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→ **Big Art Planned for Governors Island** ←
→ **FIGMENT Announces Summer 2010 Interactive Art Plans** ←

In a way that few other arts events and exhibits are able, FIGMENT truly excites children and adults alike about art, creativity, collaboration, and community. In addition to our large-scale participatory arts events in Boston (June 5) and New York (June 11-13), FIGMENT offers the people of New York the opportunity to participate in free interactive art exhibitions throughout the summer months.

From June 11th Through October 3rd, FIGMENT will include three major programs on NYC's Governors Island. Contingent on approvals and meeting funding needs, our FREE 2010 season-long programming will include:

→ **Sculpture Garden** – FIGMENT's curatorial team has selected 17 wonderfully unique, participatory, and sustainable sculpture projects to find a home on Governors Island from June to October. Creating interactive spaces and opportunities for visitors, the FIGMENT Sculpture Garden invites the public to touch, climb, and play with art. www.figmentproject.org/sculpturegarden

→ **Mini-Golf Course** – The 2010 FIGMENT Mini-Golf Course has 10 original artist-designed holes (including 8 new ones and an encore of 2 past favorites). Through this year's World's Fair theme, FIGMENT is giving its own twist to a 160-year tradition – participatory, innovative, and providing a place where kids and adults alike can envision a more collaborative and artistic future. www.figmentproject.org/minigolf

→ **Architectural Pavilion** – In partnership with the ENYA Committee of the AIA NY Chapter and the SEAoNY, FIGMENT has hosted a design competition and a panel of jurors has selected four finalists. The winning design will serve as a central place for art exploration on Governors Island, while promoting key values of sustainability, creativity, and an open use of public space. www.figmentproject.org/pavilion

Groundbreaking, our Art Preview and Fundraising Reception, will take place at the Gershwin Hotel on April 28th. All are invited to see FIGMENT art-in-progress and talk with both artists and organizers. www.figmentproject.org/groundbreaking

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FIGMENT celebrates an abundance of creativity and passion, challenging artists and our communities to find new ways to create, share, think, and dream. Become a part of events in NYC (June 11-13) and Boston (June 5), and interactive exhibits on NYC's Governors Island from June through October. For more information, visit <http://figmentproject.org>.

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