

GLOBAL RAINBOW

Chronology

January 19, 2009
14 Wall Street
6:00 - midnight

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: north east 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 Uithof with city centre

Unique in the Netherlands, the seven laser beams of the vibrant laser installation 'Sol Lumen', each representing a colour of Utrecht University's flag, will shine across more than three kilometres 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

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 water spout – 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. It encompasses the skyline and its viewing perspective is as ephemeral as viewing a natural rainbow. This monumental installation is visible from all exhibition areas.

Global Rainbow for Peace

Siegessäule, Berlin, 2016

Gallery weekend Berlin April 28 – May 1st 2016

A special presentation relating to the current tense situation with regard to 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.