

Fallen Fruit

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ARTIST'S STATEMENT

Fallen Fruit is an art collaboration that began with creating maps of public fruit: the fruit trees growing on or over public property in Los Angeles. Our work includes an ongoing series of narrative photographs, videos, public events or collaborative performances, public-service posters for bus shelters as well as interactive installations and murals.

Using fruit as our lens, **Fallen Fruit** investigates urban space, ideas of neighborhood and new forms of located citizenship and community. From protests to proposals for new urban green spaces, we aim to reconfigure the relation between those who have resources and those who do not, to examine the nature in and the nature of the city, and to investigate new, shared forms of land use and property.

We consider fruit to be many things. Conceptually speaking, it's a subject, an object, a noun, a thing, and a symbol. Fruit often triggers a childhood memory, it's emotional, familiar to most everyone on the planet. Everyone has a fruit story. Many of these are linked to place and family, and many echo a sense of connection with something very primal. One word for this thing could be *sweetness*.