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We salute the arts, artists and nonprofits from our vibrant community who bring their talents and passions to the 2022 Bridgeport Art Trail







"Essential to both individual wellbeing and thriving communities, the arts are a vital part of any conversation about increasing equity and opportunity."

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President & CEO, Fairfield County's Community Foundation

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Letter from Mayor Joseph P. Ganim



Mayor Joseph P. Ganim

Mayor Ganim WELCOMES YOU to the Bridgeport Art Trail,

We are proud to showcase Bridgeport's Art Trail, an experiential promotion of our city's thriving arts and culture scene. Creativity and innovation are alive and thriving in our city. We continue to promote an inventive spirit through creativity along with a supportive environment for artists to succeed and display their talents. It is my strong belief that the arts are an asset for growth and improvement to the quality-of-life in Bridgeport and an inspiration for all who visit. I am delighted to support this annual celebration of artists and crafters.

The Bridgeport Art Trail map is an excellent tool to illustrate the proliferation of our arts community. This map is a tour of our revitalized downtown neighborhood, the hub of the Park City's arts and cultural scene where you will find public art featuring the Painted Stairway, a mural of the Freeman Sisters and Little Liberia, and more in progress. Then visit destinations such as Read's ArtSpace, City Lights Gallery, The Barnum Museum, and the Housatonic Museum of Art. Travel south to the new Metro Art Studios located in the historic "Crown Corset" factory. On the West Side, pop into NEST Arts Factory and the Klein Memorial Auditorium. Be sure to check out the "art park" of painted canisters along the Pequonnock River on the grounds of 305 Knowlton Street, plus the interior art lofts, and then go over to the East End formerly and fondly known as the "sewing district," home of the American Fabrics Arts Building featuring a variety of creative artist spaces.

Bridgeport's creative side is all the buzz. Visit Art Trail destinations all year-round! Sincerely,

Mayor <mark>Joseph P.</mark> Ganim

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Department of Economic and Community Development

Office of the Arts

Bridgeport Downtown Special Services District

Hope mural by Jason Naylar, photo by Dariusz Kanarek. We Will Make It by Dan Makara, Turandot by Carlos Biernnay, Hands of Jordan Jancz by Dariusz Kanarek, Iyaba Ibo Mandingo and Rich Zurkowski at the Bijou photo by Dariusz Kanarek, Marcella Jean Cavaliere, Thomas Mezzanotte and his camera obscura by Dariusz Kanarek, Lady Blaze photo by Dariusz Kanarek.

Welcome to the 2022 Bridgeport Art Trail

Welcome back to the Bridgeport Art Trail!

Let's celebrate our resilience! As we still contend with the ly and available at bridgeport-art-trail.org lingering conditions of Covid-19, we are in a state of recovery, from the health crisis, the economic challenges and conflicts and stressors of political and social polarization. We all endured challenges and hardships and wondered how much longer this could go on. The creative community, always resilient, responds to conditions, finding new ways to adapt. Recognizing what we have gone through and continue to contend with the 2022 BAT asks the guestion. How Did We Get Here?

Bridgeport Art Trail Theme -How Did We Get Here?

Consciously or subconsciously, we may find ourselves asking this question for a multitude of reasons, life experiences, social, economic, environmental, political and social events and conditions, existential questions spurred by the pandemic and global aggression, racial injustice, migration, financial uncertainty, fake news, global warming and gun violence. Currently, we may feel that we are at a Fabrics #1 and the NEST Arts Factory #29. pivotal point in time, where actions and attitudes can have long-lasting consequences.

Many now perceive things differently than we did before March 2020. We chose this theme for the Bridgeport Art Trail weekend to raise awareness and reflect on how the arts are used to heal, nurture, inspire, solve problems, socially connect us, recognize our differences, celebrate our commonalities, and provide a respite from our daily tasks Join the Downtown Public Art Crawl on Friday #12a. Learn and worries. Go For it! Explore the Bridgeport Art Trail!

VIEW ART. TALK ART. EXPERIENCE ART. BUY ART.

How to Use the Bridgeport Art Trail Program Book

Every year there are new arts sites and others have relocated. We suggest you peruse the full Bridgeport Art Trail listings, also refer to the Bridgeport Art Trail short schedule that easily connects you chronologically, (and cross referenced) Virtual Poetry with Shanna Melton and Guests #12. End the to Bridgeport Art Trail highlights and the overall flow of the weekend. There's a simplified map in the program and on the website. Late program additions, collaborations, and changes will be posted on the website at bridgeport-arttrail.org and on social media. Check for the latest updates before hitting the Trail. Along with the printed guides found at participating venues, stay connected to the Bridgeport art scene through the calendar of events, artists' directory, and



We've added QR codes to help better provide information.

