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Thousands to gather Nationwide to [#DareToImagine](#) a better future: A more just, sustainable, and vibrant world

New York, NY —From 10-18 October 2015, the U.S. Department of Arts and Culture, along with social justice and cultural organizations, artists and community groups, will invite the public to take part in radical acts of imagination. Individuals and groups across the U.S. will [#DareToImagine](#) our communities 20 years from now when creativity, resourcefulness, innovation, and improvisation have addressed our daunting collective challenges.

When: October 10th-18th, 2015; various times

Where: Over 300 Cities and communities around the United States. Map of all stations can be found at www.dare-to-imagine.us

What: Public, participatory pop-up Imagination Stations nationwide in which Citizen Artists (Emissaries from the Future) will guide members of their community in dreaming together of the future they desire

Using creative tactics, Emissaries will engage people in envisioning the world they hope to inhabit and—looking back from the future—celebrating the work they did to get there. The resulting texts, images, videos, and more will be uploaded to an [online platform](#), yielding a crowd-sourced vision of the future, inspiring art, policy, and community action.

In these times, exercising social imagination is a radical and necessary act, shifting dominant narratives and affirming that all of us make the future. Too often, we've been persuaded to believe our voices don't count or that the future is determined by a powerful few. But when we have the audacity to dream in public, when we begin to unleash imagination and turn it into action, we can move the world.

The U.S. Department of Arts and Culture (USDAC) is not an official government agency. It is a people-powered movement dedicated to cultivating empathy, equity, and social imagination. The USDAC believes that real democracy runs on social imagination, our capacity to envision alternatives to what is.

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