

11th Annual

BPT ART TRAIL

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NOVEMBER 7-10, 2019
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Fairfield County's Community Foundation salutes City Lights Gallery and the arts and nonprofits involved in the 2019 Bridgeport Art Trail!

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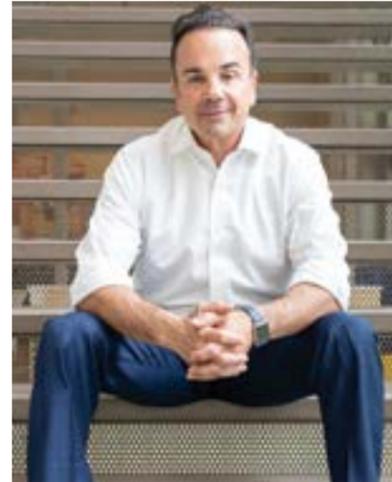


The Community Foundation appreciates the role of the arts in making our communities thrive, each and every day.



Juanita T. James, President/CEO, Fairfield County's Community Foundation

Letter from Mayor Joseph P. Ganim



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Welcome to the Bridgeport Art Trail.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome you to the Bridgeport Art Trail, a wonderful showcase of our city's thriving arts and culture scene. Creativity is in Bridgeport's DNA. We're the home of big thinkers like P.T. Barnum, Elias Howe, Igor Sikorsky and Gustave Whitehead. They harnessed their creative energy and helped reshape the world around them. Today, we continue to promote creativity in Bridgeport and are creating an environment for artists to succeed and thrive. I strongly believe that the arts community is an asset and resource for growth and improvement to quality of life in Bridgeport. I'm proud to support Bridgeport Art Trail, a week-end-long celebration of local art, artists and crafters.

The Bridgeport Art Trail map is an excellent tool to illustrate the proliferation of our arts community. This map will take you from our revitalized Downtown neighborhood, the hub of the Park City's arts and cultural scene where you'll find *Read's ArtSpace*, *City Lights Gallery*, *Barnum Museum*, the *Housatonic Museum of Art* to the West Side, home of *NEST Arts Factory* and the *Klein Memorial Auditorium*, to the East Side where you'll find, the Artists of *305 Knowlton Street*, and in the East End, *American Fabrics Arts Building*.

I encourage everyone to use your copy of the Art Trail map all year-round and discover Bridgeport's creative side.

Sincerely,

Mayor Joseph P. Ganim

Welcome to the 11th Annual Bridgeport Art Trail

Use this guide to view open studios and galleries throughout the city Thursday - Sunday, November 7-10, 2019. Guides are available at participating locations or on the web at bridgeport-art-trail.org

KEEP UP TO DATE ON BRIDGEPORT ART YEAR ROUND, BPT ARTS CALENDAR UPDATED MONTHLY: Visit bridgeport-art-trail.org

SIGN UP FOR THE FREE BI-MONTHLY NEWSLETTER: clgallerybpt@gmail.com and follow us on Facebook at our Bridgeport Art Trail page.

QUESTIONS: Stop by City Lights Gallery #21 for full details and instructions, 265 Golden Hill Street. Bridgeport CT. Call 203.334-7748 or email: clgallerybpt@gmail.com

CONTRIBUTE: to the Bridgeport Art Trail to ensure free arts programs: Go to bridgeport-art-trail.org or send a check payable to City Lights & Company to our mailing address 130 Elm Street. Bridgeport CT 06604.

Cover art details: top row, left to right: Thomas Mezzanotte/Marcella Kurowski, Rick Shaefer, Yolanda Vasquez Petrocelli. Second row: Richard Killeaney, Iyaba Ibo Mandingo. Third row: Herm Freeman, Rick Reyes. Fourth row: Dustin DeMilio, Kenn Hopkins, photography. Thank you to everyone who contributed photos.

Highlights of the Bridgeport Art Trail

2019 Bridgeport Art Trail Focus

Of course, the focus of the BAT is always the art and connecting with community... but this year a theme running through several events is demonstrating how artists, as creative, passionate, innovative thinkers are influential leaders in the communities where they live and work. They are trend setters, place-makers, style influencers, and cultural activists. They beautify buildings and neighborhoods, enrich and activate communities. They are inspiring mentors and teachers and pass forward cultural heritage.

Programs and projects in the 2019 Bridgeport Art Trail demonstrate the artists' connection to community and as leaders. Here is a sample of some.

The Bridgeport Art Trail Enrichment Program served 1100 Bridgeport youth. This included a songwriting workshop at Beardsley school led by Rick Reyes and Fuzz Sangiovanni and an artists' residency consisting of 12 artists/cultural arts specialists at the Multicultural Magnet school. Students learned about the history of traditional art forms and then were introduced to how contemporary artists are influenced by these cultural roots. BAT local teaching artists working in the schools this year include: Erin Antonak, Luis Antonio, Asher Delerme, Diane Fried, Eliska Greenspoon, Iyaba Ibo Mandingo, Fuzz Sangiovanni, Scott Schuldt, John Torres, Marcos Torres, Cyrus Madan, Kim Walker, Mimi Zschack. Sponsors for these programs are Fairfield's County Community Foundation, Bridgeport Rotary, Band Central, Spread Music Now.

The Turnaround Arts program will be recognized along with school teachers who are artists, teaching artists and the enrichment and arts integration programs in the exhibit, *Artists Teach* at City Lights gallery.

Something New Downtown on Friday

A Pop of Color, initiated by artist Jane Davila, manager of the NEST Arts Factory and all-around arts superwoman, is a multi-site storefront project, co-produced with Lauren Coakley Vincent of **Colorful Bridgeport**. Together they applied for funding from the CT Office of the Arts. The project benefits artists and property owners and enriches the downtown experience with a pop of art for anyone who encounters these window installations, activating place-making, the viewer's imagination and creative thinking.

In the Music Videos to be screened at the **Bijou Theatre**, musicians performed in local landmark sites. **Fuzz Sangiovanni and the Caravan of Thieves** performed their *Raise the Dead* video in Mountain Grove Cemetery. Netta Walker's rap video was shot on the Broad Street Steps and the train station. **The Bridgeport Symphony** performed *The Lark Ascending* in the shuttered Palace Theatre. These creative efforts enable us to reconsider these places, bringing new vision and meaning, to consider site specific alternative use and revitalization. It encourages us to not just accept a place as it is and to acquire a sense of creative possibility.

Maisa Tisdale, president of the **Freeman Center**, employed the creativity and talent of local artists to envision the heritage of Little Liberia established in 1821, to become a thriving community of "free people of color... comprised of freed blacks born in Connecticut, runaway enslaved persons from southern states, and remnants of Indian tribes from Connecticut and New York State." The village came to be known as "Ethiophe". The mission of the Freeman Center is to create a nationally recognized African American cultural center



Asher Delerme plays the Boathouse # 27a, Saturday November 9, at 7 pm.

in the South End of Bridgeport, CT. On view during the BAT at the Freeman Center are the works of **Richard T. Patton IV**, fine artist and graphic designer. Other works are mounted at the **Housatonic Community College** near the Bert Chernow Art Gallery.

What else is new?

We added another party on Saturday night, November 9, music party at the **Boathouse**, from 6-11 pm at 305 Knowlton Street. New things are coming to 305. We usher in the new creative energy with a night of music featuring a diverse lineup: **MIKATA** Afro-Caribbean folkloric percussion, dance and vocals, **Hitch and the Giddy Up**, **Upcycled Bluegrass** and the popular Salsa band **Orquestra Afinke**, they are bringing 3 horns. Among the performers are teaching artist and world renown percussionist **Asher Delerme**, and the Director of the Mathematics Department of Bridgeport Public schools, Herminio (Tito) Planas.

The Discovery Museum, #39 installed a brand new **Digistar Planetarium**. The art of **Cris Dam**, #19B, lights up the walls, literally. His whimsical paintings and constructions incorporate lightbulbs.

What's old?

How about vintage clothing, collectibles and salvaged objects, antiques and unique pieces waiting for you at **Black Rock Galleries** #30A, **Mongers Market**, #31 and **City Lights Vintage**, #21A?

WPKN Vintage Vinyl Sale, #4B, Saturday and Sunday at the American Fabrics Art and Design Building, #1.

Artful Eats

So much food, so little time. Great food and drink, and you can see art too! Don't miss **Source Coffeehouse**, **Harborview Market**, and **Trattoria A Vucchella**. Don't forget the Sunday artists brunch at the NEST Arts Factory, #30 and Art and Mimosas in the Arcade hosted by Robert Valle #19C.

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Community Engagement

Bridgeport Art Trail Urban Bike Tours

A hardy group meets annually for coffee and a bagel before the arts venue city-wide. It's a fun, stimulating BYOB event, (Bring Your Own Bike.)

The annual **Peace by Piece Quilting Bee** is hosted by Denyse Schmidt of American Fabrics #1 and Lizzy Rockwell running an intergenerational afterschool program.



Aim Higher together-Bridgeport

A grass roots partnership was formed called Aim Hire Together-Bridgeport to create public art projects and provide an opportunity for youth to express their thoughts and feelings about gun violence and bullying. Artist-mentors include: Yovan Barazza, Alicia Cobb, Adiel Dominguez, Darcy Hicks, Iyaba Ibo Mandingo, Shanna Melton, Duvian Montoya, Liz Squillace, Jahmane West. Partners and funders include: UnLoad Foundation, CT Against Gun Violence, City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail, BLENDS gallery, Bridgeport and Trumbull Rotary, Koskoff, Koskoff & Bieder and private contributions.

Trombone Shorty and Paul Shaefer at the Klein Memorial Auditorium #29

Support the Anti-Defamation League, CT by purchasing tickets for this benefit concert, **Voices: A Show of Unity with Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue** hosted by Paul Shaffer.

Storytelling closing party at the Bijou Theatre #15

The closing event for the BAT is a popular storytelling party, **Pechakucha-Bridgeport** at the **Bijou Theatre** with a focus of leadership and creativity in the arts. Luciana McClure presents New Haven's Nasty Women Project. Cris Dam talks about his passion for painting. Others include: Iyaba Ibo Mandingo-Immigration, Why We Come, Shanna Melton-Art and Service, Janet Luongo-Dream Realization, Miggs Burroughs-The power of hands in creating and conveying our humanity.



Rick Shaefer, at the NEST, #30. Throwback Thursday circa 2017.

Art at the Boathouse at 305 Knowlton Street



Saturday and Sunday, art at the Boathouse.

Saturday, November 9, 11 am-6 pm ART at the Boathouse

New things are coming to [305 Knowlton Street](#) under the direction and vision of new owner, Shiran Nicholson of Nicholson Events Inc. He welcomes the Bridgeport Art Trail to the Boathouse #27a, to inaugurate the Boathouse, a spacious event site on the Pequonnock River. The artists of 305 Knowlton Street along with regional artists present large-scale art, projections, installations, demonstrations, photography, sculpture, jewelry, storytelling workshop, and salsa dance instruction.

Art at the Boathouse

(For additions and changes go to [bridgeport-art-trail.org](#))

Yovan Barazza, *ES Tattoos*, live tattoo demonstration, mural painting

Upcycled Mobiles by **Semi-Semi Dikoko** and **David Sepulveda**, [upcycledmobiles.com](#)

Will Cody, Collage

Photography, **Penny** and **Rod Cook**, [penrodphotographs.com](#)

Adiel Dominguez paintings and photography

Kate Henderson Cytiyo-Illusions Installation, [katehenderson.art](#)

Sculpture by **Iyaba Ibo Mandingo**, [iyabarts.com](#)

Ash Lee Polished by the Sea jewelry with natural & raw materials like Seaglass, Seashells, wood & stones

Nina Lesiga, Storytelling Workshop, [gottatravelsolo.com](#)

Susan McCaslin, *The Leatherman Installation*, [susanmccaslin.com](#)

Jay Misencik, **Geralene Valentine**, *The Bridgeport Portrait Project*, [misencik-images.com](#)

John O'Grodnick, muralist and painter, [instagram.com/jpoart/](#)

Scott Schuldt, Hand carved canoe paddles, bead embroidery, installation, demonstration, [scottschuldt.com](#)

Lisa Toto, Photography, photo transfer demo, [Lisatoto3@hotmail.com](#)



Iyaba Ibo Mandingo, artist and poet with his sculpture.



Saturday, November 9, 7-10:30 pm DANCE PARTY at the Boathouse with Orquestra Afinke

Support arts enrichment programs in Bridgeport schools. Join us for a night of music featuring MIKATA Afro-Caribbean folkloric percussion, dance and vocals, and the popular salsa band Orquestra Afinke, 10-piece band with 3 horns. Among those performing are teaching artist and world-renowned percussionist Asher Delorme, and the Director of the Mathematics Department of Bridgeport Public schools, Herminio (Tito) Planas.

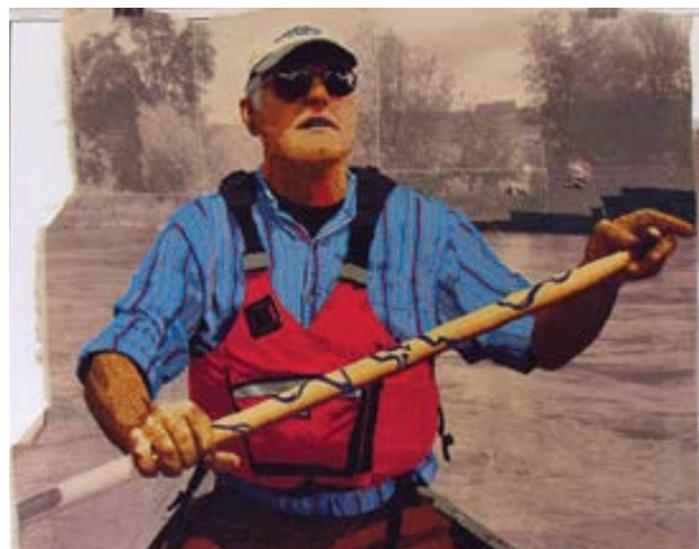
Saturday, November 9 and Sunday, November 10, 12 pm-5 pm More ART at the Boathouse

Painting and collage, **Beth Lazar**

Paintings, **Clyde Theophilus McLaughlin**

Storytelling workshop Learn to identify, craft and share personal, true life stories. This workshop is a mix of lecture and hands on exercises for participants to work on their story. Hear stories, tryout story ideas and connect with Bridgeport Art Trail participants through stories. Suited for young adults and adults. 2 pm to 3:30 pm, FREE!

