

What is the name of your project? Please use a title that you can remember.

Fairy portals

Describe your project. Give as much detail as possible. (up to 330 words)

I will be creating a series of small decorative doors. These doors are often referred to as Fairy portals, Fairy doors, Gnome doors, etc..

I will run a free of charge, community workshop at the Vancouver Hackspace. The workshop will be open to everyone, but will be targeted at pre-teen boys and girls (Age 5-12). At this workshop people will be able to paint, decorate and take home their own fairy door.

People will be invited to take their doors home with them and install them on their own property that is accessible to the public. (Trees in their front yards, Fence posts, etc..) Afterwards they will be asked to submit the location of their installed door into an online forum. I will use this information to create a website about this project with an interactive map where these doors can be located.

The public will then be invited to search out the fairy doors installed across the neighbourhood as a fairy door scavenger hunt. Inside each door will be a link to a website with more information about this project.

The doors templates will be constructed with a CNC router and will be approximately 12 cm (4" 3/4 inches) tall and 8 cm (3" inches) wide.

When will your project and/or event take place? Include the month, day, and year.

The workshop will happen on a weekend during May 2015 depending on the availability of space at the Vancouver Hackspace.

Where will your project and/or event take place? (max 250 chars)

Vancouver Hackspace (VHS) 1715 Cook st
VHS provides a physical space where people can gather to share ideas, equipment, and opinions. We focus on sharing all sorts of knowledge within a friendly and collaborative atmosphere.

How many people will help organize this project?

11-15 people

Approximately how many people will participate or directly benefit from your project?

More than 100 people.

Who will participate? (Check all that apply.)

- Families
- Children
- Youth
- Adults
- Seniors
- Homeowners

How did you hear about the Neighbourhood Small Grants program? (Check all that apply.)

Website,

How will you promote the project and reach out to and/or include people in the community? Give as many details as possible. (max 250 chars)

Promotion for this project through the Vancouver Hackspace (~2k subscribers), and the Maker Faire and Maker Foundation mailing lists (~14k subscribers). I will do general promotion via facebook and library bulletin boards.

Budget

Description	Amount
1x 3/4 thick baltic birch plywood (4x8)	\$100
CNC machine time	\$50
Paints, decorations, sparkles, etc..	\$50
Website, domain and hosting (donated)	\$100

Workshop space (donated)	\$200
Total	\$600

How much are you asking from the Neighbourhood Small Grants Program? (May not exceed \$1,000). Do not use dollar signs in the Amount field.

\$200

If you don't receive the full grant amount that you are requesting, how will you change your project?

People that attend this workshop will have to prepay \$20 in advance per person. I will also remove the interactive website element

How will your project connect and engage people who live in your neighbourhood?

This project will bring together people from a different social backgrounds to help create a project that will affect and bring joy to their neighbors. People will be engaged in creating the fairy doors and conversations that come from their experience making. Other people will find these fairy doors around their community, interact with them, and hopefully start conversations.

My Project Will

- Bring neighbourhood residents together for the first time: YES
- Happen in two or more sessions: NO
- Involve local residents to share their skills and knowledge with other residents: YES
- Provide opportunities for local residents to learn from each other. YES
- Celebrate and showcase unique local talents, public and private spaces, arts, culture and food: YES
- Engage residents to make meaningful contributions or give back to their community: YES
- Showcase the diversity within the community. YES
- Connect people from different groups: YES
- Be accessible and socially inclusive to all: YES