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El Capacitor

Location: Metz park

District: 3

Duration: July 6, 2016 to January 5, 2017

Materials: concrete, decking planks, wood, flag poles, ribbon, donated clothing, podium

Description: The installation uses flags, made of clothing from residents in the area, as both a means of staking claim while the poles act as abstracted conductors. The base of the work is both a stage and a podium.

Concept: Through empowering imagery and concept, this work deals with the transformation of the neighborhood surrounding the park over the past decade. The is the Spanish cognate for "a passive element that stores energy in the form of electric field," and is meant to symbolize the dormant, potential energy within a community that is being "decommissioned" as well. The sculpture is meant to inspire the residents and amplify their voices.

Programming: The artist will create programming to periodically take place at the work so as to engage the neighborhood and add a sense of ownership.

