

F&T Group and Crossing Art Announce “Please Get the Moon for Me,” a New Public Art Christmas Installation for Families to Enjoy

FLUSHING, QUEENS, NEW YORK – DATE – F&T Group and Crossing Art are honored to announce that for the 14th consecutive year the partnership will enlighten downtown Flushing with another innovative Christmas art installation to gather the community and enliven holiday spirits. This year the organizers present American artist, Adam Eddy, to share his joyful and eye-catching installation inspired by the renowned Children’s Book, *Papa, Please Get the Moon for Me* by Eric Carle. The annual unveiling will take place on Friday, December 10 at 6pm at Queens Crossing Outdoor Plaza. It will be on view through January 31, 2022.

Sure to bring smiles to children’s faces, this hand-shaped sculpture is comprised of several parts of painted wood shapes, including puffy clouds, the moon, and a simple landscape inspired by Eric Carle’s collage-based illustrations. These elements come together to form a functioning windmill, connecting Eddy’s love for children’s books and the work of historical artists like Vincent Van Gogh. Standing at around 12 feet tall, the sculpture has a bright and uncluttered texture, with a kind-faced moon. This dominant feature also serves as the windmill’s fan. The sculpture unfolds into a long ladder. This festive sculpture invites guests to step into an endearing and heartwarming story, a timeless tale of love, trust and family bonds.

“The artwork *Please Get the Moon for Me* is named after a favorite book of mine. It is about love, generosity, and selflessness but also about loss and change,” says the artist, Adam Eddy. “In the story, the father gets the moon for his daughter, but it slowly vanishes and becomes a tiny crescent moon, which eventually disappears. It then slowly reappears in the sky. In the holiday season, the installation is all about love and giving but also about the transition and hope for a New Year.”

“We have curated this outdoor art project with Crossing Art Gallery for over a decade to usher in the holiday season for families and individuals in the community to enjoy,” says Wesley Sin, curator of the holiday project and Marketing Manager of F&T Group. “The beloved children’s book author passed away earlier this year, we want to pay tribute to him through this installation and commemorate his great influence on families and younger generations internationally by his everlasting literature.”

Adam Eddy is an interdisciplinary artist whose work ranges from painting and sculpture to computer graphics and immersive technology. He received his MFA from Boston University and has taught in the College of Charleston and Virginia Tech. With family members in Queens, he has spent nearly every holiday season in the area and has developed a close connection to the local community. Eddy is interested in his paintings being simultaneously image and object or a synthesis of still life and sculpture. He embraces a blend of humor, play, and experimentation influenced by artists like Philip Guston.

The next favorite destination for families to enjoy meals, shopping, swimming, play and to enjoy a range of entertainment options is F&T Group’s recent mixed-use development, Tangram. It is located in the heart of Downtown Flushing, which is elevating the area through its groundbreaking vision of immersive retail, residential, office and hotel spaces. Family-oriented facilities will be a focus of this new project including Funzy Play, a 6,000-square-foot children’s playground, a Goldfish Swim School, a premier learn-to-swim facility and Regal Cinemas, the first state-of-the-art 4DX movie theater in Queens. “At Tangram, we will ongoing collaborate with more local artists for public art to be on display and create various family-oriented events, including art and educational programs throughout the year,” commented Sin.

On December 10th, the organizers invite the community at large to take part in the annual lighting ceremony. Participants will include Queens Borough President, New York State elected officials and community leaders. For more information, please visit QueensCrossing.com or on Instagram at [@QueensCrossing](https://www.instagram.com/QueensCrossing).

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ABOUT TANGRAM

Tangram is a mixed-use development project located in the heart of Downtown Flushing, Queens. Tangram is elevating Flushing through its groundbreaking vision of immersive retail, residential, office and hotel space, featuring 275,000 square feet of high-end curated retail in a multi-level space alongside a sweeping, sky-lit atrium. A joint development between F&T Group and SCG America - developers of the highly successful One Fulton Square mixed-use project, also in Flushing - Tangram offers 1.2 million square feet including retail, residential, office and hotel space. This New York destination includes a four-star, 208-key Renaissance New York Flushing Hotel, a state-of-the-art 4DX movie theater from Regal Cinemas, Orangetheory Fitness, premier learn-to-swim facility Goldfish Swim School and the neighborhood's first beer garden. Tangram also features a 24,000-square-foot food hall, a foodie's paradise with international eats. Eateries include Beijing-based Ju Qi, Taiwanese dessert bar Meet Fresh and one of the largest and most popular hot pot chains in China, Xiao Long Kan Hot Pot. Designed by New York-based Margulies Hoelzli Architecture, with retail interiors by BHDm, Tangram is designed to become a global destination, marking a new chapter for entertainment and experience in NYC. Tangram is slated to open in late 2021. For more information visit www.tangramnyc.com.

ABOUT CROSSING ART

Crossing Art was founded in 2008 by Catherine Lee with the initiative to broaden the public's artistic discourse and horizon about contemporary art, reinforce the connection between the West and the East, and bridge gaps between diverse audience groups and communities. Since its founding, Crossing Art has been dedicated to collaborate with artists from across the globe, to explore the relationship. In the recent years, Crossing Art has participated in a variety of international art fairs, including the world-renowned Volta Art Fair, Art Basel Miami, Spring-Break New York, West Bund Art Fair, New York Asia Art Week and beyond. For more information visit www.crossingart.com.