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23rd INTERNATIONAL SYMPOSIUM ON ELECTRONIC ART

XVI INTERNATIONAL IMAGE FESTIVAL

CREATIVE CALL

1. Title

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| Zandbox |

1. Organizers and presenters’ names and affiliations

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| Adam Rosado – University of California, Davis |

1. URL of the demo website or video

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1. Abstract(ready for diffusion). 200 words maximum.

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| Anxiety disorders are very common in the United States, affecting more than 3 million people yearly. Meditation is often suggested as a natural remedy. During guided meditations, where visualization exercises are used to calm a restless mind, it is common to imagine one’s self in a peaceful nature setting. Zen gardens and koi ponds are considered calming, meditative spaces. Zandbox aims to emulate that experience via an interactive online medium. |

1. General description of the Project

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| Zandbox is an interactive web app that hopes to bring you a few moments of inner peace by immersing you in a virtual Zen garden with three areas: sand and stone garden, koi pond, and Bonsai. You may choose to either interact with and manipulate objects in these three areas or simply observe; there is no right or wrong way to play with Zandbox.  Sub-theme: Critical perspectives on the use of technology for peace |

1. From glenda: I’m not sure what they will be asking in this field, but I imagine they will want to see how you connect your content to the ISEA call, so that is what I would like you to write here.

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| People who live with anxiety (and/or other mental health disorders) may feel like they are constantly at war; struggling internally. My goal is to help make this struggle more manageable by providing at least a few minutes of inner peace. |

1. Biographies of the Author(s).

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| Adam Rosado is a Design student at University of California, Davis who has a passion for front-end development, music and technology. He wants to see more resources devoted towards college students who are struggling with physical, mental, emotional and financial wellness. |