

Sukkat Rimon

An extraordinary sukkah for Emanuel Congregation

Hello Friend,

On **October 19th**, with the support of the ROI Community, we are hosting **People Who Usually Don't Lecture: A Storied Harvest** at Emanuel Congregation in Chicago. PWUDL is a global storytelling network based in Tel Aviv which offers an alternative to a TED talk; instead of lectures about their work, people tell stories about their lives to increase curiosity and empathy of those in attendance. Already this year, PWUDL events have taken place in Tel Aviv and Akko; Sofia, Bulgaria; and Mumbai, India. The Chicago event will take place the same week as events in London and New York.

In Chicago, we chose to host our event during Sukkot and celebrate lessons of the harvest holiday—that the sukkah, a temporary hut built during the holiday, should be open to all and a place of wonder. To that end, we invited the award-winning architecture studio Could Be Architecture to design a one-of-a-kind sukkah for this special event.

PWUDL: A Storied Harvest will only last one night, but **Sukkat Rimon** will be up and open to the public for the week of Sukkot. This includes being featured in the Chicago Architecture Foundation's **Open House Chicago** during the weekend of October 19–20. Renderings of Sukkat Rimon are included on the following page.

We need your help to make Sukkat Rimon come to life. The cost of fabrication, materials and labor to build and disassemble the sukkah is \$10,000. If you are able to give \$500 or above, we will engrave your family or business name on the Sukkah to publicly thank you for your support—donations must be received by **September 9** to ensure inclusion in the engraving. Underwriters who are able to give above \$5,000 are invited to include a logo on the event programs and all digital materials. All donors will be thanked by name in the program the night of the event.

Thank you in advance!

Leah Jones
President, Emanuel Congregation
Event Co-Chair

Joseph Altshuler
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Event Co-Chair

