

Wayland Transfer Station: Eco-Art Lab /Artist-in-Residency Program

Working Together: Art from Waste

The Town of Wayland, in partnership with FireSeed Arts, an emerging up-cycled and eco-art collaborative, has established an innovative new program to create an Eco-Art Lab with an artist-in-residence program at the Wayland Transfer Station on Route 20. The Wayland Transfer Station will be the innovative leader in a multidiscipline and multicultural program to explore the waste-to-consumption cycle by repurposing society's trash into quality, high-value art.

How It Works:

Local artists are featured and are available to discuss their artwork and process during their residency as well as working with local volunteers, school groups, and anyone interested in learning more about the Eco-Art Movement.

The art created will come from the discarded and recyclable materials within the community and will perform the function art has always played: to be a part of our everyday life, and therefore elevate it and bring beauty and balance to it.

The created artwork will be displayed at the Wayland Transfer Station and at participating businesses in and around the town of Wayland. FireSeed Arts and local businesses will sponsor and fund the program with additional funding coming from the sale of the artwork. Proceeds from the sale of created artworks will help underwrite the honorarium paid to artists and to support the artist-in-residency program.

Some Benefits of An 'Eco Art Lab' at the Wayland Transfer Station:

The FireSeed Eco-Art Lab aligns well with the mission of the Wayland Transfer Station and with the greater community's cultural and artistic goals.

- To reduce 'waste';
- To encourage people to understand and accept their role in the consumption-to-waste cycle;
- To support the transfer station as a community gathering place and communication hub;
- To learn new techniques for up-cycling 'waste' into art and to create up-cycled art installations, creating a bridge between local artists and community members.

More on FireSeed Arts

FireSeed Arts is an event-based organization, located in Wayland, Massachusetts creating unique cultural, artistic and environmental experiences.

FireSeed Arts believes the essence of creativity is the ability to make something from what you have around you. This notion encourages FireSeed to look for ways to use the by products of our personal consumption, and even what is commonly referred to as “trash”, in new ways and go beyond the three r’s, (reduce, recycle, re-use), and into the realm of re-purpose, with an emphasis on purpose. The purpose is simple enough; to gather, transform, and make use of vast amounts of unwanted, raw, material with the intention to make high quality art while supporting and encouraging local artists.

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