



THE OFFICIAL GUIDE

UPSTATE ART WEEKEND

Welcome to **The Guide**

What started as “a way to connect the dots” as founder Helen Toomer’s catch-phrase aptly relays, Upstate Art Weekend has become an essential summer art experience in the jet-set calendar, taking place this year from

July 21-24



EXPLORE UP THE HUDSON!

With nearly 130 participants in the 3rd edition, Upstate Art Weekend connects all points north up the Hudson River, a prime selection of art spaces, projects, operations, nonprofits and institutions that reveal just why this region has been so uniquely special and inspiring to artists.

Upstate Art Weekend has always been about and for the people who make, love, and support art and artists in the many ways that can take shape. The region is large, and the projects are aplenty, so in these pages, we’ve laid out a few ways to orient yourself for this year’s edition...by theme! Don’t forget we have [this handy map](#) with all locations in view and peep our [Journeys](#) for suggested itineraries.

Check our [Program](#) page for hours and websites (or just click each title name), and we’ve called out the special events (and links when you need to RSVP). All addresses lead to directions, too! See art, meet artists, make friends: that’s what **Upstate Art Weekend** is all about.

—Julie Baumgardner, the editor



WELCOME *THE NEW CLASS OF '23*

There's a first time for everything, even UPAW

Strange Untried

329 Ashokan Rd, Kingston, NY

As the name suggests, Strange Untried is knocking at something new. Debuting during UPAW, this space for "collaborative projects, pop-up exhibitions and artist's publications" will open with a group show, "Appearances," from six artists working in the Hudson Valley, including **Jesse Bransford** and **Adie Russell**. The space is also only a few minutes away from UPAW HQ **Stoneleaf Retreat**.

N/A Project Space

137 Martin Sweedish Rd, New Paltz

Not only is N/A Project Space new to UPAW, it's inaugural exhibition debuts during our Weekend—with a group show called "The Other Side." Curated by **Melinda Wang**, the artists **Ai Campbell**, **Elodie Blanchard**, **Kate Rusek**, **Sonjie Solomon** and N/A founder, **Natalie Adnot**, all are finding ways to push through an obstacle in this exhibition of sculpture, installation and painting.

UAP | Urban Art Projects

453 NY-17K, Rock Tavern, NY

Tour: Friday, July 21st at 1-4pm
(RSVP required)

The finest name in fabrication—UAP—acquired the **Polich Tallix Foundry** in 2019, and now timed to Upstate Art Weekend, unveils its new workshop inside the football-field-sized facility long home to Polich Tallix, a long best kept secret of the Hudson Valley.

On Friday the 21st at 1-4pm, join for a tour to scope the site as well as a sneak peak of major public works soon to go out the door.



Guertin's Graphics

44 Read Rd. Red Hook, NY

Opening: July 22nd 6-9pm

What was once run from a BK apartment, now has transformed into a Red Hook gallery, all still the brainchild of artist **Heather Guertin** (who shows with JDJ in Garrison). On Saturday the 22nd, Guertin's Graphics opens a show of **Zak Kitnick's** "Backgammon" series.



Kitty's Backyard

60 S Front St, Hudson, NY

Performance: July 22nd, 3-4pm

Kitty's Backyard Sculpture Garden debuts with a curated exhibition from **Justin Cooper**. On Saturday the 22nd, a special performance by **Ross Moreno** happens alongside a big group show that includes **CJ Matherne**, **Jason Middlebrook**, **Alta Buden** and **Andrea McGinty**.



EN PLEIN AIR

Nature calls in the Hudson Valley. Art responds. The region is home to unique **outdoor sculpture** and **installations**—from monumental to meditative—all which engage with the landscape and built-environment in ways that could only be here.

Sunfair Farm

210 Cold Spring Rd, Hudson

Tucked in the rolling farm fields of Hudson is Sun Fair, where the working farm serves too as a sculpture garden where on view are works by **Serban Ionescu**, **Matt Wedel**, **David Hicks**, **Peter Voulkos**, **Jake Clark**, and **Waylande Gregory**, among others.

