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# CITY OF PORTLAND

# BUILDING PERMIT

This is to certify that » Asherah Cinnamon

Located At 71 BEDFORD

Job ID: 2011-08-2077-ALTCOMM

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has permission to Build 16' x 16' temporary structure

provided that the person or persons, firm or corporation accepting this permit shall comply with all of the provisions of the Statues of Maine and of the Ordinances of the City of Portland regulating the construction, maintenance and use of the buildings and structures, and of the application on file in the department.

Notification of inspection and written permission procured before this building or part thereof is lathed or otherwise closed-in. 48 HOUR NOTICE IS REQUIRED.

A final inspection must be completed by owner before this building or part thereof is occupied. If a certificate of occupancy is required, it must be

Fire Prevention Officer

Code Enforcement Officer / Plan Reviewer

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Director of Planning and Urban Development  
Penny St. Louis

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## **Conditions of Approval:**

### **Fire**

This permit is being approved on the basis of the plans submitted. Any deviation from the plans would require amendments and approval.

Two means of egress are required from every story. "MRSA Title 25 § 2453"

All means of egress to remain accessible at all times.

Provide at least one 2A:10 BC fire extinguisher.

Provide battery operated Smoke Detector.

### **Building**

Separate permits are required for any electrical, plumbing, sprinkler, fire alarm HVAC systems, heating appliances, commercial hood exhaust systems and fuel tanks. Separate plans may need to be submitted for approval as a part of this process.



# General Building Permit Application

# 2011 08 2077

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If you or the property owner owes real estate or personal property taxes or user charges on any property within the City, payment arrangements must be made before permits of any kind are accepted.

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Location/Address of Construction: <u>outside Luther Bonney Hall on USM campus see map</u>		
Total Square Footage of Proposed Structure/Area <u>MAX 262 sq. feet</u>	Square Footage of Lot	Number of Stories <u>1</u>
Tax Assessor's Chart, Block & Lot Chart# <u>114 A A 001</u> Block# Lot#	Applicant * <u>must be owner, Lessee or Buyer</u> * Name <u>Asherah Cinnamon</u> Address <u>21 Wildwood Circle</u> City, State & Zip <u>Portland, ME 04103</u>	Telephone: <u>(207) 712-4323</u>
Lessee/DBA (If Applicable) <u>RECEIVED</u> <u>AUG 24 2011</u> <u>Dept. of Building Inspections</u> <u>City of Portland Maine</u>	Owner (if different from Applicant) Name <u>Univ. of Southern ME</u> Address <u>Portland Campus</u> City, State & Zip <u>Portland, ME</u>	Cost Of Work: \$ <u>less than \$1,000</u> C of O Fee: \$ _____ Total Fee: \$ <u>30.00</u>
Current legal use (i.e. single family) <u>NA</u> Number of Residential Units <u>NA</u> If vacant, what was the previous use? <u>NA</u> Proposed Specific use: <u>Temporary</u> Is property part of a subdivision? _____ If yes, please name _____ Project description: <u>See ATTACHED please. Temporary structure</u>		
Contractor's name: <u>Asherah Cinnamon</u> Address: <u>21 Wildwood Circle</u> City, State & Zip <u>Portland, Maine 04103</u> Telephone: <u>207 712-4323</u> Who should we contact when the permit is ready: <u>SAME</u> Telephone: _____ Mailing address: <u>SAME</u>		

Please submit all of the information outlined on the applicable Checklist. Failure to do so will result in the automatic denial of your permit.

In order to be sure the City fully understands the full scope of the project, the Planning and Development Department may request additional information prior to the issuance of a permit. For further information or to download copies of this form and other applications visit the Inspections Division on-line at [www.portlandmaine.gov](http://www.portlandmaine.gov), or stop by the Inspections Division office, room 315 City Hall or call 874-8703.

I hereby certify that I am the Owner of record of the named property, or that the owner of record authorizes the proposed work and that I have been authorized by the owner to make this application as his/her authorized agent. I agree to conform to all applicable laws of this jurisdiction. In addition, if a permit for work described in this application is issued, I certify that the Code Official's authorized representative shall have the authority to enter all areas covered by this permit at any reasonable hour to enforce the provisions of the codes applicable to this permit.

