

## **ReciproCity**

<http://www.reciprocitymke.com/>

2012-present

Co-directors: Michael Carriere, Fidel Verdin, Nicolas Lampert, Paul Kjelland

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## **Select Projects**

### **2012**

-Established ReciproCity as an experimental art space within the Sweetwater Organics farm in Milwaukee, Wisconsin

art exhibitions:

- CultureStrike/Justseeds Artist's Cooperative "Migration Now" print portfolio
- Film screening: Viva, Viva (documentary film on Brazilian DIY punk scene)
- Justseeds Artist's Cooperative print show

### **2013**

ReciproCity: mobile farmstand/screenprinting unit. Concordia Gardens, Milwaukee – in collaboration with [Victory Garden Initiative](#). Project by Mike Carriere, Nicolas Lampert, and Paul Kjelland. Architect: Susan Sloan. Carpentry: Jason Le Perriere and Steve Woods. Funding/support via the Roadside Cultural Stands program by the [Wormfarm Institute](#). Thursday afternoon farmers market lead artist/screenprinter: Naomi Scheel. (2013-present)

ReciproCity/ Riverwest 24: Rooftop garden construction, Career Youth Development

### **2014**

MLK Peace Place. Multi-year project working with non-profit HeartLove Place on turning three empty lots into a community park.

### **2015**

Ongoing work at MKL Peace Place with Heartlove

## **2016**

Ongoing work at MKL Peace Place with Heartlove

## **2017**

Ongoing work at MKL Peace Place with Heartlove

Fondy Park: integrating community histories and voices into the public art and built environment of Fondy Park, a new public space developed by the City of Milwaukee and a team of non-profit partners.

## **Press**

“Turning Vacant Spaces into Meaningful Places, Milwaukee News Services, Margaret Rozga, November 23, 2015

“ReciproCity Builds Community in Milwaukee”, Shepherd Express, Virginia Smalls, July 18, 2017

## **Essays**

“ReciproCity: Redefining Development in Milwaukee,” (with Nicolas Lampert and Paul Kjelland) in *Radical Actions: From Teaching Artists to Social Practice*, Annie Buckley and Mary Anna Pomonis, eds. (on-line publication, 2016).

## **Awards**

**2014** Fidel Verdin honored as 'Volunteer of the Year' award by Groundwork Milwaukee after launching The Peace Park & Garden

**2015** The Peace Park & Garden won 'Best Creative use of Space' Award – Groundwork Milwaukee Strong Roots Award

**2016** (ReciproCity) finalist for the Art Place America National Creative Placemaking Fund

**2017** Fondy Park won the October 2017 Green Lumanaries Award for sustainable design in the City of Milwaukee

## **Presentations**

### **2012**

(Michael Carriere) "A Steady Diet of Inequality: Food and the Spatial Turn in Post-Industrial Milwaukee," Organization of American Historians Annual Meeting, Milwaukee, WI, April 20, 2012.

(Michael Carriere) "Re-Doing Work: A Gallery Night Conversation," (with David Schalliol), Grohmann Museum, Milwaukee, WI, January 20, 2012.

### **2013**

(Michel Carriere) "An Introduction to Segregation in Milwaukee," Night School: Segregation and Cultural Organizing Panel Discussion, University of Wisconsin Milwaukee's Inova Art Gallery, Milwaukee, WI, November 21, 2013.

"The Past, Present, and Future of Urban Growing in Milwaukee" panel discussion, MSOE Grohmann Museum

"Institute for Urban Agriculture and Nutrition," (with Robert Topp, Timothy McCollow, Zeno Franco, Elosa Gomez, Bonnie Halvorsen, Gretchen Mead, Michael Schlappi, Steve Ventura, Sandy Williams, and Stan Stojkovic), Milwaukee Regional Research Forum Viewpoint Luncheon, Milwaukee, WI. October 24, 2013.

(Michel Carriere) "And the leaves of the trees shall be for the healing of Nations": A (Brief) History of Garden Clubs in the Milwaukee Metropolitan Region," The Milwaukee Art Museum Garden Club, Milwaukee Art Museum, October 18, 2013.

(Michel Carriere) "There Grows the Neighborhood: Community Gardening in 1970s-Era Milwaukee," (with David Schalliol), Fifteenth National Conference on Planning History, Society for American City and Regional Planning History, Toronto, Canada, October 5, 2013.

(Michael Carriere) "Re-Imagining Your City," Walnut Way Conservation Corp., Milwaukee, WI, June 17, 2013.

(Michael Carriere, Nicolas Lampert) "On the Need for ReciproCITY," Mess Hall, Chicago, IL, March 2, 2013.

Alan W. Moore, "Art Squats" and Sara Daleiden, "MKE<->LAX", Sweetwater Organics, Milwaukee

Panel on the arts and police brutality, Sweetwater Organics, Milwaukee

## **2014**

(Michel Carriere) "The History of Urban Agriculture in Milwaukee," The Henry W. Maier State of Milwaukee Summit, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, November 20, 2014.)

(Michel Carriere) "Feeding Future Cities," Future City Competition Workshop, Milwaukee School of Engineering, Milwaukee, WI, October 4, 2014.

(Michel Carriere) "Introducing the 1<sup>st</sup> Street Renaissance," Sustainability: Conserving the Future Together Conference, Wisconsin Center, Milwaukee, WI, March 26, 2014.

(Michel Carriere) "There Grows the Neighborhood: Race, Urban Redevelopment, and Community Gardening in Milwaukee," Milwaukee Unitarian Fellowship, Milwaukee, WI, March 9, 2014.

(Michel Carriere) "Shoots 'n Roots and Community Gardening in the Urban Core," Night School: The Radical Shaping of Milwaukee Series, Riverwest Public House, Milwaukee, WI, February 27, 2014.

(ReciproCity) Will Allen talk, Milwaukee School of Engineering

**2016**

(Michael Carriere) “The Promise – and Peril – of Creative Placemaking,” Imagining America National Conference, Milwaukee, WI, October 7, 2016.

(Michael Carriere) “Why Mobility Matters,” Mobile Design Box, Milwaukee, WI, April 29, 2016.

**2017**

(Michael Carriere and Fidel Verdin) “What is ReciproCITY?” University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee Artists Now! Community Arts Panel, in conjunction with Imagining America National Conference, Peck School of the Arts, University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee, Milwaukee, WI, October 5, 2016.