Dance Class with Luis Antonio, *This Is Me Project*, Saturday-Sunday, 12 noon to 2 pm. FREE!



Hand carved canoe paddles and bead embroidery by Scott Schuldt. Special thanks to Scott Schuldt for overseeing installation of art at the Boathouse.

Art Trail Schedule

Thursday, November 7, 2019

8:30 am to 7 pm 7 Housatonic Museum of Art

Corridor outside Bert Chernow Gallery; *Reimagining Little Liberia: Restoration & Reunion* exhibit including commissioned paintings, artifacts, historic preservation,

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View the art of Kennedy Center artists at the Margaret Morton Center for Government.

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5:30 am to 7 pm 7 Housatonic Community College

Art Collection throughout the school campus;

Bert Chernow gallery exhibit: *Close to the Line*, the work of Mari Rantanen and Kirsten Reynolds, provokes the viewer to consider geometric abstraction and materials in the context of 20th and 21st century art. Curated by Barbara O'Brien, large-scale works, with eye-popping color tread lightly between painting, sculpture, architecture.

THE PARTY NOT TO MISS! Bridgeport Art Trail Kick-Off and Artists' Party

5:30 pm to 9:30 pm 11 Read's ArtSpace

Bridgeport Art Trail Kick-Off and Artists' Party at Read's ArtSpace. Don't miss this festive occasion to mingle with the creative community. View a sampling of Bridgeport Art Trail artworks while enjoying light bites, drink including local brews and a lineup of popular Bridgeport musicians organized by John Torres of Oh, Cassius! and his latest band, *Color Fields*. Music begins at 6 pm guest performers include Fuzz San Giovanni and Chris Cavaliere.

Exhibit: *Artists Choose Artists* at Read's Ground Floor Gallery, opening reception featuring new artwork from the Read's community, as well as work chosen by Read's artists.

Friday, November 8, 2019

8:30 am to 5 pm 32 Framemakers Art Gallery

Exhibit featuring local art.

8:30 am to 7 pm 7 Housatonic Community College

World class art collection found throughout the campus. The Bert Chernow Gallery features a survey exhibition of work by sculptor Joseph Saccio. Over the course of thirty years, this artist has created large-scale sculptures that draw on classical mythology and religious connotations to create profound and fantastical works of art in order to explore themes of loss, grief, and resilience.



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Friday, 5:30 pm to 8 pm
Opening reception for members exhibition
of the Black Rock Art Guild at the
Burroughs Center, 2470 Fairfield Avenue

Tour the Halls and Studios
at Read's ArtSpace #11,
Saturday & Sunday,
November 9 and 10 at 2 pm

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The art of Danielle Julius featured in *Artists Teach*.

Friday After Work Downtown Art... a happy hour art crawl

4 pm to 11 pm View the art in the Downtown storefront artist installations on Main St and Fairfield Ave. Stroll over to Golden Hill St, you can take in the painted steps by artist Liz Squillace on your way. Mingle with the talented and dedicated schoolteacher-artists exhibiting at City Lights #21. Enjoy a meal and talk art at Savor City #17. Check out an eclectic mix of outstanding music videos and participate in an open mic at the Bijou Theatre #15.

4 pm to 6:30 pm 21a City Lights Gallery

Artists Teach Opening Reception at City Lights Gallery, features art by Bridgeport school teachers, teaching artists and student work, including large format Polaroid portraits by Chuck Close, of Roosevelt school students.

5 pm 18 Downtown Storefronts

As the days get shorter, stroll the downtown blocks on Main St and Fairfield Ave to see the illuminated art in storefront windows #18. 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm #17 SavorCity, enjoy Turkish foods, stimulating conversation about public art and some local music. Then follow the group over to the Bijou Theatre #15... the night has just begun!

5:30 pm to 8 pm 37 Black Rock Art Guild

Opening reception for over 30 members of the Black Rock Art Guild will be exhibiting work in a variety of media at the Burroughs Center, 2470 Fairfield Avenue

7 pm 15 Doors Open at the Bijou Theatre

7:30 pm to 9:00 pm FREE Screening at the Bijou Theatre #15, a Music Video Mash-Up hosted by Rob Nelson and WPKN radio, featuring local performers playing original contemporary works to a symphonic composition by Vaughan Williams. Highlights include: *Downtown Breakdown* music by Chris Cavaliere, 'psych puppets' by Marcella Jean Cavaliere, whose 'psych puppets' steal the show... (the song/lyrics are great too); and *The Lark* featuring Greater Bridgeport Symphony performing in the shuttered Palace Theatre.

9:15 pm to 10:30 pm 15 Lyrical Voices

A spoken word open mic, a legendary night of poetry created and hosted by Shanna T. Melton of Poetic Soul Arts. The soundtrack is provided by DJ Buddha LuvJonz of LuvJonz Entertainment. Arrive at 9 pm to sign up for our open mic that will start promptly at 9:15 pm. Poets, storytellers and musicians are all welcome to perform! Tell your friends to tell their friends to come share poems at the Bijou Theatre #15.

Saturday, November 9, 2019

7 am to 6 pm 35 Source Coffeehouse

the cutest coffee shop in Black Rock, view a Bridgeport Art Trail sampler exhibit. Source made it to the "Best Of" list for CT Magazine.

8:30 am 21 Bridgeport Art Trail Bike Tour

BYOB (Bring your own bike!) Meet at City Lights Gallery for coffee and bagels. The Bike Tour departs at 9:15 am to explore Bridgeport's treasures and booming art culture

10 am to 5 pm 30 NEST Arts Factory

Meet the NEST Arts Factory artists. Tour the open studios, listen to musicians, enjoy a gallery show, and see a variety of demonstrations. Art on view and for sale includes acrylic and oil painting, sculpture, drawings, collage, jewelry, ceramics, mixed-media, fiber, decorative painting, and much more.

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Boathouse Pop Up at 305 Knowlton Street. Check out the sprawling space and artists' work.

11am to 2 pm 1 American Fabrics Arts Building 1

Denyse Schmidt at American Fabrics hosts Peace by Piece: The Norwalk Community Quilt Guild works on a quilt on a frame, you're invited to drop in to stitch alongside these fabulous folks and share stories and skills.

11:30 am 2 American Fabric Building 2

Charcoal After demo, volunteers are invited to sit for a one hour portrait, with the choice of buying for \$40.

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12 pm & 2:00 pm 27 305 Knowlton Street

Basket Weaving with William Heyne, primitive survival skills and nature awareness teacher, and mentor at the Two Coyotes School in Newtown CT; he focuses on connecting students back with nature.

12 pm to 4 pm 30 NEST Arts Factory

Alicia Cobb, live body painting, studio 1.

1 pm 1 American Fabrics Arts Building

Jen Glover Riggs, Live fluid acrylic painting demo, AmFab #207

2 pm to 2:30 pm 30 NEST Arts Factory

Red Bee Honey Tasting, don't miss this short but sweet experience with a honey connoisseur.

2 pm to 4 pm 30 NEST Arts Factory

Singer/songwriter Rick Reyes has established an Art Trail favorite when he and a small band wander the NEST Arts Factory studio spaces, playing new and old favorites.

4 pm 27 305 Knowlton Street

Sound Bath Meditation & Chakra Cleansing: Crystal sound bath meditation can help to clear and align your chakras. Your chakras affect your health, energy, moods and flow. Explore each chakra through sound bathing and meditation. Join us for this healing chakra experience. FREE.

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Artists' reception for A Pop of Color downtown storefront art installations at 8 locations on Main Street and Fairfield Avenue. For exact locations see colorfulbridgeport.com. Visit with the artists, sample local food, and hear talented musicians at each location.

7:30 pm 15 Bijou Theatre

An Evening of *BEATLEMANIA* with the Hoffners; the East Coast's foremost Beatles Tribute Show complete with costumes, instruments and, of course, the musical sound of The Beatles Doors: 7 pm / Show: 8 pm Tickets: \$25.00 - \$40.00

7:30 pm & 9:30 pm 14 Stress Factory

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6:30 pm to 2:00 pm 36 Harborview Market

Artists Teach-2, exhibit the art of Danielle Julius is paired with Sunday coffee, paper, yummy almond croissants or other baked goods and a fresh, delicious breakfast. Start the last day of the Art Trail at this neighborhood eatery, a family-friendly hub in Black Rock, Bridgeport, CT.

10 pm to 12 pm 30 NEST Arts Factory

Art Brunch at the NEST Art and food! Don't miss this deliciously artful experience. Enjoy a scrumptious brunch with tasty treats for omnivores and vegetarians. Socialize with the artists in the rustic community room where the acoustic guitar of John Cloonan and vocalist Dawn Ricciardi round out this pleasurable setting.

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Photo Blitz. Bring your cameras and your love of photography, styled sets and models will be available throughout the beautiful industrial chic

building, a photographer's dream. Great for student photographers to build their portfolios and for pros to add to theirs.

Downtown Theatre Programs Close Out the Arts Weekend

2 pm to 5 pm 15 Bijou Theatre

Sassie's Birthday Frolic, Fundraising Drag and Variety Show. Ticket sales support the Sassie Saltimbocca scholarship going to a City Lights emerging artist for further arts education. Tickets: \$20

6 pm to 9 pm 15 Bijou Theatre

PECHAKUCHA, at the Bijou Theatre, a Storytelling/Bridgeport Art Trail Closing Party. The Art of Sharing Personal Stories provides a great platform for arts enthusiasts and the creative community to socialize at BAT Closing Party. People from diverse backgrounds share and listen to personal stories designed to inform, inspire, and entertain! Presenters are allowed 6 minutes and 40 seconds, supported by 20 images projected for 20 seconds each, creating a stimulating flow of "real people telling real stories." A suggested \$1 donation will go to the international Pechakucha organization. Chef Raquel will have yummy, healthy meals and baked goods for sale.

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The art of Cris Dam at The Discovery Museum, #39.

The East Side

1 American Fabrics Arts Building

1069 Connecticut Avenue, Building 4, Bridgeport, CT 06607

203.357.6695 / amfabarts.com

Event: 14th Annual Open Studios

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 11; 10 am to 5 pm

In its 14th year, American Fabrics Arts Building (AFA) Open Studios showcases over 25 artists in their studios where the creative process happens. Held in a renovated factory building where linen and lace were once manufactured, the event has become a destination for collectors, interior designers, and art lovers alike. AFA's diverse group of artists are engaged in painting, printmaking, sculpture, quilting, jewelry, photography, ceramics, textiles, design, mixed media, and more. Every year we welcome new artist tenants, lending a fresh perspective to the event, this year including AmFab II just down the street at #2. Many artists will be offering affordable art for sale (see the AFA artists list at the back of the guide, for more information). Denyse Schmidt Quilts, Jocelyn Braxton Armstrong Ceramics, Brechin Morgan, and Ulla Surland will be holding their annual studio sales. Once again we are supporting the Bridgeport Rescue Mission (BRM). The mission serves those critically in need directly in our community. It feeds the hungry, shelters the homeless, and helps people conquer drug and alcohol addictions. AFA will be serving as a drop-off point for their Thanksgiving Stuff-A-Truck event, giving patrons the opportunity to donate food and coats for local families in need. (See event listing.) Lastly, the artists of AFA have joined together once again to donate an assortment of small works for the AFA Collector's Raffle. An Amazing collection of work will be raffled for \$5 a chance, with all proceeds going to BRM! There will be food trucks, in the east parking lot to serve our patrons from 10 am to 5 pm each day. Music and participatory performances will offer fun for the whole family! Ample onsite free parking and handicapped access.

Event: Denyse Schmidt Quilts: Annual Sample Sale, Studio #401

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Come and see where it all happens! Denyse will have limited supplies of books, patterns, templates and some fabric bundles available for sale, a selection of hand-embroidered emojis, and a select few quilts on exhibit.

Event: Denyse Schmidt Quilts + The Norwalk Community Quilt Guild, Studio #401

Saturday, November 9; 11 am to 2 pm

We welcome Peace by Piece: The Norwalk Community Quilt Guild to our studio on Saturday November 9 from 11-2 They'll be set up with a quilt on their frame, and you're invited to drop in to stitch alongside these fabulous folks and share stories and skills. Don't know how to quilt? We'll show you how!

EVENT: Jen Glover Riggs, Studio #207

Saturday, November 9; 1 pm

Live fluid acrylic painting demonstrations

Event: Janine Brown, Studio #302

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

20 - 40% off prints, acrylic/watercolor/oil paintings, and select group of photos

Event: Judith Corrigan Holiday Art Collector Sale, Studio #402

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Wide choice of figure drawings in paper and selected small works on paper and canvas



The studio of Richard Killeaney, #1 American Fabrics. Photo by Kvon.

Event: Linda Colletta | ART, Studio #404

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Studio Sale & Live Painting! Affordable abstract art perfect if you love big, colorful, abstract art!

Event: Jocelyn Braxton Armstrong Ceramics Annual Studio Sale, Studio #410

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Sculptural work, JBA Signature Collection small batch vessels, maquettes and seconds offered at discounted prices. This weekend only!

Event: Janet Slom Annual Studio Sale, Studio # 411

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Event: Brechin Morgan Annual Studio Sale, Studio #408

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Nautical paintings, large and small, depicting scenes from his solo voyage sailing around the world. Offering special discounts on many works.