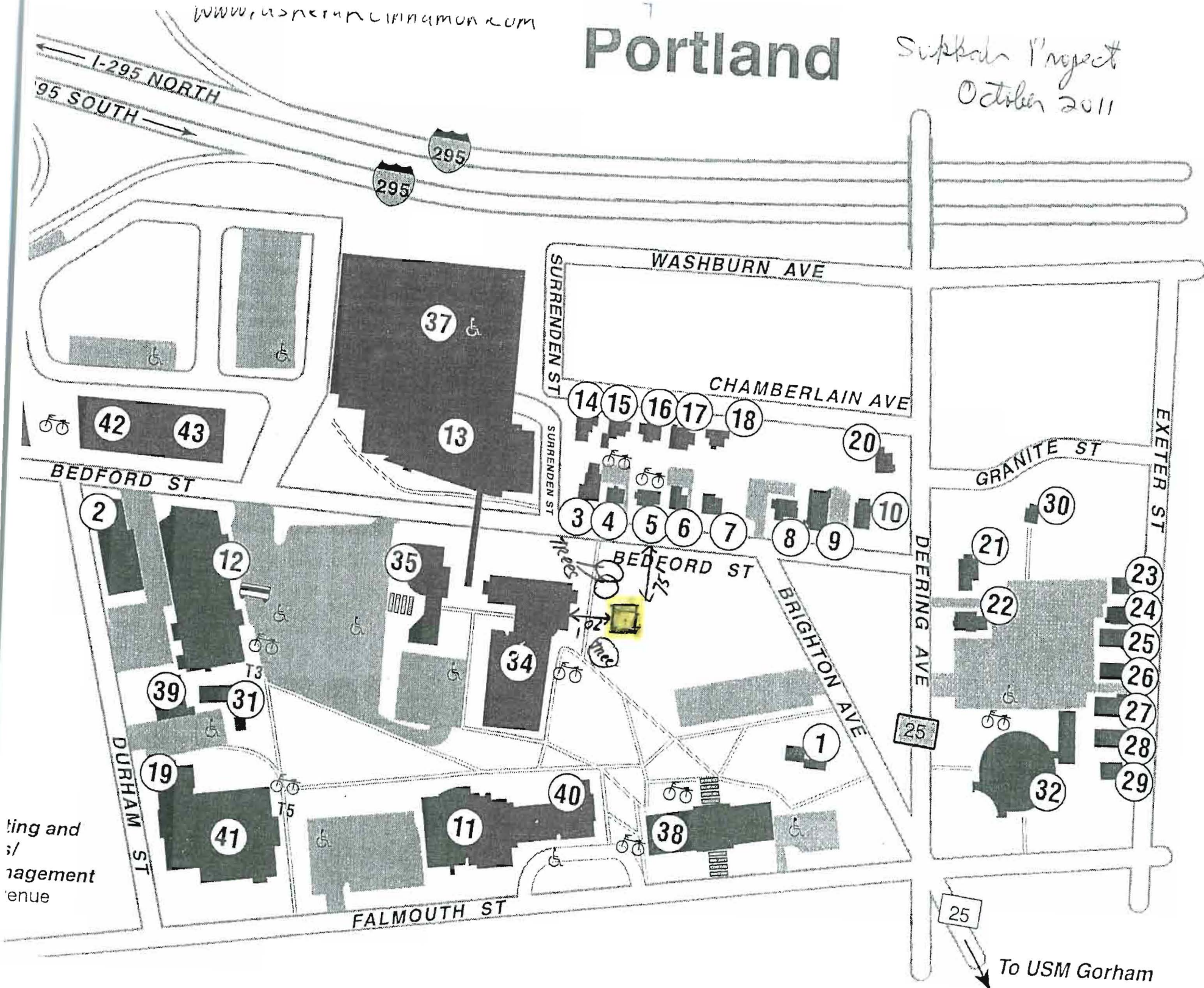
Signature: Asherah C Date: 8/24/11

This is not a permit; you may not commence ANY work until the permit is issued



# Portland

Supplies Project  
October 2011



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To USM Gorham



updated August 24, 2011

**Asherah Cinnamon**

[www.asherahcinnamon.com](http://www.asherahcinnamon.com)

(207) 712-4323

21 Wildwood Circle, Portland, Maine 04103

### **Sukkah Project:**

Sculpture is ultimately the creation of aesthetic space. For this project I am interested in creating spiritual and cultural space as well.

**Goal:** design and create a Sukkot project that would be artistically appealing, would engage students, faculty, and staff during the traditional holiday of Sukkot, provide a kosher environment for those who want it, and gain interest from the larger community. My goal is also to create an opportunity for education about Judaism, for Jews and non-Jews on Southern Maine college campuses and beyond.

The Sukkah will meet traditional kosher requirements. It will be a temporary, three or four sided sculpture/structure that could be taken apart and stored for reuse, large enough to seat 20 people for meals. My preliminary research indicates that this would require a structure approximately 14 -16 feet wide by 12-16 feet in length with walls 6 1/2 – 7 1/2 feet high. The walls would be built in detachable sections. They will be sized so that each section can fit through a standard 36" x 78" door, making storage easier. Walls and roof will be framed with locally harvested hardwood saplings and branches and will be supported with removable overhead braces, and probably also buttresses. Additional materials may include fabric and recycled plastic. There will likely be no floor. There will be two entrances/exits without doors. I often use natural materials in my work, which are traditionally required for the roof and very well suited to the structure.

The project includes research regarding requirements to make it kosher; discussions with several rabbis and with Jewish students and community members about the meaning, requirements, traditions, and symbolism of the holiday; meeting requirements by the fire department, city of Portland, and University of Southern Maine Campus to make it safe and legal; research on joining the sections of the structure (in a kosher manner) so that they are secure and may be taken down and reconnected each year; discussions with campus staff and administrators to site and set up the Sukkah, and educate the campus community about Jewish culture and tradition. The sculpture/structure would become the property of the Southern Maine Hillel or its designee for as long as it continues to be used annually by Hillel. All copyrights to the design will remain the property of the artist.

Students could eat in the Sukkah and, if safety and fire and other legal requirements can be met, they may be able to sleep in the Sukkah in good weather, as is traditional.

**Time Frame:** The research and design process would begin as soon as the grant is approved. The sections of the sculpture/structure would be complete by October 2011 and installation on site would begin shortly before, or immediately after, Yom Kippur (October 8, 2011) and completed before the first day of Sukkot, October 12, 2011. Public events would be scheduled in the fall of 2011 as is appropriate for the Jewish Community calendar and the USM calendar. Take down will begin October 20 or 21 and be completed no later than October 24, 2011.

