
Lightning in a Bottle

WILLIAM CLOSE & THE EARTH HARP COLLECTIVE

Earth Harp at Festivals

Large-scale installation art that comes alive as a concert.

250 ft
of strings over the crowd at ArtPrize 2026

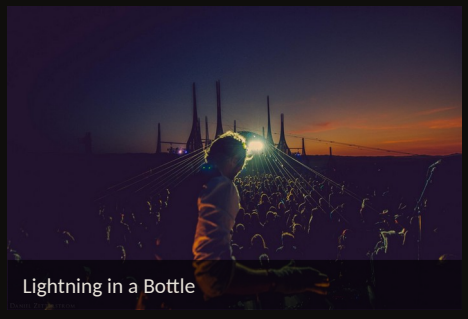
1,000 ft
maximum string length

Guinness
World Record holder

WHAT IT IS

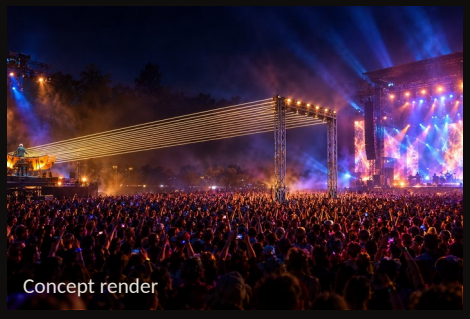
The Earth Harp's body rests on a stage while its strings run out over the audience and attach to the main stage, a truss or the festival grounds. By day it is a giant sculpture people walk under and share. At night it becomes a modern live concert: the wild, cello-deep sound of the harp with big percussion, electric guitar, heavy bass and beats, where classical meets EDM and rock.

THREE WAYS TO SET IT UP


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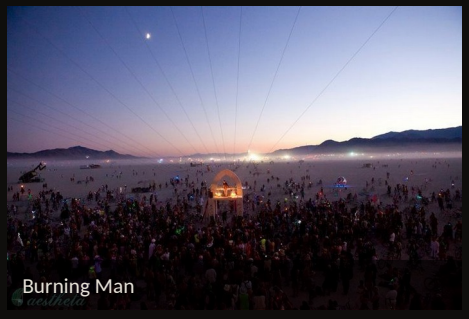
Satellite stage

A small harp stage in front of or beside the main stage, strung up to the top of the main stage.


Concept render

Over the crowd

Beside the main stage, strung out over the audience to a truss in the crowd.


Burning Man

Its own stage

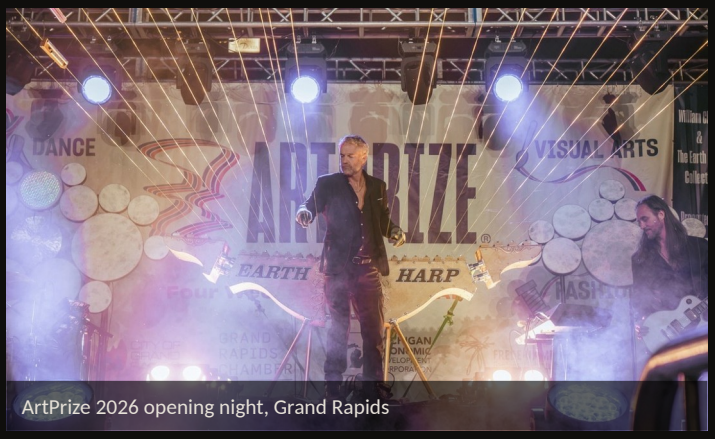
A stand-alone harp stage strung to a truss, tower or any structure on site.

Formats: headline set | installation up all festival with shorter sets | main stage moment or guest collaboration

PROVEN AT FESTIVALS

Festivals that have already played it

Coachella
Jerusalem Festival of Lights
ArtPrize, Grand Rapids
Lollapalooza
Burning Man
Lightning in a Bottle
Bumbershoot, Seattle
Singapore Night Festival
Shanghai International Arts Festival
Macau International Arts Festival
Notte Bianca, Rome
White Nights Miami



ArtPrize 2026 opening night, Grand Rapids

Recent highlight

Opened ArtPrize 2026 with 250 feet of strings over the Pearl Street Bridge. The crowd grew to thousands and stayed through the rain.

WHAT PEOPLE SAY

> "One of the five coolest things about Coachella."

Rolling Stone, as quoted by the Erie Reader

> "A deep, harmonious harp sound that reverberated through every cell of your being."

The Festival Voice, Lightning in a Bottle

> "One of the most unique musical experiences of the weekend."

The Nomadic Groove, Lightning in a Bottle 2016

PACKAGES

Special Performance

One concert set on your chosen stage, with the installation built for it.

Festival Residency

The harp stays up all festival as art, with several shorter sets.

Main Stage Collaboration

Strings rigged to your main stage for a special moment or guest set.

On site we need: stage space, an anchor point (main stage roof, truss or structure), power and sound, install time before gates open, and a weather plan. We handle the rigging and provide a safety plan.

Book the Earth Harp for your festival

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Pricing quoted per festival.

Watch the reel

Listen on Spotify

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