Check out the bridgeport-art-trail.org website for updates

bi-monthly newsletter. Year-round news is updated month-

May we suggest...

Don't miss the Thursday night kick-off, mingle with the creative community. Tour sites buzzing with artistic energy. Get a comprehensive glimpse of Bridgeport art city-wide at the Bridgeport Art Trail small works sampler show in the Arcade Mall #19. Experience visual art like never before, in the exhibit Drawing in the Dark, as the curator at Ursa Gallery describes, seen in the dark with a torch light (uh... a flash light maybe?). Visit as many studio buildings as you can. They all have their own characteristics and one-of-akind artworks. Morning Mimosas and Music, Sunday at the **NEST Arts Factory #29**... yep, more alliteration...

Munch and Movies, Bridgeport Film Fest #28 presents Connecticut Stories, short films at the Bijou #14.

Hands-on activities and family fun

The cartie #39 mobile museum makes stops at American

The NEST #29 offers two days of hands-on activities, busker style music, mosaic, bead jewelry, aromatherapy, Tai Chi, textile collage. This is great stop for family fun. Also adult beverages will offered at the NEST Arts Factory #29 on Saturday for the Happy Hour artist party and Mimosa Bar on Sunday morning.

What else?

about Bridgeport's Great Migration at the Freeman Center #23. View the How Did We Get Here? exhibit at City Lights #20 recognizing entrepreneurs and creatives who migrated to the USA and built their lives here. Learn about the Art of the Find, Bridgeport's art, design and vintage corridor, highlights are Mongers Market #30, City Lights Vintage #20a and Pious Bird #33.

weekend with an evening of PechaKucha #14a storytelling followed by the irreverent Crabby Cabaret #14b.

BAT music, there's something for everyone

Scan the program listings for Classic Rock and Soul Fundraiser for Ukraine We Stand at the Bijou Theatre #14, Aretha Franklin tribute at Park City Music Hall #32, Bridgeport Symphony #27a at the Klein #27, Punk Music at Ursa Minor #17, live busker-style music all weekend long at the NEST Arts Factory #29, Jazz and Reggae at the Arcade #19 Thursday Night Downtown Kick-Off Party.

Right, projection art by Dustin Demilio, at Post Office Square across from **Berlinetta Brewery.**

The BAT Weekend Flow and Highlights



Rick Reyes, BAT Kick-Off Party at the Read's ArtSpace, #11.

Thursday Night Kick-Off, the BAT Party!

ART + MUSIC + MORE ART

Meander and mingle! The Bridgeport Art Trail party epicenter is the Ground Floor Gallery at the Read's ArtSpace #11 and the adjoining Arcade Mall #19.

Feast your eyes and ears! View seven separate downtown exhibits at Ursa Gallery #19b, Bridgeport Art Trail Small Works Sampler #19a, Orphan Girl Studios #19c. Other nearby venues are City Lights #20, City Lights Vintage #20a, Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative #11a. Enjoy light bites and beverages too.

Music at the Arcade #19

Aljam Reggaelution a five-piece band brings their "Reggae on the beach in Jamaica flava" to energize the Arcade Mall, with dance music and songs of Bob Marley & The Wailers, Berris Hammond, Gregory Isaacs, and UB40, to name a few, along with a taste of Reggaelution's original

KEYS #40 Music Teachers and Students Play Jazz and R & B at Reads ArtSpace #11.

KEYS instructor Matthew DeTroy, and other music instructors Joe Basile, Clayton Elles, Joe Jefferys, and Eli Uttley-Rosado, along with the young musicians of the Bassick High School Jazz Band perform to set the party atmosphere.

Friday

See the Friday schedule to check out downtown sites open throughout

Happy Hour Downtown Public Art Crawl #12a starts at Colorful Bridgeport headquarters.

Music and stand up comedy at Park City Music Hall #32, Bijou Theatre #14, and the Stress Factory #13, plus the Elements Exhibit at Stratford Arts Alliance #41 Sterling House.



Saturday Open Studios City Wide

Tour art studios and exhibits, enjoy music American Fabrics #1, Metro Art Studios #4, the Knowlton #26, Read's ArtSpace #11, and the **Nest Arts Factory #29**

The Nest #29 offers a full calendar of hands-on family fun activities, Bridgeport Film Fest #28 screenings and a happy hour artists' party.