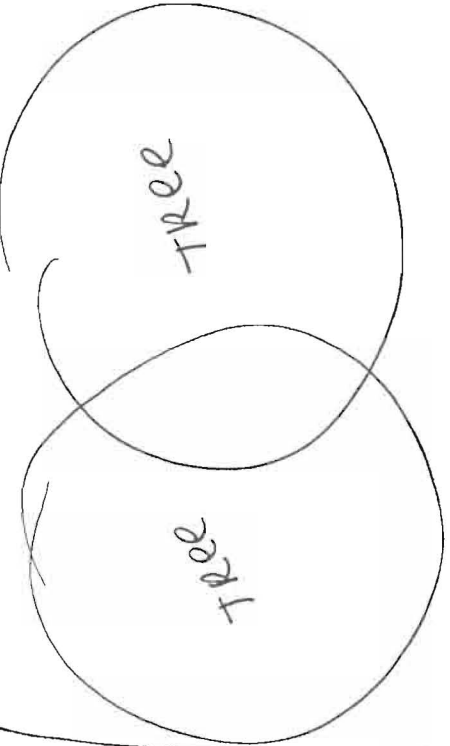
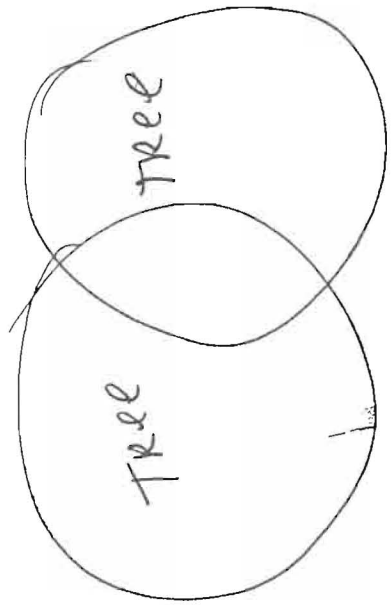
**Location and Duration:** The Sukkah will be in use for 9 days, plus building and de-installation time of approximately one week, for a total of 16 days. It will be placed on the lawn near the front of Luther Bonney Hall on USM Portland campus: 75 feet from Bedford Street and more than 80 feet from the nearest building wall.

Lather Bonney Hall

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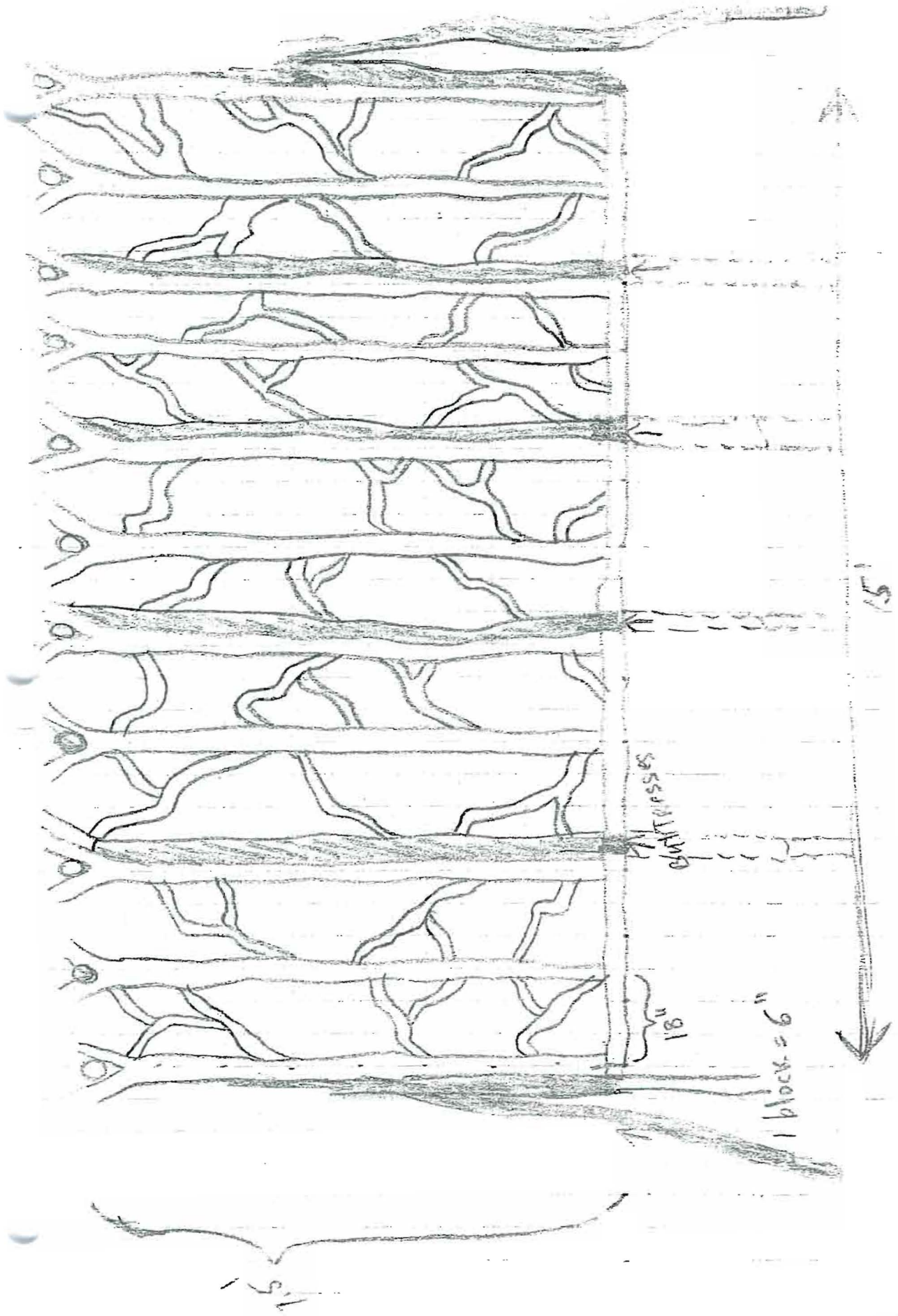
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Sukkah Project

