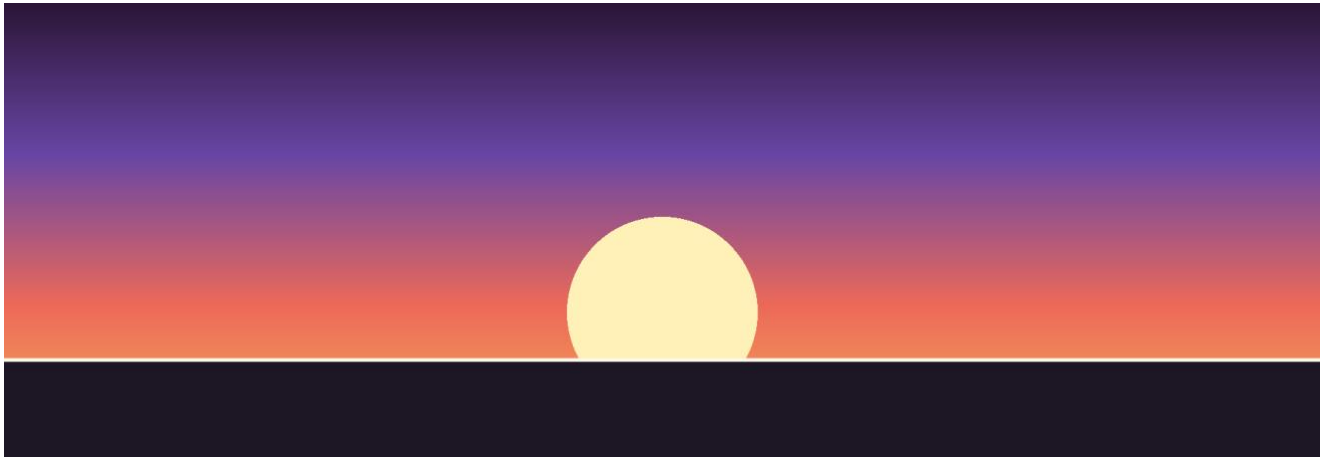




LOW SUN LISTENING

A sunset walk shared across time and place

An installation guide and invitation from Transennial

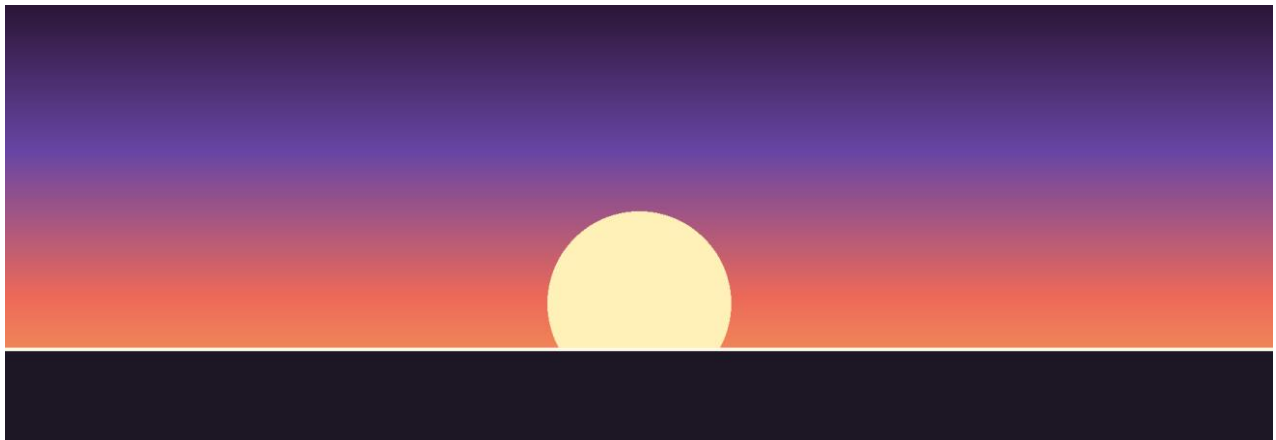
Meet at the low sun

You are invited to take a sunset walk with someone who is somewhere else.

You do not need to share a location—or even the same clock time—to share the ritual.

At your own local sunset, begin the same playlist and step into the changing light. Your companion does the same from another place, at another sunset. The sun becomes a recurring meeting point: ordinary, astronomical, and available again tomorrow.

This booklet prepares the installation. The digital invitation holds the playlist links, the Apple shortcut, and the shared album.



What is Low Sun Listening?

Low Sun Listening is a distributed listening walk organized around sunset. It connects people through a daily astronomical event rather than a single venue or broadcast.

1 One sky

Each person encounters the low sun from a different horizon.

2 One listening environment

A shared playlist gives the walks a common emotional and sonic field.

3 More than one time

The walks may happen hours or days apart. Repetition, not simultaneity, holds them together.

4 A communal trace

Images added to the shared album allow separate walks to accumulate into one evolving record.

What you need

- **The digital invitation.** It contains every link used by the installation.
- **A listening device.** Use an Apple device for the shortcut and Apple Music, or open the YouTube playlist in a browser.
- **Headphones or a small speaker.** Keep the volume low enough to remain aware of traffic, terrain, and other people.
- **A sunset window.** Begin about ten to fifteen minutes before your local sunset, or choose a time when the sun is visibly low.
- **A safe route.** Choose a familiar, accessible place where stopping and turning toward the light will not place you at risk.

The installation can be completed from a window, porch, courtyard, or stationary place. Walking is an invitation, not a requirement.

