Anythink announces new public art installation and workshop

"The Singing Tree" by Alt Ethos will incorporate light and sound as art

DENVER, Colo.–March 5, 2019–This spring, Anythink will unveil its latest collaborative public art installation, "The Singing Tree," at Anythink Perl Mack. Created by Denver-based Alt Ethos, "The Singing Tree" is an outdoor installation that uses light and sound to create an interactive experience. Using an integrated MIDI keyboard, "The Singing Tree" operates as a live instrument for onlookers to play. In anticipation of the piece, Anythink Perl Mack is hosting a special all-ages workshop on Saturday, March 16. Hosted by representatives from Alt Ethos, Denver Arts + Technology Advancement and Sphero, this workshop provides an opportunity for the community to experience the playfulness and sense of imagination sparked by "The Singing Tree." Participants will be able to create their own art and music using Specdrums. Specdrums are app-enabled rings that can be used to create customizable sounds, beats and loops by applying them to color.

"One of the outcomes of Anythink's strategic plan is that 'people are enriched by learning and culture,'" says Anythink Director of Innovations & Brand Strategy Stacie Ledden. "Sharing public art with our community is one way that we do this. 'The Singing Tree' will embody all of the whimsy, imagination and informal learning that we celebrate at Anythink. Providing an opportunity for our community to meet the creators from Alt Ethos, hear about their creative process and the technology that powers it, is another way for us to extend that learning."

"We are honored to be in collaboration with Anythink Libraries," says Alt Ethos CEO Ethan Bach. "Our goal is to build communities through memorable experiences that are creative and fun. And I must admit that 'The Singing Tree' is my new favorite activation."

"The Singing Tree" is the latest addition to Anythink's *This is Who We Are* project, which partners community members with local artists to create public art pieces that represent the fabric of the community. "The Singing Tree" will honor former Anythink Board of

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Trustees President Ray Coffey. This project is made possible through the support of the [Anythink Foundation](#).

– Event Details –

"The Singing Tree" Community Workshop with Alt Ethos

Saturday, March 16, 2 pm

Anythink Perl Mack
7611 Hilltop Cir., Denver, CO 80221
303-428-3576

Learn first-hand about Anythink Perl Mack's new collaborative public art installation, "The Singing Tree," with its creators at Alt Ethos. Taking inspiration from music and nature, "The Singing Tree" will use light and sound to encourage uninhibited play and joyous imagination. During this community workshop, join Denver Arts + Technology Advancement and Sphero to create your own mix of art and music using Specdrums. Specdrums are app-enabled rings that allow you to create customizable sounds, beats and loops by tapping colors. "The Singing Tree" will be installed this spring at Anythink Perl Mack. All ages welcome.

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