

Miami Marine Stadium Seats Project

Campaign Summary

Approximately 100 seats that were removed from Miami Marine Stadium as part of Heineken's 2016 "Save Your Seat" campaign will be distributed to local artists who are willing to use the found objects to create artwork that celebrates the stadium. Their work will be featured in an online gallery created by the National Trust for Historic Preservation and possibly featured at TBD community events. The purpose of this project is to generate awareness of Miami Marine Stadium, its cultural significance to Miami, and its ongoing restoration.



This campaign is presented by the National Trust for Historic Preservation, a privately funded nonprofit organization that works to save America's historic places, and Dade Heritage Trust, whose mission is to preserve Miami-Dade County's architectural, environmental, and cultural heritage through preservation, education and advocacy efforts.

<u>About Miami Marine Stadium</u>

Marine Stadium was built in 1963 as a venue to watch boat racing. It went on to host hundreds of boat races, concerts on a floating stage, religious services, political rallies, and a whole host of other events. The stadium was ultimately shuttered after Hurricane Andrew in 1992 and has been closed ever since.

Since 2008, the effort to save and restore the stadium has picked up momentum and generated national and international attention. The City of Miami has recently begun the process of its restoration. In November 2016, the City Commission approved a resolution authorizing the sale of \$45 million in revenue bonds to restore the stadium as a multiuse venue. The City has also hired RJ Heisenbottle Architects to develop restoration and construction plans.

About the Seats

The seats that are available were part of the original construction of Miami Marine Stadium. They are heavy and made of wood and metal. The seats come unmounted, but can be placed on a base.

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Artists have long coveted the stadium's seats for painted and sculptural art. Below you will find several examples. We are distributing these seats to local artists to do as they please, so long as their art honors the stadium. The seats could be mounted, painted, or taken apart and incorporated into other art pieces.

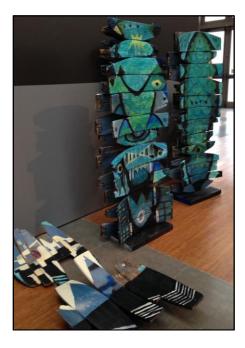
Beyond this campaign and within the next 18 months, all of the remaining seats inside the stadium will be removed as part of the restoration. This will include the balance of the wooden and plastic seats. At that time, a disbursement plan will be created to provide the seats to the general public. We also hope to hold a community event to celebrate this milestone in the stadium's restoration.

Artists' Obligations

Artists are required to send a brief artist statement about their work along with high resolution images of the finished pieces with permission for them to be used by the National Trust and its partners online and in print to support the stadium. Additionally, there may be opportunities to feature the artwork at local community events

Participating Organizations (Partial List)

- HistoryMiami Museum
- Yo Miami
- The Bakehouse
- Fountainhead Studios





Questions? Please contact Don Worth at dontonton@gmail.com.



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Miami Marine Stadium Seats Project: Artist Agreement

In return for receipt of $\underline{\dashv}$ Miami Marine Stadium chairs, I agree to the following:

- 1. To create a piece of unique artwork using the chairs. The chairs can be altered from their original state and decorated according to each artist's imagination.
- 2. The artwork must be completed within six months of receipt of the chairs.
- 3. The artist has full discretion over ultimate use of the chairs. However, high-resolution photographs of the finished artwork will be required for marketing and promotional purposes only. An artist statement (no more than 200 words) describing the work is also required. The photographs and statement, along with the name and location of the artist, will appear on a special web page devoted to artwork from Miami Marine Stadium that will be created and managed by the National Trust for Historic Preservation. The National Trust and its partners will also use the photos for marketing purposes only on their various online and offline channels.
- 4. In the future, there may be an exhibition of Marine Stadium art. The artist may be requested to participate, although such participation is optional.

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