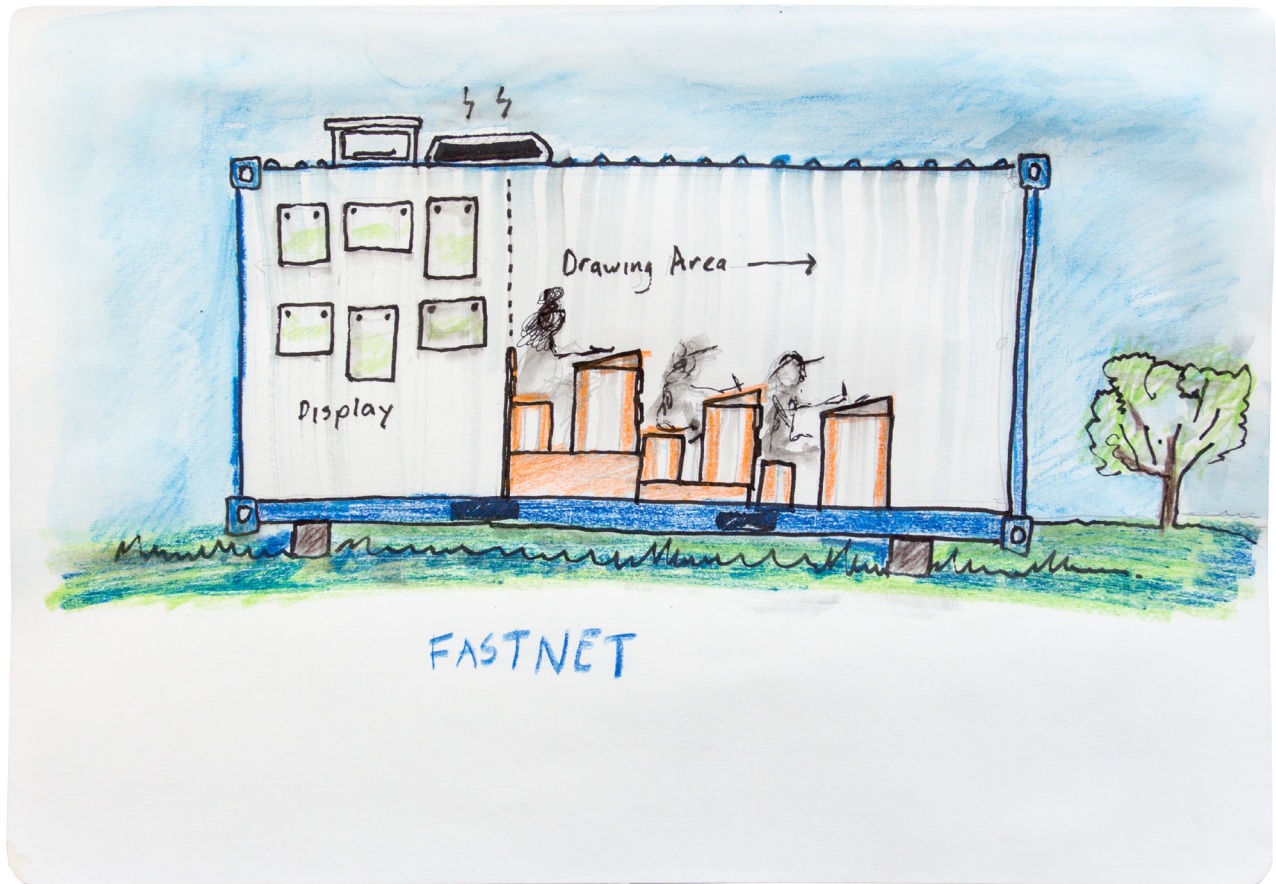
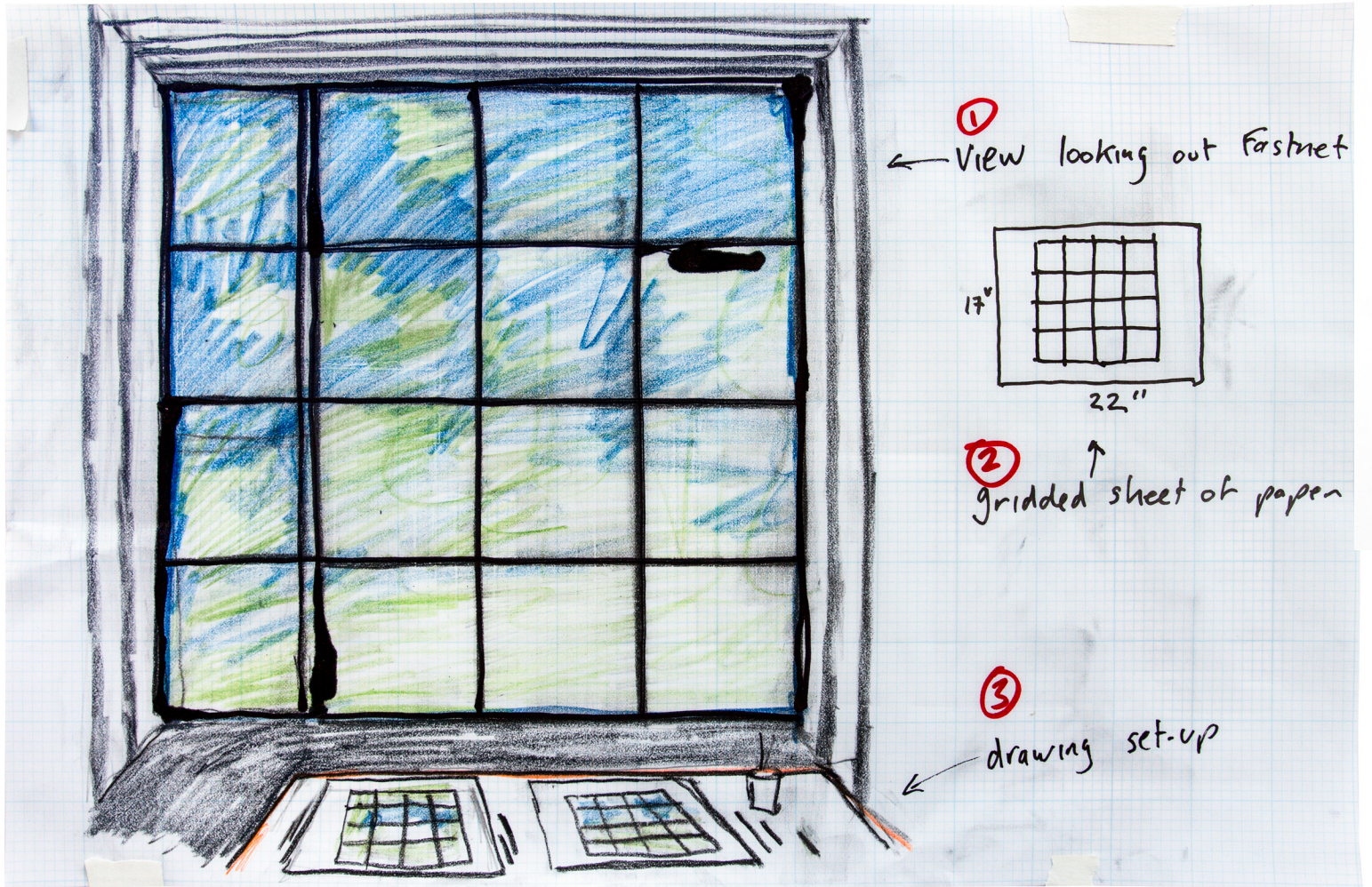


