

GLOBAL RAINBOW

Chronology

Global Rainbow NYC 2009

MLK Day

January 19, Martin Luther King Day, saw The Global Rainbow projected from downtown Manhattan on a span extending to Brooklyn Bridge to the east and the Hudson River to the west, directly over the fallen WTC towers between the hours of 5pm and midnight.

Transmediale 10 Berlin, Germany

2 February - 11 February 2010 19:15 - 23:00

Presented as part of transmediale.10, the rainbow of seven parallel laser beams will shine across a three kilometre stretch of central Berlin, from the Haus der Kulturen der Welt (HKW) in the Tiergarten to the landmark Fernsehturm (TV tower) at Alexanderplatz. Over three nights of the festival, the rainbow will appear in the night sky and will be visible across the city as it rises diagonally from the roof of HKW to a point approximately 250 metres up the shaft of the TV tower.

La Novela Festival

50th Anniversary of the Invention of the Laser

Toulouse, France

October 11-16, 2010

From October 11 to 16: Laser Toulouse: to celebrate the 50th anniversary of the

discovery of Laser, Toulouse offers all night, a gigantic light show entitled Global Rainbow imagined by artist Yvette Mattern.

Le lieu unique, Nantes France

September 9 - 16, 2011

Global Rainbow was the signature event to mark the beginning of the Fall 2011 season of culture under the sign of innovation, excitement and sharing.

Cultural Olympiad 2012

UK Global Rainbow opens the London 2012 Cultural Olympiad year in three regions of the UK: northeast and north west England, and Northern Ireland. The Cultural Olympiad is a series of arts events happening throughout the UK in the run-up to the Olympic Games, funded by the Arts Council of England, Legacy Trust UK and the Olympic Lottery Distributor.

Starting on leap day, **29 February**, the UK premiere of this stunning artwork takes place over five nights against the backdrop of the North Tyneside coastline.

From **8 March**, International Women's Day, the rainbow is being projected over the city of Preston for four nights. Here, it launches We Play Challenge, the north west's Cultural Olympiad public participation programme. It is one of the first events in the Preston Guild festival. Dating back to 1179, this is England's oldest festival and takes place once every 20 years.

Starting on **14 March** and ending on St Patrick's Day, 17 March, the rainbow is being projected from the base of the landmark site of Scrabo Tower. For four nights, it passes over Newtownards, from where it follows the picturesque eastern shore of Strangford Lough and on, over the Ards Peninsula

Utrecht University

20 March to 26 March 2011

Colourful laser beams connect Utrecht of with city center Unique in the Netherlands, the seven laser beams of the vibrant laser installation 'Sol Lumen', each representing a color of Utrecht University's flag, will shine across more than three kilometers to link the tower of the Domkerk cathedral and De Uithof. The installation is part of the University's 375th anniversary celebrations. Yvette Mattern is the artist who created 'Sol Lumen'.

Global Rainbow NY after the storm

November 27 – 29 2012

Art Production Fund and The Standard are pleased to present Global Rainbow, After the Storm, a monumental outdoor laser installation by American artist Yvette Mattern on view from 8pm to 2am nightly on November 27th through November 29th from the rooftop of The Standard, High Line and viewable to millions of New Yorkers. Organized in response to Hurricane Sandy, the artist will project seven beams of high-power laser light over communities hit hard by the storm, originating on Manhattan's lower west side and spanning across Brooklyn toward the Rockaways. The installation aims to symbolize hope and act as a call to action to support the communities that were devastated by the storm.

Global Rainbow/Night Rainbow New Haven, CT

April 24 – 29, 2013

Site Projects presented our 2013 public art commission: Night Rainbow | Global Rainbow New Haven, a laser light sculpture by American artist Yvette Mattern, to kick-off citywide

celebrations of the 375th Anniversary of New Haven. The exhibition ran for four consecutive nights, beginning April 24th, 2013. - See more at:

<http://nightrainbownewhaven.com/#sthash.ZgiG4hMo.dpuf>

Global Rainbow Pittsburgh

June 7, 2013

On June 7, 2013, Pittsburgh's Point State Park fountain rejoined the skyline with the help of Yvette Mattern and Lightwave International. The 150-foot waterspout – symbolic of Pittsburgh the way the Gateway Arch identifies St. Louis or the Golden Gate Bridge means San Francisco – has been shut down the past four years for refurbishing. To celebrate the return of the iconic fountain, a stunning array of rainbow laser light physically connects the fountain with PPG Place, the crown jewel of Pittsburgh's skyline. Pittsburgh: Spectral Ascending is part of the continuing Global Rainbow works. Variations of Yvette Mattern's vision have been performed by Lightwave International in cities around the world.