ARTcade: City Lights Gallery #20, Ursa Gallery #19b , Oddities Bazaar #19h

Play reading at the **Bijou Theatre #14**, Fist in My Face.

Ukraine We Stand Fundraiser, Rock & Soul performed with the legendary Name Droppers at the Bijou Theatre #14.

Punk Rock Art Exhibit Reception at Ursa Minor #23.

Rachmaninoff and Schumann, Greater Bridgeport Symphony #27a at the Klein #27

Absolute Queen at the **Downtown Cabaret #21**.

Sunday

Tour Studios and exhibits city-wide American Fabrics #1, Metro Art Studios #4, the Knowlton #26, Read's ArtSpace #11, the Nest Arts Factory #29, and City Lights Gallery #20.

Mimosa, Music and Mingle, artists' walk and talk at the NEST Factory

cARTie Mobile Art Museum #39 at American Fabrics #1.

The Alternate Routes perform at Metro Art Studios #4.

Dragonfly Online Poetry with Shanna Melton and Guests #20.

Bridgeport Film Fest Screening #28 at the Bijou Theatre #14.



Cris Dam, The Arcade Mall, #19i.



Projection art lights up the night Friday November 11, 2022. Learn more about the **Colorful Bridgeport Public Art Walk #12a**



BAT 2022 Event Highlights at a Glance

Thursday

6 pm to 9 pm **Bridgeport Art Trail Downtown Kick-Off**

The Party!!!

Mingle and meander between downtown sites, City Lights Gallery #20 and City Lights Vintage #20a, Read's Ground Floor Gallery #11, the Arcade studios and shops #19, Ursa Gallery #19b, and Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative #11a. A collision of art, live Reggae and Jazz celebrating Bridgeport's thriving arts community, while enjoying light bites and beverages.

Friday

Visit a variety of daytime venues

11 am to 6 pm

The Archive #25, an "experimental" retail store of film and memorabilia and a film restoration facility, with super rare VHS, laser discs, movie posters and vinyl.

11 to 8 pm

The Emporium Vintage Record and Bookshop #18.

12 to 5 pm

Richual Boutique, the glamorous thrift shop #19f and Housatonic Museum of Art #7.

12 to 6 pm

Orphan Girl Studio #19c.

12 to 8 pm

Ursa Gallery 19b.

12 to 5 pm

City Lights Gallery #20 and City Lights Vintage # 20a.

4 to 7 pm

Public Art Crawl #12a.

Happy Hour and Guided Tour hosted by Colorful Bridgeport, meet up at the office of the Downtown Special Services District. 5 to 9 pm

The Mary and Eliza Freeman Center #23 view Bridgeport and the Great Migration and other exhibits.

8 pm

Aretha Franklin tribute at Park City Music Hall #32.

Saturday

8:30 to 9:00 am

Join the Urban Bike Tours group bright and early at City Lights Gallery **#20** for the annual Bridgeport Art Trail bike tour. Meet up for coffee and annual photo op between 8 am and 9 am at City Lights, then head out to enjoy the day on wheels.



Urban Bike Tours meet at City Lights Gallery # 20a.



9 am to 3 pm

Housatonic Museum of Art #7.

10 am to 5 pm

Open studios at American Fabrics Arts Building #1 and Metro Art Studios #4.

11 am to 2 pm

cARTie Mobile Art Museum #29 at American Fabrics #1.

11 am to 3 pm

Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative Open House #11a, preview of M & T Bank calendar artworks.

11 am to 5 pm

ARTcade Oddities Bazaar #19h ghoulishly vintage & artisanal vendors and live music to shop by at the Arcade Mall #19.

Artists Choose Artists exhibit at Read's Ground Floor Gallery, Read's ArtSpace #11.

WPKN Radio Station #16 Open House, Vintage Vinyl and Special CD Sale. The Emporium Record and Bookshop #13.

11:00 am to 9 pm

The Knowlton #26, Nest Arts Factory #29, Reads ArtSpace #11, City Lights Vintage #20a.

12 pm

Playreading by Lisa McCree at the Bijou Theatre #14.

12 pm to 3 pm

Workshops and open house at Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County #22.

12 pm to 4 pm

Body painting at Metro Art Studio #4, a popular and fascinating demo as Alicia Cobb paints on a live model.

12 pm to 5 pm

Richual Boutique #19f, the glamorous thrift shop.