Event: 3rd Annual "Printing Money" Fundraiser: Letterpress Print-Your-Own Proverb, Studio #310

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Try your hand at letterpress printing under the friendly guidance of artist and educator Emily Larned, and take home the Olde American Proverb poster you just printed! \$5 suggested donation. All proceeds donated to the Coalition to Stop Gun Violence.

Event: 5th Annual Tag Sale, Studio #310

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

From Emily Larned & special guest Preservation Sound: loads of vintage and used clothes and tons of records, stereo equipment, and audio gear. Piles of presents for you and your weirdo friends. YES you can try things on in a private dressing room & please do plug that guitar into that amp. Enjoy!

Event: Ulla Surland, Studio #307

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Pop-up boutique featuring art, vintage belts, scarves, fabrics, pillows, and other interesting paraphernalia. Ulla's interior design projects on view. Tiny lemon cupcakes and coffee all day long

1 American Fabrics Arts Building

Event: Video Screening, Historical marble stairwell 2nd floor

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm
Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Crystal Heiden (studio #204) has, for the 5th year, curated a selection of single channel videos from local, national and international artists. The screening will be projected hourly beginning at 10am with the last full cycle beginning at 4pm.

Event: WPKN 50 Year Archive Record Sale

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm
Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

The record archive of WPKN will be onsite at AmFab and WPKN programmers will be spinning an eclectic mix of music on-site.

Event: Thanksgiving Stuff-A-Truck with Food and Coats!

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm
Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

The Bridgeport Rescue Mission will bless more than 4,000 needy families with turkey and all the fixings, plus a winter coat for every member of the family who needs one! Help us to help them by bringing donations to our Open Studio event. Their warehouse is in our complex and AFA is a drop-off point. They are asking for the following contributions:

- ◆ 12–15 lb. frozen turkeys
- ◆ Canned green beans, corn, peas, and sweet potatoes
- ◆ Canned cranberry sauce
- ◆ Stuffing mix
- ◆ Canned gravy
- ◆ 1 lb. cans of coffee
- ◆ Powdered fruit drink mixes

Bins for donations will be placed at both entrances



Percussionist Marcos Torres at the Multicultural Magnet School.

2 AmFab II

1313 Connecticut Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06607
203.530.5622 / amfabarts.com

Event: 2nd Annual Open Studios

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm
Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

In its 2nd year, AmFab II (AFII) Open Studios showcases a new community of artists in their studios where the creative process happens in a recently renovated factory building that is in the East End. AFII's group of artists are engaged in diverse practices. In our second year we welcome new artist tenants, lending a fresh perspective to the greater Bridgeport arts community. Many artists will be offering affordable art for sale. In an effort to give back to the community we are also supporting the Bridgeport Rescue Mission (BRM). AFII will also be serving as a drop-off point for their Thanksgiving Stuff-A-Truck event, giving patrons the opportunity to donate food and coats for local families in need. (See event listing.) Lastly, the artists of AFII have joined together once again to donate an assortment of small works for the AFA Collector's Raffle (located at the main AmFab building 1069). An amazing collection of work will be raffled for \$5 a chance, with all proceeds going to BRM! Ample onsite free parking with overflow at American Fabrics just up the street (1069) and handicapped access.

Event: Portrait demo in charcoal, Heidi Harrington, studio #2-1

Saturday, November 9; 11:30 am to 2:30 pm

After demo, volunteers are invited to sit for a one hour portrait, with the choice of buying for \$40.

South End

3 Seaside Park

Entrance at the southernmost end of Park Avenue, Bridgeport
www.bridgeportct.gov/content/341307/341415/342203.aspx

With its 325 acres of lush lawns, shady glades and sports fields rolling toward Long Island Sound, Seaside Park is a park without peer on the Eastern Seaboard. Visitors are delighted by the beaches, surf and sunshine along three miles of sparkling coastline. The park was laid out just after the Civil War by Calvert Vaux and Frederick Law Olmsted, whose other efforts include Manhattan's Central Park and Prospect Park in Brooklyn. Their 19th century landscapes have proved timeless as they entice each new generation of park-goers. At the western end of the park is Fayerweather Island. Walkers can visit this natural wildlife preserve by crossing the breakwater rocks. The island's lighthouse guided navigators into Black Rock Harbor from 1823 to 1932.

Bridgeport's most famous resident, the 19th century circus impresario PT Barnum is largely responsible for the development of the park. Once pasture land, wood lots and salt marshes, Barnum envisioned the first marine "rural" park in the United States. Open daily from 8 am to 8 pm. Free admittance with no permit required from Labor Day to Memorial Day.

Among the prominent art at Seaside Park are the sculptures of PT Barnum created by Thomas Ball - bronzed in 1887 and Elias Howe by sculpted by Salathiel Ellis. A female figure atop the Sailors and Soldiers Monument faces Long Island Sound with her arm out-stretched holding a laurel wreath to honor those who served and sacrificed in the Civil War. The monument was created by Melzar Mosman. Through a partnership with the Friends of Seaside Park and City Lights & Company, in 2009 a missing liberty figure was replaced with a new cast created by Emily Bedard.

4 University of Bridgeport

126 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604 / bridgeport.edu

The University of Bridgeport is located on the edge of Seaside park and Long Island Sound. The Arnold Bernhard Center for the Arts hosts an ongoing calendar of exhibits and performances. Visit the website for information about programs or classes and degrees in Graphic Design, Fashion Merchandising, Creative Writing, Music, and other disciplines.

4a UB Schelfhault Gallery

Arnold Bernhard Center / Shintaro Akatsu School of Design

84 Iranistan Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.576.4034 / schelfhaultgallery.com

Event: The Type Directors Club Exhibit

Saturday, November 9; 11 am to 3 pm
Sunday, November 10; 11 am to 3 pm

Typography 64: Communication and Type Design. The exhibition features the work of outstanding graphic designers selected by an international jury. The exhibit runs from October 21-January 11.

Regular gallery hours are Monday to Friday from 10 am to 4 pm

4b WPKN Radio, 89.5FM

244 University Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06604

Website/streaming/audio archives: wpkn.org

On-air telephone: 203.336.9756 , Office telephone: 203.331.9756

General Manager: Steve di Costanzo "Real People-Real Radio. Serving Fairfield-New Haven-Litchfield-Suffolk (NY) counties and communities around the world at wpkn.org"

WPKN 89.5-FM is a listener-supported, community radio station. WPKN 89.5-FM is a listener-supported, community radio station. In a time of homogeneity, WPKN offers a level of authenticity that truly makes it the real alternative. This 10,000-watt non-commercial station was founded in 1963 as the college radio station of the University of Bridgeport and has been broadcasting for more than 55 years with a potential listenership of 1.5 million people. In 2017, Connecticut Magazine named WPKN the BEST RADIO STATION (Music) in the state of Connecticut. While operating on the campus of the University of Bridgeport, in 1989 WPKN became an independent, non-profit corporation. WPKN streams live on the Internet at wpkn.org and on other internet radio platforms. WPKN also has its own free app for Apple and Android products – WPKN Live. Archived shows are available via the website for two weeks. More than 1000 Podcasts for WPKN's 30-plus public affairs, news and interview shows are available through Apple Podcasts, Soundcloud and podcast apps via WPKN Community Radio. Look for interviews with artists and musicians via podcasts.

WPKN programs include live and recorded music, free-form music, news, public affairs, and spoken word. WPKN's volunteer programmers present a wide variety of music and alternative information in an eclectic mix of programming that seeks to serve in a unique and vibrant way those whose needs are not met by mainstream media. WPKN's programming mix is a cornucopia of genres and styles. From the obscure to the recognizable, it is presented by informed programmers who help listeners discover and rediscover the best in live and recorded performances.

WPKN actively participates as a media partner in many cultural organizations including theaters, festivals, and events such as The Bridgeport Art Trail, Long Island's Great South Bay Music Festival, New Haven's International Festival of Art & Ideas and City-Wide Open Studios, Litchfield Jazz Festival, Falcon Ridge Folk Festival, Blues & Views Festival in Westport and many others. WPKN is the founder of New England's largest one-day record fair- Music Mash-Record Fair held annually the first weekend in March in Bridgeport and recently launched Music Mash-



WPKN Vinyl Collection Sale at American Fabrics, #1,

New Haven as well. (Read's ArtSpace, #12) and its film series Music on Film at The Bijou Theatre.

Event: WPKN Vinyl Collection Sale at American Fabrics Arts Building

Saturday, November 9; 11 am to 5 pm
Sunday, November 10; 11 am to 5 pm

WPKN 89.5-FM community radio spins discs and sells vinyl at the American Fabrics Arts building (see listing #1) as they present a sampling of their vast vinyl collection for sale. Proceeds support the non-profit radio station programs.

5 PenRod Studio

325 Lafayette Street, Unit 9105, Bridgeport, CT 06604

Penny and Rod Cook

203.992.1001 / penrodcook@gmail.com / penrodphotographs.com

PenRod Studio represents the photography of Penrhyn and Rod Cook, ranging from street photography to nudes and landscapes using mixed medium.

6 Gallery 9104

325 Lafayette Street, Unit 9104 (entrance on Gregory St), Bridgeport, CT 06604
[lyaba_lbo_mandingo / 203.685.1309](mailto:lyaba_lbo_mandingo@203.685.1309) / iyabarts@gmail.com / iyabarts.com

Gallery 9104 is an Art House. Our goal is to give the art lover an opportunity to see the work beyond the gallery walls in a setting they can relate to.

Downtown

7 Housatonic Museum of Art at HCC

900 Lafayette Boulevard, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.332.5052 / housatonicmuseum.org

The Housatonic Museum of Art (HMA) is home to one of the premier college art collections in the United States. Its collection offers students and the community alike the opportunity to view works that span the history of art from the ancient to the contemporary. Unique to the Housatonic Community College campus, this permanent collection is on continuous display throughout the 300,000 square foot facility, offering a rare opportunity for both art enthusiasts and casual observers to view and interact with the art on a daily basis. The Museum, founded by Burt Chernow, Professor Emeritus (1933-1997), is dedicated to the presentation, preservation and interpretation of objects of artistic or historic value. The collection provides a basis for exhibitions and educational programs for faculty, students and the public; for research and study by scholars, histo-

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rians and curators, for special lectures and symposia, and for cultural and educational enrichment of the academic community and public-at-large. Under the direction of Robbin Zella, the Museum also presents lectures, programs and changing exhibitions in the Burt Chernow Galleries, and continues to be recognized as a major cultural resource for the Greater Bridgeport area and the region. The Burt Chernow Galleries are open to the public and admission is free. The Burt Chernow Gallery has reopened after a complete renovation and restoration and the permanent collection has been reinstalled throughout the campus featuring collage, photography, sculpture, paintings, drawings, and prints.

Event: In a Dark Wood, Wandering, sculpture by Joseph Saccio
Thursday, November 7; 8:30 am to 7 pm
Friday, November 8; 8:30 am to 5:30 pm
Saturday, November 9; 9 am to 3 pm

This exhibit features a selection of two dozen large-scale sculptures, and takes inspiration from mythology, nature and the struggle of living. Using wood, natural materials and found objects, Saccio draws on classical mythology and religious connotations to create profound and fantastical works of art that are frequently dark and pensive. The pieces reflect his feelings about loss and rebirth though the mood is often lightened by flecks of humor.

Largely self-taught, the New Haven-based Saccio has made art throughout his life. Upon retirement from his first career as a child psychiatrist, his devotion to sculpting has yielded awards in local, area and national competitions.

Event: Reimagining Little Liberia: Restoration & Reunion, outside Burt Chernow Gallery
Thursday, November 8; 8:30 am to 7 pm
Friday, November 9; 8:30 am to 5:30 pm
Saturday, November 10; 9 am to 3 pm

An art, architecture, and history exhibit highlighting Bridgeport's historic *Little Liberia* – the first part of a larger exhibit to be installed fully next spring. This prosperous settlement of free Black people and Native Americans, mainly Paugussett, ushered other people of color into freedom during CT & US slavery in the 19th century – commissioned paintings, artifacts, historic preservation.

8 Barnum Museum

820 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.331.1104 / info@barnum-museum.org / barnum-museum.org

As one of the longest ongoing museums in the nation, the Barnum Museum remains true to P.T. Barnum's original mission; 'Instructive Entertainment.' For over a century, families from around the world have visited the Barnum Museum and experienced wonder, curiosity, surprise and enrichment. With exhibits ranging from a miniature circus to the recently acquired 'Centaur of Tymfi,' the Museum continues to amaze and enthrall guests of all ages.

Event: Guided Tours of the Barnum Museum People's United Bank Special Event's Gallery
Thursday, November 7; 11 am to 3 pm
Friday, November 8; 11 am to 3 pm

The Barnum Museum will host special guided tours of the Museum's vast collection. Items including Tom Thumb carriages as well as the mythological Centaur will be featured for viewing fascination.

Pop Up Exhibit: Her Dragons Fly, by Shanna Melton
Barnum Museum
Friday, November 8, 2019 – January 10, 2020
Barnum Museum Members free – Non-Members \$5 suggested

9 Bridgeport History Center

Burroughs-Saden Public Library, 925 Broad Street, 3rd floor, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.576.7400 x7 / bportlibrary.org/hc/
Hours: Thursday 12 pm to 8 pm, Friday and Saturday from 10 am to 5 pm and by appointment

The Bridgeport History Center opened its doors in 1936. The collection contains historic photographs, maps, and a host of research materials documenting the history of this city. The Center also has one of the largest collections for conducting genealogy research in the state.