The Barn on Berme

1250 Berme Rd, Kerhonkson, NY

Manju Shandler's art barn filled with intention and inquiry brings five visual artists, a DJ, and a sound artist to create their own solo exhibition on the walls inside and outside of the barn. The weekend brims with collab-activities from drawing to sound baths.



Inness x Olaf Breuning

Smoke Performance
July 22 3:30pm



Storm King Art Center

1 Museum Rd, New Windsor, NY

Special Events throughout the weekend; check the link above.

This 500-acre sculpture park is the OG for a reason: For the 2023-season is new work by **Beatriz Cortez**, **Ugo Rondinone**, and **RA Walden**, who presents a site-specific installation of the six most common elements on earth. The 21st evening is **Food Trucks Friday**, so grab a blanket, some friends & fam, and engage all the human senses.

Art Omi

1405 Co Rte 22, Ghent, NY

Friday, July 21, 6-8 PM: Hudson Valley Intertribal Noise Symposium

Reflective of the radical Hudson Valley, Art Omi flexes during UPAW with artist **Nathan Young's** curated evening of sound artists on Friday the 21st. Those tapped to "create and destroy sound worlds and embody Indigenous sonic agency" include **Raven Chacon**, **Kite**, **Robbie Wing**, among others. Omi, too, is supporting **Pippa Garner** with "\$ELL YOUR \$ELF," her first New York institutional solo exhibition.





LA VIDA LOCAL

Local doesn't mean simple, or worse: boring. Around upstate, there's space to do whatever however. It's a place for the arts to experiment and innovate. Below a few fine examples that couldn't exist anywhere else...

David Rockefeller Creative Arts Center (debut), 200 Lake Rd, Tarrytown, NY

Much-anticipated and recently unveiling its first exhibition is the DR Center, the former *Orangerie* of the legendary Rockefeller **Kykuit** estate. Now known as **Pocantico**, this inaugural show "Inspired Encounters: Women Artists and the Legacies of Modern Art," contemporary artists dialogue with a dozen women Modernists in the family's permanent collection. **Sonya Clark, Maren Hassinger, Elana Herzog, Melissa Meyer, Fanny Sanín, Barbara Takenaga, and Kay WalkingStick** respond to the museum and grounds at Pocantico with artwork for the exhibition.

The Hudson Eye

The river city's art space to reflect itself.

Wassaic Project

37 Furnace Bank Rd, Wassaic, NY

We're gonna say it: independent artist-run activity upstate wouldn't be where it is without the Wassaic Project. This residency/project space in a former-granary offered a model for the region, and it continues to deepen and dazzle: "Counting the Seconds Between Lightning and Thunder" is the 2023 group exhibition, curated by **Eve Biddle, Bowie Zunino, Jeff Barnett-Winsby** and **Will Hutnick**, featuring 40 artists throughout all 7 floors.

Seligmann Center

25 White Oak Dr, Sugar Loaf, NY

Who knew that Swiss Surrealist **Kurt Seligmann** found refuge in Sugar Loaf? Well, now you do! The center lives in Seligmann's former studio, and for the summer season, the exhibition "Beyond The Quotidian" reveals a deeper look into the artist, as well as collaborative works made on site with **Marcel Duchamp** and **Andre Breton**. There's also a sculpture-dotted Art Trail on the property.

CHANGING NORMS

Championing the many faces of up the Hudson

Foxtrot Farm & Flowers

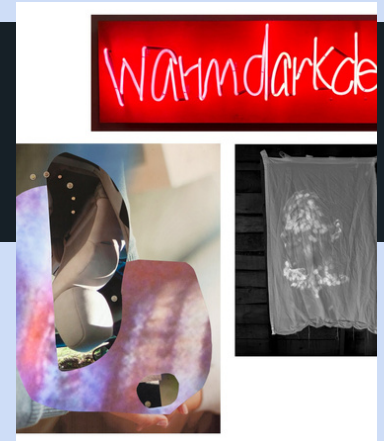
6862 NY-82, Stanfordville, NY

Foxtrot Farm & Flowers proudly presents **Charlotte Woolf's** *Expanding Agriculture*, an exhibition featuring recent photographs from Woolf's ongoing series, *Women in Agriculture*. Woolf has photographed sustainable farms on and off since 2011, subverting the image of traditional farmers by collaborating with women, BIPOC, and LGBTQ+ people who are breaking societally constructed gender roles and the monolith of factory farming.