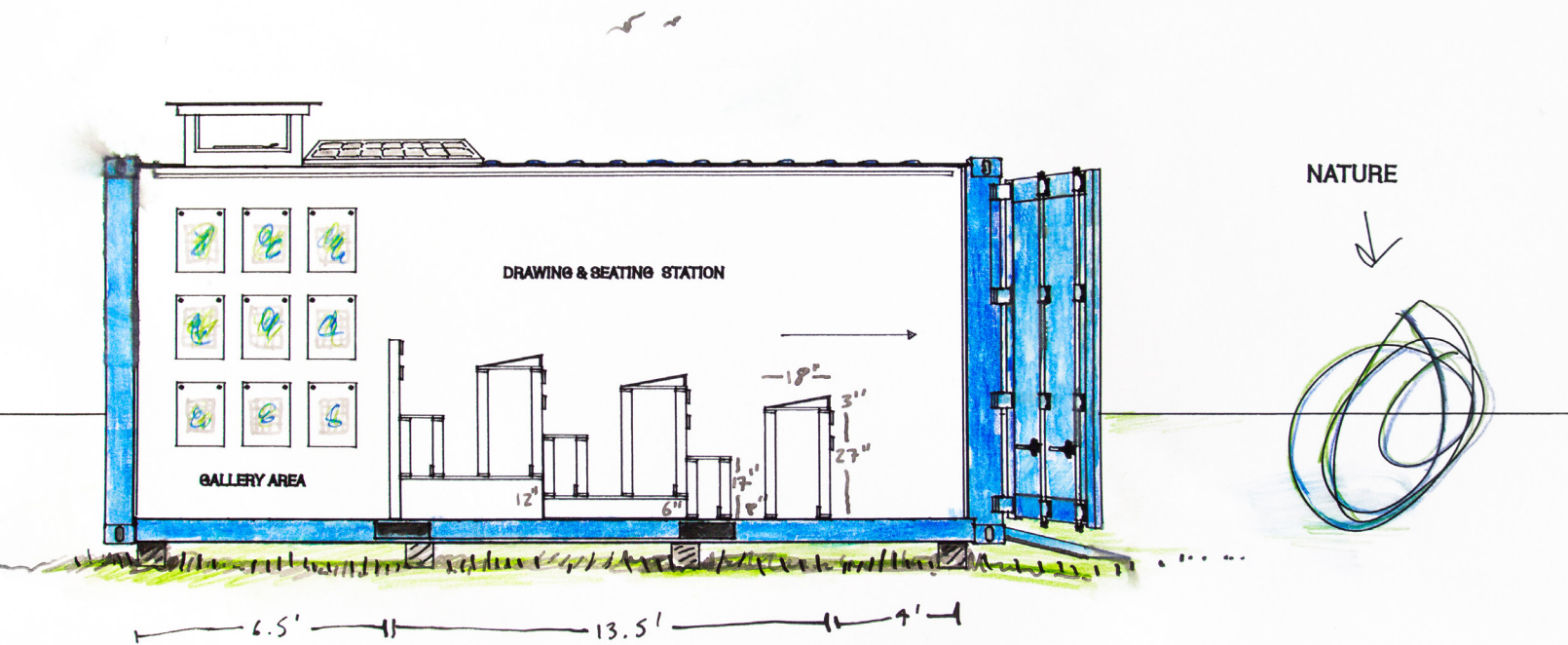
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Plein-Air Drawing at Freshkills





