Campito



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The redesign of the sheepherder's wagon Campito as an opportunity to reflect on the working conditions of rural immigrant workers

Campito calls attention to historic and contemporary working conditions of rural immigrant workers in the American West. Denver-based artist collective M12 studied the sheepherder's wagon, or campito, which still resembles its pioneer predecessor, and developed a new design that incorporates solar energy, composting toilets, and portable gardens. But more than just a redesign of a trailer, Campito is a project to raise awareness about everything related to modern-day sheepherding, including contemporary food production, immigration patterns, and workers' rights. M12 towed a typical campito through the streets of Denver, passing out posters documenting their research. "By suggesting the sheep wagon be redesigned,― explains M12 co-founder Richard Saxton, "we are admitting that the current living and working conditions of sheepherders are unacceptable.―Â

