

To whom it may concern,

My name is Tammy Rose and I am the founder and Chief Creative Officer of Transcendental Concord and I would like to express my full support for Concord Art and its future accessibility landscaping project.

The pocket garden space is especially crucial to the public for that stretch of Lexington Road, as the road is especially busy and Concord Art is surrounded by private residential houses. A visitor to the “American Mile” who is looking for a bit of rest, peace or quiet would be well served by being able to duck into this space to find tranquility. Having a public pocket park that is not only welcoming at all hours, but has full accessibility features including ramps and handrails would serve a wide variety of demographics within the local and visiting communities. Those who seek out the history of Concord range across all age groups and identities, including families, the elderly and even the introverted. The quiet, meditative outdoor space is lovely to sit, breathe or even to draw or journal in. The handrails leading to the doorways of the space would literally underscore the welcoming aspect of the art center itself; a historic house where one is not required to spend money to be allowed entrance.

As mentioned, I run Transcendental Concord, which is an online and in person community resource for locals and visitors to Concord who want to explore the layered features of history, literature and the arts in town. I have worked with Concord Art in planning a community storytelling project, have also taken classes there and have enjoyed the previous iteration of the space. I heartily recommend any and all support for their efforts in making their future version of the space as inclusive, accessible and welcoming to the public as possible.

Sincerely,

Tammy Rose

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