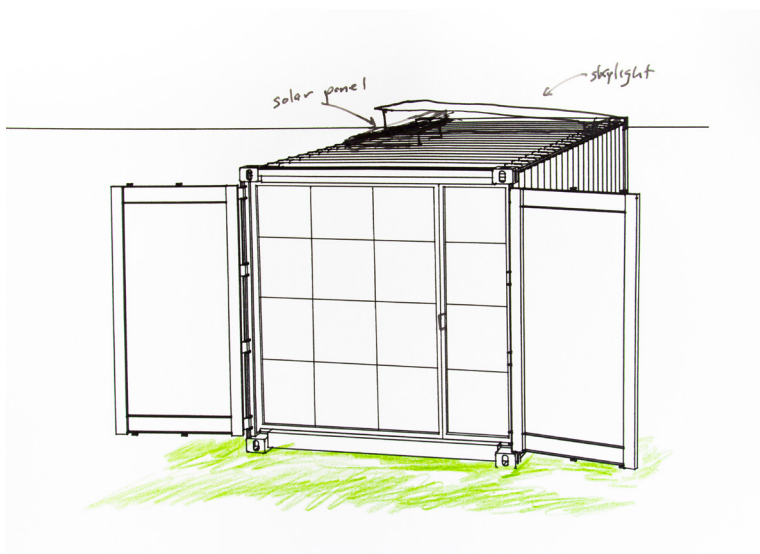
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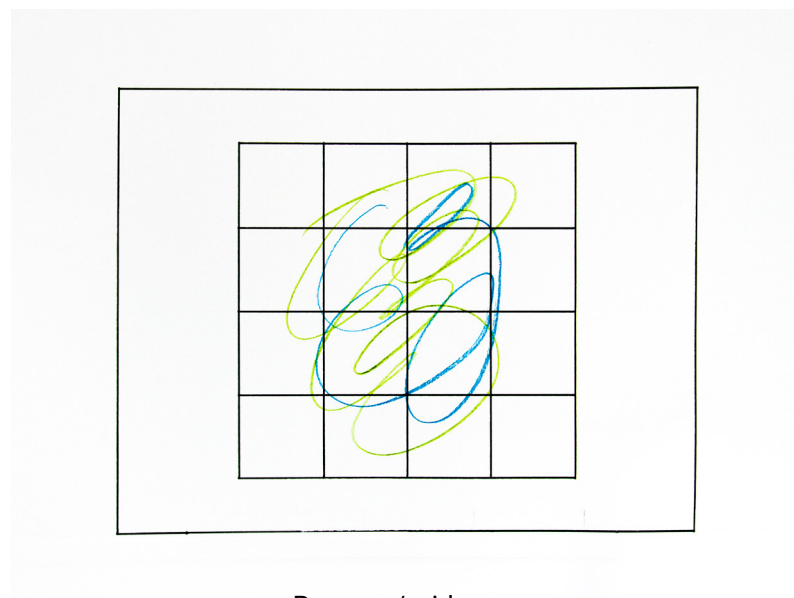
The Project