Global Rainbow Londonderry, Northern Ireland

January 17 – 22, 2014

Derry City Council commissioned New York and Berlin based visual artist Yvette Mattern to bring her Rainbow to the city for the first time.

'Inspiring event' Yvette Mattern said: "Global Rainbow is a large scale, monumental outdoor laser projection consisting of seven parallel beams of high specification laser light, representing the spectrum of the traditional seven colours of the rainbow." Mayor Martin Reilly said the event was the city's way of thanking all who participated in the "monumental success of last year", when Derry was the first UK City of Culture.

Global Rainbow Belgium

LEUVEN

13 – 17 February 2014

Artefact Festival, STUK

During Artefact, Mattern's work illuminates the Belgian skyline for the very first time, starting from the top of the IMEC building, an innovation center in Leuven, and reaching the end of the province of Vlaams-Brabant (North-East).

Global Rainbow Cleveland

August 7-9, 2014

AHA! Festival of Progressive Arts, curated by a local team of curators and urban planners at LAND studio. From August 7 to 9, the multi-day event illuminated both the new and old attractions of downtown Cleveland.

Global Rainbow Toronto**Nuit Blanche, Toronto****October 5 – 13, 2014**

From Chinatown to one of Toronto's most iconic buildings, the CN Tower, Global Rainbow blazes through Toronto's night sky.

Global Rainbow for Peace**Siegessäule, Berlin, 2016****Gallery weekend Berlin April 28 – May 1st, 2016**

A special presentation relating to the current tense situation regarding fear of terrorism and the acute refugee situation, "Global Rainbow - Peace will prevail" in Berlin was presented in Berlin as part of the 2016 Gallery Weekend, The Global Rainbow that beamed from Ernst-Reuter-Platz to the Victory Column or Golden Angel, an iconic symbol for Berlin, Germany.

Global Rainbow FILUX 2016 Mexico City**November 10-13, 2016**

FILUX Festival of Light beamed the Global Rainbow from the Museum of the Revolution in Mexico City.

Miami Art Basel with Lionheart Capital and Ritz Carlton Residencies**Miami, Florida, November 28-December 3, 2016**

Lionheart Capital, developer of The Ritz-Carlton Residences, Miami Beach, commissioned the Global Rainbow during Art Basel Miami Beach. Dubbed the #RitzRainbow, Mattern's large-scale, laser light beam installation originated from Lionheart Capital in the heart of Miami's Design District, casting a spectacular array of light across the city, and over Biscayne Bay from Monday, November 28th through Saturday, December 3rd. When activated, the #RitzRainbow can be seen from a 20-mile radius – a gift to the city of Miami that spreads positivity and celebrates the beauty of light, art and the human spirit.

Global Rainbow for New Orleans Luna Fete 2016**December 7-10, 2016**

LUNA Fête, the visionary initiative created by Arts Council New Orleans, returns for four nights to transform downtown New Orleans with art animated by light and technology. Free and open to the public, this multi-day celebration will be open Wednesday, December 7 through Saturday, December 10 from 6-9 pm nightly in Lafayette Square and along Lafayette Street, merging with Harrah's Miracle on Fulton event. LUNA Fête 2016 features Global Rainbow, a monumental light projection illuminating New Orleans' night sky with seven high-specification lasers representing colors of the rainbow and visible for up to 35 miles from Lafayette Square.

Global Rainbow Merida, Mexico 2017 & 2018
FILUX Merida, Yucatan Mexico March 23-29, 2017 & 2018

The International Festival of Lights (FILUX) is held in Mérida for a four-day light show at and around the Plaza Grande and various sites.

Global Rainbow Las Vegas Fashion Show Mall
May 2018, Las Vegas NV

Las Vegas' premier shopping destination, Fashion Show Las Vegas has doubled down on its commitment to public art with the debut of a larger-than-life art light installation, Global Rainbow.

Global Rainbow Provincetown Gay Pride 2018
June 1-3, 2018, Provincetown, MA

For the first time, Provincetown will join the month of worldwide Pride celebrations for the LGBTQ community, with a weekend of events featuring a 20-mile-long "Global Rainbow" laser-art installation.

Global Rainbow Antwerp Belgium Gay Pride 2018
August 8-12, 2018

In the evening during Antwerp Pride , a rainbow in artificial light will be visible over Antwerp , from the Steen over the Scheldt quays towards the South .The Sint-Anna Pedestrian Tunnel will again have rainbow lights . During Antwerp Pride, from 8 to 12 August, buildings will again receive rainbow lighting and the A rainbow pins will be redistributed.

Global Rainbow MP2018, Quell Amour Festival, Marseille, France
September 1, 2018

Global Rainbow beams for conclusion of MP2018 Quell Amour Festival from the 18th floor of the new La Marseillaise Tower designed by Jean Nouvel.