Event: We Are Artists Every One exhibition
Thursday, November 7; 12 pm to 8 pm
Friday, November 8; 10 am to 5 pm
Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Curator Michelle Black Smith of *We Are Artists Every One: The Art Center in Action, 1970-1986* presents an exhibition of art work, photographs, artifacts, and oral histories, exploring the history of the Art Center, its influence on the city of Bridgeport, and the context of its role in the national Black Arts Movement. The exhibition will be on view until March 30, 2020. <https://bportlibrary.org/hc/events/we-are-artist-every-one-the-art-center-in-action-1970-1986/>

10 Gallery@999

The Mayor's Gallery at Margaret E Morton Government Center
999 Broad Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.576.7201 / bridgeportct.gov

A sculpture of Lewis Latimer studying his lightbulb design greets you as the approach the Bridgeport City Hall Annex at the Margaret E Morton Government Center. Latimer worked on both patents and designs with Thomas Edison on the lightbulb and Alexander Graham Bell on the telephone. At one point in his life, Latimer lived in Bridgeport's South End.

This spacious exhibit area in the Government Center consists of walls on the first and second floor of the City Hall Annex. Visitors can view the art during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 9 am to 5 pm. Exhibits change monthly, featuring the work of Bridgeport artists, schools, and community groups.

Event: Kennedy Center Exhibit
Thursday, November 7; 9 am to 5 pm
Friday, November 8; 9 am to 5 pm

Showcasing the works of over 60 artists displaying their unique styles and celebrating the many voices that tell their individual stories.

Plus, save the date for new art from the annual People's United Bank calendar featuring Kennedy Center artists that will be on view with an opening reception on December 5, 2019, 5:30-7pm at the Gallery @ 999. Please join the Kennedy Center and People's United Community Foundation to celebrate the launch of the 2020 *A Unique Perspective* calendar. For details go to thekennedycenterinc.org



Marcella Kurowski discusses her art at the Read's Groundfloor Gallery, #11.

11 Read's ArtSpace

1042 Broad Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.336.0435 / facebook.com/theqfgatreadsartspace

Once the Read's department store, an anchor store to the twentieth-century downtown, it is now a community based, redeveloped live/work artist space in downtown Bridgeport. The gallery is utilized by Read's residents to host exhibitions and related programming and is open on an event/appointment basis. Read's artists also exhibit their work in common spaces throughout the building.

Event: Bridgeport Art Trail Kick-Off and Artists' Party at Read's ArtSpace
Thursday, November 7; 5:30 to 9:30 pm

City Lights, the Downtown Special Services District, and the artists of Read's ArtSpace host the annual party. Celebrate and mingle with the Bridgeport art community. Enjoy local art, music, food, and drink. View artworks from Bridgeport Art Trail artists while enjoying an eclectic a musical lineup featuring a melange of Bridgeport based musicians and led by John Torres of the band *Color Fields*. Our Art Trail Kickoff band will feature a set of music celebrating Bridgeport's diverse cultures as well as original songs from Chris Cavaliere and others. Reception fare includes light bites and drink, including local brews. A suggested donation supports the ArtSpace gallery exhibit fund.

Event: Artists Choose Artists Exhibit Opening Reception
Thursday, November 7; 6 pm to 10 pm

Read's ArtSpace hosts its popular *Artists Choose Artists* exhibit featuring new artwork from the talented community of artists who exist in this historic building, as well as their talented peers. *Artists Choose Artists* is an invitation to build new relations with artists and their audience, and a chance to showcase a strong and diverse exhibit.

Event: Artists Choose Artists Exhibition
Saturday, November 9; 12 pm to 4 pm
Sunday, November 10; 12 pm to 4 pm

Event: Hallway Art Talk
Saturday, November 9; starting at 2 pm
Sunday, November 10; starting at 2 pm

A guided hallway tour of the various exhibits on view in the halls of Read's ArtSpace.

11a Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative (MDAC)

1042 Broad Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
Contact: Kathryn Kelly / 203.690.1609 / mdac@kennedyctr.org / mdac-kc.org

MDAC, located in the Read's ArtSpace building in downtown Bridgeport is an exciting, unique and new initiative by The Kennedy Center designed to provide an innovative environment where individuals with disabilities can learn, create, and benefit by participating in a multi-faceted arts program.

Event: Sculpture Focused Exhibition
Friday, November 8; 9 am to 3 pm
Saturday, November 9; 11 am to 4 pm

A gallery exhibit of sculptural and three dimensional works from the MDAC artists will be on display. On Friday meet the artists whose work is displayed. Refreshments will be served on Saturday.

Event: Second Saturdays – Create and Connect
Saturday, November 9; 11 am to 1 pm

Artists of all abilities are welcome to come experience our diverse workshops led by local artists. The event on Saturday will start at 11 am with an hour-long watercolor wash workshop led by Emily Valentine, followed by a tai chi lesson with Jonathan Davis, also known Brother Yahya from 12-1 pm. While there is not a fee to participate in the workshops, a \$10 donation is recommended to help cover our costs. Please sign up in advance for this workshop at www.mdac-kc.org/second-saturdays

12 McLevy Green

Corner of Broad Street and State Street, Bridgeport, CT
203.576.7233

The Park City's first public park, historic McLevy Green in the heart of downtown Bridgeport was set aside as a public square in 1806. The park is surrounded by landmark architecture and buildings. It is the site of McLevy Hall, a stunning Greek Revival Brownstone built in 1854, where Abraham Lincoln spoke when he campaigned for the presidency. Today it is a vibrant hub of entertainment, shopping, dining, and relaxation by city residents and visitors. Every summer it is home to the Downtown Farmer's Market, the Downtown Thursday concert series, and Bridgeport Arts Fest, among other festivals and events.

12a Farmer's Market

infobridgeport.com/downtown-market / facebook.com/BptFarmersMarket

Every Thursday from mid-July to mid-October; 10:30 am to 2 pm

Join us weekly for live music and art demonstrations, local food and special events, including cooking demos by Chef Raquel of *A Pinch of Salt*.

The Downtown Market accepts SNAP/EBT, WIC and Senior Farmers Market Nutrition Program checks, Bridgeport Bucks, cash, credit, and debit. Through the Bridgeport Farmers Market Collaborative, the market also operates a SNAP incentive program so that for every \$1 in SNAP spent at the market, you can purchase \$2 in fresh fruits and vegetables.

12b Downtown Thursdays

McLevy Green, Bridgeport, CT
203.395.1395 / downtownthursdays.com

Downtown Thursdays is a free weekly outdoor summer concert series happening every Thursday at McLevy Green from 5:30 pm to 9 pm in Downtown Bridgeport. Downtown Thursdays features local and area musicians. Lawn chairs and leashed pets are welcome. Invite your friends, family, co-workers and neighbors, and visit some of the fantastic downtown restaurants and businesses. Event Organizers are I LUV Bridgeport, Bridgeport Arts + Cultural Council, and Downtown Bridgeport Merchants Association.

13 B-HIVE Bridgeport

A downtown coworking space
930 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.873.2008 / swarm@hivebridgeport.com / hivebridgeport.com

B:Hive has moved to the Beaux Arts-style Mechanics and Farmer's Savings Bank building, one of the landmarks surrounding McLevy Green. The B:Hive space design offers an open floor plan and varied desk-like options meant to facilitate both collaboration and concentration. The long list of membership amenities and very unique interior are sure to inspire ideas, impress clients, and appease both the left and right brains.

Our home away from your home office, apartment, dorm room, coffee shop, or cubicle, is the perfect place to get #\$\$% done. Designed by self-starting entrepreneurs with an eye for detail and design, the space is wrought with unique and inspiring amenities, including our central location, blazing-fast WiFi, plenty of workstations, conference and presentation options.

Be productive. Be successful. Be part of something. We created the space for members who are looking to work, to cowork, to network, and to build an inspiring community of like-minded people and professionals. Whether you have a small business or a big idea, B:Hive Bridgeport is designed to help it grow. Membership options range from individual daily passes to annual group deals.

14 Stress Factory Comedy Club

167 State Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.576.4242 / bridgeport.stressfactory.com

Vinnie Brand's Stress Factory Comedy Club brings the nation's top headliners to Bridgeport every week. The Stress Factory Bridgeport hosts an open mic night every Wednesday at 7:30 pm, and Date Night Thursdays for dinner, dessert, drinks, and a great show for a special price. The best in entertainment and dining - eat, drink, laugh!

Event: Vic Dibitetto Live! Stand Up Comedy

Friday, November 8; showtimes 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm
Saturday, November 9; showtimes 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm

Seating is first come, first served. Restricted to patrons 16 and older. Save the Date for Damon Wayans, performing December 19-22, 2019. Reserve tickets for all events at bridgeport.stressfactory.com

Bijou Square, Fairfield Avenue

Bijou Square comprises the Jennings Building at 277 Fairfield Avenue, the Bijou Theatre at 275 Fairfield Avenue, as well as properties at 262, 274, and 323 Fairfield Avenue, 166 Elm Street, and 307 Golden Hill Street. These properties have been developed into a network of eclectic retail shops, restaurants, unique entertainment venues, residential housing, and professional offices. For more information, visit: bijousquare.com

15 Bijou Theatre

275 Fairfield Avenue, Downtown, Bridgeport. CT 06604
203.296.9605 / gpeterston@bijoutheatre.net / bijoutheatre.net
Executive Director: Gary Peterson

The Bijou Theatre is a fully renovated multi-functional venue for live performances and film as well as business and social events. True to its heritage, over 100 years later it is one of the oldest buildings used as a movie house in the country. Join us for a full weekend of events!

Event: Music and Video Showcase

Friday, November 8; 7:15 pm to 10:30 pm (doors open at 7 pm)

A music and video showcase plus an open mic and spoken word event

From 7:15 pm to 9 pm, the Bridgeport Art Trail team partners with WPKN and the Bijou Theatre to host this multi-media event featuring the latest music videos of local musicians Fuzz San Giovanni of Caravan of Thieves, and Chris Cavaliere, who collaborated with his wife Marcella Jean to create a quirky short with great songs, lyrics and her signature psych puppets. Another video highlight is *The Lark*, an exquisite video experience of the Greater Bridgeport Symphony performing in the shuttered Palace Theatre. The music is sublimely paired with the location and the talent. BRAVO! Live performances by Lys Guillorn, Rob Nelson, Brian Larney. Suggested donation of \$5 supports the Bijou Theatre, once again generously sharing their venue for the Bridgeport Art Trail weekend.

From 9:15 pm to 10:30pm, Lyrical Voices presents A Night of Poetry and Arts at the historic Bijou Theater for a legendary night of poetry created and hosted by Bridgeport's Poet Ambassador, Shanna T. Melton of Poetic Soul Arts. The soundtrack is provided by DJ Buddha LuvJonz of LuvJonz Entertainment. Arrive at 9 pm to sign up for our open mic that will run promptly from 9:15 pm to 10:30 pm. Poets, storytellers, and musicians are all welcome to perform. Tell your friends to tell their friends to come share poems.

Event: Beatlemania

Saturday, November 9; doors open at 7 pm, performance begins at 8 pm

An evening of Beatlemania with the Hoffners, the East Coast's foremost Beatles Tribute Show complete with costumes, instruments and, of course, the musical sound of The Beatles. Tickets: \$25.00 - \$40.00

One landmark theater showcases another – More about The Lark

The Lark Ascending, by Vaughan Williams, is conducted by artistic director Eric Jacobsen with guest violinist Colin Jacobsen. Don't miss the opportunity to hear and watch this superb performance reflecting beauty, melancholy, hope, and resilience as the Bridgeport community anticipates the revitalization of the Majestic and Palace Theatres on downtown Main Street North. The first of GBS's Bridgeport Sets video series, featuring the orchestra in iconic Bridgeport locations, was released on July 4, 2019, and can be seen on our website www.GBS.org. The video, featuring our conductor's brother, the world-famous Colin Jacobsen, performing *The Lark Ascending*, was made during a marathon day of filming at the long-abandoned Palace Theatre on Main Street in Bridgeport on September 21, 2018. (The full story of this exciting day is linked on our website, right below the video.) The next installment of the Bridgeport Sets will be made this November at Bridgeport's Klein Memorial Auditorium.

Event: Vaudeville Frolic

Sunday, November 10; 2 pm to 5 pm

A vaudevillian-style performance art, drag, dance, and music extravaganza in honor and memory of the late Sassie Saltimboca. Hosted by Dolores Dégagé with performers Nick Petrone, Kadijah Vain, Ricky Mestre, Barbra Joan Streetsand, Makayla Beach, Leslie Avery, Chynna Jacobs, Summer Orlando, Lanie Lu Dégagé & Sorcia Warhol. \$20 general admission supports the "Sassie Saltimboca Memorial Scholarship Fund". Beneficiaries for 2020 will be City Lights Gallery and the Bridgeport PRIDE 2020 10th Anniversary. Artist Scholarship to be awarded to Luis Felipe Lopez.

Event: The Art of Conversation and Community, PechaKucha - Bridgeport, Storytelling, and the BAT Closing Party

Sunday November 10; 6:45 pm to 9 pm (doors open at 6 pm)

Storytelling with images - the art of sharing personal stories. This Bridgeport PechaKucha event is the closing party of the Bridgeport Art Trail. PechaKucha Night Bridgeport brings people together from diverse backgrounds to listen to great personal stories and learn from each other in a casual and authentic atmosphere. PechaKucha means "chit-chat" in Japanese. Speakers present their stories accompanied by 20 slides, shown for 20 seconds each, resulting in a total time of 6 minutes and 40 seconds. This licensed format keeps presentations focused and fast-paced.

PechaKucha nights are organized by local community members and described as "live events with real people and real communication." Talks are uploaded to an international website including 1000 participating cities. Bridgeport Art Trail artists will be among the presenters at this Sunday evening gathering, also serving as the closing party of the BAT weekend, celebrating the art of conversation and community. Food, created by Raquel Rivera-Pablo of A Pinch of Salt, is available for purchase. The event is free but contributions help defray costs and allow the committee to make a donation to the international PechaKucha organization. \$1 of each contribution goes to the international PechaKucha organization.