Susan Eley Fine Art

433 Warren St, Hudson, NY 12534

Opening: Saturday July 22 6-8pm
The gallery itself is a woman-owned small business supporting women-identified and BIPOC artists. For the summer show, SEFA Hudson has placed **Fumiko Toda** and **Eunju Kang** into conversation with one another. Kang, who hails from Korea, favors large-scale watercolor paintings on paper of the natural world; while Toda, from the countryside of Japan, obsessively rendered intricate details of the natural world.



STONELEAF

838 Ashokan Rd, Eddyville, NY

STONELEAF Retreat, the HQ of **UPAW** and **Helen Toomer's** artiverse, was founded on the idea of giving great artists a space to work in nature. Who those artists are—the greats of tomorrow (and today)—are diverse in every aspect.

They've also left their imprint on the multi-dwelling compound. STONELEAF for UPAW opens the studios of artists-in-residence: **Lizania Cruz, Nene Aïssatou Diallo** and **Cheryl Mukerji**.

In-situ works by alums: **Liz Collins, Lizania Cruz, Joy Curtis, Moko Fukuyama, Macon Reed** and **Rebecca Reeve**.

Registration is required.
RSVP here to join!

Museum for

Contemporary Artists

Wappingers Falls, NY

A prime chance to delve into a museum made for and by an artist. Founder artist **Yvonne Shortt** asked herself and artists **Richard West, Rebecca West, Suzanne Bybee, Daria Dorosh,** and **Joel Esquite** to reimagine what a museum could be when free from hierarchy, patriarchy, etc.

NOISE FOR NOW

The Colony, 22 Rock City Rd, Woodstock, NY

Sunday, July 23, 7pm ([Tickets](#))
A special benefit concert will take place in conjunction with the art sale at **The Colony** in Woodstock, NY. Proceeds will support The New York Abortion Access Fund. Performances by **Amanda Palmer, Daniel Rossen of Grizzly Bear, Holly Miranda** and more.



GALLERIES

*Upstate isn't only the land of the experimental;
the professional global art world works here too.*

Geary

34 Main St, Millerton, NY

NYC Downtown outfit Geary opened in Millerton the first year of UPAW, and the gallery has since blended its roster with upstate artists for meaningful, adventurous shows. For summer, "Who's To Say I Am Awake; Are You?" asks the question about the state of consciousness today. What is currently rising to visibility from our unconscious minds? 19 artists explore the conscious and unconscious mind, things we see and don't see, what we hide and what we show the world. Featuring: **Mark Joshua Epstein**, **Re Institute's Henry Klimowicz**, and **Azikiwe Mohammed**.