12 pm to 6 pm

Orphan Girl Studio #19c, Nu Earth Interactive Film Showing

Gallery 9104 #6, open house at the gallery & studios of Iyaba Ibo Mandingo, storyteller and master teacher specializing in paintings, drawings, sculpture, textile collage.

12 pm to 8 pm

Ursa Gallery #19a, view 3 exhibits at the Arcade Mall gallery spaces

Ursa Minor #17, view an eclectic collection of art in this raw space under construction, Lorca Coffeeroasters is coming Spring 2023. Come back for the Punk rock beginning after 8 pm.

12 pm to 4 pm

City Lights Gallery #20 Walk and Talk in the gallery with guest curator for the exhibit *How Did We Get Here?*

BAT 2022 Event Highlights at a Glance

City Lights Vintage #20a holds their Seasonal Sale.

WPKN Radio #16 spins discs at their Vintage Vinyl sale at American Fabrics Arts Building #1

1 pm

Story Time with artist Denise Susalka at Metro Art Studios #4.

1 pm to 4pm

Hands-on demos at the NEST Arts Factory #29, including glass blowing, mosaics, Tai Chi, textile collage, great family fun activities, and live

1 pm to 9pm

The Mary and Eliza Freeman Center #23 shows Bridgeport and the Great Migration and other exhibits.

2 pm to 3:15 pm

Eating Flag! A Jello social with Roxy Savage at American Fabrics #1 hosting conceptual art, flag-shaped Jello treats, and conversation.

2 pm to 4 pm

Fabric Chronicles and Bridgeport Film Fest #28 screenings at the **NEST Arts Factory #29**.

Virtual Writers Group with Shanna Melton at City Lights Gallery #20.



Artist Jenna Morello paints the Knowlton Walls #26.

4 pm to 9 pm

DeFine Art panel discussion, followed by NFT and contemporary art exhibit reception starting at 5 pm with first ever laser-guided NFT at The Knowlton #26.

Building party and exhibit reception for Black Rock Art Guild #36 artists, NEST Arts Factory #29 artists, and invited artists, open to the public with art, live music, and poetry at the **NEST Arts Factory** #29. Performing NEST musicians include Pangea World Music and the Swamp Hogs.

5 pm & 8 pm

Absolute Queen, high energy tribute band concert at the Downtown Cabaret Theatre #21.

8 pm to 10 pm

Art party at Ursa Minor #17 remembers Bridgeport's 1980's Grunge with Punk Rockers, Sonic Superchargers 66 and friends.

Ukraine We Stand, the Namedroppers and friends play Blues, Rock and Soul to raise funds for the crisis in the Ukraine at the **Bijou Theatre #14**.

Something completely different, Greater Bridgeport Symphony #27, Beethoven's Piano Concerto #1 and Schumann's Second Symphony.

Stand up comedy at the Stress Factory #13, One Funny Lisa Marie.

9 pm to 12 am

NFT after-party at The Knowlton #26.

Sunday

10 am to 4 pm

Mongers Market #30, only open on Sundays, tour a huge warehouse full of vintage, salvaged, and upcycled inventory for sale by a collection of diverse mongers.

10 am to 5 pm

Open studios at American Fabrics Arts Building #1 and Metro Art

11 am to 2 pm

Open studios at The Knowlton #26.

11 am to 5 pm

WPKN Radio #16 Vintage Vinyl Sale and DJ Music at American Fabrics Arts Building #1.

Open studios, hands-on demos at NEST Arts Factory #29.

Artists Choose Artists exhibit at Read's Ground Floor Gallery #11.

WPKN Radio #16 Open House, Vintage Vinyl and Special CD Sale.

11:30 am to 1 pm

Munch, Mingle, Music, and Mimosas at the NEST Arts Factory #29; once the mimosas start to flow, join an artists' walk and talk.

Hands-on exploration of art materials at the NEST Arts Factory #29.

12 pm to 4 pm

City Lights Gallery #20, walk and talk with guest curator Yolanda Vasquez Petrocelli.

1 pm to 3 pm

Hands-on exploration of art materials at the NEST Arts Factory #29.

1 pm to 3 pm

Bridgeport Film Fest #28 Screening at the Bijou Theatre #14.

1 pm to 6 pm

The Mary and Eliza Freeman Center #23 Bridgeport and the Great Migration and other exhibits.

2 pm

The Alternate Routes play in Crown Gallery at Metro Art Studios #4.

2 pm to 3:15 pm

Roxy Savage at American Fabrics #1 hosts Bread+Butter+Cookiecutter: an art-eating-talking-drawing project.

