

Foundation Expanded: Myrtle Ave Public Projects Request for Proposal

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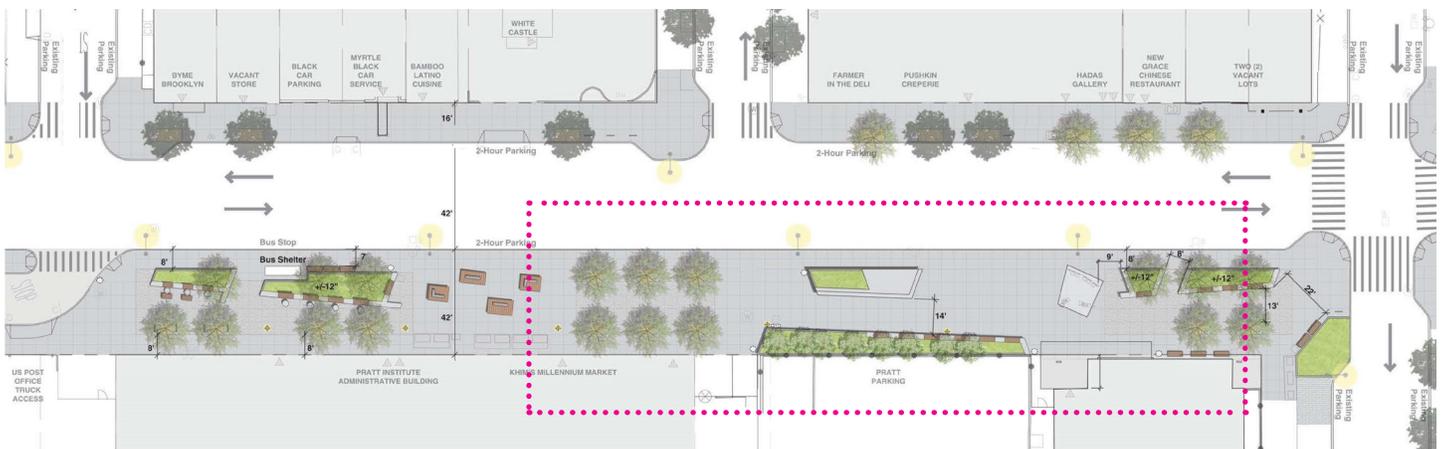
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Overview

Foundation Expanded: Myrtle Ave Public Projects (MAPP) invites Pratt first-year students to submit proposals for public art / design projects for Myrtle Avenue Plaza. There are four projects along the plaza, each with its own site, Site 1 - 4.

Background

Foundation Expanded: MAPP supports innovative, collaborative, community-engaged projects in the first-year. In collaboration with the Myrtle Avenue Brooklyn Partnership and Pratt Foundation department, *Foundation Expanded: MAPP* directly connects Pratt students and faculty to civic engagement through public works and improves the experience of the plaza as a prominent and active public space. As the teaching of art and design in the classroom is different from actualizing art and design in the public realm, we aim to merge first-year studio processes with entrepreneurship and civic engagement. *Foundation Expanded: MAPP* asks first-year students to consider nuances and specifics of site, a broader audience and community, and conceptual connections to social and environmental influences. Students explore how their proposals can shape the public plaza, play into everyday life and in doing so, remake our world for the better.



Myrtle Avenue Plaza site plan

Site 1 Pop-Up!

Design two mobile shelving units to form a temporary Pop-Up Store that can open during the day and close at night, showcase Pratt student work for display and purchase, and directly engage the neighborhood to foster community.