Vaudeville Frolic at the Bijou Theatre #15,
Sunday, November 10, 2 pm

16 Academy Books and Records

305 Fairfield Avenue, Downtown, Bridgeport CT 06604
203.530.8051 / mike@academybooksandrecords.com /
academybooksandrecords.com

Regular Hours: Friday and Saturday, 12:30 pm to 5:30 pm or by appointment.

The Art of Design. Exemplary book bindings, record jackets, and magazine covers by artists great and obscure. Continuous Platter Party, enjoy the nostalgic practice of sampling a listen to a vintage record before your purchase. Pick out that special song from over 5000 45s and LPs.

17 SavorCity

savorcitybpt@gmail.com / savorcitybpt.com

SavorCity, a monthly tour of Bridgeport restaurants, food, art and music, showcasing the cultural delights of Connecticut's most diverse city. Organized by a coalition of organizations and agencies, including Rick Reyes, Capital for Change, NEST Arts Factory, the Cultural Alliance of Fairfield County, and others, SavorCity features monthly visits to neighborhood restaurants where guests can experience the authentic local cuisine of Bridgeport's many neighborhoods including Brazilian, Chinese, Thai, Colombian, Italian, Jamaican, Puerto Rican, Peruvian, Mexican, Portuguese, Turkish, Vietnamese and more, as well as local musicians and artists working in a variety of genres and media.

Each event draws anywhere from 30-60 guests. A majority of SavorCity supporters are self-professed foodies from out of town who are interested in exploring the city's eateries and artists with others.

Event: SavorCity Star Istanbul

Friday, November 8; 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Join us for a authentically fabulous meal, inspiring art, and sublime music at Star Istanbul, 29 Markle Court, in downtown Bridgeport. Reserve a seat on Eventbrite at bit.ly/savorstar. A complete meal plus entertainment is just \$35. Take part in a lively "Colorful Conversation" with Lauren Coakley-Vincent of the Downtown Special Services District about some colorful new initiatives in downtown Bridgeport.

18 A Pop of Color

popofcolorbpt@gmail.com / infobridgeport.com

A Pop of Color is a multi-venue pop-up art exhibit in a variety of vacant storefronts throughout Downtown Bridgeport. Bridgeport artists have created art installations to inspire and delight residents and visitors to the downtown area. A joint venture between the Downtown Special Services District and the NEST Arts Factory, a Pop of Color is supported by an Art Project grant from the Connecticut Office of the Arts. Storefront installations will be viewable through January 2020.

Event: A Pop of Color Opening Reception

Saturday, November 9; 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm

Join the exhibiting artists at the pop-up locations in downtown Bridgeport, listen to local musicians and sample tasty delights from local eateries. Wander from location to location for a delightfully immersive art experience and see how colorful Bridgeport can be!

19 Historic Arcade Mall

1001 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.395.1395 / arcademallbpt.com

The Arcade Mall is a stunning historic restoration of one of the nation's first enclosed shopping malls. The atrium has a dramatic Victorian stepped-glass roof. The property was built in 1840 and underwent several interior and exterior renovations during the 1920s, 1950s, and 1980s. It holds historic significance locally and nationally as one of the few remaining arcades from its time period. The downtown landmark has been reactivated by artists. Its charm and scale make it a perfect location for social gatherings and events. Visit the artists of the Arcade Mall, sample tasty treats in Arcade Mall restaurants, check out Arcade Mall shops.

19a Paradox Ink Screenprinting + Murals

Liz Squillace, Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 19, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.521.8681 / paradoxink.com

Paradox Ink is the screenprinting and painting studio of Bridgeport Artist, Liz Squillace. Liz is known for the Painted Stairway of the Broad Street Steps, the Bridgeport train station mural, 'Tessellating Arrows and the Passage of Time', and many painted utility boxes in the neighborhood. Her company, Paradox Ink, screenprints live at many local events. Liz Squillace is a Rhode Island School of Design graduate and resident of Read's Artspace live/work studios.

Event: Arcade Art Show, Mezzanine

Friday, November 8; 12 pm to 5 pm

Saturday, November 9; 12 pm to 5 pm

Paradox Ink presents the Arcade Art Show with works by Ruben Marroquin & Liz Squillace on the walls of the 2nd floor mezzanine of the Arcade Mall. See paintings, prints and textile sculptures.

Also, Paradox Ink invites you to visit the Painted Stairway of the Broad Street Steps which has recently been renovated and completed this fall.

19b Cris Dam

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 23, Bridgeport, CT 06604
718.431.4567 / cristobal.dam@gmail.com / crisdam.com

Artist Cris Dam was born in Alaska, raised in Spain, educated in New York City, and is currently raising a family in Connecticut. In his paintings and murals he combines diverse landscapes and universal patterns found everywhere in nature to connect all cultures. Cris Dan co-founded Dam Stuhltrager in Berlin in 1998, and was an early gallerist who helped propel Williamsburg, Brooklyn into an international art mecca. Dam's bright paintings and large persona made him a recognizable character synonymous with Brooklyn's lively art scene.

Event: Open Studio, Suite 23

Friday, November 8; 11 am to 7 pm

Saturday, November 9; 11 am to 7 pm

Sunday, November 10; by appointment – 718.431.4567

Celebrity name dropping on the BAT:
Trombone Shorty and Paul Shaefer at the Klein #29 on Saturday November 9,
benefit for the Anti-Defamation League, CT
Large format polaroids by Chuck Close at City Lights Gallery #21
Darryl Wayans come to the Stress Factory #15 on December 19 - 22

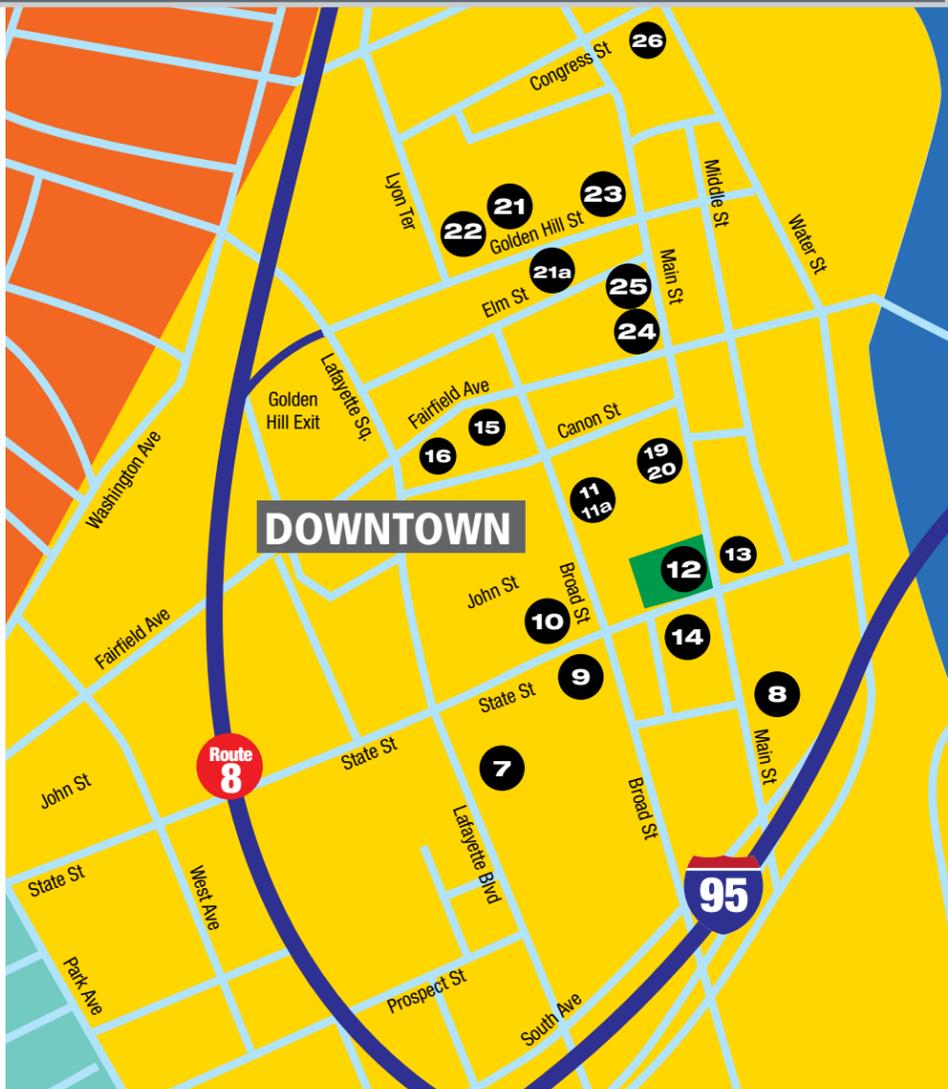
Art Trail Locations



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Art Trail Locations

- 1 American Fabrics Arts Building**
1069 Connecticut Avenue
- 2 AmFab 2**
1313 Connecticut Avenue
- 3 Seaside Park**
- 4 University of Bridgeport**
126 Park Avenue
a. **Schelfhaudt Gallery** at Arnold Bernhard Arts and Humanities Center
84 Iranistan Avenue
b. **WPKN Radio**
on the University of Bridgeport Campus
- 5 PenRod Studios**
325 Lafayette Street
- 6 Gallery 9104**
325 Lafayette Street, Unit 9104
- 7 Housatonic Museum of Art, HCC**
900 Lafayette Street
- 8 Barnum Museum**
820 Main Street
- 9 Bridgeport History Center
Bridgeport Public Library**
925 Broad Street
- 10 Gallery@999, Margaret Morton Government Center**
999 Broad Street
- 11 Read's ArtSpace & Ground Floor Gallery**
1042 Broad Street
a. **Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative**
- 12 McLevy Green**
102 Street
a. **Farmer's Market**
b. **Downtown Thursdays**
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930 Main Street
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- 26 The Archive and Park City Designs**
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- 27 305 Knowlton Street and the Armstrong Gallery**
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- 27a The Boathouse at 305 Knowlton Street**
305 Knowlton Street
- 28 Neighborhood Studios**
391 East Washington Avenue
- 29 The Klein Memorial Auditorium**
910 Fairfield Avenue
- 30 NEST Arts Factory**
1720 Fairfield Avenue
- 30a Black Rock Galleries, Auction and Design Center**
1720 Fairfield Avenue
- 31 Mongers Market**
1155 Railroad Avenue
- 32 Framemakers Framing & Gallery**
3004 Fairfield Avenue
- 33 The Studio of Mack & Ro**
- 34 Pious Bird of Good Omen**
3142 Fairfield Avenue
- 35 Source Coffeehouse**
2889 Fairfield Avenue
- 36 Harborview Market**
218 Harborview Avenue
- 37 Black Rock Arts Guild**
Burroughs Center
2470 Fairfield Avenue
- 38 Connecticut's Beardsley Park Zoo**
1875 Noble Avenue
- 39 The Discovery Museum, Planetarium and Adventure**
4450 Park Avenue

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19c Robert Valle

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 3, Bridgeport, CT 06604
Event Decorating / Planning + Event Space
203.449.3238 / valledesigns@gmail.com / valledesigns.wixsite.com/eventdecor

An interior designer with experience in the fashion industry, Robert Valle believes there is an art to entertaining. He is ardent about ensuring that every element comes together to make an event, no matter how large or small, absolutely amazing and utterly unforgettable. He infuse just the right balance of flair and classic elegance to any affair. Robert has had the pleasure of coordinating a wide variety of events, including weddings, rehearsal dinners, fundraising galas, birthday celebrations and dinner and cocktail parties for clients in CT, NY and New Jersey. His services also include floral design and custom table linens designs and fabrication.

Event: Open Studio, Suite 3
Saturday, November 10; 10 am to 3 pm

An Event Decorator's open studio, a curated art exhibit, past event presentation and a small inventory of seasonal items for purchase.

19d dertbag Atelier

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 21, Bridgeport, CT 06604
Contact: Philip Post
dertbagdesign@gmail.com / dertbag.us

The dertbag atelier is a retail space and studio space for the brand dertbag. Philip Post is a 21 year old self taught artist from Norwalk, CT. He started his brand dertbag in 2007 at age 12. Post came up with the name after a flare up of his Crohn's disease that made it nearly impossible to go to school. Instead, Philip channeled his energy into his art, creating his own world with dertbag. Post has shown his work in Tokyo, Vienna, NYC, and LA. In 2013 Philip opened his 'dertbag atelier' at age 18. He sells his dertbag brand and his father's brand, Frank Foster Post, here. He also works on his personal artwork and music at the atelier. Kanye West was photographed last year wearing one of the dertbag designs.

19e BPT Creates / Magnacon

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 14, Bridgeport, CT 06604
Contact: Rahz Branch
203.395.1395 / Magnacon7@gmail.com

A multifunctional event and creative space for visual artists, performers, and idea makers of all sorts, with a bike repair shop within its dwelling.

Event: The 6 Year Anniversary Celebration of BPT Creates
Saturday, November 9; 9 pm to 2 am

BPT Creates celebrates with live music, DJs, and more.

20 Artist & Craftsman Supply

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.330.0681 / bptct@artistcraftsman.com / artistcraftsman.com

Artist & Craftsman Supply, an employee-owned company, specializes in high-quality art supplies at competitive prices. You'll find everything for painters, illustrators, sculptors, architects, and crafters. We offer discounts for educators and students, kits for classes and bulk ordering. From beginners to professionals, Artist & Craftsman Supply has you covered. 10% off all non-sale items during the Bridgeport Art Trail.

Store Hours: Monday through Friday 9 am to 7 pm; Saturday 10 am to 7 pm; Sunday 11 am to 6 pm.