3pm to 5 pm

DragonFly Poetry Exchange, online with Shanna Melton and guest poets

5 pm to 8 pm

Free concert at Park City Music Hall #32, Muscle Tough, futuristic funk

8:30 pm to 10 pm

from Philadelphia.

PechaKucha Storytelling #14, Bridgeport Art Trail Closing Party at the Bijou #14, a popular BAT tradition!

Crabby Cabaret, a new addition to BAT programs brought to you by the **Bridgeport Film Fest #28** at the **Bijou Theatre #14**. After the always fascinating PechaKucha stories, grab a drink and get ready for performers to let it rip! Enjoy an evening of laughs, uncomfortable feelings, and downright sassy fun starring an eclectic group of local vocalists, musicians, poets and storytellers.

Munch and Movies. **Bridgeport Film Fest Shorts** at the Bijou Theatre #14, Sunday at 1 pm. Admission is FREE!. Purchase a beverage and enjoy a complimentary nosh!

The East Side

1 American Fabrics Arts Building

1069 Connecticut Avenue, Building 4, Bridgeport, CT 06607 203.357.6695 / amfabarts.com

Event: 16th Annual Open Studios Saturday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm Sunday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm

In its 17th 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. Many artists will be offering affordable art for sale. 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: Roxy Savage, Studio #201

Saturday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm Sunday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm

Roxy Savage is exhibiting Lady Labor videos and EAT PLAY DRIP: an interactive site specific art installation inviting visitors to engage in eating, playing, and dripping.

Event: Video Projections: Lady Labor, Marble Stairwell, 2nd floor

Saturday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm

Lady Labor Artifacts and related art prints for sale. LADY LABOR: a State-wide Art project "Something Projects" with artist Crystal Heiden. bit.ly/3e-le7Qh and somethingprojects.net/

Event: EATING FLAG: a jello social!, Studio 201

Saturday, November 12; 11 am to 5 pm Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm

Participants eat flag shaped jellos; Artist Roxy Savage will lead flag & jello based conversations. Space and materials are limited. Signing up is suggested, but not required. Sign up: roxysavage.com/contact or e-mail: roxysavage.artist@gmail

Event: Ulla Surland / Ulla Surland Design, #307

Pop-up boutique featuring Ulla's pillows, canvas bags, and scarves. Home baked goodies and coffee both days

Event: Denyse Schmidt Quilts, Studio 401

Shop our available pattern sample quilts! For the first time this year, onsite shoppers will have first dibs! Limited selection available, from \$800 and up. Serious quilt buyers should arrive early – Denyse's sales are well attended. Also onview and available to purchase – a limited selection of Denyse's painted words, hand-embroidered emoji's and other one-off projects. Denyse's fabric, quilt patterns, other supplies and treasures for sewists/makers/crafters/quilters available to purchase – save on shipping costs! Paypal, venmo, cash accepted.



Janine Brown's studio, #1 American Fabrics.

Event: Studio Sweep, Linda Colletta, Studio 406

Saturday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm Sunday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm

Studio Sweep on mid to large scale abstract art at affordable pricing.

Event: JB Armstrong Ceramics Studio Sale Extravaganza, Studio 410

Saturday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm Sunday, November 13: 10 am to 5 pm

So much work, not enough room! Please help me make room for more. Deep discounts on Seconds. Special offers on select Sculpture and Vessels this weekend only!

Event: WPKN 50+ Year Archive Record Sale

Saturday November 12: 10 am to 5 pm Sunday November 13; 10 am to 5 pm

The record archive of WPKN #16 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 12; 10 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 13; 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.

Live body painting by Alicia Cobb at Metro Art Studios, #4, Saturday, November 12, 2022

South End

2 | 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, 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 1887and Elias Howe by sculpted by Salathiel Ellis. A female figure atop the Sailors and Soldiers Monument faces Long Island Sound, 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 #20, in 2009 a missing liberty figure was replaced with a new cast created by Emily Bedard.



Rick Shaefer's studio, #4 Metro Art Studios.

3 | Paier College

The Schelfhaudt Gallery at Paier College 505 University Ave, Bridgeport, CT 06604 Khanlar Gasimov, Art Gallery Director 203.287.3031 ext 355 / www.schelfhaudt.com

Paier College is proud to call Bridgeport its new home! Paier brings its 75 year legacy of training artists in Connecticut to the renowned Shintaro Akatsu School of Design (SASD) at the Arnold Bernhard Center for Arts & Humanities situated against Seaside Park along the shores of Long Island Sound. Paier offers programs of study in fine art, illustration, interior design, graphic design, industrial design, web application development, digital marketing communication, and more. With a growing population, Paier College seeks to make an impact in the art community of Bridgeport, and invites members of the public to its first formal show since relocating.

