



# Fallen Fruit, Islands LA

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## Love apples

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**Initiator:**  
Fallen Fruit, Islands LA

**Location:**  
United States

**Category:**  
urban-development, economy,  
environment

**Users:**  
Fallen Fruit (David Burns, Matias Viegner, and Austin Young),  
Islands of LA (created by Ari Kletzky), citizens of LA

**Maintained by:**  
Fallen Fruit/Islands LA

**Duration:**  
2008

### Description:

The initiators, in collaboration with residents, planted 72 tomato plants in 12 traffic islands around the city. Tomatoes were planted on empty and irrigated public space to suggest an alternative use and occupation of the public space. Users were invited to sample but not hoard the produce. At the end of the project, a map was created to invite users to discover these new urban spaces and taste the tomatoes.

### Goals:

The project tested the definition and use of public space in the city of Los Angeles, imagining new ways in which such spaces could be utilised differently.

### Beneficial Outcomes:

The re-use of public spaces and the fact that public sampled the tomatoes.

### Images:

