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## NBK Parks Announces New Artist Collaboration With Steve Wasterval



Artist Steve Wasterval paints “The Spaces You Love: Under the K Bridge Park” (2022) on-site. Photo by Sara Morgan.

Thursday, November 17, 2022 | North Brooklyn Parks Alliance (NBK Parks) is thrilled to announce a new collaboration and commission with Greenpoint-based artist, Steve Wasterval: *The Spaces We Love* (2022)—**an original series of limited edition prints depicting nine beloved parks and green spaces in North Brooklyn:**

- Bushwick Inlet Park
- Cooper Park
- Domino Park
- LaGuardia Playground
- McCarren Park
- McGolrick Park
- Newtown Creek Nature Walk
- Transmitter Park
- Under the K Bridge Park

This fall, Wasterval is capturing these nine spaces on-site en plein air, rendering each in his distinctive impressionist style with a porcelain-inspired blue and white color pattern that recalls classic Dutch tiles. Each individual tile will include limited-edition signed-and-numbered prints on watercolor paper.

The series—entitled, *The Spaces You Love* (2022)—includes ten 10" x 10" prints of each painting, plus ten 20" x 20" prints that feature all nine spaces in a tile grid. The series includes a total of 100 prints—available on a first-come, first-serve basis while supplies last.

Now through December 31st, NBK Parks and Wasterval will showcase the captivating process of creating *The Spaces You Love* series on Instagram at [@nbkparks](#) and [@stevewasterval](#) and on TikTok at [@nbkparks](#). As each new tile is released to the public, NBK Parks will share historic information and highlights about each of the sites across social media—in some cases partnering with the stewardship group affiliated with these spaces to amplify the narrative and capture memories of significant moments.

*The Spaces You Love* prints are available for pre-order for NBK Parks Sustaining Members as of November 17, 2022. (If ordered by December 1st, prints will arrive via mail in time for the holidays!) New donors can acquire the print of their choice by joining NBK Parks' Sustaining Membership program. All proceeds directly support NBK Parks' work to foster a vibrant and equitable network of parks and open spaces in Greenpoint and Williamsburg.

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*"North Brooklyn's vibrant parks and open spaces have long been a source of inspiration for my creative practice. I am honored to have this opportunity to not only paint these spaces, but also support community investment in them. I love these spaces, and I hope you enjoy having them as much as I enjoyed making them."*

— Steve Wasterval, Artist

*"Steve is a beloved artist in our community, well known for capturing the romance and nostalgia of our area's parks and open spaces through his original paintings, and we are thrilled to collaborate on his first district-wide series. Part of his practice has always been getting his followers outside to hunt for his hidden works, and this series is a delightful homage to his longtime muse: North Brooklyn's parks."*

— Katie Denny Horowitz, Executive Director, North Brooklyn Parks Alliance

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### **About North Brooklyn Parks Alliance**

Formerly known as Open Space Alliance, the North Brooklyn Parks Alliance (NBK Parks) has worked to ensure a vibrant, equitable, and accessible network of parks and open spaces in North Brooklyn since 2003. Like other parks conservancies in New York City, NBK Parks works with the NYC Department of Parks & Recreation, elected officials, and the community to program and maintain park spaces. Whereas most conservancies are dedicated to just one park or parcel, NBK Parks' unique mandate encompasses all parks and open spaces in Brooklyn's Community Board 1 (Greenpoint & Williamsburg). This allows NBK Parks to distribute resources equally across the area so all can benefit from parks and open spaces. [nbkparcs.org](http://nbkparcs.org) / [@nbkparcs](https://www.instagram.com/nbkparcs) / [#nbkparcs](https://www.facebook.com/nbkparcs)

### **About Steve Wasterval**

As a grit and graffiti aficionado, Steve Wasterval truly does "heart" NY. He was classically trained in Russian impressionist and plein-air landscape painting, but has since defected and is a full-blooded American impressionist. Today Wasterval's paintings of New York City have lots of texture and layers, both aesthetically & metaphorically. His mentors may be shaking their heads, but lovers of NYC can't get enough. [stevewasterval.com](http://stevewasterval.com) / [@stevewasterval](https://www.instagram.com/stevewasterval) / [#stevewasterval](https://www.facebook.com/stevewasterval)

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