Event: Exhibit and Auction of Art by Child Refugees

Thursday, November 10; 4 pm, Friday, November 11

The Schelfhaudt Gallery is proud to present an exhibition and auction of art by child refugees. We will host an opening reception and auction on Thursday, November 10 at 4 pm. The exhibit can also be viewed on Friday, November 11. The artists shown in this exhibition are all child refugees from the Bridgeport area who have participated in an arts program supported by the Fairfield County's Community Foundation in which they explored self-expression and storytelling in a variety of visual media, including drawing, painting, sculpting, and photography and video.

Metro Art Studios

345 Railroad Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06604 metroartstudios@gmail.com / metroartstudios.com

Now starting its second year, Metro Art Studios is a three-story building of premium art studios in the South End of Bridgeport. Originally built in 1907 as the Crown Corset factory and historically important as one of Bridgeport's original corset factories, the renovated factory once welcomed 500 mostly female workers each day and is now home to 38 loft studios for professional fine artists. The 3 year journey to thoughtfully renovate this lovely South End landmark has resulted in an ideal space for artists to thrive. Granted an Award of Excellence by Preservation Connecticut, Metro Art Studios is an inspiring place to work and to visit the over 40 artists working in many media - painting, sculpture, drawing, jewelry, mixed media, printmaking, music, photography, and videography. Our gift shop, Urbane, is also open this year with a wide variety of original and reproduction art as well as gifts for all ages. Contact us for information about studio and event rentals.

Event: Open Studios

Saturday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm Sunday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm

Meet the artists of Metro Art Studios – over 40 artists working in a wide variety of disciplines, from drawing to painting, sculpture to jewelry, printmaking to photography, and much more.

Event: 10 x 10 Exhibit and Sale

Saturday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm Sunday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm

Celebrate and support the arts in Bridgeport with the annual Metro Art Studios 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 supporting both the exhibiting artists and Metro Art Studios during this unique fundraiser. Come early in the day for the best selection.

Metro Art Studios

Event: Body Painting Demonstration, Studio 115

Saturday, November 12; 12 pm to 4 pm

Alicia Cobb, visual artist and body painter, will share the fascinating transformation of a human canvas from start to finish through body art. She will share how she started the art of body painting and give her model the opportunity to talk about their experience being painted as well. www.artsimplicated.com

Event: Story Time with Denise Susalka, Studio 105 Saturday, November 12; 1 pm

Painter and educator Denise Susalka reads art-adjacent books to children and young teens; books that discuss painting and painters, and the challenges that painters face. Denise is also offering a sale of art at special Bridgeport Art Trail prices.

Event: The Alternate Routes, Crown Gallery

Sunday, November 13; 2 pm

The Alternate Routes play a rousing set in the Crown Gallery at Metro Art Studios, sharing new music and old favorites. The singing and songwriting duo of Eric Donnelly and Tim Warren will perform their unique alternative rock sound, and invite you to discuss their music and what's next for the band.

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.

Gallery 9104

325 Lafayette Street, Unit 9104 (entrance on Gregory St), Bridgeport, CT 06604 lyaba lbo Mandingo / 203.685.1309 / iyabarts@gmail.com / iyabarts.com

Gallery 9104 features the art of Iyaba Ibo Mandingo, storyteller and master teacher specializing in paintings, drawings, sculpture, textile collage, poetry, puppetry, and performance of his original works, like "UnFramed". He is a sought-after poet/artist regionally, nationally, in the U.S., Caribbean and Africa.

Iyaba's Ankbient Future, a 15-foot articulated sculpture is on view during the Bridgeport Art Trail in the Atrium of the Arcade Mall #19.

Event: Gallery Open House

Saturday, November 12; 12 pm to 6 pm Sunday, November 13; 12 pm to 6 pm

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



Iyaba Ibo Mandingo leads a hands-on textile collage at the NEST Arts Factory, #29 Saturday, November 12; and **Sunday, November 13**; 1 pm to 3 pm

Downtown

Housatonic Museum of Art at HCC

900 Lafayette Boulevard, Bridgeport, CT 06604 Director: Jennifer Reynolds-Kaye

203.332.5052 / housatonicmuseum.org

Museum hours: Monday through Friday, 8:30 am to 5:30 pm, Thursday evening until 7 pm, Saturday, 9 am to 3 pm (Lafayette Hall Only), closed Sundays.