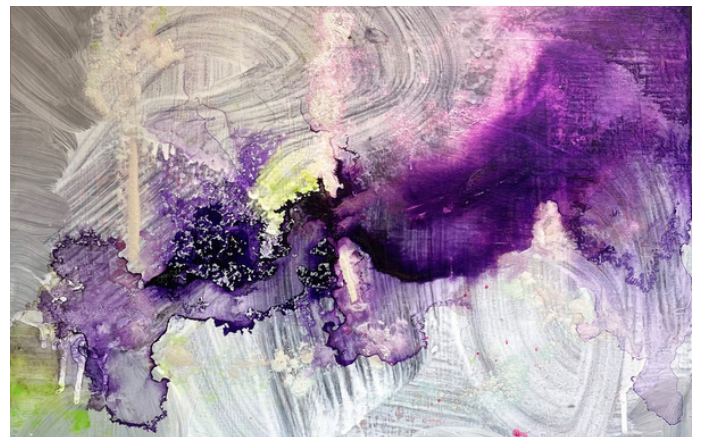
Sharon Horvath and Susie Bellamy

1053 Gallery

Turley Gallery

98 Green St, Hudson, NY

An artist himself, **Ryan Turley** began his eponymous gallery last year in order to ensure artists were fairly engaging in the art business. So far, he's exhibited some thirty artists. For summer, Turley's main gallery space is set with "Threshold," a solo exhibition of work by **Martine Kaczynski**, then **Tohu va-Vohu**, a solo exhibition in The Drawing Room, featuring new dimensional works on panel by **Adam Liam Rose**.



LABSpace

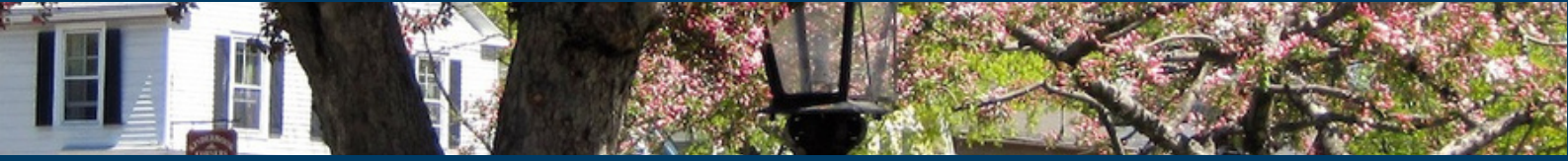
2642 NY-23, Hillsdale, NY

A love letter to the artists of Hillsdale and neighbors in "The Hills Have Eyes," the gallery is giving a tribute to the artists and makers whom founders/artists **Ellen Letcher** and **Julie Torres** tell "have looked out for and watched over us." As they say, it takes a village. And all the work featured in the show was made within miles of the gallery. Includes: **Stuart Farmery**, **Susan Jennings**, **Kim Sloane**.





KINDERHOOK



Three makes a trend (lol) so consider this hamlet the next HV It-Girl



SEPTEMBER

4 Hudson Street, 3rd floor

Kristen Dodge's move to Hudson might've shocked the New York art world a few years back, but when she quietly decamped up to Kinderhook, the change only elicited remarks that now the town has a cluster of great art operations. SEPTEMBER doesn't explicitly show upstate artists, but for this spin, **Ashley Garrett's** second solo exhibition "Ambrosia" with the gallery is an homage to the natural riches of the environment in Upstate NY. "In these paintings I am offering spaces for healing, restoration, and growth," says the painter who lives and works in the region.

25 Broad Street

Perhaps the project that put Kinderhook on the art map was **Jack Shainman's** The School, a kunsthalle-like art space in a disused scholastic building. Opened in 2013, the 30,000 sq. ft. of exhibition space has mounted challenging exhibitions, even some that rouse the local community. Let's see what the neighbors say about **Michael Snow's** prolific polymathic video works (only good things we think).



Bill Arning Exhibitions

17 Broad Street

When **Bill Arning Exhibitions** started in 2019, it was the renowned curator's first commercial gallery—a radical cultural experiment in Kinderhook. An 1812 storefront was chosen to offer quiet, poetic expressions that share space with fearless art. No better to represent the intrepid Upstate spirit than **Jason Middlebrook**, whose large expansive mixed media works capture the majestic aura of this place. The show's called "Small Time," a nod to the 20x16 format, but also perhaps a hint to attitude adjustment needed when you cross the borders.

ALL OF THE LIGHTS

Performance and music abound

Catskill Mountain

Shakespeare

7970 Main St, Lanesville, NY

Outside and under a tent—sounds like a scene from ***As You Like It***, which is indeed the repertoire this summer of Catskill Mountain Shakespeare's 4th Season! The theater organization's mission is to present these classic texts in immersive, natural settings for all audiences to engage. Running July 15–30th.