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SUKKAH SIDE

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Jon - Tammy  
Asherah - Marge - Chris  
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**Marge Schmuckal - Fwd: proposed meeting re USM temporary Sukkah Project design and installation**

**From:** Asherah Cinnamon <acinnamon@meca.edu>  
**To:** Chris Pirone <cpp@portlandmaine.gov>  
**Date:** 8/15/2011 9:06 AM  
**Subject:** Fwd: proposed meeting re USM temporary Sukkah Project design and installation

up 8-9 days S —

Hello,

Thank you very much for your prompt reply. It is very helpful with the design process. Will we still meet on Wednesday afternoon with the others to discuss? I do not want to impose on you unnecessarily but Marge Schmuckal said she wanted to meet me with you and Tammy Musen (apparently the person usually doing this is on vacation and Tammy is taking her work for two weeks) to discuss the regulations pertaining to the structure, as a group. I believe on the phone you said you could arrange this meeting and that this Wednesday afternoon would work for you.

I will need to know what precautions and specifications would be needed if people wanted to sleep in the structure. Then I can decide if that will be possible or not. Sleeping in it is part of the tradition, I realize it may be difficult to arrange for many reasons. I would appreciate getting as much information about these regulations and requirements as possible before the design is complete so that I can see if altering something could make it possible. We are not talking about a lot of people doing this, less than half a dozen I would think, and only in good clear weather. We could insist on people making a reservation in advance so we know who is doing it (with emergency information, etc) and so we can limit the number. If necessary we could plan just one night for doing this (based on the weather at the time) during the week of October 12 to 19 to fulfill the traditional requirement.

Please advise .

with much appreciation  
Asherah

List of Rules - meets traditional kosher rules  
fabric space with a spiritual context

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segments of walls constructed in her studio -  
NO cooking taking place - must have 2 1/2 walls  
clothes recycled plastic -

On Sat, Aug 13, 2011 at 1:50 PM, Chris Pirone <cpp@portlandmaine.gov> wrote:

I have reviewed what we discussed on the phone and I approve the project based on Fire Code with people eating and gathering. I have not approved people sleeping in the structure at this time.

Art Installation - take pictures of Greenwood panels -

Captain Chris Pirone  
Portland Fire Department  
Fire Prevention Bureau  
380 Congress Street  
Portland, ME 04101  
(t) [207.874.8405](tel:207.874.8405)  
(f) [207.874.8410](tel:207.874.8410)

me check with BARBARA  
Does NOT require a sub floor  
7-7 1/2 tall

>>> Asherah Cinnamon 08/11/11 7:56 AM >>>



**City of Portland, Maine - Building or Use Permit Application**

389 Congress Street, 04101 Tel: (207) 874-8703, FAX: (207) 8716

Job No: 2011-08-2077-ALTCOMM	Date Applied: 8/24/2011	CBL: 114 - A - A - 001 - - - - -	
Location of Construction: 71 BEDFORD /96 FALMOUTH STREET	Owner Name: USM	Owner Address: 107 E MAINE AVE BANGOR, ME - MAINE 04401	Phone:
Business Name:	Contractor Name: /ARTIST Asherah Cinnamon	Contractor Address: 21 Wildwood Circle, Portland, ME	Phone: 712-4323
Lessee/Buyer's Name:	Phone:	Permit Type: temp. structure for holiday	Zone: USM overlay and R-5
Past Use: University	Proposed Use: Same: University - To erect a temporary structure for the traditional holiday of Sukkot- approx 16' x 16' - installed after Oct 8, 2011 taken down by Oct 24, 2011	Cost of Work: \$1000.00	CEO District:
		Fire Dept: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approved w/condition <input type="checkbox"/> Denied <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	Inspection: Use Group: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Type: SE
Proposed Project Description: 262 sq. ft. temporary structure		Signature: <i>Capt. Sullivan</i> 8/31/11	TBC 09 Signature: <i>[Signature]</i>
Proposed Project Description: 262 sq. ft. temporary structure		Pedestrian Activities District (P.A.D.)	
Permit Taken By: Gayle	<b>Zoning Approval</b>		

<p>1. This permit application does not preclude the Applicant(s) from meeting applicable State and Federal Rules.</p> <p>2. Building Permits do not include plumbing, septic or electrical work.</p> <p>3. Building permits are void if work is not started within six (6) months of the date of issuance. False informatin may invalidate a building permit and stop all work.</p>	<p><b>Special Zone or Reviews</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Shoreland</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Wetlands</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Flood Zone</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Subdivision</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Site Plan</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Maj <input type="checkbox"/> Min <input type="checkbox"/> MM</p> <p>Date: <i>8/25/11</i></p>	<p><b>Zoning Appeal</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Variance</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Miscellaneous</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Conditional Use</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Interpretation</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Approved</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Denied</p> <p>Date:</p>	<p><b>Historic Preservation</b></p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not in Dist or Landmark</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Does not Require Review</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Requires Review</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Approved</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Approved w/Conditions</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Denied</p> <p>Date: <i>[Signature]</i></p>
	<b>CERTIFICATION</b>		

I hereby certify that I am the owner of record of the named property, or that the proposed work is authorized by the owner of record and that I have been authorized by the owner to make this application as his authorized agent and I agree to conform to all applicable laws of this jurisdiction. In addition, if a permit for work described in the application is issued, I certify that the code official's authorized representative shall have the authority to enter all areas covered by such permit at any reasonable hour to enforce the provision of the code(s) applicable to such permit.