Open the digital invitation

Scan the code or open the invitation link. From there you can reach the shared album, install the Apple shortcut, or choose either playlist.



[Open the Low Sun Listening invitation](#)

1 Join the invitation

Keep the page available before you leave for the walk.

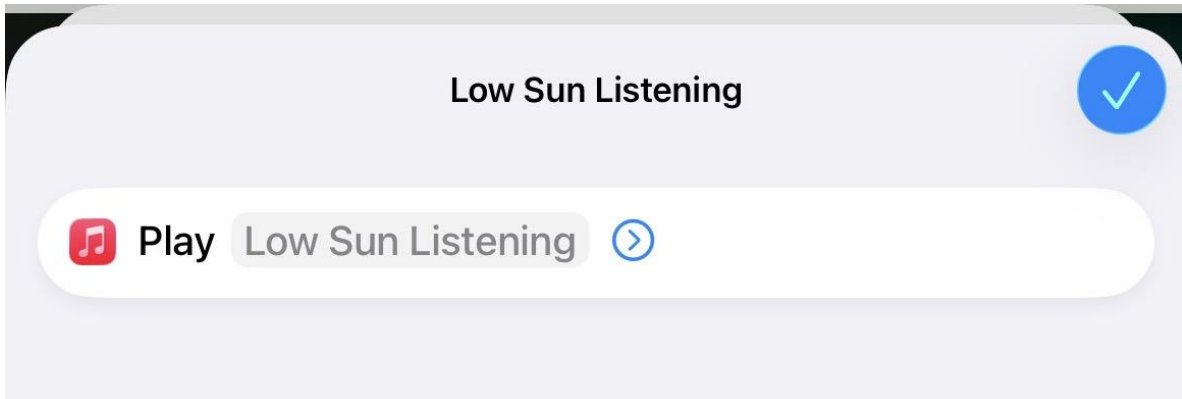
2 Choose your listening route

Use Apple Music with the shortcut, or open the YouTube playlist.

3 Find the shared album

Return after the walk if you decide to leave an image from your horizon.

Add the Apple shortcut



The shortcut is intentionally simple. It adds a command that tells your Apple device to play the Low Sun Listening playlist.

1 Open the shortcut link

Use the link provided inside the digital invitation.

2 Add Low Sun Listening

Review the single Play action, then confirm the shortcut.

3 Begin when the light is low

Run Low Sun Listening from the Shortcuts app or invoke it as a command on your device.

4 Let sunset start the listening

Apple users can create a personal automation that runs Low Sun Listening 15 minutes before sunset each day. In Shortcuts, choose **Automation** → **Time of Day** → **Sunset** → **15 Minutes Before**, then select **Run Shortcut** → **Low Sun Listening**.

No shortcut? Open the YouTube or Apple Music playlist directly from the invitation.

Hold a place for someone elsewhere

Your companion may walk before you, after you, or on another day. Agree only on what helps both of you arrive.

- **Name:** _____
- **Their place:** _____
- **Your place:** _____
- **Walking date or window:** _____

The distance is part of the work. Do not try to erase it.

You are not recreating the same sunset. You are attending to how one repeating event becomes particular in two lives.

At your local sunset

1 Arrive

Step outside—or settle near a view of the changing light—about ten to fifteen minutes before sunset.

2 Orient

Notice where the light is coming from. Face west only when doing so is safe and possible.

3 Start the listening

Run the Low Sun Listening shortcut or open one of the playlists from the invitation.

If you enabled the sunset automation, the playlist will begin automatically 15 minutes before your local sunset.

4 Name the connection

Silently bring your companion and their distant horizon to mind.

5 Walk

Let the music set a duration, not a pace. There is nowhere specific to arrive.

The walk begins when ordinary surroundings start to feel newly timed.

While the sun is low

Move gently through the environment. Let attention alternate between the music, the place, and the person who is absent.

- **Look for** the last surface still holding direct light.
- **Listen for** a sound from the place that enters the music.
- **Notice** how your route changes as visibility changes.
- **Imagine** what the light is doing—or has already done—where your companion is.
- **Allow** one song to become attached to one view.

You do not need to document every moment. Attention is the primary material of the installation.

A shared ritual, not a synchronized feed

Low Sun Listening creates community through recurrence. Sunset moves across the planet continuously; each participant enters the work when that movement reaches their own horizon.

Someone else has carried—or will carry—the same listening into a different light.

The playlist provides continuity. The changing sky provides difference. The imagined companion gives the walk a social form even when each person is physically alone.

If you exchange a message, keep it small enough to preserve the walk: a color, a weather condition, a song title, or one sentence about what remained visible longest.

Leave one trace

After the walk, you may add one image to the shared album. The album allows many separate horizons to gather without making documentation the purpose of the experience.

1 Choose

Select one image that carries the quality of the walk rather than trying to summarize it.

2 Protect

Do not photograph identifiable people without their permission. Avoid sharing private addresses or sensitive location details.

3 Caption

If useful, add your general place, date, local sunset time, or the song that was playing.

4 Look

Spend a moment with the other horizons already present in the album.

Contributing an image is optional. A walk can remain unrecorded and still be complete.

Close at twilight

When the sun has passed below your horizon, pause before ending the music. Notice what the fading light has changed and what the walk has changed in you.

The ritual is complete when you recognize that it can happen again.

Send your companion a brief acknowledgment. Add a trace to the shared album if you wish. Return at another sunset, choose a different route, or invite someone new into the work.



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