



ARTOMATIC 2009 BACKGROUND

Artomatic

Artomatic creates community, builds audience and expands economic development by transforming available space into a playground for artistic expression. Open-entry events showcase creative work including visual art, music, film, performance, poetry and fashion. Artomatic is a non-profit organization headed by a volunteer Board of Directors and is funded in part by the D.C. Commission on the Arts and Humanities, an agency supported by the National Endowment for the Arts. Click www.artomatic.org Artomatic's 10th anniversary open-entry creative arts showcase hits Capitol Riverfront's Half Street at 55 M St. SE May 29 – July 5. Washington, D.C.'s Capitol Riverfront neighborhood is a vibrant new mixed-use community and riverfront destination located between the U.S. Capitol Building and the Anacostia River and between Barracks Row Main Street and South Capitol Street. Over 1000 artists are expected to draw over 70,000 visitors to the Artomatic 2009 creative arts showcase. Educational resources are available at Artomatic for students, families and children. Artomatic was voted a 2009 Washington City Paper BEST of reader's choice in readers-choice for best DC arts festival. Artomatic 2009 is being produced in conjunction with the Capitol Riverfront Business Improvement District and Monument Realty. Find Artomatic online at www.artomatic.org, [Facebook](#), [MySpace](#), [YouTube](#), [Twitter](#), [Flickr](#), and [LinkedIn](#).

The Capitol Riverfront

The Capitol Riverfront, "The Front," is Washington, D.C.'s new neighborhood on the river, a growing district-within-the-District that extends the city's skyline to the water's edge. Located just five blocks south of the U.S. Capitol Building, The Front is leading the way in green innovation and offers the best in city living with the extraordinary advantages of riverfront living; distinct industrial heritage; and access to what matters: unique parks and trails, sports and entertainment, exceptional value, and proximity to Capitol Hill. The Capitol Riverfront is home to a community of 35,000 day-time employees in 6.2 million square feet of office including the U.S. Navy and U.S. Department of Transportation, 2,000 residential units, a 200-room hotel, and the 41,000-seat Nationals Park. The Front is setting a new standard for 21st century communities. For more information, please visit www.capitolriverfront.org or contact Claire Schaefer at (202) 465-7087 or claireschaefer@capitolriverfront.org.

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Half Street is the most notable mixed use project within the Monument portfolio. Half Street's 55 M Street, SE is the proud host of Artomatic 2009. This newly constructed building with 275,000 SF of Class A office space is located above the Half Street entrance to the Navy Yard Metro Station and one block from Nationals Park. The structure is post-tensioned concrete, with exterior finishes of glass, terra cotta, and metal panels with three levels of underground parking. An application for LEED Silver certification is pending with the USGBC. Environmentally conscious design features include a green roof and a LID streetscape concept that captures rainwater to irrigate street trees and plantings and reduces storm water run-off. The project delivered in April 2009 on budget and ahead of schedule. For more information, please visit www.monumentrealty.com or contact Natasha Stancill at (202) 777-0145 or nstancill@monumentrealty.com.



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