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Mesa Prototyping Festival in Downtown Neighborhood Adjacent to Mesa Arts Center Free Event: Saturday, November 13, 2021 4pm-7pm

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November 9, 2021 (Mesa, AZ)— Mesa Arts Center is pleased to announce its **Mesa Prototyping Festival** which will be held in an area southeast of Mesa's downtown, along Broadway Road between Hobson and Le Sueur streets, in front of New Horizon School, Foster Arizona, and the Mesa Church.

Mesa Prototyping Festival is a family-friendly neighborhood celebration that will feature the protypes (installations of experimental models for enhancing public spaces), food, music, and artmaking activities. The installations will be available for community interaction during this one-day event on **Saturday**, **November 13, 2021**, **from 4-7 PM**.

Mesa Prototyping Project (MPP) started in 2017 and has grown into a more expansive project in the neighborhoods southeast of Downtown Mesa. The MPP invites the input and feedback of community residents to experiment, test and create temporary artistic installations to address community needs and concerns (such as calming traffic or creating shade during summer months). This engagement with the community and MPP is designed to encourage neighbors to be involved in the change that they want to see in their neighborhood, whilst building resiliency and getting to know their neighbors at the same time.

For more on the Mesa Prototype Festival visit: https://www.mesaartscenter.com/index.php/events/mesa-prototyping-project

About Mesa Arts Center

Mesa Arts Center, owned and operated by the City of Mesa, is a unique, architecturally stunning, international award-winning facility located in the heart of downtown Mesa. Arizona's largest arts center is home to four theaters, five art galleries, and 14 art studios. Guests, patrons, and students come to Mesa Arts Center to enjoy the finest live entertainment and performances, world-class visual art exhibitions, and outstanding arts education classes. The facility is an architectural showpiece and a destination for visitors to the Phoenix area. Mesa

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