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The Magical Path, artist's rendering. Courtesy of Surfacedesign, Inc. and di Rosa Center for Contemporary Art.

## di Rosa Center for Contemporary Art Breaks Ground on New Accessible Pathway

The Magical Path will connect two popular spaces on di Rosa's campus, improving access for all.

Napa, CA (October 22, 2024) – di Rosa Center for Contemporary Art recently broke ground on The Magical Path, a winding ADA-accessible pathway between the art center's expansive Gallery 2 and upper Courtyard. Initial phase one construction is complete and the path is open to the public. Landscaping will continue through 2024.

di Rosa has completed substantial fundraising for the project, with over \$127,000 of the project's \$200,000 budget raised to date. Thanks to a \$50,000 matching grant from Lead Sponsors Ken and Dana Stokes, new contributions will have double the impact.

Designed by San Francisco-based landscape architecture firm, Surfacedesign, Inc., The Magical Path is the latest example of di Rosa's commitment to improve existing services to better serve all audiences. The Magical Path will dramatically improve the accessibility of di Rosa's campus, providing a safe route between the Courtyard and Gallery 2. A graded, ADA-accessible pathway between the Courtyard and Gallery 2 will benefit all visitors,



connecting two popular spaces on campus for guests, tours, special events, and education programs.

Visitors of all ages will be able to enjoy the native plantings and landscaping along The Magical Path. Children will be able to play along the pathway, as parents and guardians easily navigate strollers. The path also presents numerous artistic opportunities for seasonal installations and performances by artists new and familiar to di Rosa.

Contributors and sponsors of the project include Ken Stokes and Dana Simpson-Stokes, Surface Design, County of Napa Board of Supervisors, and di Rosa Board of Directors.

## ABOUT DI ROSA CENTER FOR CONTEMPORARY ART

di Rosa is a non-profit art center and nature preserve specializing in the art of Northern California. Located at 5200 Sonoma Highway, on 217 acres in the Carneros region of Napa, di Rosa includes two large art galleries, a beautiful lake, abundant birding, walking trails with vineyard views, outdoor sculptures, and picnic grounds.

di Rosa presents contemporary exhibitions by Bay Area-based artists in addition to maintaining a permanent collection of notable works by artists with ties to the Bay Area from the mid-twentieth century to the early 2000s.

di Rosa offers an array of public programs and events for all ages to inspire creativity and curiosity. di Rosa is open to the public without reservations Thursday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., and by appointment Tuesday through Wednesday. Visitors are encouraged to bring picnics. For more information visit <u>www.dirosaart.org</u>.

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