

Asheville, North Carolina November 8–11, 2018

A groundbreaking, interdisciplinary event, **photo+sphere** explores the natural world, climate, conservation and environment through photography and photo-media.

Since its origins, photography has supported and enhanced careful observation of the environment and helped shape our understanding of scientific research. At this critical juncture in earth's history, **photo+sphere** will present nationally known speakers and panelists, dynamic art exhibitions, presentations and a film series investigating the environment and the impact of human activity, both positive and negative, in the biosphere.

To reach a broad and inclusive audience, **photo+sphere** will engage the creative and scientific communities, those interested in environmental conservation, green solutions and education, food and farming, outdoor activities, as well as high school and university students and diverse population groups.

Programming will feature photography and photo-media (video/film) and will be held at leading arts, science and environmental venues throughout Asheville and beyond, including the Asheville Art Museum, The Collider, Blue Spiral 1, The Penland School of Craft, Tracey Morgan Gallery, Momentum Gallery, Pink Dog Creative, 22 London, Black Mountain College Museum + Art Center, Cherokee Cultural Center, Warren Wilson College and others.

“*Photography has played a vital role in helping explore and understand our place in the world. Today, with questions of global sustainability pressing in from all sides, cultivating, encouraging and facilitating a dialog between art and science is imperative.*

Susan Patrice,
Executive Director *Makerscircle*



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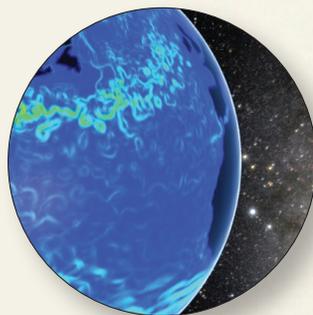
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Widely recognized as an arts destination, Asheville is also home to one of the world's largest archives of climate data—the National Centers for Environmental Information—Asheville. Western North Carolina is a hub for climate research, science-based forest management, conservation, and a quality of life that reflects these efforts.

Our goal for **photo+sphere** is to form a synergy between art and science to help engage the community, deepen understanding and inspire inroads toward working together on addressing urgent environmental concerns.

By collaborating with key galleries, museums, and environmental, science and educational institutions, **photo+sphere** will provide an innovative, stimulating and provocative cultural experience for Asheville residents and visitors to our area.

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An **innovative**,
four-day **art/science**
event on how we see
the **environment** and
our role in determining
the **future**