Hudson Valley

Shakespeare Festival

2015 US-9, Garrison, NY

The magic of Shakespeare makes home in the Hudson Valley, where the river's edge theater is staging a rousing production of ***Henry V***, directed by **Davis McCallum**, and a new take on ***Loves's Labor's Lost*** by **Amanda Dehnert**. Perfectly suited to pack a picnic and a gaggle of companions.



Wave Farm

5662 NY-23, Acra, NY

Special Event: Sat. July 22, 12–6pm

Wave Farm's 29-acre campus in Acra is home to the public **Art Park**, which features 13 site-specific media art installations that reveal what is otherwise unheard or unseen, including ***Solar Radio*** by **Anna Friz** and **Absolute Value of Noise** (seen above).

This transmission-station-meets-artistic-project is also hosting a series of sound-based installations for UPAW, like **Charles Stobbs's** ***Chiral Proscenium***, accompanied by a special percussion performances by **Lisa Schonberg** and **Azouke Legba** (with guests) on Saturday the 22nd.



Glasshouse

251 Springtown Rd, New Paltz

On both Saturday and Sunday, July 22–23 from 10am–10pm is the durational performance-athon, "**Present Continuous**," with works ranging 3–24 hours long. Come whenever suits—it's free and open to the public.



Minerva Projects

43 Co Rte 7, Pine Plains, NY

Ilona Pachler reads from her forthcoming book, a labyrinth of poetic essays and ideas: ***Medea, Medusa, and the Minotaur***. Pachler has also made a site-responsive sculptural installation at the new-ish feminist programming outfit and press.



HIGH LIFE

Learn the art of living well after a visit to these design-forward destinations.

Wolfhouse

624 River Rd, Newburgh, NY 12550

Special Event: Saturday July 22, 3pm. RSVP Required.

Officially launching for UPAW, welcome to Wolfhouse. This **Philip Johnson** residence finds its next chapter of las a nexus for design. A one-of-a-kind collaboration with USM Modular Furniture, this restored relic of mid-century domestic architecture is also available to rent.

The brainchild of **Jiminie Ha** and **Jeremy Parker**, fixtures in the international design scene, Wolfhouse lives now as a inclusive cultural space with year-round arts, design, and architecture programming.



A Must: Manitoga

Studio Tashtego

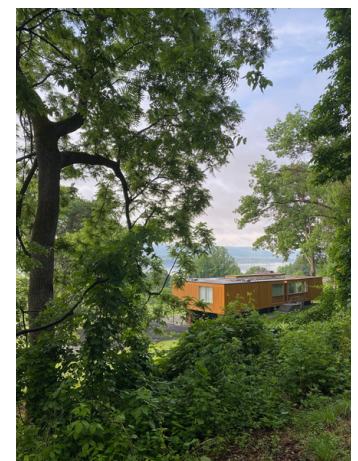
158 Main St, Cold Spring, NY

Studio Tashtego is a destination for curation: found objects, represented artists and owner one-off originals. The Cold Spring gallery offers all forms and textures of ceramic, glass, textiles, and homewares. For their first UPAW outing is "Brutalism vs. Nature," a solo exhibition from Hudson-based ceramic artist **R.A. Pesce**. Forty works show off Pesce's colorful new glazes amid the angular geometries of Brutalism informing the clay he shapes.

AR Studio

863 Krumville Rd, Accord, NY

A space for it all: "In The Raw," art layered in nature for one day. Curated by founder **Amanda Russo Rubman**, sculpture, paintings, textiles, accent furniture, photography, mixed media and film, together in a collaborative spirit with artists **Courtney Salerno**, **Carol Griffin**, **CatskillsBarbie**.





BREAKING BREAD

Art and food, friends forever. The Hudson Valley? A farming paradise. Rather natural these three come together with frequency upstate.

White Feather Farm

1389 NY-212, Saugerties, NY

The three-day celebration "Soil Fest" is not something we regularly hear of: this festival pulls artist-led workshops from **Claire Pentecost**, **Brooke Singer** and **Allie Wist** alongside biochar-making with **Bill Hilgendorf** and culinary experiences from **Atina Foods** and **SnackSnack**.

