

Gettysburg National M. Park NEW Artist in Residence

National Parks Arts Foundation and Gettysburg Foundation sponsor "New Media" Artist at Gettysburg National M. Park

WASHINGTON DC, USA, March 3, 2017 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Gettysburg National Military Park, in cooperation with the non-profit <u>National Parks Arts</u> <u>Foundation (NPAF)</u> and the Gettysburg Foundation, announce artist Brandi Martin Yu's residency as Gettysburg National Military Park's artist-in-residence for early March. She will be among the artists this year to represent the Alembic Arts (New Media).

Ms. Yu has a long background of composing provocative, genre-defying art. She endeavors to challenge "the authority of any singular medium or moment by transparently layering imagery, media, and time," a style of art that ends up presenting what she calls 'metacognitive objects', ob- jects that suggest both connections and conflicts, and that draw on self-reference to create "a rich friction", one that looks to inspire the viewer to reconsider his or her own "thought processes of constructing meaning".



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This young artist from the American South has been featured in over one dozen exhibitions in the extremely

com- petitive art markets of Manhattan and Brooklyn, and has taken her work to eastern Europe, touring Bulgaria with her exhibition, Ritual Art. After finishing her residency in Gettysburg, she will accept another, longer term in Štúrovo, Slovakia.

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Gettysburg National Military Park Superintendent, Mr. Ed Clark Ms. Yu intends to spend her residency at Gettysburg developing a type of virtual geocaching - an outdoor game of searching for hidden objects by using their revealed GPS coordinates. She intends to cast three-dimensional aluminum texts pulled from Walt Whitman's poetry, and set each line into concrete markers to be hidden throughout Gettysburg Park.

Visitors to the park would then be encouraged to use virtual geo-cached coordinates to track down the cast lines, and take rubbings on rice paper from which the lines can be assembled into their original order, arranged at will, or even edited to create something entirely new.

Ms. Yu's residency promises to be wide-ranging. She "experiences Gettysburg through words and language hands on, taking words from the poetry of Walt Whitman to make new poems by not only rearranging the, but by using molds, rubbings, and collage to actually make the words."

Gettysburg National M. Park Artist in Residence applications are open NOW for 2018, with a DEADLINE NEXT MONTH for artists, Veterans, Poets, writers and ALL Artists ! There is a great \$\$\$ stipend AND presentation, public engagements and National Gallery opportunities to the select artists. Please give notice to artists and supporters immediately !

Programs like Gettysburg National Military Park's artist-in-residence series, in which acclaimed artists seek inspiration from the beauty and history of our national parks, and agree to share their ideas with park patrons, represent some of the highest aspirations of the National Park Service.

As the park's superintendent, Ed Clark, explains, "Gettysburg National Military Park can offer the perfect backdrop to provide inspiration for the arts. As the National Park Service strives to connect with new generations, we look forward to leading the arts and interpretation of Gettysburg into the future, while always remembering our mission of preserving history."

Gettysburg National Military Park is a unit of the National Park Service that preserves, protects and interprets for this and future generations the resources associated with the Battle of Gettysburg during the American Civil War, the Soldiers' National Cemetery, and their commemorations.

The National Parks Arts Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit dedicated to the promotion of the National Parks of the U.S. by creating dynamic opportunities for artworks that are based in our natural and historic heritage. This project is supported by the Gettysburg Foundation and other generous benefactors. NPAF National Park projects are supported entirely by donation and generous partnerships.

For more information on how you can support the Gettysburg National Military Park Artist in Residence and other NPAF arts programs Nationwide visit <u>www.nationalparksartsfoundation.org</u> or write to admin@nationalparksartsfoundation.org.

All NPAF programs are made possible through the phil- anthropic support of donors ranging from corporate sponsors and small businesses, to art patrons and citizen lovers of the parks. NPAF is always seeking new partners and donors for its wide-ranging artist-in-residence pro- grams.

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