Site 2 Outside the Box

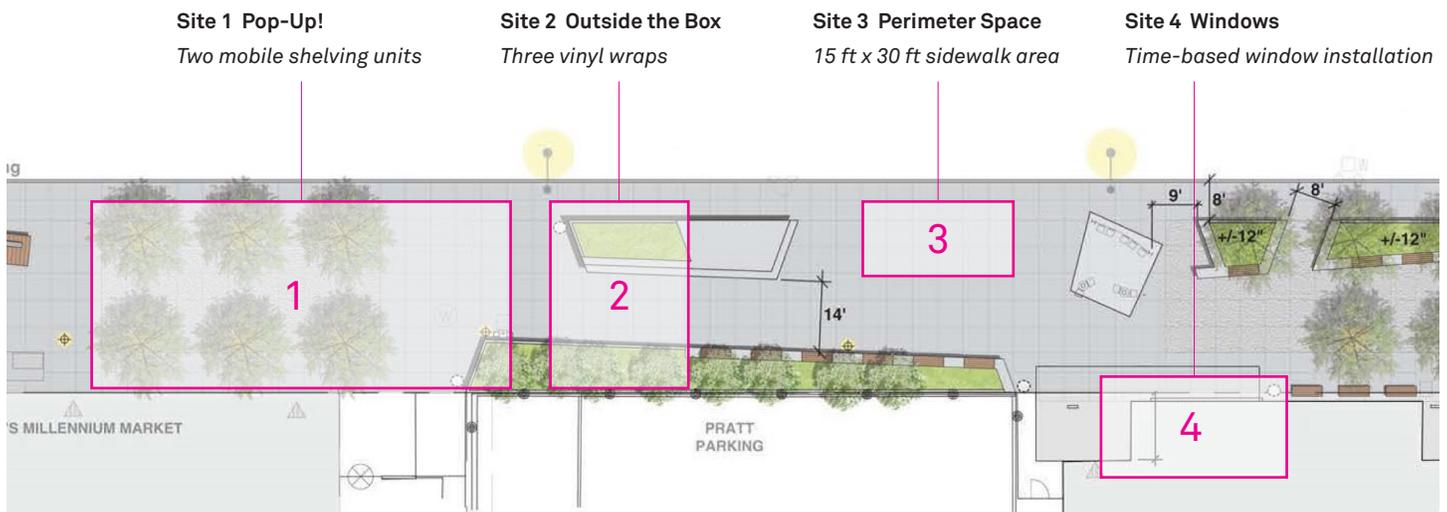
Create an artwork / design to be printed as vinyl covering for three mechanical boxes on site and installed for the year. *Full Battery* by Violet Zhang continues to be on view through March 2023.

Site 3 Perimeter Space

Propose a temporal, impermanent intervention for a sidewalk area that tests what drawing can be in the expanded field and considers direct participation with the public audience.

Site 4 Windows

Devise a silent, time-based, projected window installation within one (or more) of four windows to activate the entrance of the Pratt Film/Video building and explore time and movement in response to location.



Myrtle Avenue Plaza site plan
Sites 1 - 4

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Eligibility

Current Pratt Foundation and first-year students are eligible to submit one or more proposals. By submitting a proposal, all Proposers confirm their availability to collaborate with the Foundation department during planning, fabrication and installation from June 2023 to April 2024. Students will not be required to fabricate and install their proposal, but should be available for consultation during this process.

Budget

Material and installation costs shall be funded separately.

Fabrication FDC 440P / ART 440P / SOD 440P / SOD 640P

Pratt Foundation, School of Art and School of Design will offer a FAB LAB elective course to develop and fabricate the selected proposals for all four sites, Site 1 - 4. Students do not need to have their proposal selected to participate in the class, nor are the selected proposers required to take the class. Students will work collaboratively and across disciplines to refine, prototype, and produce the selected proposals for each site, and will learn appropriate material selection, fabrication techniques, and assembly processes. Projects will be installed for the opening event in April 2024.

Selection Process and Criteria

Proposals will be selected by the *Foundation Expanded* team as well as a panel of outside jurors that include Myrtle Avenue Brooklyn Partnership leadership, professional artists and student representatives. The panel will review and consider all submissions based on the following criteria:

- strong artistic vision and design
- positive impact on Myrtle Avenue Plaza
- appropriateness for viewing by all ages and backgrounds

Submissions

Submissions should consist of the following materials:

1. Presentation PDF for Site 1 - 4
Please download the respective *Myrtle Ave Site(1 - 4) Folder* and use these files for your submission. Please follow instructions carefully to ensure your submission is considered.
2. Digital presentation video .mp4 file for Site 4

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No late or incomplete submissions will be accepted

Legal Information

No information contained in submissions shall be deemed confidential and may be shared. Please do not submit any information that may be deemed proprietary in nature. All submissions shall not be returned. *Foundation Expanded: MAPP* may withdraw and change any terms of this RFP at any time.

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The aim of the project is to create a temporary space that can open during the day and close at night, that creates a public place for Pratt students to sell their work, and that provides a venue for students to engage their neighborhood and foster community. You must consider how the form of your proposal produces and engenders space, how space is influenced by time, and finally how space can create community.

You are responsible for designing the enclosure for the framework of the Pop-Up Store (see below for information on the structural framework), the shelving system for display of all items, the design and size of space in and around the store, any additional coverings, and the relationship of the Store to the site and context.

