 2016

Narrative Paintings by Andrea Kaspryk | Art@Coles Series #28 | Jan-March 2016

2015

Hearts & Minds Collaborative Group Exhibition | Hairpin Arts Center | Nov 2015

<u>Project Logan Community Mural</u> | a collaboration of AnySquared & ABC (Artistic Bombing Crew) and 100 community members | funded buy DIY benefit and in-kind donations | July 2015

2014

<u>AnySquared Projects' Residency</u> | Exhibition & Art+Community events at the Hairpin Arts Center | Sept–Nov 2014 The art center invited AnySquared program the center for 2 months:

- Because Art Exhibit featuring 26 artists | becauseart.org | facebook album | tumblr post
- Art-2-Go! Booth performance at street level
- Special Concert: Music by Renato Anesi, Brazilian Composer and Musician
- ABC's (Artistic Bombing Crew) presents History of Chicago Graffiti and Project Logan Mural Slideshow
- An Intimate Reading & Screening: Beverly a film by Eliaz Rodriguez & Reading by Beverly Reed Scott
- Cinema Culture Presents "Interstellar Outer-Body" Film screening with performance
- Story Forms! Artists Talk & Workshop Exploring Narratives
- ART. SWAP. MEET! a community building event | facebook album of Art Swap participants

<u>Disrupted Domestic Dream with work by Tararchy, Nathan Becka, Jessica DeCoudres</u> | Art@Cole's Series #26 | Sept-Oct 2014

SALVAGE Exhibition | at The Plant | Jun-Oct 2014

Neighborhood All-Star Exhibit | Art@Cole's Series #25 | May-Aug 2014

2013

Cinima Minima Residency for writers and filmakers | Oct 2013

Ready-Set-Go Art! Community Event & Open Studio | AnySquared Studio | Aug 2013

PPPM (Post Post Post Modernism) Exhibition | tumblr post | Lake Paradise Pop-Up Gallery | Mar 2013

Fugue Space Exhibition (A collaboration with the Charnel House) | The Charnel House | Feb 2013

2012

<u>SQUARED! Art+Community</u> | A Neighborhood Art Walk featuring group exhibits, open studios, video screening and outdoor projections, art demonstrations and activities, murals, plus music | <u>facebook album 1</u> | <u>facebook album 2</u> | Oct 2012

<u>The Photo Show</u> featured Matthew Avignone, Seaghan Brien, Laura Kurtenbach, Joseph Mietus, and Brett Swinney | Art@Coles #18 | Aug 20–Sept 15, 2012

AB(e)DUCTED! A tribute to Cole's stolen velvet Lincoln | Art@Coles #16 | Mar-May 2012

BODYSHOP a figurative exhibit by Karen Becker, Gretchen Hasse, Christine Parisi | Art@Coles #15 | Feb-Mar 2012

2011

Works by Angela Davis Fegan | Art@Coles Series #13 | Sept—Oct 2011

AnySquared's Galleries at Milwaukee Ave Arts Festival (as head organizers of visual art) | Jan–July 2011 Anysquared organized and created the 2011 arts committee and project managed over 30 curated and themed pop-up galleries and arts activities. For the breadth and depth of what we did in 2011, please see the catalog designed by Tracy Kostenbader: AnySquared's Catalog of the 2011 MAAF (the printing was donated to AnySquared by Mission Press) | also see the Satellite New Media Exhibit blog created by AnySquared member Ryan Scheidt and Jenn Grossman

(After 2011, AnySquared withdrew from subsequent festivals. The post-2011 festival goals and vision changed in format, participants, and they were no longer interested in themed and curated galleries. The targeted audience as more of a music festival became very different from the original vision of visual artists 2009–11. It is now called the Logan Square Arts Festival)

2010

AnySquared's Logan Square Holiday Art Show | Dec 2010

QUirk* an exhibition with Nicole Syrquin, Jeff Strong, Katina Petsas, Gabe Patti | Art@Coles Series #8 | Nov-Dec 2010 LIP (Life in Progress) Art Series | Selected as Featured Program for 2010 Chicago Artists Month | Oct-Nov 2010

- AnyVision, Cinema Minima screening of 12 videos asking the question "what is progress"
- <u>Unfinished</u>, an exhibit that showcases the process of working and demystifying the process of artmaking
- AnyPlace, a group exhibition about progress and kidney donor benefit for artist Larry W. Green

FRESKO, An Exhibition to Benefit Haitian Artists | featuring paintings by Jean Marie Charles, Rose Marie Lamour and Prince Luc | organized by The Carrefour Collaborative | Art@Coles Series #6 | Sept—Oct 2010

LIMIT community mural | Project Logan | June 2010

The LIMIT mural project was created by AnySquared and families from the community. It no longer exists because we created a new community over it in 2015.

<u>AnySquared's Galleries</u> at Milwaukee Ave Arts Festival | 2010 Head Organizers of the South End Galleries | Feb–July 2010 (<u>NOTE:</u> After 2011, AnySquared withdrew from subsequent festivals. The post-2011 festival goals and vision changed in

format, participants, and targeted audience and became very different from 2009–11 and the original vision.)