21 City Lights & Company

City Lights Gallery/City Lights Vintage
Executive Director: Suzanne Kachmar
203.334.7748 / clgallerybpt@gmail.com / citylightsgallery.org
Mailing address: 130 Elm St, Bridgeport CT 06604

City Lights & Company is a nonprofit organization that serves the community through art and is the lead organization of the Bridgeport Art Trail attracting visitors from greater Bridgeport and the region. City Lights is grateful for the hard work and collaboration from all the artists and community partners that have produced the Bridgeport Art Trail for 11 years. Pick up your Art Trail program guide/annual artists' directory at City Lights Gallery and City Lights Vintage. City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail staff can offer info and answer questions.

City Lights Outreach provides opportunities for artistic expression, self-discovery for Bridgeport youth and adults. Among our community partners are ALPHA Community Services, the Ralpolo Taylor Center and several Bridgeport schools. Multi-disciplinary art integration programs nurture pride in cultural heritage and connect art to natural science to foster good stewardship and an enthusiasm to learn and apply knowledge. These programs also offer work opportunities for local artists. City Lights works closely with artists to develop and maintain relevant programs and compensates facilitators with professional wages. For more info about outreach programs in the schools and community, visit www.citylightsgallery.org

21 City Lights Gallery

265 Golden Hill St, Downtown, Bridgeport CT 06604
Gallery Manager: Steve Gerber, who offers full framing services
Regular Gallery Hours: Wednesday-Friday 11:30-5; Thursday open to 7 pm;
Saturday, 12-4
BAT Weekend Gallery Hours:
Thursday, November 8; 11:30 am to 7 pm
Friday, November 9; 11:30 am to 5 pm
Saturday, November 10; 9 am to 4 pm
Sunday, November 11; 11:30 am to 5 pm

Exhibits and programs are free and open to the public and reflect the interests and rich culture of the Park City. Programs and events bring people of diverse backgrounds together to experience art and exchange ideas, and promote our creative community.

Event: City Lights and the Downtown Special Services District host Bridgeport Art Trail Kick-Off and Artists' Party at Read's ArtSpace (#11)
Thursday, November 7; 5:30 to 9:30 pm

City Lights, the Downtown Special Services District, and the artists of Read's ArtSpace (see listing #11) host the Bridgeport Art Trail Kick-Off and Artists' Party. Celebrate and mingle with the Bridgeport art community. Enjoy local art, music, food, and drink. View a sampling of artwork from Bridgeport Art Trail artists while enjoying the *Park City All-Stars*, a musical lineup of local bands and guest artists curated by John Torres of *Color Fields*. Reception fare will include tastings of locally-produced artisanal food and drink. A donation is appreciated.

Event: Artists Teach Exhibit
Friday, November 8; 4 pm to 6:30 pm – Opening reception

The *Artists Teach* exhibit features the work of Bridgeport public school teachers, Bridgeport artists working in the Bridgeport schools, students' artwork and highlights of the Turnaround Arts program. This includes Polaroids taken by Turnaround Arts mentor and celebrated artist Chuck Close of the students at Roosevelt school, one of the first Turnaround Arts schools in the country. Photographs of students who participated in the Turnaround Arts talent show at the White House will also be on view. The Turnaround Arts program was an initiative of the President's Committee on Arts and Humanity during the Obama administration, em-

21 City Lights Gallery

ploying the arts to help turn around struggling schools. This exhibit is designed to give a comprehensive overview of the role the artists and the arts play to enrich the learning process for the entire school community and engage youth by integrating the arts into their school day. The inspiration behind the title is to prove wrong that horribly insulting old saying, "Those who can, do; those who can't, teach". Check out the art in this exhibit featuring work of local artists who are also teaching artists.

Event: The Art of Conversation and Community, PechaKucha - Bridgeport, Storytelling, and the BAT Closing Party, Bijou Theatre (#15)
Sunday, November 10; 6 pm to 9 pm

Join us for the art trail closing oarty at the Bijou Theatre, Pechakucha presentes include; Miggs Burroughs, Morgan Ehst, Pam Einarsen, Iyaba Ibo Mandingo, Janet Luongo, Luciana McClure, Shanna Melton, Monique St. Paul, Will Wang. Topics range from art, architecture, activism, mental health and immigration.

Event: Bridgeport Art Trail Bike Tour 2019
Saturday, November 9; 8:45 am to 4:30 pm

BYOB: Bring Your Own Bike - plus money for lunch, art purchases, and gallery donations

Registration, Coffee & Snacks at City Lights Gallery at 265 Golden Hill Street at 8:45 am, then at 9:15 am depart for the art! Bob Halstead will lead a free bike tour to explore galleries and artists' open studios along the 2019 Bridgeport Art Trail. Stops will include the Arcade Mall, 305 Knowlton Street Studios and Armstrong Gallery, American Fabric Arts Building, Blends Gallery, Housatonic Museum of Art, City Lights Vintage, Victorian Architecture & Restoration of Washington Park, and more! There will be an afternoon stop for lunch at Coyote Flaco Bar & Grill and the bike tour will end at City Lights Gallery at 4:30pm.

Urban Bike Tours of Bridgeport aims to use the bicycle as a means to connect the dots of Bridgeport's history and architecture, highlighting local artists, events, business, activism and the adaptive repurposing of historic buildings. Throughout the year, Bob leads several bike tour adventures across the city with Urban Bike Tours of Bridgeport. Join the Facebook page @Urban Bike Tours of Bridgeport for more details.

Event: Saturday Writers' Group
Saturday, November 9; 2 pm to 4 pm

Bridgeport's Poetry Ambassador Shanna Melton hosts her bimonthly FREE writers' workshop for poets and writers of all levels. She maintains a safe and stimulating atmosphere while facilitating writing exercises for the supportive writers' group. Newcomers welcome. The writers group meets the first 2 Saturdays of every month at City Lights gallery from 2 to 4 pm.

Friday night November 8, Downtown Art Stroll
SavorCity #17 and Pop of Color, #18.

Music Video Screenings at the Bijou, #15
featuring Chris Cavaliere, Fuzz Sangiovanni and Rob Nelson.

Lyrical Voices, a spoken word open mic
created and hosted by
Bridgeport's Poetry Ambassador, Shanna Melton.

There's plenty to eat, hear and see
downtown on Friday night!

**Art of Will Cody at Grill II,
1020 Broad Street, Bridgeport**

City Lights Arts Programming Turnaround Arts:

In 2012, Roosevelt School of Bridgeport was selected as 1 of 8 pilot schools across the nation to participate in a new program initiated under the President's Committee on the Arts & Humanities, coined Turnaround Arts. This program was designed to prove that integrating high quality arts instruction could help turnaround low performing schools. Celebrated artists like YoYo Ma, Elton John, Chuck Close, Jane Fonda, Frank Gehry, Forest Whitaker, Smokey Robinson, Esperanza Spalding, and others have served as artist mentors. At the end of the pilot, the White House hosted the first ever Turnaround Arts Talent Show of which 5 students from Bridgeport Public Schools proudly displayed peer portraits that were created under the direction of Chuck Close, famed photorealist and painter, and Tom Brenner, art instructor at Housatonic Community College. Turnaround Arts has grown both nationally and locally, expanding from just one school in Bridgeport to six: Barnum, Bryant, Hall, Hallen, Roosevelt, and Tisdale Schools. The exhibit at City Lights includes photos from the first White House Talent Show, student portraits, and Polaroids taken by Chuck Close of the 5 participants.

Bridgeport Public Schools:

Bridgeport Public Schools are comprised of over 20,000 students, making it one of the largest school districts in the state. Every school in BPS has a visual arts program, ensuring that all students are exposed to the principles and foundations of art and design. The *Artists Teach* exhibit features artwork of BPS staff and students, demonstrating the talents that lay within our skilled educators and artistic students.

City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail in Bridgeport Schools:

City Lights has played an integral role in exposing Bridgeport students to professional teaching artists and to performance and art forms that reflect the rich cultural diversity of the greater Bridgeport community. During the last academic year, City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail artists reached 1100 Bridgeport students participate in dance, yoga/movement, mask-making, puppet-making, creative writing, interviewing elders, songwriting, collage, printmaking, Native American bead embroidery, percussion, and storytelling. Culminating programs provide performance and exhibit opportunities to recognize students' work and celebrate cultural heritage with the whole school body. Traditional art forms connect to contemporary art forms, integrating current issues, socio-political conditions of race, cultural diversity, the environment/good stewardship. City Lights outreach provides opportunities for artistic expression and self-discovery for Bridgeport youth and adults. Programs nurture pride in cultural heritage and connect art to natural science to foster good stewardship and an enthusiasm to learn and apply knowledge. These programs also offer work opportunities for local artists. City Lights works closely with artists to develop and maintain relevant programs and compensates facilitators with professional wages. For more info about outreach programs in the schools and community, visit citylightsgallery.org

City Lights thanks program sponsors and partners: Fairfield County's Community Foundation, Band Central, Spread Music Now, and The Bridgeport Rotary Club Foundation.

Please support City Lights arts enrichment programs for youth at citylightsgallery.org/donate/

21a City Lights Vintage

265 Golden Hill, Bridgeport CT 06604
203.334.7748 / clgallerybpt@gmail.com
bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/city-lights/

Create your style with vintage clothes, accessories, radios, camera, toys, antiques, collectibles, nostalgic art and housewares - the inventory is always changing. Regular shop hours are: Thursdays 12 to 7 pm, Fridays 12 to 5 pm, and Saturdays 12 to 4 pm. When there is a performance at the neighboring Downtown Cabaret Theatre, the shop will be open until the curtain goes up on the last show.

Event: Shop and Munch

Saturday, November 9; 12 pm to 4 pm
Sunday, November 11; 12 pm to 4 pm

Enjoy a nostalgic shopping experience in downtown Bridgeport. Find pieces that reflect your personal interests and tastes.

22 Downtown Cabaret Theatre

263 Golden Hill Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.576.1634 / mycabaret.org / dtcab.com

The Downtown Cabaret Theatre is a non-profit organization that provides audiences in and around Fairfield County with a wide variety of musical and theatrical entertainment. In a tables-and-chairs-style seated venue and a BYOB and picnic policy, the Downtown Cabaret Theatre provides three distinct stages of entertainment: Main Stage Theatre, Main Stage Concert, and their award-winning professional Children's Theatre.

Visit mycabaret.org for full information about the 2019-20 season featuring: Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat, "Decades" 70's AM Gold, The Body Guard, and Matilda. Among the concert series tribute performances are: a New Year's Eve Review of Elton John hits, and performances featuring the best of Paul McCartney, Carol King, Chicago.

Save the date for the Cabaret Children's Theatre presentation of Rudolph, November 16 – December 29. Everyone's favorite reindeer is here to help Santa save Christmas. He may be a little different, but when a snowstorm threatens to cancel Santa's annual flight, Rudolph with his nose so bright is the only one who can guide Santa's sleigh tonight. It's a classic Christmas tale about friendship, perseverance, and our differences making us special.

Secured parking is available in the second lot on Lyons Terrace across the street from the theatre. There is a security guard and a \$5.00 donation to park.



Pillars of Freedom, Little Liberia by Duvian Montoya, #23.

23 The Mary & Elizabeth Freeman Center

25 Elm Street, Unit 102, Bridgeport CT 06604
203.612.7769 / freemancenterbpt-ct@yahoo.com / freemancenterbpt.com
Executive Director: Maisa L Tisdale

The Mary & Eliza Freeman Center for History and Community, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, owns the Mary & Eliza Freeman Houses (circa 1848), located at 360 & 354 Main Street in Bridgeport. The Freeman Center is creating a national African American historic site consisting of a museum and education center, a research/digital humanities center, and housing. The Center's preservation and restoration plans are designed to act as catalysts to neighborhood revitalization. The Freeman Houses, the last original structures of Little Liberia (circa 1822) - a seafaring community of free people of color - are listed on the National Register of Historic Places for their significance to African Americans and women.

Event: The Art of Richard Patton IV Exhibition

Friday, November 8; 10 am to 9 pm
Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 6 pm
Sunday, November 10; 12 pm to 5 pm

Richard T. Patton IV is a contemporary fine artist and graphic designer. Two of his pieces appear in Reimagining *Little Liberia: Restoration and Reunion*. Born in Bridgeport CT, Richard showed an early interest and talent in drawing that later grew into a career and life as an artist. He holds a BA in Graphic Design from Western Connecticut State University. "After graduation, life led me to painting. My work is spiritual to the point that the act of painting becomes a form of prayer and meditation." Patton's work expresses emotions, feelings, ideas, and beliefs, created through the use of vibrant colors, bold compositions, textures, and patterns. Richard has exhibited his work in solo and group exhibitions throughout Connecticut. He was awarded a grant for his work *Ethiopia* depicting *Little Liberia* and Bridgeport's rich history. His art work is owned by private collectors in the US and abroad. His work is also in public collections, such as Yale New Haven Health Park Avenue Medical Center in Trumbull.

Richard's African, Hispanic, and Native American heritage are also seen throughout his work, along with his roots in abstract expressionism.

24 Collab Exchange

1123 Main Street, Bridgeport CT 06604
collabexchange@gmail.com / collab-exchange.com

A retail hybrid cooperative to launch Bridgeport-based retail brands and encourage small business growth, business development, and promote entrepreneurship. Collab members include jewelry makers, fashion and accessory designers.

25 Blends Gallery

1163 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604
203.613.7307 / blendsgallery@gmail.com / facebook.com/blendsgallery

Premier Contemporary Urban Art Gallery and arts programming exhibit space.

26 Park City Designs & The Archive

118 Congress Street, Bridgeport CT 06604
617.699.3190 / joe@parkcitydesigns.com / parkcitydesigns.com

A collection of custom furniture, local sculptures, and vintage records. Park City Designs creates one-of-a-kind furniture and provides original art to their clientele. Using reclaimed materials, our designers will custom-craft furniture, lighting, and home decor to fit our clients' needs.