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, historians 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 Jennifer Reynolds-Kaye, the Museum also presents lectures, programs and changing exhibitions in the Burt Chernow Galleries, and the Bridgeport area and region. The Burt Chernow Galleries are open to the public and admission is free.

See info about current exhibit at housatonicmuseum.org

Barnum Museum

820 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604 Executive Director: Kathy Maher 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. The museum gallery, behind the historic museum building, features artifacts that belonged to PT Barnum and Tom Thumb, pieces of historic Bridgeport

Following a tornado and multiple hurricanes, the Barnum Museum has been engaged in a full-scale conservation effort to recover and preserve thousands of artifacts, and to stabilize and restore the building to its original, majestic state. The Museum Gallery is currently closed with limited access during construction and renovation.

Bridgeport History Center

Burroughs-Saden Public Library, 925 Broad Street, 3rd floor, Bridgeport, CT 06604 203.576.7400 x7 / bportlibrary.org/hc/

Hours: By appointment only on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 12 pm to 8 pm, and Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 5 pm; appt. request form at bportlibrary. org/hc/ OR call 203.576.7400 x7

The Bridgeport History Center opened its doors in 1936. The collection contains historic photographs, newspapers, 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.



See downtown public art

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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.

Read's ArtSpace & Ground Floor Gallery

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

Once the Read's department store, an anchor store to the twentieth-century downtown, Read's ArtSpace 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: Artists Choose Artists Exhibit Opening Reception

Thursday, November 10; 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm

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

Read's Artspace Gallery will host an opening reception featuring their annual Artists Choose Artists exhibit. Festivities include live music, refreshments and the vibrant community. New and old friends come together to celebrate art and one another.

Entrance on Broad Street. Reminder: Please Do NOT Park in the private lot. Cars are subject to towing.

Event: Bridgeport Art Trail Kick-Off Party

Thursday, November 10; 6 pm to 9 pm

Matthew DeTroy and the Bassick High School Jazz Band playing Jazz standards and R & B favorites, pianist, musical director and instructor for KEYS #41 music education program for youth, leads the Bassick High School Jazz band and fellow music teachers Joe Basile, Clayton Elles, Joe Jefferys, Eli Uttley-Rosado. Matthew DeTroy is an accomplished, well-respected musician and instructor. He provides individual and group musical instruction for youth in the Bridgeport schools and leads the Bassick High School Jazz band. Guest musicians include other Bridgeport school teachers, music instructors and professional musicians.

Bassick High School Jazz Band plays for the annual kick-off party at the spacious Read's Ground Floor Gallery.

Event: Artists Choose Artists Exhibition

Saturday, November 12: 11 am to 5 pm. Sunday, November 13: 11 am to 5 pm. Event: Faces in My Fist, original play by Read's artist Lisa McCree Saturday, November 12; starting at 12 pm

Bijou Theatre #14, 275 Fairfield Ave, Bridgeport, CT 06604

For Harry "Brown Panther" Wills, the World Colored Heavyweight Championship was not enough. Wills, wanted a shot at the "World Heavyweight Championship", and for that, he'd have to defeat Jack Dempsey. Alas, Wills was a victim of the "color line" drawn by the white heavyweight champions of his era. Fast forward, Wills is old now, sipping his morning coffee with the demons that haunt him from his past. He talks to them, blames them, and invites their spirits to materi-

alize from old dusty posters hung on the wall of his dilapidated gym in Harlem. This has been his routine for years. One morning he enters his gym, and his life changes forever. Learn more about Lisa McCree at #14.

Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative (MDAC)

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

The Kennedy Center's Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative (MDAC) opened in May 2014. The cooperative has proved to be an exciting and unique initiative adding to the cultural fabric of Bridgeport and bringing vitality, creativity, and new constituencies to join in the arts. Located in the former Read's building #11, MDAC's artists with intellectual disabilities have made connections with neighbors, businesses, universities, museums, and art councils forming innovative partnerships to celebrate the universal language of art. At MDAC, opportunities abound for artists to delve into an array of arts to include photography, theater, music, movement, painting, sculpture and more.

