

LIFE SIZE

MARK PEREZ' MOUSETRAP



This giant Rube Goldberg-style contraption was cleverly constructed from childhood memories bringing to life a giant sized spectacle of the classic board game MOUSETRAP. San Francisco artist Mark Perez handcrafted the Life Size MOUSETRAP from wood, steel, recycled, repurposed, and found objects over a 13-year period. The Life Size MOUSETRAP is a colorful mix of kinetic machine and vaudevillian road show whose combined energy springs to life with absurdly fun antics "...flying bowling balls arch over the heads of mice who dance atop huge cheese pieces, while over sized dice are tossed to see who starts the 25-ton machine!" It is a truly impressive sculpture that seamlessly integrates art, physics, jurassic technology, and performance into a fun and educational encounter.

The Life Size Mousetrap is 50,000 pounds of awe-inspiring kinetic machine comprised of 18 iconic sculptures built to honor the classic board game including:

The CRAZY STAIRS a wooden construct of odd proportions.

The BATHTUB 400 lbs. of cast iron perched 12 feet in the air!

The LAMP POST 13 feet of repurposed flaming artistry!

The DIVER GUY 75 lbs. of torch cut steel flips into his tub!

The CRANE 60 feet of hand-built derrick truss for lifting and dropping a 2-ton bank safe!

The delightfully zany cast of the vaudevillian style show provides entertainment for the whole family as the chain reaction is prepared for action!

MARK PEREZ Artist builder, delivering a verbal blueprint of machine and show.

ESMERELDA STRANGE a one-woman accordion band, plays her original musical score.

THREE DANCING MICE perform burlesque inspired numbers and get in to all the trouble they can!

KITTY CAT the original mouser, keeps the mice in line and watches over her string.

The CLOWNGINEERS sturdy, well dressed guardians who toil away to insure a successful chain reaction!

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION provides an interactive experience as players get to raise the bank safe and play the game!



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