



RENDEZVOUS PARK NEWS
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Celebrate Art and Conservation at R Park's 6th Annual Summer Solstice featuring FoundSpace with the Jackson Hole Land Trust and JH Public Art

(Wilson, Wyoming) Monday, June 17th — Rendezvous 'R' Park is excited to host the 6th Annual Summer Solstice Celebration which will feature the 5th installation of FoundSpace, a partner project of the Jackson Hole Land Trust (JHLT) and Jackson Hole Public Art (JHPA), on Friday, June 21st.

The community is invited to join in celebrating the longest day of the year with great food, interactive place-based art installations and activities, and live music by Strumbucket. The event kicks off at 5:00 PM and will go until 8:00 PM. Complimentary beverages for all ages will be available including beer from Roadhouse Brewing, wine from The Liquor Store, and \$2 tacos by Streetfood JH.

This year's program features the unveiling of FoundSpace, an initiative in its 5th year that links local artists, temporary installations created from or inspired by found objects, and conserved public-access land. As a program designed to encourage access to and exploration of protected open spaces via interactions with nature through art, participating local artists Matt Daly, Jenny Dowd, Brittany Hill, Bland Hoke, Bronwyn Minton, and Ben Roth have used natural objects that celebrate and represent the nature, history, and wildlife of R Park to create their FoundSpace installations. The artists will be on site during the June 21st event to provide inspiration and encourage engagement with each of their installations.

"R Park's Annual Solstice Celebration has become a beloved community event offering activities for all on this special day," said Laurie Andrews, President of the Jackson Hole Land Trust. "It is the ideal locale to explore the intersection of art and conservation, and all partners are thrilled for the culmination of FoundSpace to take place at this special property, on this special day."

The first 200 event attendees to visit all five of the installations throughout the park will receive a custom, limited-edition FoundSpace Chico bag featuring artwork by Cal Brackin. The FoundSpace installations will remain in place until August 15.

"FoundSpace represents a sweet spot in our community where we can use our imaginations to explore natural spaces," said Carrie Geraci, Executive Director of JH Public Art. "The artists have explored R Park with community members and groups this year and their installations represent all who have joined them on their journey for inspiration."

R Park's history runs deep through the veins of the Jackson Hole community. The once gravel-pit was purchased through a partnership between the JHLT, who holds its conservation easement, and the LOR Foundation. Now, R Park remains open to the public thanks to ongoing donations from those who envisioned its potential years ago and those who appreciate all it is becoming.

R Park is located on the corner of Highway 22 and the Teton-Village Road (4270 River Springs Drive, Wilson). Parking will be available at Stilson lot, and participants are encouraged to use alternative forms of transportation to attend, such as, START Bus or the community pathways. A bike valet will be available courtesy of Friends of Pathways. FoundSpace is supported in part by funding from the Wyoming Arts Council, the Center of Wonder, and Arts For All.

About Rendezvous Park

A program of the Jackson Hole Land Trust, Rendezvous Park (R Park) is a private park for public use. R Park provides 40-acres of reclaimed public space designed to encourage all ages to engage with nature and inspire through open space interaction. All operating dollars are raised through donations. For the latest, follow @RendezvousPark

About the Jackson Hole Land Trust

The Jackson Hole Land Trust is a private, non-profit organization that was established in 1980 to protect and steward the treasured landscapes of Northwest Wyoming including Fremont and Sublette counties. With over 55,000 acres protected, our vision is a legacy of protected open spaces, wildlife habitat, working lands and community spaces that inspire current and future generations. For more information, please visit jhlandtrust.org.

About Jackson Hole Public Art

Jackson Hole Public Art forges partnerships for the integration of art into any environment to inspire lasting cultural, educational and economic benefits. As a leading presenter of public artist-driven projects in Jackson Hole, Wyoming, JHPA focuses on placing artworks outside the traditional venues of museums and galleries, providing access for everyone to discover the art of our time. For more information, please visit jhpublicart.org.