East End

27 305 Knowlton Street & Armstrong Gallery

305 Knowlton Street, Bridgeport, CT 06608
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305 Knowlton Street was once home to the Armstrong Manufacturing Company, a well-known tool and die manufacturer in the 1800s, and little-known creator of a technologically advanced prototype "horseless carriage" built in 1895. The building is located on the Pequonnock River estuary in the Washington Park Historic District on Bridgeport's East Side. Once referred to as "Pembroke City", it is an area rich with some of the finest examples of nineteenth century residential architecture in the country, largely due to PT Barnum and William Noble, who invested heavily in its development.

Today, 305 Knowlton houses a fresh mix of new innovators including small businesses, artists, and an art gallery. This repurposed factory building provides three floors of working studio spaces. 305 Knowlton's diverse community includes artistic talent in painting, drawing, photography, and sculpture. The Armstrong Gallery is a large, privately-run art space on the main floor with monthly shows, artist talks, live performances, and other events that contribute to our cultural vibrancy. There is plenty of off-street parking in the adjacent lot.

The 305 Knowlton artists and businesses maintain a close connection with our local Bridgeport neighborhoods and friends, and we often support or produce our own art programs, exhibits, and workshops in the Armstrong Gallery or the spacious BoatHouse and Dock. Contact Sandy Terebesi for more info at 203-338-9796 about renting studios or event space.

Visitors to 305 Knowlton may purchase raffle tickets for two great prizes:

Professional photographer's tripod

A photography session offered by 305's Davinci Photographic Services, LLC, under the direction of Ivan Lopez

Event: Open Studios

Saturday, November 9; 11 am to 6 pm
Sunday, November 10; 12 pm to 5 pm

Meet the artists, see the work, talk the talk! Tour three floors of open studios including our beautiful Armstrong Gallery (downstairs) where you can view and purchase art, including watercolor, acrylic and oil paintings, sculpture, photography, airbrush works, and more. Plenty of free parking available in our new, big off-street parking lot, located on the Pequonnock River.

Event: East End Variations, Armstrong Gallery, first floor

Saturday, November 9; 11 am to 6 pm
Sunday, November 10; 12 pm to 5 pm

Join the artists of 305 Knowlton for the annual Art Trail members' exhibit

Regular Gallery hours: daily from 12 pm to 5 pm

Event: Basket Weaving, Armstrong Gallery

Saturday, November 9; 12 pm and 2 pm

William Heyne is a primitive survival skills and nature awareness teacher. He is currently a mentor at the Two Coyotes School in Newtown CT, where he focuses on connecting students back with nature. He will be holding two free demonstrations on primitive basket weaving. You will see how to assemble a basket from several different raw materials, using 4-5 different techniques.

Event: Sound Bath Meditation and Chakra Cleansing

Saturday, November 9; 5 pm

Crystal sound bath meditation can help to clear and align your chakras. Your chakras affect your health, energy, moods and flow. Explore each chakra through sound bathing and meditation. Join us for this healing chakra experience. Free

Event: 305 Photo Blitz

Sunday, November 10; 12 pm to 5 pm

Bring your cameras and your love of photography. 305 is the perfect backdrop for beginners and pros. Instagram influencer dream location. We will have styled sets and models available throughout the building. 305 is a beautiful industrial chic building that's a photographers dream. Great for student photographers to build their portfolios and for pros to add to theirs. Free

Saturday, November 9, 11 am to 6 pm

Sunday, November 10, 12 to 5 pm, Art Trail post-party 6:30 to 10 pm.

This rustic arts and events space is at the rear of the 305 Knowlton St building and situated on the edge of the Pequonnock River. The environs are a perfect setting for a unique creative experience.

Thank you to the folks at 305 for welcoming local artists to present a diverse art fair and performances.

27a The Boathouse at 305 Knowlton Street

Event: The Bridgeport Portrait Project, The Boathouse at 305 Knowlton Street

203.268.8306 / misencik.images@gmail.com / misencik-images.com

Saturday, November 9; 11 am to 6 pm

Sunday, November 10; 12 to 5 pm

The Bridgeport Portrait Project is a photo/audio/video documentary style, cultural heritage project that introduces you to the people who are Bridgeport. Jay Misencik and Geralene Valentine will show slideshow videos from their ongoing Bridgeport Portrait Project and other Bridgeport-based photo projects they have produced. The Bridgeport Portrait Project is a documentary-style cultural heritage project that will introduce you to people who make the City of Bridgeport much more than just a place. Jay and Geralene invite you to come share your memories of Bridgeport and volunteer to be included in their project.

28 Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County

391 East Washington Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06608

203.366.3300, ext 228 / nstudios.org

Executive Director: Frank Dericco

Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County is a community school of the arts open to children and adults. Neighborhood Studios believes art education enhances cognitive and social development in children, thereby increasing their chances for success in all areas of learning. While some program participants and graduates have pursued careers in the arts, it is not our purpose to produce professional visual artists, dancers, actors or musicians. Our goal is to provide educationally creative experiences in a supportive, structured environment where participants will thrive.



Storytelling closing party, Sunday, November 10, 6-9:00 pm, Bijou Theatre, #15.

29 The Klein Memorial Auditorium

910 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605
Executive Director: Laurence Caso
800.424.0160 / info@theklein.org / theklein.org

A 1,447-seat performing arts center serving the greater Bridgeport region with the mission to “enrich, educate and entertain through arts and ideas”. In addition to hosting several civic events each year, The Klein presents entertainment shows ranging from rock, blues, reggae, jazz, R&B and classical music, to ballet, comedy, plays and opera. It is home to six resident performing companies and also operates Klein Theatre Arts, an arts education program for Bridgeport middle and high school students. Box office is open weekdays from 10 am to 4 pm. Tickets and information can also be obtained through our website: theklein.org. Ample parking is available in the Klein lot across the street from the theater. Handicapped parking spaces are available adjacent to the building.

Event: Voices: A Show of Unity with Trombone Shorty & Orleans Avenue hosted by Paul Shaffer

Saturday, November 9; Doors open at 7:30 pm, Show starts at 8:00 pm

An evening of laughter, music, and storytelling with Trombone Shorty, a musician, producer, actor, and philanthropist from New Orleans. The event is a benefit for the Anti-Defamation League CT.

29a Greater Bridgeport Symphony

446 University Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604
Executive Director: Mark R. Halstead, Artistic Director: Eric Jacobsen
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The Greater Bridgeport Symphony's season performances take place at the Klein Memorial Theatre.

Save the date for the Greater Bridgeport Symphony's Holiday Concert on Saturday December 21, 2019. The GBS Holiday Concert will include selections from the Beethoven Christmas Oratorio, Vivaldi's Winter and Summer from The Four Seasons, Kirke Mechem's Seven Joys of Christmas, and a great selection of holiday favorites to warm the heart. Tickets \$59-\$49-\$39-\$29-\$15. Special rates for families and students are available by calling GBS at 203.576.0263. Ask about the availability of the family of 5 package for \$55.50 (ticketing charges and restrictions apply). Spring concerts March 14 and April 18, 2020. Three-concert subscriptions available at 15% discount!

Event: The Lark Video

Friday, November 8; 7:30 pm

Don't miss Greater Bridgeport Symphony's exquisite music video, The Lark, performed in the shuttered Palace Theatre, screened at the Bijou Theatre, a feature of the Music Video Showcase (see #15)



West Side

30 NEST Arts Factory

1720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605
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The NEST Arts Factory is a community of artists and musicians working in a wide variety of media in a re-imagined factory building on the west side of Bridgeport, Connecticut. In early 2020, the NEST community will be moving into a larger, stand alone building in the South End of Bridgeport. This move will open up the community to more artists, and include a much larger 1,250 square foot gallery. Consider joining this vibrant and diverse artist community. Visit nestartsfactory.com/apply for studio applications. With this impending change comes the need to “lighten the load” for the move. Many NEST artists will be offering first-caliber artworks for sale at moderate prices during the Art Trail. This is a rare opportunity to expand your art collection or find the perfect gift for the holidays.

In addition to participating in the annual Bridgeport Art Trail, the nearly three dozen artists and musicians of the NEST Arts Factory host Open Studios events for the public 6 times per year. NEST artists work in a wide variety of media from painting, drawing, and sculpture to ceramics, fiber, and jewelry, and are delighted to share their work and explain their inspiration and process. NEST musicians play in an array of genres including acoustic folk, latin, alternative rock, and reggae. Located in the heart of the NEST, the NEST Arts Factory Gallery hosts 6 art exhibitions a year, a mix of invitational and juried exhibits, showcasing national, regional, and local established and emerging artists. Open space within the NEST allow both performing and visual artists to share their work with the community. Ample onsite and street parking is available for all events.

Nest artists and musicians will have their studios open all weekend and welcome visitors to stop by, ask questions, talk about the classics and new trends, learn something new, see and hear dynamic new artwork being made and performed, and much more.

Event: Open Studios

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Meet the artists of the NEST Arts Factory. Tour the open studios, listen to musicians, enjoy a gallery show, and see a variety of demonstrations. Art on view and for sale includes acrylic and oil painting, sculpture, drawings, collage, jewelry, ceramics, mixed-media, fiber, decorative painting, and much more.

Event: 10 x 10 Art Exhibit in the NEST Gallery

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Celebrate and support the arts in Bridgeport with the annual NEST Arts Factory fundraiser. All works are 10” square and all are \$100 each. Start or add to your art collection! This is a fantastic opportunity to purchase work that is worth well more than \$100 while helping both the exhibiting artists and the NEST Arts Factory during this unique fundraiser. Come early for the best selection!

Event: NEST Associate Member Exhibit in the Passageway Gallery

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

Work by the Associate Members of the NEST is on view and for sale. Media includes painting, watercolor, photography, fiber, and mixed media art. For information about becoming an associate member, visit nestartsfactory.com

**Music video screening at the Bijou, #15
Friday, November 8, Shenetta Walker pictured at left.
Photo by Darius Kanarek**



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30 NEST Arts Factory

Event: Live at the NEST moveable concert with Rick Reyes

Saturday, November 9; 2 pm to 4 pm

Join songwriter and musician Rick Reyes and his small band for a unique experience as they wander the NEST and play new and old favorite songs in the studio spaces. The acoustics of the high-ceilinged spaces, and vibrant and varied artwork displayed in the studio adds original flavor to this one-of-a-kind, meandering concert.

Event: Art Brunch

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 12 pm

A fabulous way to start the day on Sunday – art and food! Join us for a delicious artist brunch. Hang out with the artists of the NEST Arts Factory and discuss art, life, creativity, and more while sampling tasty treats in a classic art salon style gathering. \$5 suggested donation per person.

Event: Acoustic Guitar with John Cloonan

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 12 pm

Enjoy the sounds of the big band era and classic rock and roll with John Cloonan and vocalist Dawn Ricciardi live during the brunch at the NEST on Sunday morning.

Event: NEST Gift Shop

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

The NEST Gift Shop is the perfect place to pick up notecards, calendars, fine art and reproduction prints, small paintings and sculptures, scarves, t-shirts, jewelry, furniture, home décor accessories, and more from your favorite NEST Arts Factory artists. Plus find a full range of local Red Bee Honey products and NEST branded merchandise like mugs and tote bags.

Event: Alicia C Cobb Live Painting Demonstrations, Studio #1

Saturday, November 9; 12 pm to 4 pm – Live Body Painting

Sunday, November 10; 12 pm to 3 pm – Live Canvas Painting

Raffle of fine body art prints (\$250 value) with all proceeds to benefit the NEST Arts Factory. Prints and small works available for sale both days.

Art Studios Music Studios Art Gallery Gift Shop Event Space

**Visit NEST Arts Factory
during one of 7 annual
Open Studios events**

**Book NEST Arts Factory
for your next art event**

Event: Kristin Merrill Studio Sale, Studio #18

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

20% off necklaces including original pieces that combine precious gems, pearls, and metals with found objects. One-of-a-kind sterling silver necklaces are also included in the sale. Visit kristinmerrill.com for a preview of her work.

Event: Jane Davila Annual Studio Sale, Studio #30

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

A selection of original fine art, hand block-printed pillows and purses, collage jewelry, scarves, and more are offered at once-a-year discounted prices. When you visit, sign up for a surface design or printmaking studio workshop or for the artists' mentorship group. Preview online at janedavila.com

Event: The Art of Honey – A Sensory Tasting Experience

Saturday, November 9; 2 pm to 2:30 pm

Did you know that honey can look and taste differently depending on the types of flowers a honeybee visits? Marina Marchese of Red Bee Honey will guide a honey tasting, where guests will taste 5 different honeys and learn how to match the flavors to the flowers they were made from. \$5 suggested donation to benefit the NEST Arts Factory. Marina is also exhibiting her foraged nature curio boxes from her new series *Saving Endangered Nature*.

Event: Art Trail Postcard Project

Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm

The artists of Bridgeport have created original works of art as the perfect souvenir of the Art Trail experience! All work is 4” x 6” and just \$30 each. All proceeds benefit City Lights arts education programs and next year's Art Trail. Show your support and get a great little piece of art!

Sculpture honoring Gustave Whitehead

On the corner of Fairfield Avenue and State Street on the West Side of Bridgeport is an elegant over-sized whirly-gig honoring Bridgeport's pioneer in flight, Gustave Whitehead. Experts claim Whitehead's flying machine was airborne 2 years before the Wright brothers', flying higher and longer. The aluminum scale-replica sculpture, created by Russell Bledsoe, can be found near the NEST Arts Factory on Fairfield Avenue. One of Whitehead's flights took place near the site of this sculpture.

