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*Omi Awarded \$60,000 grant from the
Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts!*

Funds will support new exhibitions at The Fields Sculpture Park and Gallery

For Immediate Release

Ghent, New York - Omi is proud to announce that they have been awarded a \$60,000 grant from the Andy Warhol Foundation for the Visual Arts to support exhibitions through The Fields Sculpture Park for the next two years. The Fields Sculpture Park is a 120+ acre sculpture park and gallery showcasing over 80 modern and contemporary artworks, with free admission to the public every day.

In accordance with Andy Warhol's will, the foundation supports the creation, presentation and documentation of contemporary visual art, particularly work that is experimental, under-recognized, or challenging in nature.

Sheriden Booker, Omi's Director of Development said, "We are extremely honored to be counted amongst the recipients of support, and believe it is a reflection of the high caliber artistry and curatorial work being undertaken at Omi. The grant will go a long way toward helping us continue to offer free, public exhibitions of cutting edge contemporary art here in the Hudson Valley. Omi applauds the artists and our curatorial team, and extends a huge thank you to the Warhol Foundation for making this

possible.”

Funded in part by the grant will be Omi’s Fall Exhibition Opening on Sunday, October 11th, featuring works by Iran do Espírito Santo, one of Brazil’s brightest contemporary artists, in addition to a site-specific installation by Rob Fischer, and a two person gallery show featuring Alain Kirili and James Sienna.

Omi joins other grantees in New York, including Cabinet Magazine, Art21, Friends of the High Line, and the Queens Museum. The full list of grantees can be found at www.warholfoundation.org.

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About Omi International Arts Center

Omi International Arts Center seeks to foster an environment of creative exploration and exchange, professional opportunity and exposure, and a stylistically and culturally diverse community for creative artists from around the world. Through our programs and resulting public events - including our Residency Programs, The Fields Sculpture Park, Architecture Omi, and Education Omi - Omi contributes to a vibrant arts culture locally, regionally, and internationally. For more information visit:

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