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT	ADDRESS	DATE	PHONE
RESPONSIBLE PERSON IN CHARGE OF WORK, TITLE		DATE	PHON

## BUILDING PERMIT INSPECTION PROCEDURES

Please call 874-8703 or 874-8693 (ONLY)

or email: [buildinginspections@portlandmaine.gov](mailto:buildinginspections@portlandmaine.gov)

With the issuance of this permit, the owner, builder or their designee is required to provide adequate notice to the city of Portland Inspections Services for the following inspections. Appointments must be requested 48 to 72 hours in advance of the required inspection. The inspection date will need to be confirmed by this office.

- **Please read the conditions of approval that is attached to this permit!! Contact this office if you have any questions.**
- **Permits expire in 6 months. If the project is not started or ceases for 6 months.**
- **If the inspection requirements are not followed as stated below additional fees may be incurred due to the issuance of a "Stop Work Order" and subsequent release to continue.**

This structure will be inspected during construction and upon completion of construction afforded by the following provision:

104.11 Alternative materials, design and methods of construction and equipment. The provisions of this code are not intended to prevent the installation of any material or to prohibit any design or method of construction not specifically prescribed by this code, provided that any such alternative has been approved. An alternative material, design or method of construction shall be approved where the building official finds that the proposed design is satisfactory and complies with the intent of the provisions of this code, and that the material, method or work offered is, for the purpose intended, at least the equivalent of that prescribed in this code in quality, strength, effectiveness, fire resistance, durability and safety.

The project cannot move to the next phase prior to the required inspection and approval to continue, REGARDLESS OF THE NOTICE OF CIRCUMSTANCES.

IF THE PERMIT REQUIRES A CERTIFICATE OF OCCUPANCY, IT MUST BE PAID FOR AND ISSUED TO THE OWNER OR DESIGNEE BEFORE THE SPACE MAY BE OCCUPIED.



causes or forces. All material which might cause fumes or dust, or constitute a fire hazard if stored out-of-doors, shall be only in closed containers. Areas attracting large numbers of birds, rodents or insects are prohibited.

- (g) The hours of operation of funeral homes (including processions) may be restricted and/or traffic management measures may be required, in order to avoid impacts to the public street system, if so recommended by the city traffic engineer or comparable professional.

(Ord. No. 291-88, 4-4-88; Ord. No. 166-08/09, 3-3-09)

#### DIVISION 8.1 USM, UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MAINE OVERLAY ZONE

##### Sec. 14-152. Purpose.

The intention of this division is to establish an overlay zone in which an existing university campus can be continued and reasonably expanded within defined boundaries, in addition to those uses permitted in the underlying zone or zones. The purpose of this division is to recognize the unique qualities of a university campus while at the same time protecting the value and integrity of established neighborhoods.

(Ord. No. 171-05/06, 3-20-06)

##### Sec. 14-152.1. Location and applicability of University of Southern Maine overlay zone.

The University of Southern Maine overlay district, as shown on the zoning map is intended to encompass and define the University of Southern Maine campus westerly of Forest Avenue. Properties in the University of Southern Maine overlay zone shall continue to be governed by the regulations applicable to the underlying zoning districts (except) as specifically modified by this division.

(Ord. No. 171-05/06, 3-20-06)

##### Sec. 14-152.2. Permitted uses.

In addition to the permitted uses allowed in the underlying zoning districts and notwithstanding anything to the contrary in the use regulations for the underlying zoning districts, the following uses are permitted uses in the University of Southern Maine overlay zone.

University uses including, but not limited to, the following:

1. Classrooms;
2. Laboratory facilities;

3. Research facilities;
4. Student unions;
5. Dining halls;
6. Bookstores;
7. Auditoriums;
8. Concert halls;
9. Lecture halls;
10. Gymnasiums;
11. Libraries;
12. Outdoor use areas, such as "quads", greens, parks, gardens, art installations, and other active and passive noncommercial recreation spaces;
13. Faculty housing;
14. Student housing;
15. Parking lots;
16. Parking garages;
17. Community meeting spaces;
18. Administrative offices;
19. Faculty offices;
20. Transportation facilities;
21. Maintenance facilities;
22. Utility buildings;
23. Student health services;
24. Daycare facilities, nursery schools and kindergartens operated in conjunction with university programs or serving students, faculty or employees of the university and their families, with associated outside play areas;



25. Other buildings, structures and uses customarily incidental to a university except that, on lots fronting on Chamberlain Avenue and Exeter Street, university uses shall be limited to faculty housing, graduate student housing, faculty offices and administrative offices, and buildings containing such uses shall be designed and maintained so as to complement the residential character of the street as required in §14-152.7.

No change of use permit under section 14-463 shall be required for any of the above uses in actual existence as of the date of enactment of the University of Southern Maine overlay zone.  
(Ord. No. 171-05/06, 3-20-06)

Sec. 14-152.3 Dimensional requirements.