30a Black Rock Galleries and Design Center

1720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605
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Event: Open Showroom

Thursday, November 7; 10 am to 5 pm
Friday, November 8; 10 am to 5 pm
Saturday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm

With over 20 years experience in the industry and an amazing one-stop 53,000+ square foot gallery showroom, Black Rock Galleries is the area's preeminent source for quality fine and decorative art, antiques, unique home furnishings, and accessories at excellent and fair price points. The business is based on a passion for scouting hidden, forgotten, and newer treasures and offering them with honesty and integrity. BRG specializes in the auction, appraisal, and resale (through online estate auctions and consignment) of antique and contemporary works of fine art from world renowned and local artists, quality vintage and contemporary home furnishings, and home décor items. Come explore the treasures that Black Rock Galleries offers.

31 Mongers Market

1155 Railroad Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605
203-326-0904 / info@mongers-market.com / mongers-market.com
Mongers Market on Facebook and @mongersmarketusa on Instagram
Business Hours: Sundays 10 am - 4 pm

A palatial 75,000-square-foot market filled with antique, vintage, and salvaged objects from a collection of mongers (aka dealers). Items are uniquely displayed and you'll discover authentic, reclaimed inventory including doors, windows, light fixtures, lumber, furniture, architectural elements, wrought iron, sinks, lockers, bins, fireplace mantels, machine legs, shutters, etc. The inventory is ever changing and new pieces are brought in weekly.

Mongers Market will get your creative juices flowing and very likely inspire DIY projects for your home, workspace or gardens. Use an antique door for a headboard, or bowling alley lanes for a table top, or reclaimed wood for a shelf. Buying salvaged and reclaimed materials helps our environment by keeping usable artifacts out of our landfills.

Come on in to shop or rent a booth to sell with like-minded mongers/dealers. Free parking on premises.

**Mongers Market is open Sundays.
It's worth a visit.
Tour the sprawling space of
reclaimed and vintage inventory.**

Black Rock

32 Framemakers Framing & Gallery

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Director: Maureen Buckley

Custom frame shop and gallery with monthly rotating original works in oils, acrylics, watercolors, and sculpture.

Event: Remembering Peter Konsterlie Exhibit

Thursday, November 7; 8:30 am to 5 pm
Friday, November 8; 8:30 am to 5 pm
Saturday, November 9; 8:30 am to 5 pm

An art exhibit of works by the well respected and loved artist and instructor at the University of Bridgeport.

33 The Studio at Mack and Ro

3002 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605
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A brand new art studio, gallery and event space in the heart of Black Rock, Connecticut. Featuring original works by Jen Scully, The Studio serves as a local hub for emerging art, design and business by hosting artist workshops, pop-ups, and panels for the community. The space is also available to rent for private events. Open by appointment only.

34 Pious Bird of Good Omen

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New location! The Pious Bird of Good Omen is a boutique specializing in "Curated Objects for Home" - an eclectic collection of vintage furniture & accessories as well as a selection of artisanal objects from Connecticut artists. We believe in the finely crafted objects of today as well as yesterday. We proudly support the local arts and regularly feature exhibits from local visual artists.

Store hours Tuesday through Friday; 11 am to 5 pm, Saturday; 12 pm to 5 pm, alternate Sundays; 12 pm to 4 pm (see Pious Bird website for specific dates), closed Mondays.

35 Source Coffeehouse

2889 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605
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The cutest coffee shop in Black Rock, made the Best of CT list for Connecticut Magazine. "Sharing coffee is how we love our neighbors. We're completely committed to excellence in the art of coffee, tea, and food." Sourcing high quality ingredients, locally whenever possible, they treat coffee as a science and an art carefully curating a selection of simple, wholesome, tasty food and beverage and regularly visiting their coffee roaster, Passenger Coffee, in Lancaster PA.

Event: Bridgeport Art Trail Sampler

Thursday, November 7; 7 am to 6 pm
Friday, November 8; 7 am to 6 pm
Saturday, November 9; 7 am to 6 pm
Sunday, November 10; 8 am to 6 pm

Source Coffeehouse proudly hosts a Bridgeport Art Trail Sampler exhibit. Grab a cup of fresh local coffee and view the art here before hitting the Trail for the day.

36 Harborview Market

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View the art of Daniele Julius and Marc Alvarez while treating yourself to fresh and delicious homemade-style breakfast or lunch, gourmet coffee, freshly baked croissants, cookies, and muffins at Harborview Market. Owned by the Torres family for over 20 years, the neighborhood eatery is the family-friendly hub of Black Rock.

A popular catering service, they also specialize in breakfast and lunch delicacies and are loved around Connecticut for their buttery croissants and "best in state" chocolate chip cookies. Each month we feature local artists' work on our walls. In November, stop by on Saturday and Sunday for a free cookie with the secret password "Bridgeport Art".

Event: Artists Teach-2 Exhibit

Thursday, November 7; 6 am to 5 pm
Friday, November 8; 6 am to 5 pm
Saturday, November 9; 6 am to 4 pm
Sunday, November 10; 6:30 am to 2 pm

An art exhibit featuring the figurative paintings of Bridgeport Public School art teacher, Danielle Julius.

37 Black Rock Art Guild

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Founded in 2013, Black Rock Art Guild (BRAG) is a not-for-profit organization that welcomes all artists of any medium, poets, writers, actors, sculptors, and photographers to join its diverse group of talented members. Our active membership of 75 prides itself in creating a sense of community among the artistic and cultural organizations in Black Rock and the surrounding areas. We meet monthly, and yearly dues are \$10.

Event: BRAG Members' Art Show

Friday, November 8; 5:30 pm to 8 pm
Performing Artists Creative Review from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm

Over 30 members of the Black Rock Art Guild will be exhibiting work in a variety of media at the Burroughs Center, 2470 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport. The exhibit runs from November 3 to December 28. Also on view and for sale is a Tiny Art Show of works 5" x 7", with proceeds benefiting the Fairweather Yacht Club and the Burroughs Center. Light refreshments will be served, free and open to the public. Burroughs Center regular hours are Monday to Friday 9 am to 6 pm.



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North End Bridgeport

38 Connecticut's Beardsley Park Zoo

1875 Noble Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06610
203.394.6565 / beardsleyzoo.org

Enjoy the artwork of Mother Nature exhibited in her animals at Connecticut's only zoo. Beardsley Park Zoo has been in operation for 96th years. The Zoo features 300 animals, representing primarily North and South American species and some Asian species: Amur (Siberian) tigers, Amur leopards, Brazilian ocelots; Red and Mexican wolves; Golden Lion tamarins, and Red pandas. Highlights include a South American rainforest with free-flight aviary, the prairie dog exhibit with "pop-up" viewing areas, the New England Farmyard, plus the hoofstock trail featuring bison, pronghorn, deer, and more. Visitors can grab a bite at the Peacock Cafe, eat in the Picnic Grove, and enjoy a ride on the colorful, fully-restored carousel rescued from Pleasure Beach.

39 The Discovery Museum and Planetarium

Event: The Art of Cris Dam

Thursday, November 8; 10 am to 5 pm
Friday, November 9; 10 am to 5 pm
Saturday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm
Sunday, November 11; 10 am to 5 pm

The art of Cris Dam lights up the walls at the Discovery Museum as we host our annual Gala and showcase our brand new Digistar Planetarium. City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail and the Discovery Museum have initiated a partnership to feature local artists in our second floor gallery space.

Cris Dam co-founded Dam Stuhltrager in Williamsburg, Brooklyn, in 1998 and was an early gallerist who helped propel that neighborhood into an international art mecca. Cris now maintains his working studio in the Arcade Mall in downtown Bridgeport. His work will be on view in the community exhibit space on the second floor of the Discovery Museum until late December. His unique choice of materials projects a sense of idiosyncratic personality and locomotion to the common lightbulb by incorporating the illuminated spheres into his compositions. He actually paints his paintings while the lightbulbs in the compositions are on to better see the effects of the light on the paintings. He has created site specific work for this exhibit.

His works echo the quality of illumination of moons and stars in the night sky, thus creating companion pieces that echo the installation of the Discovery Museum's recently installed, state-of-the-art, high-resolution, full-dome Digistar planetarium system.

The lightbulb motif also relates to the mission of the Discovery Museum of Science and Innovation and the vision of the current executive director, Bill Finch, who commissioned a sculpture of Lewis Latimer, the inventor who lived in the South End of Bridgeport who perfected the filament that was used in the patent for the Thomas Edison lightbulb.

To see the work of Cris Dam or support the Gala at the Discovery Museum, visit discoverymuseum.org

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Digistar planetarium
at the Discovery Museum, #39**
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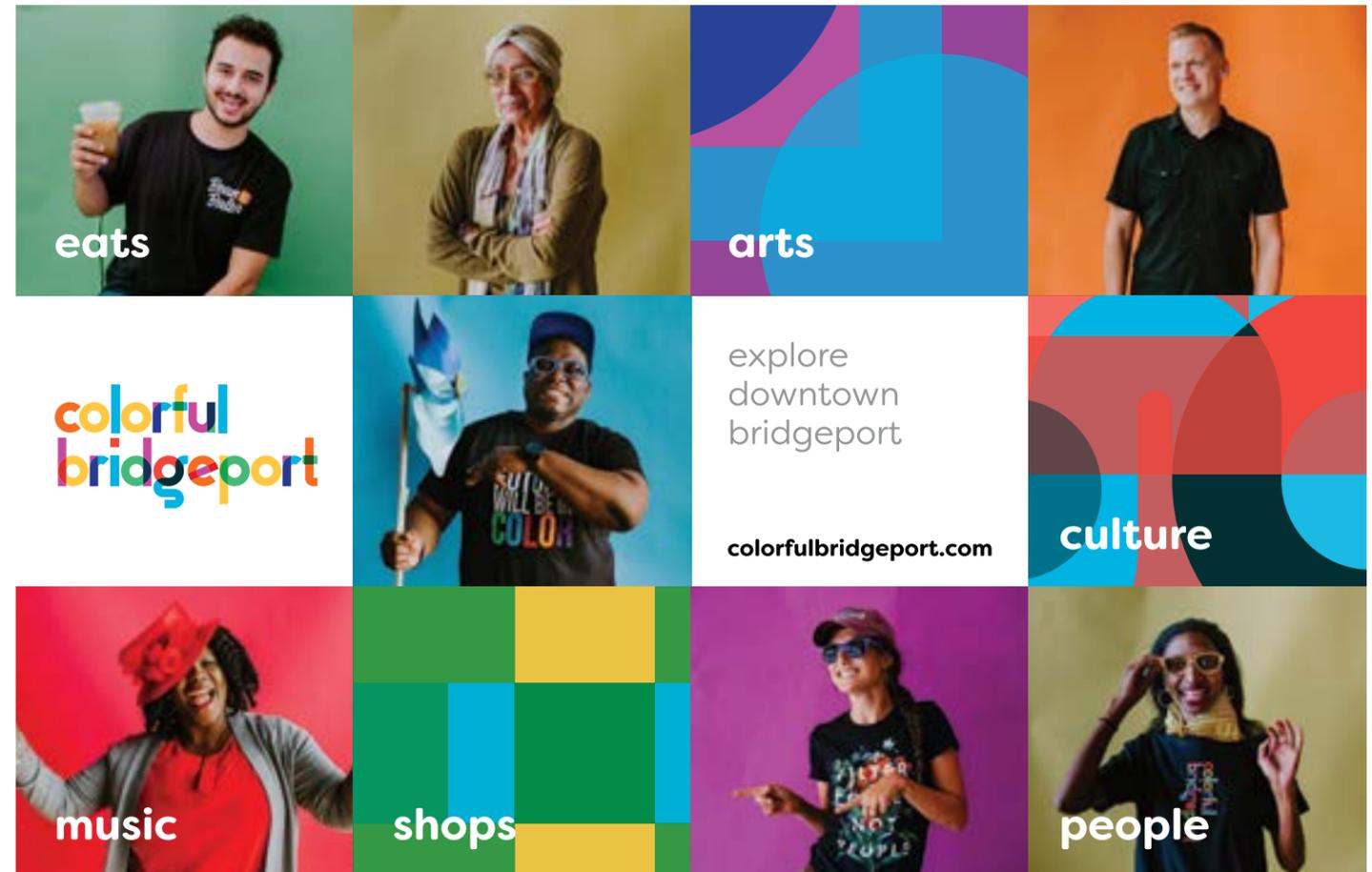
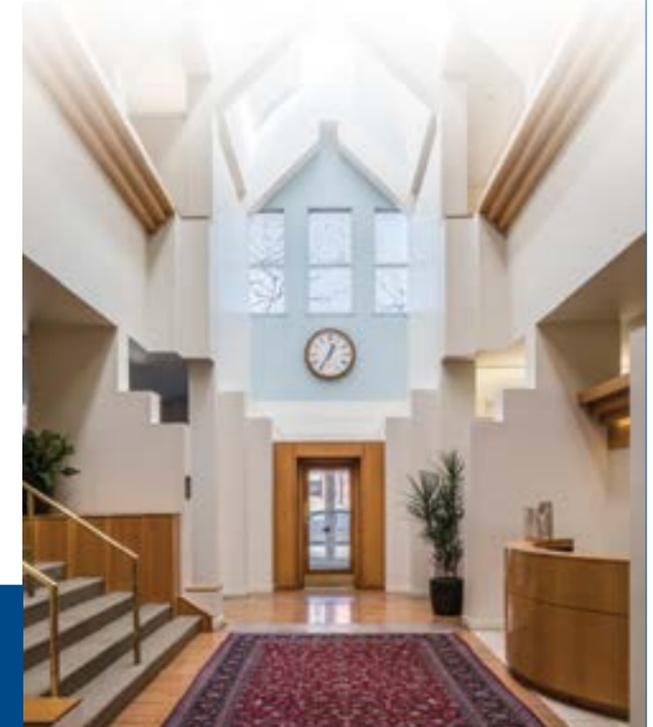
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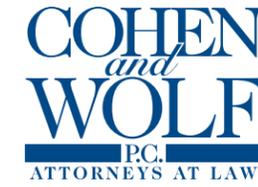
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