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Inside Out

Background

“Inside Out” was a site specific installation commissioned by the Three Rivers Arts Festival for the exhibition “By Design” curated by Katherine Talcott, Brett Yasko, and Rick Landesberg at the Three Rivers Arts Festival Gallery in Pittsburgh, PA in November 2005.

Contribution

I contributed to the design, fabrication and installation of the piece. I was joined in the tasks by my business partner Jason Morris.

Significance

The opening for the show “By Design” was included in the Pittsburgh Cultural Trust’s Gallery Crawl and the opening was attended by over 800 people. This piece was the second in a series of projects that examined the use of architectural elements (in this case laser cut plate steel and plastic) placed in an unfamiliar setting (the gallery) to question our assumptions about perception and optics. The piece was perilously installed near the entrance to the gallery and became a dividing line for viewers of the exhibition.

SUPPORTING EVIDENCE

(Press, invitations, reviews, photographs of exhibitions /installations/artworks etc. Evidence of public exposure of work.)

Press:

“Graphic By Design”

Kurt Shaw

Pittsburgh Tribune-Review

Monday December 1, 2005

“A magnet, a star, a refrigerator door. These are just a few of the things that inspired 16 local designers to create art for "By Design" an exhibition at the Three Rivers Arts Festival Gallery, Downtown.

"They each chose an object that had some meaning for them, and their charge was to work as artists to create an installation inspired by that object," says gallery curator Katherine Talcott.

Wanting to shed some light on how designers work, Talcott chose three graphic designers -- Neil Donnelly, Rick Landesberg and Brett Yasko -- to guest curate a show that would turn local designers into artists for a day, so to speak. In turn, they chose five graphic designers, four architects, two industrial designers, two metalworkers, one landscape architect, one furniture designer and one construction specialist.”

IMAGES OF EXHIBITION / WORK

