Balancing Act

Daily tous les jours

Date
Installed January 2021

Location
First Ward Park
301 E 7th St, Charlotte, NC 28202

Description
Balancing Act was created for First Ward Park as an amalgamation of urban furniture, playground equipment & interactive musical sculpture. It is meant to serve many of the same functions as conventional park furniture. It is a place to congregate, relax, sit and enjoy the sun. It’s also a place to play, explore and make music with other people.

It is meant to bring together neighbors and strangers and allow them to negotiate its usage: sit and look around, sunbathe, see how many people can fit on at once, see how long you can balance, or try to create a song together.

About Daily tous les jours
Daily tous les jours leads an emergent field of practice combining design, interactive art, storytelling, performance and placemaking to reinvent living together in the 21st century.

Over the past ten years, the Montreal-based art and design studio has signed over 40 original artworks in more than 30 cities around the world.

The studio earned numerous international recognitions, notably the Grand Prize at the UNESCO Shenzhen Design Awards and a Knight Cities Challenge Award for Civic Innovation.

Selection Panel
Laure Grace, Public Art Commission; Tim Parati, Children’s Theatre of Charlotte; Crista Cammaroto, UNC Charlotte; Melanie Huggins, Richland Library; Kit Kube, Artist

Funding Partner
This project is funded through City of Charlotte’s 1% for the Arts Ordinance. ASC administers the public art program for the City of Charlotte and Mecklenburg County. Artist Selection and designs are approved by the appointed Public Art Commission.

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