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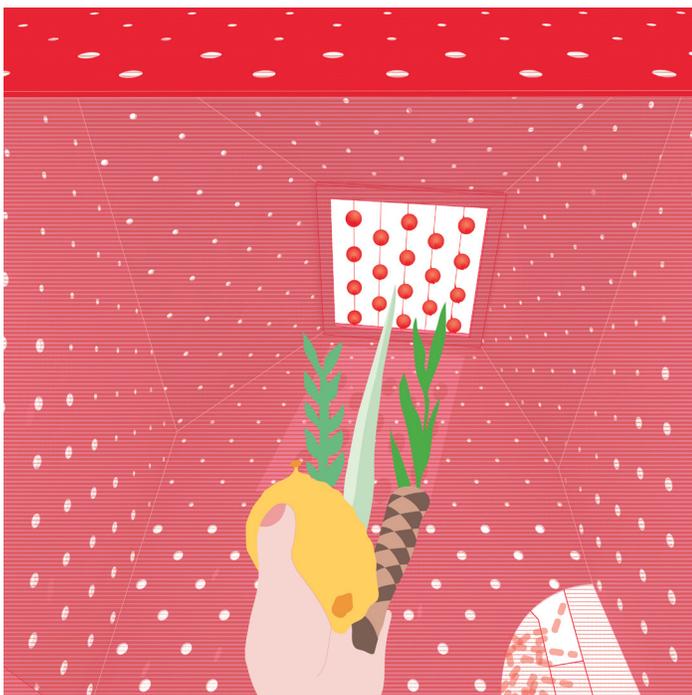
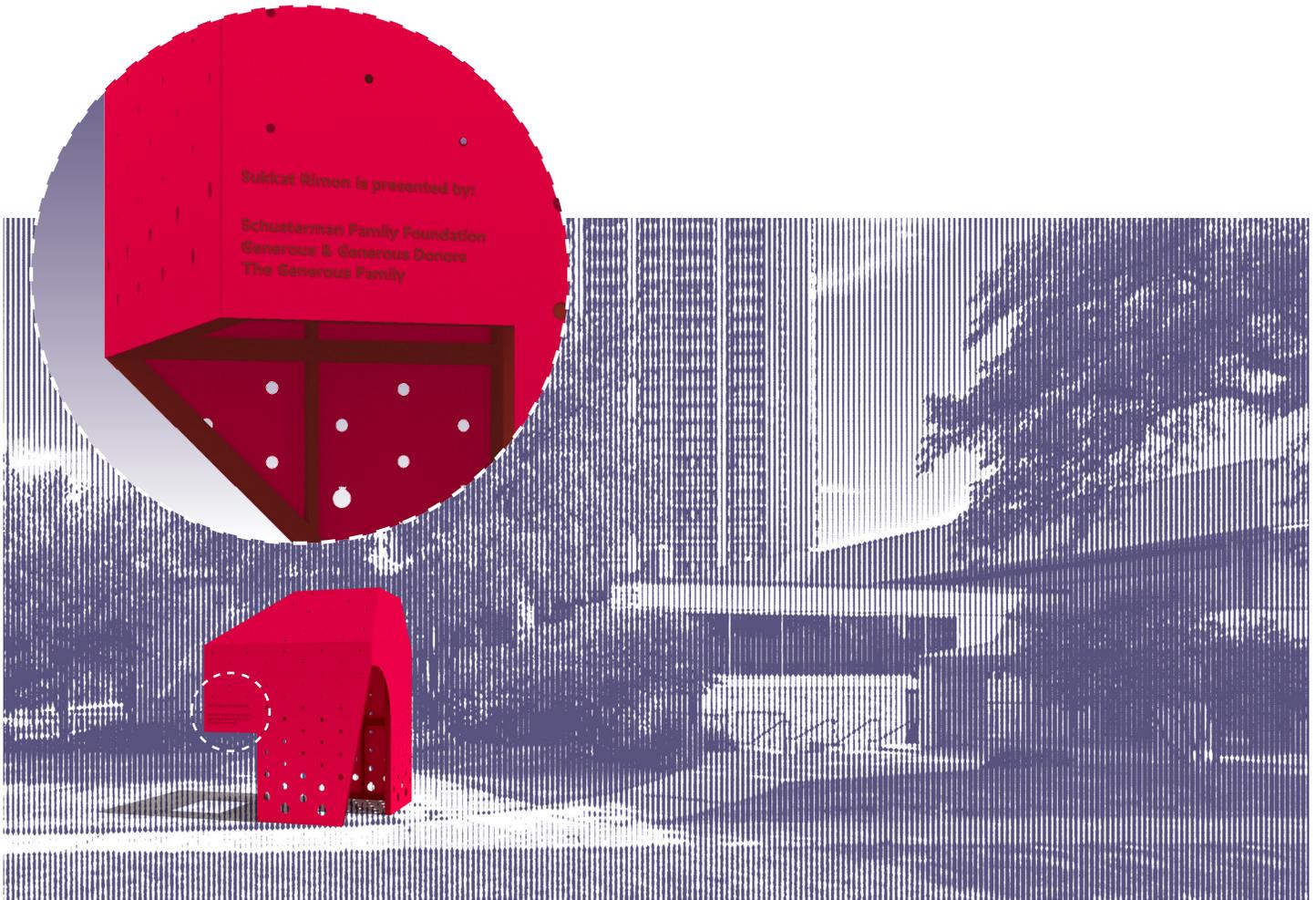
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- _____ \$100 **Supporter:** thank you in program
- _____ \$500 **Sponsor:** family or business name engraved on the Sukkah
- _____ \$1,000 **Builder:** family or business name engraved on the Sukkah
- _____ \$5,000 **Architect:** family or business name engraved on the Sukkah and logo in program
- _____ \$10,000 **Starchitect:** family or business name engraved on the Sukkah and logo in program

Please make checks payable to Emanuel Congregation (5959 N Sheridan Rd, Chicago, IL 60660) or pay online: <https://tinyurl.com/sukkatrimon>. Note “sponsor Sukkat Rimon” in the memo. Funds raised beyond the event budget will be donated to the Fund for Good at Emanuel Congregation. Questions? Contact Leah Jones: leah@emanuelcong.org

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Sukkat Rimon (Pomegranate Sukkah) is inspired by the bold color, warmth, and fertility of pomegranates, featuring an array of eighteen fresh pomegranates that adorn its open-air ceiling. Main entry to the sukkah welcomes visitors to pop their head under its outstretched walls, inviting playful engagement and immersion inside its light-infused perforated enclosure. The names of sponsors over \$500 will be inscribed on the exterior wall panel as pictured above.

Sukkat Rimon will also welcome diverse communities from all over the city to learn about the Jewish festival of Sukkot during **Open House Chicago** and during **PWUDL: A Storied Harvest**, an evening of lively storytelling hosted at Emanuel Congregation on October 19.

Help us make this one-of-a-kind sukkah come to life!