

CHAMPIGNONS MAGIQUES

Large fabric mushrooms rise up from a crescent mound of mulch and stumps, trembling with light and inviting visitors to play and engage. This immersive garden is inspired by the form and color of mushrooms like the pink oyster mushroom and the golden chanterelle, which play a critical role in the health of our ecosystems. This garden installation uses a creative repurposing of nylon advertising flags, transforming them into durable fabric panel sculptures that will be colored using natural dyes including a dye made from mushrooms. This garden should be situated within or at the edge of the forest to highlight the contrast between the verdant forest and the warm hues of pink, orange, and salmon fabric. The colorful fabric is semi-transparent and mounted on a single flexible rod, which is anchored into hidden concrete tube footings below the mulch. The result is each individual 'gill' panel trembles in the wind and catches light shadows of the gill next to it. Each fabric panel is between 2-4 meters tall and .25-.75 meters wide, which imparts a strong relationship to the human body. The size of the abstracted mushroom garden dwarfs the height of human visitors, which serves as a reminder of how small humanity is in comparison to the vast scale and importance of the natural world. The wood for the bed of spruce mulch and circular spruce 'stump' benches will be sourced from the festival site from spruce trees that have died due to the Spruce BudWorm blight. This is a reminder of the cyclical nature of life and death and the critical role of native mushrooms and mycelium in regenerating the forest.

PLANTES ET CHAMPIGNONS PROPOSÉS:

PLANTES INDIGÈNES:

Arabette alpine (*Arabis alpina*)
 Gaillets (*Galium* spp.)
 Silène enfé (*Silene vulgaris*)
 Gingembre sauvage, asaret du Canada (*Asarum canadense*)
 Quatre-temps, cornouiller du Canada (*Cornus canadensis*)

CHAMPIGNONS INDIGÈNES:

Oyster Mushroom (*Pleurotus ostreatus*)
 Pink Oyster Mushroom (*Pleurotus djamor*)
 Golden Chanterelle Mushroom (*Cantharellus cibarius sensu lato*)
 Hexagonal Pored Polypore (*Polyporus alveolaris*)
 Jelly Wood Ear (*Auricularia auricula-judae*)



PLAN, 1:40 Scale

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