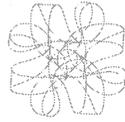


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Dear Representative,

You are invited to experience the power of the arts, creativity and design in Michigan through the lens of ArtPrize and the City of Grand Rapids.

Join **Creative Many Michigan, ArtPrize, The Right Place** and the sponsors and partners* bringing the **Michigan House** to life on **Friday, October 9, 2015 beginning at 12:30 pm** for this one-of-a-kind opportunity.

The day's program will begin with lunch at **Founder's Brewing Company**, will provide an opportunity to explore ArtPrize and end with an exclusive event hosted for lawmakers at the Michigan House. Also, enjoy the option to see the culmination of ArtPrize with a special invitation to the final awards ceremony. Spouses or a guest are invited.

RSVP to Sarah Triplett, Director of Public Policy at Creative Many Michigan by **October 2nd** via email at sarah@creativemany.org or by phone at 517.599.7784.

Sarah Triplett
Director of Public Policy

Creative Many Michigan

AGENDA
October 9, 2015

12:30 pm to 2:00 pm – Lunch (Founders Brewery: Centennial Room)
235 Grandville Ave. SW
Grand Rapids, MI49503

Join co-hosts **Creative Many Michigan** and **The Right Place** for lunch with some of the area's most influential artists, creative practitioners and business owners. **Mayor Elect Rosalynn Bliss** will kick off this special luncheon which will also feature a few words from **ArtPrize and Start Garden founder Rick DeVos**.

Tour ArtPrize

In just a few short weeks, downtown Grand Rapids will be transformed as more than 1,500 works of art take over more than 160 venues in just three square miles. In 2013 alone, ArtPrize attracted more than 400,000 visitors from 47 countries and all 50 states and brought in \$22.1 million in net-new economic activity.

Learn more about the challenges, opportunities and continued growth of this dynamic 19 day competition and get an on the ground look at this event that has changed the face of Grand Rapids and turned the art world on its head.

4:00 pm to 5:00 pm - Michigan House (Legislators Reception)

40 Pearl Street
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

The Creative Many Michigan House is a roving pop-up space where Michigan's most dynamic companies, organizations, artists, and entrepreneurs tell their stories under one roof. It's a testament to a vibrant Michigan that isn't just surviving - but thriving.

First unveiled at the SXSW Festival in Austin, TX, the Michigan House found national success in their ability to provide a living, breathing experience to highlight the prominence of Michigan's creative energy which can be found through music, art, food, design and collaboration.

Now, back home in Michigan at ArtPrize, the Michigan House will feature concerts, speakers, panel discussions, corporate gatherings, art, food and drink tasting, pop up retail, and so much more, all in the sake of providing a platform for the innovation and creativity that is growing Michigan's economy.

Join Creative Many and our partners as the Michigan House transforms into a space specifically for lawmakers. Read more about the Michigan House on their website at <http://www.michiganhouse.org>.

Art Prize Awards (OPTIONAL)

Get a front row seat to see the culmination of this 19 day event as prizes are handed out to the top vote getters. Reception begins at 6:00 pm, VIP toast at 6:40 pm, pre show at 7:15 pm, live televised awards show begins at 7:45 pm.

***Michigan House Partners & Sponsors**

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