StarSisters* | features Iris Iris Pasic, Julia Rochholz and Mendy Newman | Art@Coles Series #3 | Jun–Jul 2010

The Light Years with Justus Roe & Andre Corbin | Art@Coles Series #2 | Apr-May 2010

Group Show featuring 24 eclectic artists and 40 diverse works Art@Coles Series #1 | Mar-Apr 2010

Press & Media

Most links can also be found on AnySquared.org

2022

Columbia Chronicle, Art Swap event hosted by AnySquared Projects, 3/8/22

Columbia Chronicle, Media Hub Minute Episode 17, 3/25/22

Block Club Chicago, Bring Art, Go Home With Art': Logan Square's Big Art Swap, 2/17/22

2021

Columbia Chronicle, For artists, by artists: How Chicago-based artists self-organize in spite of the pandemic, 9/8/21

2020

Block Club Chicago, <u>Logan Square Group Giving Out 1,000 Free Art Kits</u>, 6/12/20 (We packs hundreds of kits and created a custom coloring book for the project).

2019

Chicago Reporter, What do we do with all those campaign signs? Chicago artists have answer, by Jacqueline Serrato, 4/12/19

2018

DCASE, <u>Art in Chicago Neighborhoods: Year of Public Art</u>, (page 136 AnySquared's "Becoming" Mural), Dec 2018 Logansquarist, <u>Artists in Residence: The Love Behind AnySquared Arts Collaborative</u>, by Isabel Carter 9/24/18 Voyage Chicago <u>Meet Tracy Kostenbader of AnySquared</u>, 5/29/18

2016

Video: Meet AnySquared, by Gretchen Hasse and Holiday Gerry, Oct 2016

LoganSquarist, <u>Logan Square Dog Park Celebrates One-Year Anniversary and Mural</u>, by Lauren Dixon and Steve Vargas 9/24/16

You Are Beautiful blog, <u>Beautiful Collaborations - Dog Park Mural in Logan Square</u>, 8/17/16

Our Urban Times, <u>Paint a dog and a flower or two Sunday at the Logan Square Dog Park,</u> by Elaine Coorens 6/11/2016 Logan Square TV, <u>Logan Square Community Mural Prep</u>, 5/22/16

Chicago Artists Resource on soundcloud.com, <u>Conversations with CAR | Tracy Kostenbader founder of AnySquared</u>, Mar 2016

LoganSquarist, *Drawing in Logan Square: Figure Tuesdays*, by Andrea Kaspryk 1/22/16

LoganSquarist, A Place to Make Art, by Andrea Kaspryk 1/8/16

2015

DNAInfoChicago, Have You Seen These Hands in Your Neighborhood?, by Paul Biasco 11/12/15

Documentary: <u>Hearts & Minds</u>, (trailer) by Filmmaker Nando Espinosa, Nov 2015

La Mezcladora (public television arts and culture show from Mexico City), Features artists in Chicago and includes a visit to AnySquared's Studio artists, Temporada 3 Capítulo 13: Chicago (Season 3 Episode 13), 10/10/15

Our Urban Times, Wall Brings Community Together, by Elaine Coorens 8/5/15

DNAInfoChicago, Prominent Wall Gets New Look, by Paul Biasco 7/30/15

Our Urban Times, Help paint the Community Wall Mural in Logan Square on Sunday, by Elaine Coorens 7/25/15

Logansquarist, New Mural On Medill Discussed At Logan Square Mural Meeting, by Lauren Dixon 5/27/15

2014

DNAInfoChicago, Artist or Art Lover? Logan Square's Art Swap Has You Covered, by Darryl Holliday 11/14/2014

Logansquarist, Interstellar Outer Body Land at the Hairpin Arts Center, by Lisette Medina 10/30/14

Our Urban Times, Chicago Crossing Borders Includes Many Local Venues, by Elaine Coorens 10/12/14

Artists of Chicago, Interviews at the *SALVAGE* Exhibiti with Mike Bolsinga and Tracy Kostenbader by Nancy Strahinic 8/2/14 Gaper's Block, Chicago Artists Rethink Waste in "Salvage," by Miriam Finder 6/22/14

DNAInfoChicago, <u>AnySquared Presents Several Logan Square Artists in New 'Salvage' Exhibit</u>, by Darryl Holliday 6/17/14 **2013**

Logansquarist, <u>AnySquared's Cinema Minima Residence</u>, by Brenton Harper-Murray 10/31/13 Logansquarist, <u>Art@Cole's Exhibit and Sweater Kittens Variety Hour</u>, by Rose Haley 10/26/13 **2012**

Chicago Reader, featured in Agenda section for SQUARED! Art+Community art walk, 10/10/12

Logansquarist, Local Photographers Featured at Art@Cole's #18, by Hannah Esper 8/24/12

The Northwest Passage, AnySquared Shows Photography in Logan Square, by Heather Momyer 8/22/12

Chicago Reader, 2012 Best Public Art Event (relating to AnySquared's work in 2011) 6/20/12

Nothin' Less News, Nothin' Less Interview with AnySquared Projects, February 2012 Issue #5 (in print only)

2011

<u>AnySquared's Exhibit Catalog of the 2011 MAAF</u> | documents 30-plus curated galleries & activities | donated to AnySquared by Mission Press | June 2011

Ne2 Interview: Nothin' Less, by Zach Frimmel 2/23/11