University buildings and structures shall be subject to the applicable dimensional requirements of the underlying zoning districts, except as follows:

- (a) *Minimum yard dimensions* shall be the same as in the underlying zone, except as shown on the university campus overlay setback map, incorporated herein by reference. Side and rear yards shall not be required between buildings on contiguous lots owned by the university on the condition that such contiguous lots shall be considered merged and shall not be separately conveyed unless required yard dimensions in the underlying zones are provided.
- (b) *Maximum building height* shall be the same as in the underlying zone, except as shown on the university campus overlay height map, incorporated herein by reference, depicting the following height zones:
  1. Height zone A, maximum building height 45 feet.
  2. Height zone B, maximum building height 75 feet.
  3. Height zone C, maximum building height 85 feet
- (c) *Minimum building height.* All new freestanding buildings in height zone B and height zone C must be built to a height of at least 35 feet or designed and constructed so that they can be expanded to 35 feet or higher. As used in this paragraph, the term "new freestanding building" means any building which is not an addition to or expansion of a building which existed on the date of enactment of the University of Southern Maine overlay zone.

d) *Maximum impervious surface ratio* shall be 66% of the total land area within the University o Southern Maine overlay zone exclusive of public streets.

(e) *Maximum coverage by buildings* shall be 40% of the total land area within the University of Southern Maine overlay zone exclusive of public streets.

(Ord. No. 171-05/06, 3-20-06)

**Sec. 14-152.4. Parking.**

*Off-street parking:* Off-street parking is required as provided in Division 20 (off-street parking) of this article.

(Ord. No. 171-05/06, 3-20-06; Ord. No. 240-09/10, 6-21-10)

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**Sec. 14-152.5. Loading.**

The requirements of section 14-351 shall not apply to university buildings. Instead, the amount of loading area required for any university building shall be determined by the planning board during site plan review, based on a campus-wide analysis, treating all contiguous lots owned by the university as one lot. In determining the amount of loading space required for any university building, the planning board may take into account such factors as:

- (a) The use of centrally located on-campus loading facilities so situated that vehicles making deliveries can load and unload in the central facilities, provided no single location is overburdened with loading facilities.
- (b) Shared use of a single loading facility by two or more buildings.
- (c) Impacts of the loading areas on adjacent uses outside the University of Southern Maine overlay zone.

(Ord. No. 171-05/06, 3-20-06)

**Sec. 14-152.6. Signage.**

Signs comply with the requirements of Division 22, except as those regulations are modified or augmented below:

- (a) Signs shall be designed in accordance with signage standards promulgated by the university, providing for a unified, apparent and ADA-compliant campus-wide system for identification, orientation and regulatory signage.
- (b) Banners are allowed as follows:
  - 1. Generic banners containing the logo and colors of the university, used for decorative purposes.
  - 2. Banners used for advertising university events, which can be displayed for a maximum of four weeks prior to and one week following the event.

(Ord. No. 171-05/06, 3-20-06)

**Sec. 14-152.7. University overlay zone design principles and standards.**

All minor and major development in the University of Southern Maine overlay zone conform to the requirements of chapter 14.

article V (site plan review) and the requirements contained within the planning and development design manual, which is incorporated therein by reference.

(Ord. No. 171-05/06, 3-20-06)

**Sec. 14-152.8. Campus housing.**

For any development requiring level III site plan review, the university shall submit to the planning board a campus housing analysis. The analysis shall include a description of housing demand and supply at the time of the application, a projection of housing demand expected to arise from the proposed development and/or as a result of program changes anticipated to occur concurrently with the proposed development, and a description of how the university intends to meet any increased housing demand through on-campus housing, off-campus housing developed by the university, and/or off-campus housing developed by others.

(Ord. No. 171-05/06, 3-20-06; Ord. No. 278-09/10, 7-19-10)

**Sec. 14-152.9. Required review for change of use, additions and renovations.**

In the case of properties fronting Chamberlain Avenue, Exeter Street and the northerly side of Bedford Street from Surrender Street to Deering Avenue, level II site plan review shall be required of: (1) all changes of use; and (2) all building additions and renovations affecting an area equivalent to 25% or more of the existing floor area of a structure, unless level III site plan review is otherwise required under chapter 14, article V.

(Ord. NO. 171-05/06, 3-20-06; Ord. No. 278-09/10, 7-19-10)

**DIVISION 8.5. R-OS RECREATION AND OPEN SPACE ZONE**

**Sec. 14-153. Purpose.**

(a) The purpose of this division is:

- (1) To preserve and protect open space as a limited and valuable resource;
- (2) To permit the reasonable use of open space, while simultaneously preserving and protecting its inherent open space characteristics to assure its continued availability for public use as scenic, recreation, and conservation or natural resource area, and for the containment and structuring of urban development;



**Sukkah Project as Sculpture:** Sculpture is ultimately the creation of space. For this project I am interested in creating spiritual and cultural space, which invites human interaction.

**Goal:** design and create a Sukkah project that would be aesthetically appealing, would engage students, faculty, and staff during the traditional holiday of Sukkot, provide a kosher environment for those who want it, and gain interest from the larger community. My goal is also to create an opportunity for education about contemporary art and Judaism, for Jews and non-Jews on Southern Maine college campuses and beyond.

