

Emerging Alumni Lecture
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OCTOBER 12 SUZY MELO & MEAGHAN HUNTER

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Landscape Architect
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Popple

The International Garden Festival is the leading contemporary garden festival in North America. Since its inception in 2000, more than 150 gardens have been exhibited at Grand-Métis. Despite its remote location, the Festival has attracted more than 1 million visitors to experience the work of both emerging design practices and renowned designers such as Diana Balmori, Claude Cormier, Ken Smith, Snøhetta, Topotek 1 and Michael Van Valkenburg.

Popple was one of six gardens chosen to participate in the 16th edition of the International Garden Festival in 2015. The garden was a distillation of the existing site through the use of colorful curtains that mimic the magical sounds and imagery of the trembling aspen (*Populus tremuloides*). A vertical plane of multi-colored discs danced in the wind, creating a melody and visual buzz indicative of the trembling leaves of the aspen. Suzy and Meaghan were awarded the Premier's Design Award of Excellence - Small Projects Category for Popple in 2015.



Join Suzy and Meaghan in their amusing stories of the Popple journey from ideas, to construction and to years later.


Bio of presenters:

Suzy Melo is a Landscape Architect currently practicing with the Winnipeg multi-disciplinary firm, ft3 Architecture Landscape Interior Design. She is a graduate of the University of Manitoba's Masters of Landscape Architecture program where she also obtained an undergraduate degree in Environmental Design. She has been actively involved in the Winnipeg Design Festival, the Manitoba Association of Landscape Architects, the Canadian Society of Landscape Architects and is a member of the Storefront Manitoba board.

Meaghan Hunter is an Associate Landscape Architect at the Winnipeg multi-disciplinary design firm, Nadi Design. She is a graduate of the University of Manitoba's Masters of Landscape Architecture program where she also obtained an undergraduate degree in Environmental Design. Part of her practice includes engaging in design competitions where she has successfully placed within the top 4 in three international design competitions.

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