



Climate Chaos | People Rising

Welcome to Northern Spark 2017, a free all-night art festival exploring the effects of climate change. Hop on the train to experience participatory projects in neighborhoods along Metro Transit's Green Line.

Coming to a Neighborhood Near You

We're working directly with neighborhoods to bring artistic voices together to change the culture around climate change. The result is the largest Northern Spark to date, with nearly 70 art projects organized in seven neighborhoods along the METRO Green Line:

- → The Commons/U.S. Bank Stadium
- → Cedar-Riverside/West Bank
- → Weisman Art Museum/East Bank
- → Little Africa/Snelling Ave
- → Rondo/Lexington Pkwy
- → Little Mekong/ Western Ave
- → Lowertown/Union Depot

We are grateful to our **Neighborhood Partners** who have made this possible:

- → African Economic Development Solutions
- → Asian Economic Development Association
- → Aurora St. Anthony Neighborhood Development
- Corporation → Twin Cities LISC
- → West Bank Business Association

We are especially appreciative of the work of the **Northern Spark Program Council**, a leadership group of artists who worked with us and our Neighborhood Partners to inspire participation from artists and residents in cultural communities along the METRO Green Line. A round of applause for Adan Dirie, Sara Endalew, Graci Horne, Filsan Ibrahim, Pa Na Lor, Brittany Lynch, Sagirah Shahid, Aki Shibata and Ahmed Yusuf!

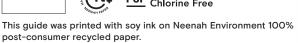
The spirit of Northern Spark 2017 is dedicated to the desire to make a difference through action. Hundreds of participatory performances, installations and surprising experiences ask: What are the actions we can take individually and collectively to cumulatively create the conditions for a just climate future?

-Northern Spark Team

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What's Happening

Plan your night using these tools or just wander and discover!

Mobile Website

northernspark.org is mobile ready and holds all the information you need—project descriptions, artist information, maps, a schedule of timed events, and more. Customize your list of projects to see with the **My Night** feature.

Social Media

Connect with us for the latest news about #NorthernSpark:

- facebook.com/NorthernSparkMN
- O Instagram: @northernlights.mn
- Twitter: @NL_mn
- Look for project hashtags on festival signage.

Look for the Red Flags!

To find a festival location, look for tall signs with red flags and the Northern Spark icon. Individual projects are marked with lit signs.

Information Tents

Each festival neighborhood has a Northern Spark Information Tent. Have questions? Stop by and chat with a friendly volunteer. Information Tents have night-of festival updates, recycled water bottles, first-aid supplies, and information on how to #act to address climate change.

ADA Accessibility

Some projects are in unconventional spaces and may not have ADA access. Projects identified with a wheelchair symbol \pounds are ADA accessible.

Weather

Northern Spark happens rain or (star) shine! Visit **northernspark.org** and follow us on social media for night-of changes due to weather.

Getting Around

Travel the festival by train, bus, bike, or foot.

Metro Transit

All Northern Spark activities take place within walking distance of these stations on Metro Transit's Green Line:

- → U.S. Bank Stadium
- → West Bank
- → East Bank
- → Snelling Ave
- → Lexington Pkwy→ Western Ave
- → Union Depot

Ride Metro Transit free at Northern Spark!

Download a free pass at **nspk.mn/metrotransit** or use the Free Ride Pass printed on the inside of this program.

Please Note: Only the METRO Green Line service runs 24 hours. METRO Blue Line and bus routes end at varying times.

Plan your trip

www.metrotransit.org/tripplanner 612-373-333 TTY 651-291-0904

Cycling

Bicycling is a great way to see all the festival sites. Don't forget a bike lock, light and helmet.

Find Nice Ride stations near some festival locations at **niceridemn.org**.

Parking & Street Closures

Visit **nspk.mn/getaround** for a list of 24-hour ramps and lots convenient to Northern Spark.

The following streets will be closed to traffic from 9 am on June 10 to 9 am on June 11: in **Lowertown**, Broadway St between 4th St E and 5th St E; in **Little Africa**, Sherburne Ave between Snelling Ave and N Asbury St; at **the Commons**, Portland Ave between 4th St and 5th St.

People Rising: #Act

We challenged every festival artist to translate their project into an action you can do on the spot or in the future or every day going forward. Something to cherish, nourish, explore, encourage, modify, argue with, live by, do. Some may think that these actions are trivial. We believe they are not. Taken together, whether over the course of one night or every day for the next four years, they represent the people rising. Only together can we make change.

#sayyeslets #digadifferentfuture #plantatree #plantgoodseeds #knowaforest #mindtheroots #moveindeeptime #listentoancestralwisdom #recordchange #spreadjoythroughgifts #sharealoveletter #meltheartswithpoems #plantorganicflowers #BuildABirdHouse #makeartnottrash #weavewaste #WeaveArtExploreIdentity #DontIdleGetOutAnd-Move #Danceyourwaythroughlife #PurgePetro #usetransitnotoil #walkwiththeanimals #migrationmosaic #defendraptors #facethechaos #calmthechaos #takeadeepbreath #drinkwater #EatNimbly #fanthefoodflame #BeResilient #resistsmoo #fightwithfacts

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Help us spark the night!

Your dollars help us make Northern Spark free for everyone. **Click donate at northernspark.org**



Tell us about your night!

Your feedback helps us make Northern Spark better each year. **Fill out a quick survey at nspk.mn/survey**



Tag us on Instagram and we'll share the best images on our page. **#northernspark #climatechaos #peoplerising**

FREE RIDE PASS

Show this pass for a free ride on the METRO Green Line ONLY:

Northern Spark Saturday, June 10 8 pm-6:30 am

Plan your route instantly with the tools at **metrotransit.org**

All Metro Transit buses and METRO light rail lines are equipped with bicycle racks.

Not valid on Northstar or Bus Line.



Save the Date

Northern Lights.mn has programming throughout the year!

Now – July 15th Art(ists) On the Verge 8 Katherine E. Nash Gallery (U of M—West Bank)

August 25 – 27

The Jamestown Arts Park Opening Jamestown Art Center (Jamestown, ND)

September 15 – 16 and 22 – 23

Artist Projections St. Anthony Falls Lock and Dam in Partnership with Mississippi Park Connection

June 9, 2018 Northern Spark

Learn more at http://northern.lights.mn

Image: Sarita Zaleha, Art(ists) On the Verge 8 Fellow, Finding Thyme (in Iceland)



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