

Awareness is the beginning.  
Understanding is the journey.  
Belonging is the goal.

**“DisArt is quickly becoming one of the world’s most recognized producers of innovative, contemporary, Disability Art programs that amplify the voice, visibility, and value of all Disabled people.”**

Paul Amenta  
Artist + SiTE:LAB Founder

Since their beginning in 2015, each DisArt exhibition, performance, and collaboration has become milestones in a movement towards equity for Disabled people.

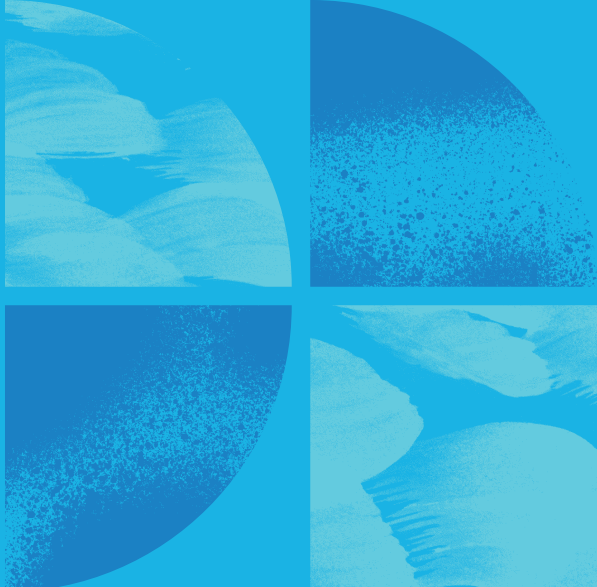
In addition to presenting highly acclaimed, thought provoking exhibitions and performances that showcase the richness and relevancy of Disability culture, the institutions, venues, and collectives collaborating with DisArt have developed a new understanding on how to create exhibitions and art events that allow for the full participation of Disabled people.

**Learn more at [DisArtNow.org](https://DisArtNow.org)**



### About DisArt

Transformational art exhibitions and performances that express a Disabled cultural identity.



### About DisCourse


Training, Speaking Engagements, and Consulting that help your organization accomplish inclusive cultural transformation.



### About DisTopia

Reimagining what it means to be Disabled by exploring art and culture from the inside out through interviews and commentaries about the lived experience of disability.





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join the movement.  
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provides DisArt the  
resources it needs  
to continue this  
important work.

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## 2020 Events



### **My Dearest Friends Project**

DisArt and artist Oaklee Thiele began the My Dearest Friends Project by collecting stories from the Disabled community confronted with the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Through podcast interviews, personal submissions illustrated by Thiele, the project unites the global Disabled community while documenting this moment in history and preserving our culture.



### **Grand Rapids Virtual Arts Festival**

In lieu of a physical event during the COVID-19 pandemic, DisArt joined the Festival of the Arts and other Grand Rapids Arts Working Group cultural organizations to create the Virtual Arts Festival. DisArt played a significant role in increasing access through English and Spanish captioning, American Sign Language (ASL) interpretation, and audio descriptions.



### **ADA30 - Lead On: Celebration of Disability Arts, Culture & Pride**

DisArt joins notable Disabled actors, artists, advocates, activists, allies and organizers to produce a virtual event to celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).



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