2019

Global Rainbow, Cordoba, Argentina, w/Usina, Festival of Languages
March 27-30, 2019

Global Rainbow was beamed from the terrace of the Centro Cívico del Bicentenario, in Córdoba, Argentina for the VIII International Conference of Spanish Languages (CILE) produced by Usina Lexgroup.

**Global Rainbow, Provincetown Pride, MA, Provincetown Guild.
May 31–June 2, 2019**

Global Rainbow beamed over Provincetown Harbor Friday and Saturday, *Harbor Friday, June 1 and Saturday, June 2nd, 8 p.m. to 2a.m* marking the first Provincetown Gay Pride providing a perfect intersection for Provincetown of art, gay culture, and our beautiful natural environment.

**Global Rainbow, FILUX, Villahermosa, Mexico
June 21-24, 2019**

The International Festival of Lights (FILUX) presented Global Rainbow in Villahermosa, Mexico

**Global Rainbow, Smögen, Sweden, Island of Light
September 12–15 2019.**

Island of Light is an international Light Art Festival placed on the beautiful granite Island of Smögen on the Swedish West Coast.

2020

**Global Rainbow, Bergen, Norway, Bergen Lights
January 17-10, 2020**

Bergen Lights was held for the first time from the 17th to the 19th of January 2020. The festival presented, the internationally renowned light artists Yvette Mattern (US) Global Rainbow.

**Global Rainbow, Sao Paulo Pride
June 14, 2020**

When the São Paulo Pride Parade was canceled in 2020, Doritos called on Almap BBDO to help them celebrate in a new way, by projecting a laser rainbow created by artist Yvette Mattern in the night sky above Paulista Avenue, one of the most iconic landmarks of the parade. The laser rainbow became one of the most discussed topics on social media in São Paulo and inspired about R\$1 million in donations to LGBTQIA+ organizations.

**Global Rainbow, Kobe, Japan
December 4 – 13, 2020**

The Kobe Tourism Bureau, Dentsu and the Kobe City Port Authority held Global Rainbow @ KOBE 2020 using a high-power laser from December 4th to December 13th. Kobe's scenic spot Kobe Port. A rainbow-like a huge oil painting unfolded in front of you in the sky, and it was a scene that healed the anxiety and stress of the COVID-19.

Global Rainbow, Birmingham UK
December 29 – January 3, 2021

The installation was presented by Birmingham Hippodrome as part of Global Streets, a national project funded through Arts Council England National Lottery Project Grants.

Global Rainbow, Edinburgh Castle, Scotland
March 24 – 26, 2021

Burns&Beyond presented the Scottish premiere of International Artist Yvette Mattern's Global Rainbow from the Edinburgh Castle, lighting up the skies above Edinburgh with messages of Hope, Love and Kindness for 2021 produced by Unique Events, Edinburgh

Global Rainbow, Barking and Dagenham, UK
April 2-5, 2021.

The installation was presented by Birmingham Hippodrome as part of Global Streets, a national project funded through Arts Council England National Lottery Project Grants.

Global Rainbow, Leicester, UK
November 2-7, 2021

Celebrations to mark one of the biggest Diwali Day celebrations as part of Global Streets, a national project funded through Arts Council England National Lottery Project Grants.

Global Rainbow, Doncaster, UK.
November 12-13, 2021

The installation was presented by Birmingham Hippodrome as part of Global Streets, a national project funded through Arts Council England National Lottery Project Grants.

Global Rainbow, Palm Springs Pride, CA
November 5-6, 2021

Global Rainbow light installation shined above Palm Canyon Drive at Amado Road, Nov. 5-6 for Palm Springs annual Pride celebration.

Global Rainbow, Poole, UK
November 16 – 21, 2021

The installation was presented by Birmingham Hippodrome as part of Global Streets, a national project funded through Arts Council England National Lottery Project Grants. Funding from BCP Council, Poole BID, HSBC UK and the Garfield Weston Foundation.

**Global Rainbow, Venice Pride, Venice Beach
June 3-5, 2022**

Venice Pride presents Artist Yvette Mattern's *Global Rainbow* installation in association with Bacardi nightly from June 3 to 5 at Venice Beach.

Global Rainbow, FILUX Yucatán, Merida and Valladolid 2022

Mérida | 24 – 27 Noviembre | Remate de Paseo de Montejo | Calle 58A, esquina con 45 - Callejón de Santa Ana, Mérida Yucatán.

Valladolid | 1 - 4 Diciembre | Explanada del atrio de la Parroquia y Ex Convento de San Bernardino de Siena | Calle 50 número 210B, Barrio de Sisal.

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