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## Water Sheds

Jon Fischer

June 9 - July 31, 2023

Opening Reception:

June 9, 6-9pm



Jon Fischer and Lauren Hartman, *Islais Creek box*, 2023,  
screen printed box and banner, zine, enamel pin, 6 x 6  
x 1 inch when packed in box.

Arcata, CA. May 25, 2023 - the Sanctuary is pleased to present *Water Sheds*, an exhibition of work by San Francisco artist Jon Fischer. This is the first exhibition in the Sanctuary's summer series.

*Water Sheds* considers the two largest bays in California, the Humboldt Bay and San Francisco Bay. The exhibition documents a coastal region that spans ten California counties, with special attention paid to the network of waterways that drain into the bays. The exhibition consists of hand made maps, screen printed tapestries & posters, multi media works, and live musicians presented in an interconnected installation.

Through his ongoing work as a screen printer and his collaborations with musicians and textile artists, Fischer creates cross disciplinary art that engages multiples senses. This exhibition presents the culmination of his exploration of the Humboldt Bay over the course of three residencies at Creekside Arts in Eureka.

*Water Sheds* also includes a limited-edition zine, an illustrated Humboldt Bay Atlas printed by Fischer at Creekside Arts in Eureka.

### About the Artist

Jon Fischer is an artist living in San Francisco and a summer resident artist at Creekside Arts in Eureka. His current practice focuses on the coast of California where he was born and resettled after

childhood around Boston and Philadelphia. His work has been shown at Minnesota Street Project, the Pacific Film Archive, and the de Young museum. He graduated with an MS in Mechanical Engineering from U.C. Berkeley and trained at the Exploratorium in San Francisco. He is an Associate Professor of Marine Engineering Technology at the California Maritime Academy in Vallejo.

#### About the Sanctuary

Located in downtown Arcata, CA, the Sanctuary is a community arts center and non-profit organization based in an historic building that was constructed in 1916 to be the Arcata Women's Clubhouse. Today, it is a bustling community center, gallery, artist residency, library, music venue, and workshop, with lab facilities including printmaking, ceramics, textiles, small metals, book arts, woodworking, music recording, bicycle repair, culinary arts, gardening, homesteading, and more.