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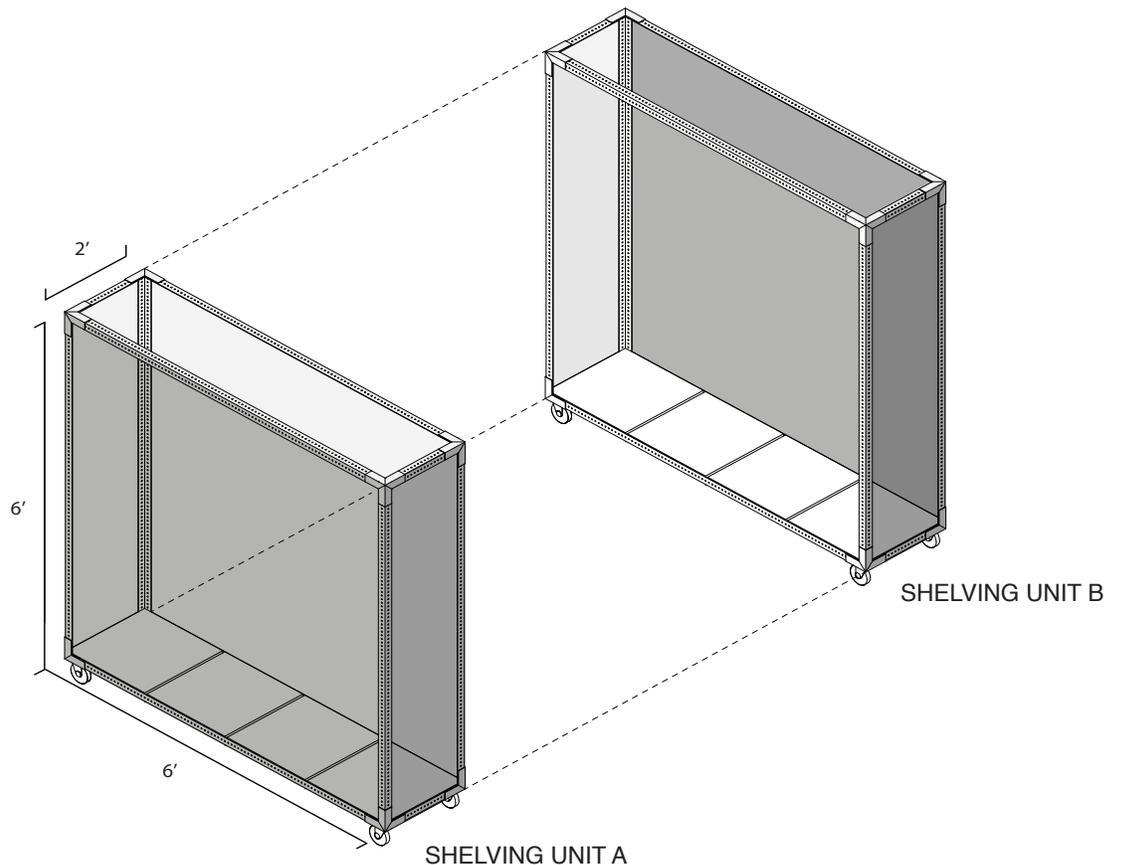


Site 1 Pop-Up Store

Project Guidelines

All proposals use a base structural framework provided by the department. The structural framework ensures the stability of the store, provides a basis from which to develop each design, and facilitates the operational requirements.

The Framework is composed of two identical 6'L x 6'H x 2'W units (Shelving Unit A and Shelving Unit B), that will be constructed of 1-1/2" extruded aluminum rails and rolled on industrial casters. Each unit is fastened together using standard t-slot framing components and has multiple attachment points to facilitate the construction and attachment of all additional design elements.



Students design an enclosure system that allows for the store to “close-down” for the evening and “open-up” during the day. That means that each module will have a long-side that is part of the interior space, and a long-side that creates an exterior facade so that when they are placed next to each other, they can create a completely enclosed volume.

On the interior, students are responsible for designing a variety of shelving and display systems that can be installed onto the framework. Additionally, students should design some storage space, a safe area to store any necessary electronics (electronic payment system, etc.), and any other items that you deem necessary for the success of your space.

Submission for Site 1 Proposal

Your final proposal will consist of a digital file submission using the templates and supplemental materials found in the *Myrtle Ave Site1 Folder*. All submissions must use these files. You can work digitally, or work by hand and then scan your work. If you work by hand, please retain the originals.

All submissions shall include:

- Page 1** Project title and a written description of your proposal and its creative intention in 500 words or less.
- Page 2 - 3** Elevations of Shelving Unit A and Shelving Unit B. Place within the provided ai files.
- Page 4 - 5** Two photoshop renderings of your proposal in context, showing two distinct views. These can be perspective collages of Pop-Up Store on site, views from the 3D site model, or any other way of showing your proposal in the context of the plaza. Site images can be found in folder *Site Information > Site Images*. Place images (with proposal) within the gray boxes.
- Page 6** Optional: Include anything else you would like to add to your presentation, for example, your research, process or inspiration.

Please name your file with the format:

LASTNAME-FIRSTNAME-STUDENTID#-Site1-Presentation.pdf

For example MUTCHLER-LESLIE-1234567-Site1-Presentation.pdf

Submission Checklist Site 1

1. LASTNAME-FIRSTNAME-STUDENTID#-Site1-Presentation.pdf
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