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**Process:** The project will include research discussions with rabbis, students, and community members about the meaning, requirements, traditions, and symbolism of the holiday of Sukkot; meeting requirements by the fire department, city of Portland, and University of Southern Maine Campus to make it safe and legal; gathering and preparing native Maine hardwood saplings for the structure; research on joining the sections of the structure (in a kosher manner) so that they are secure and may be taken down and reconnected each year; discussions with campus staff and administrators to site and set up the Sukkah, and educate the campus community about Jewish art, culture, and tradition. The sculpture/structure would become the property of the Southern Maine Hillel or its designee. All copyrights to the design will remain the property of the artist.

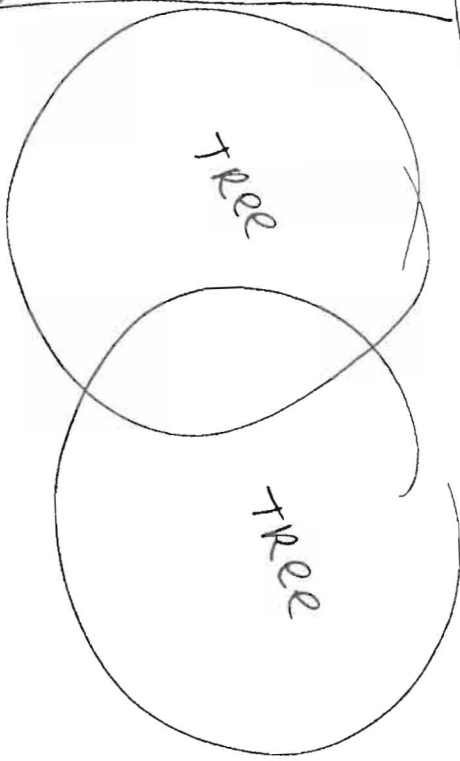
**Public Education:** As I have done with several previous projects I would like, in cooperation with USM and Hillel, to set up at least one, possibly two, public events. One such would specifically invite non-Jewish students, faculty and staff to an educational reception in or near the Sukkah during the week of Sukkot. Students could eat in the Sukkah and if safety and fire and other legal requirements can be met, they may be able to sleep in the Sukkah in good weather, as is traditional.

**Time Frame:** The research, design, and materials preparation processes have begun. The sections of the sculpture/structure will be complete by October 2011 and installation on site will begin shortly before, or immediately after, Yom Kippur (October 8, 2011) and completed before the first day of Sukkot, October 12, 2011. Public events would be scheduled in the fall of 2011 as is appropriate for the Jewish Community calendar and the USM calendar. Take down will begin October 20 or 21 and be completed no later than October 24, 2011.

**Location:** near the front of Luther Bonney Hall on USM Portland campus.



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Luther Boney Hall

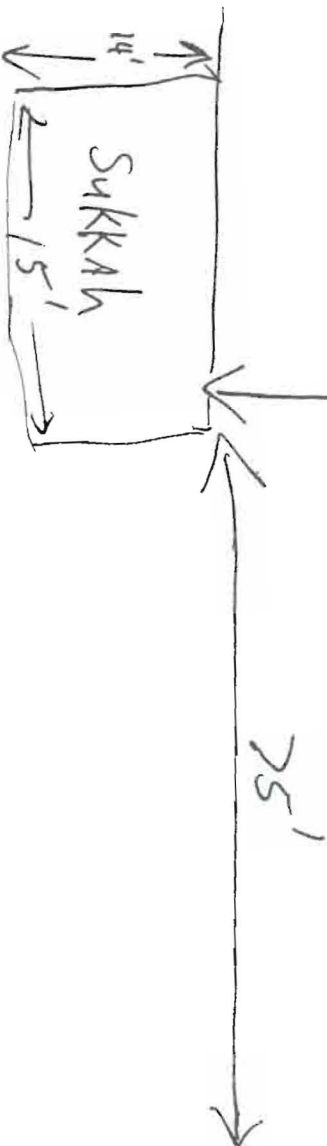
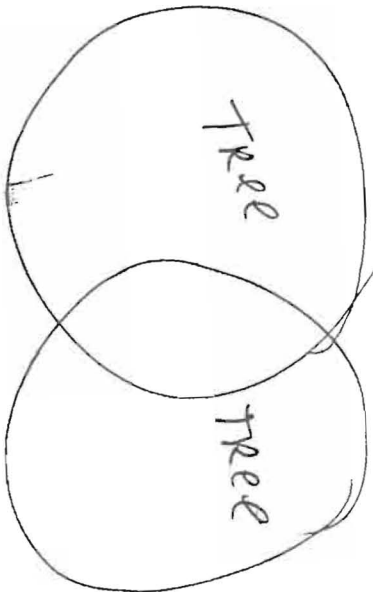
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walkway

34'

