

NH CREATIVE COMMUNITIES NETWORK

ROUND [THE] TABLE

Creative PlaceMAKING
COMPANION

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WHAT IS...

CREATIVE PLACEMAKING

???



IMPLEMENTING

community-led

CHANGE

ENGAGING

ARTS + CULTURE + ACTION

+ CELEBRATE
LOCAL COMMUNITY

THROUGH

CREATIVE
CULTURAL

RESOURCES

RESOURCE: Creative Placemaking Toolkit

www.lisc.org/our-initiatives/creative-placemaking/main/creative-placemaking-toolkit

BRIDGING



CASE STUDY: Swimming Upstream (Indigenous NH)
indigenousnh.com/a-film-collaboration-for-indigenous-environmental-justice



WHAT DOES THE
COMMUNITY?
SAY/WANT/NEED?

WHAT
are the
BARRIERS?

GATHER...

LISTEN...

BUILDING
RELATIONSHIPS

ING

ROOT SYSTEMS
WOVEN TOGETHER...
UNSEEN...

RESOURCE: Creative Placemaking
Public Resources Guide
creativeplacemakingresources.org



CASE STUDY: Lantern Project

(Children and the Arts Committee, Peterborough)
gowrisavoor.com/children-and-the-arts-peterborough

PARTNERS RESOURCES

RESIDENTS
ARTISTS
BUSINESS
GOV'T

ORGS
PLANNERS
LIBRARIES

PUBLIC SPACES
LANDMARKS
EVENTS
MEMORY
VALUES

HISTORY
ART
TRADITIONS

 FUNDING

PUBLIC
PRIVATE
MUNICIPAL
STATE
CORP.
ETC.



ASSETS...

 EMBED ART FROM THE START!

RESOURCE: American Planning Association
Creative Placemaking KnowledgeBase Collection
www.planning.org/knowledgebase/creativeplacemaking



CASE STUDY: Tamworth 250th Anniversary Mural
(Arts Council of Tamworth)

www.artstamworth.org/tamworth-250th-mural-project

HOW DO HUMANS
THRIVE HERE?

NING...

* ARTISTS make that
CREATIVE LEAP...



RESOURCE: Rural America Placemaking Toolkit
www.ruralplacemaking.com



CASE STUDY: African American Burying Ground
(Black Heritage Trail of NH, Portsmouth)
www.africanburyinggroundnh.org/summary.html



RESOURCE: Toolkits for Change
springboardexchange.org/toolkits-for-change

The **New Hampshire Creative Communities Network** (NHCCN) is a statewide, cross-sector consortium working to strengthen and promote economic and community development across New Hampshire through the arts, artists, and creative industries. NHCCN is an initiative of the New Hampshire State Council on the Arts.

In 2022, NHCCN hosted **Round[the]Table**, a series of three virtual gatherings exploring creative placemaking as a New Hampshire-based practice. What does it look like? Who participates? What local resources are available to support it? The conversations were facilitated by New Hampshire artist Catherine Stewart. This companion book, created by New Hampshire cartoonist Marek Bennett, is an artistic interpretation of the insight shared during the gatherings.

March 30, 2022: *Exploring the Flavors of Creative Placemaking*

June 28, 2022: *What's in Your Creative Placemaking Pantry?*

October 4, 2022: *Cooks in the Kitchen*

Guests at the Table:

Wendy Benscoter | Executive Director, Shreveport Common, Inc.

Tom Borrup | Founder, Creative Community Builders

Matthew Fluharty | Founder/Executive Director, Art of the Rural

Jody Fried | Executive Director, Catamount Arts

Ruby Lopez Harper | Vice President of Equity and Local Arts
Engagement, Americans for the Arts

Jay Minkarah | Executive Director, Nashua Regional Planning
Commission

Alyssa Murphy, AIA | Founder/Principal, Placework

Keisha Sheedy | Founder/Principal Consultant, smART SOULutions, LLC

With gratitude to the nearly 200 people living and working in New Hampshire who joined these conversations. Thank you for sharing your perspectives and your expertise.

Do you want to join the conversation? Visit the New Hampshire Creative Communities Network at www.nhcreativecommunities.com



Created on the territory of N'dakinna, the traditional ancestral homeland of the Abenaki, Pennacook, and Wabanaki Peoples past and present.