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Project Description

This project promotes informal science learning about Milwaukee's green infrastructure and water systems, through a city-wide public art project (WaterMarkers) and collaborative neighborhood-based programs with scientists, artists, and community members. We are also developing an Adaptable Guide to help sustain the project and provide guidance for other cities seeking to implement similar projects.

Key Achievements (see link for more)

- Expanded WaterMarks programming (walks and workshops) to four new neighborhoods (so far)
- First WaterMarkers installed, with more coming
- Created active Community-University Working Group, starting work on Adaptable Model Guide

Audience & Settings

Audience: general public

Disciplinary area: geoscience and geography; art, music, and theater; climate

Learning environment: community outreach programs; park, outdoor, and garden exhibits

Access and Inclusion

- Neighborhood programming targets predominantly Black/African American and Hispanic/Latino/Latinx neighborhoods in the City of Milwaukee; resident-led Neighborhood Project Teams guide programming and WaterMarker selection.
- Community-University Working Group includes and compensates diverse participants, drawn from organizations and

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