tree

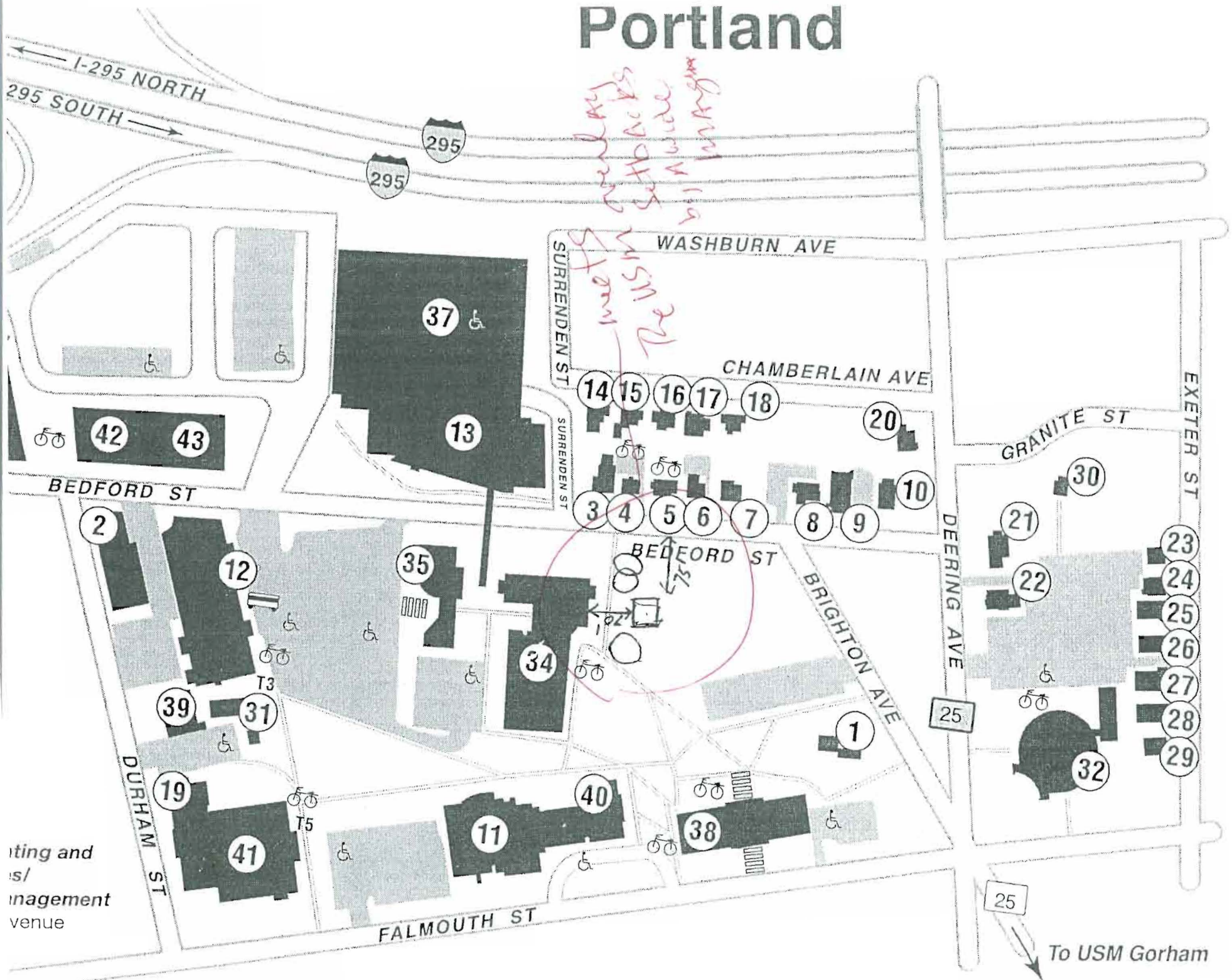
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15 AUSTIN ST

NOT TO SCALE

# Portland



## Marge Schmuckal - Sukkah Project

**From:** Marge Schmuckal  
**To:** acinnamon@meca.edu  
**Date:** 8/18/2011 9:24 AM  
**Subject:** Sukkah Project  
**CC:** Chris Pirone; Tammy Munson

Hi Asherah,  
I checked with Barbara in the Planning Division. She does not require any review for your project. You would only need a building permit as we discussed.

I hope this helps you,  
Marge



## Marge Schmuckal - Re: USM temp bldg

**From:** Barbara Barhydt  
**To:** Schmuckal, Marge  
**Date:** 8/18/2011 8:26 AM  
**Subject:** Re: USM temp bldg

Thank you Marge. Then I think I am all set - no site plan review required.

Barbara

>>> Marge Schmuckal Wednesday, August 17, 2011 5:01 PM >>>

The structure is being constructed out of saplings- it is real open - it is being panelized so it could be used annually during this Jewish holiday. It doesn't look like it could stand up to a winter at all - it would be crushed by snow.

Marge

>>> Barbara Barhydt 8/17/2011 2:16 PM >>>

Thank you Marge. My questions are how do you know that the structure is temporary or what happens if they decide they want to keep it? If that happens then I think it would require an administrative authorization. Otherwise, I agree it does not need site plan review.

Barbara

>>> Marge Schmuckal Wednesday, August 17, 2011 1:58 PM >>>

Barbara,

we just finished speaking with Asherah Cinnamon an artist who has been commissioned by USM to fabricate a small temporary structure (200-250 sq ft- up for less than 2 weeks)) for the Jewish holiday called Sukkah. It would be meeting the USM overlay zone requirements. Building and Fire are also on board. I can show you what I have on it.

I did not think you would want a site plan review, but I don't want to make decisions for you. We can discuss further if you like. I wanted to give appropriate directions to the applicant.

Thank you,

Marge



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Department of Building Inspections

## Original Receipt

August 24 2011

Received from Richard G. Cummings, Inc.

Location of Work 96 Fairmount

Cost of Construction \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Building Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Permit Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Site Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Certificate of Occupancy Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

Total: 30.00

Building (IL)  Plumbing (I5) \_\_\_\_\_ Electrical (I2) \_\_\_\_\_ Site Plan (U2) \_\_\_\_\_

Other \_\_\_\_\_

CBL: 114 AA 001

Check #: 4034 Total Collected \$ 30.00

**No work is to be started until permit issued.  
Please keep original receipt for your records.**

Taken by: [Signature]

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