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## **Creative Capital Celebrates Its Artist Community with Carnival 2nd Edition**



**June 23, 2023** – On Thursday, June 22, [Creative Capital](#) and its vibrant community of artists, industry professionals, patrons, and friends celebrated its 2023 Grantees and artist community at the Creative Capital Carnival artist gathering. Showcasing 43 videos of new artist projects-in-progress and creating inspiring bonding moments, Carnival strengthened relationships to nurture a more sustainable arts ecosystem.

This year, guests enjoyed original artist videos at the Metrograph Theater in the Lower East Side, showcasing the 2023 Grantee Performing Arts, Literature, and Technology projects. Guests then sailed around the Statue of Liberty on the Circle Line cruise, danced the night away to tunes by DJ Quiana Parks, sipping on specialty Tito's cocktails, and chatting over Tex-mex, cotton candy, hot dogs and snow cones.

Creative Capital is a nonprofit organization with the mission to fund artists in the creation of groundbreaking new work, to amplify the impact of their work, and to foster sustainable artistic careers. The Carnival artist gathering is one of many national and regional events organized to build community, to engage cultural producers and patrons, and to advance freedom of expression.

Notable guests included: **Adam Khafif, Alice Shepard, Allison Glenn, Alton Murray, Bill T. Jones, Camila Falquez, Catharine R. Stimpson, Christine Kuan, Claude Grunitzky, Colleen Jennings-Roggensack, Corey Robinson, Emi Kolawole, Hall Rockefeller, Jae Rhim Lee, Jared Owens, Jesse Krimes, Joan Shigekawa, Joseph Melillo, Kate Fowle, Kevin Claiborne, Kristina Wong, Laurent Claquin, Laurel Lawson, Linda Genereux, Lyda Kuth, Michelle Coffey, Noor Tagouri, Quiana Parks, Reginald M. Browne, Samora Pinderhughes, Seph Rodney, SONI withanEYE, Stephanie Nass, Stephen Reily, and Timur Galen.**

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Partners included **BFA and Tito's Handmade Vodka.**

### **About Creative Capital**

Founded in 1999, Creative Capital is a nonprofit organization with the mission to fund artists in the creation of groundbreaking new work, to amplify the impact of their work, and to foster sustainable artistic careers. Creative Capital pioneered a transformative grantmaking model that marries direct funding to individual artists with infrastructure and scaffolding support through professional development services, advisory services, community-building, and mentorship. The Creative Capital philanthropic model has impacted not just artists, but the arts ecosystem as a whole—inspiring countless other nonprofits to invest in the long-term, sustainable careers of artists. To date, Creative Capital has awarded \$55 million in grants and services to 901 artists to create adventurous, ambitious projects to advance artistic freedom of expression. Creative Capital also aims to foster greater equity in the arts through its professional development programs which have served more than 40,000 artists across the country. The organization raises every dollar for its programs and services.



**Noor Tagouri; Kevin Claiborne**



**Lyda Kuth & Emi Kolawole; Stephen Reilly, Colleen Jennings-Roggensack, Ruby Lerner**



**Luis Alba & Camila Falquez; Ayesha Le Breton**



**Martha Redbone, Aaron Whitby, Larissa FastHorse; Christine Kuan & Jesse Grimes**



**Mär Galeano; Indira Allegra**



**Alice Sheppard & Laurel Lawson; Jared Owens & Kate Fowle**