Fastnet: Plein Air at Freshkills is an art education project using the grid as a framing device to draw the landscape.

At 2,200 acres, Freshkills Park is almost three times the size of Central Park and the largest park to be developed in New York City in over 100 years. It also has a significant history as the site of the Fresh Kills Landfill, which was the largest landfill in the world before closing in 2001. Since then, the landscape has been engineered with layers of soil and infrastructure, and the area has become a place for wildlife, recreation, science, education, and art.



Entrance w/grid



Paper w/grid



Arthur Kill



Mont Sainte-Victoire and the Viaduct of the Arc River Valley
Paul Cézanne (French, Aix-en-Provence 1839–1906 Aix-en-Provence)
1882–85
Collection Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York

Definition of Plein-Air

[*pleyn-air*; French *ple-ner*]

Adjective

1. pertaining to a manner or style of painting developed chiefly in France in the mid-19th century, characterized by the representation of the luminous effects of natural light and atmosphere as contrasted with the artificial light and absence of the sense of air or atmosphere associated with paintings produced in the studio.
2. designating a painting executed out of doors and representing a direct response to the scene or subject in front of the artist.
3. (of a painting) having the qualities of air and natural light.



History of Fastnet

Fastnet is a shipping container converted into a studio and project space. It is named after an Irish lighthouse off the West Coast of Ireland. For two years Fastnet was parked in Red Hook, Brooklyn. In the fall of 2017 it participated in a show curated by the Brooklyn Rail at Mana Contemporary, Jersey City. This January it is slated to move to Gowanus.

The container has been modified with a skylight, wood pellet heating and solar electric. Exhibitions have run the gamut from group art exhibitions, ikebana flower shows, oyster trap building, to hosting a traveling Finnish sauna.