Ravenwood

579 Samsonville Rd, Kerhonkson

What grows in Ravenwood's garden can now be yours. From fresh just-picked produce and blooms, Ravenswood is selling their home-grown, farming bounty alongside a showcase of artists working in the fields of painting, mixed media collage, sculpture and fiber art.

DON'T MISS: HINTERLAND'S SAVEUR EXPERIENCE

PS21's Nouveau Cirque Gala

2980 NY-66, Chatham, NY

Gala: July 21st 5-9pm ([tickets](#))

Support PS21 unparalleled performance program (which runs through October) during its annual Gala on July 21st where alongside a banquet from **Josephine Proul**, Czech troupe **Cirk La Putyka's** "Runners" steals the stage.

Folkways Wine

3 Front St, Croton Falls, NY

Special opening: Saturday July 22, 2-8pm

Is drinking not New York state's unofficial official sport? We think yes. Our friends at Folkways don't just sell the finest wines known to humanity, but on Saturday the 22nd are opening an exhibition of playful glass vessels designed by founder **Natalie Marie Gehrels**, handblown by **Moshe Bursuker**. Also on view (and sale) is a new drop of **Nita x Folkways** glassware collection of colorful, abstracted faces.



THIS OLD House

History is alive in the 21st century Hudson Valley—and these institutions anchor the region's past and future.

Olana

5720 NY-9G, Hudson, NY

Perhaps the most-recognizable of the historic houses in Hudson (and the valley), **Frederick Church's** dramatic domicile is pulling out the 2,000-strong collection of 19th century photograph prints and into the exhibition "Terraforming" includes finds from Eadweard Muybridge, and Claude-Joseph Désiré Charnay; as well as unveil new site-specific work by artist **David Hartt**.

Thomas Cole National Historic Site

218 Spring St, Catskill, NY

During her lifetime, **Susie Barstow** was seen as a success. We know how the tale goes. Now the historic museum has mounted "Women Reframe American Landscape," which reinserts the 19th-century Barstow (1836-1923) back into the history while putting contemporary women artists in the same dialogue, including **Wendy Red Star, Jaune Quick-to-See Smith**.

Beattie-Powers Place

10 Powers Pl, Catskill, NY

Never underestimate the power of a view. Beattie-Powers Place, Catskill NY's historic home for the arts overlooking the Hudson River, is such a destination. But it's not just nature doing the work here.

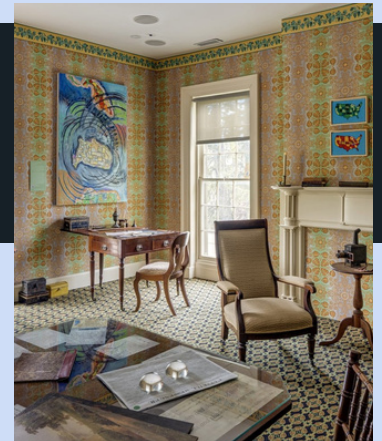
This arts organization with deep ties in the community for its education efforts has mounted four exhibitions during UPAW. Abstract monotypes by **Michel Goldberg**, mixed media fiber art by **K. Velis Turan**, painted maps and narrative scrolls by **Edward Rothfarb**, and cartoons by New Yorker staff cartoonist **David Sipress**.



The Dorsky Museum

1 Hawk Dr, New Paltz, NY

It's no secret that the Dorsky is a best kept secret of the Hudson Valley, and leaning into their environs for summer, the world-class museum teamed up with **ICI** for "Notes for Tomorrow," of 30 curators (from 25 countries)-selected works that reflect the new global reality.



KinoSaito Art Center

115 7th St, Verplanck, NY

Based in the river town of Verplanck, known for where Washington crossed the Hudson during the Revolutionary War, now is home to Japanese artist **Kikuo Saito's** art center and residency. A show, "Kikuo Saito and Friends," connects Saito to his peers like **Kenneth Noland, William Noland**, and upstater **Larry Poons**.

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