Event: Opening reception for A Unique Perspective Thursday, November 10; 5:30 pm to 7 pm

Join The Kennedy Collective and M&T Bank to celebrate the unveiling of the 2023, 40th annual, A Unique Perspective calendar. Enjoy the exhibit and meet the artists. In addition to the "Unique Perspective Calendar" show, this year's MDAC gallery exhibit will highlight individual as well as collaborative work in varied media, a wonderful testimony to talent, vision, and abilities that transcend challenges.

Gallery Hours: Friday, November 11; 12 pm to 3 pm Saturday, November 12; 12 pm to 3 pm

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 Art in Public Places

The city of Bridgeport has an eclectic collection of public art city-wide. Learn about the public art spanning back over a century and half. For a comprehensive survey of monuments, sculpture and murals go to bridgeport-art-trail.org/art-in-public-spaces/



12b New Downtown Public Art

The city of Bridgeport has a vast collection of public art city-wide. Check out the new works city partners have sponsored under the direction of the Colorful Bridgeport, Downtown Special Services District.

Event: Public Art Crawl

Friday, November 11; 4 pm to 7 pm

Drop in for the Colorful Bridgeport Open House Happy Hour at the Downtown Special Services District office, 938 Broad Street. Learn about the Color It In Public Art Project and the organization that is facilitating multiple placemaking initiatives for downtown Bridgeport. Celebrate the new works in the downtown district with a guided tour by the Colorful Bridgeport team. After the tour grab a beverage at Berlinetta Brewing at 90 Golden Hill St. Hang out and view the impressive, large scale video projection art performance by Bridgeport artist Dustin DeMilio #12.

Self-guided downtown public art maps will be available at the Colorful Bridgeport office at 938 Broad St and other Bridgeport Art Trail sites. To find out more go to www.infobridgeport.com

Public Art Crawl Schedule

4 pm Happy Hour and Open House at Downtown Special Services District office 5 pm to 5:30 pm Guided tour starts, approximately 1hr to visit all sites

6:30 pm to 7 pm Arrive at Post Office Square and Berlinetta Brewery, grab a beverage and watch the video light installation.

7:30 pm to 9 pm Video Light Performance begins

Scan this OR code to link to a comprehensive survey of Bridgeport's vast collection of public art city-wide. Check out the new works that city partners have sponsored under the direction of the Colorful Bridgeport, Downtown Special Services District.



Stress Factory

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: Hello My Priends with Pinky Patel

Thursday, November 10; 7:30 pm

Friday, November 11; 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm

Pinky Patel, a PTA mom turned creator, comedian, and personality shares her hilarious commentary. Purchase tickets: bridgeport.stressfactory.com/events/56176

Event: One Funny Lisa Marie

Saturday, November 12: 2 pm

Come join internet comedy sensation @OneFunnyLisaMarie a.k.a. Lisa Marie Riley for this Live Fan Event. With her signature hair clip and Brooklyn accent, Lisa's hysterical daily musings on life and parenthood have kept everyone laughing through quarantine.

Purchase tickets: bridgeport.stressfactory.com/shows/186322

Family Fun!

Hands-on activities at the **NEST Arts Factory #29.** Community mosaic, textile collage. bead jewelry, tai chi and art materials exploration.

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

Bijou Theatre

275 Fairfield Avenue, Downtown, Bridgeport, CT 06604 203.296.2875 / gpeterson@bijoutheatrect.com / info@BijouTheatreCT.com Executive Director: Gary Peterson

In continual operation for over 100 years, it is one of the oldest buildings used as a movie house in the country. The Bijou Theatre is a fully renovated multi-functional venue for live performances and film as well as business and social events. Join us for a full weekend of events! Check out our website for future live performances and screenings.

Event: Larger Than Life "The Ultimate Boyband Tribute!" Friday, November 11; starting at 8 pm, doors open at 7 pm

Performing over 40 boy band songs by the Backstreet Boys, 'NSYNC, New Kids On The Block, 98 Degrees, O-Town, Boyz II Men, LFO, One Direction, and many more! And for extra fun the boyz take you back even further with hits by The Jackson 5, Temptations, Four Seasons and other classic male groups. This is the only act of its kind featuring actual boy band singing, dancing, costumes, and that pop look. Larger Than Life will take you back in time with the biggest 90s Party since the Backstreet Boys shut down Times Square.

Event: Faces in My Fist by Lisa McCree, Read's artist Saturday, November 12; 12 pm

For Harry "Brown Panther" Wills, the "World Colored Heavyweight Championship" was not enough. Wills, wanted a shot at the "World Heavyweight Championship, and for that, he'd have to defeat Jack Dempsey. Alas, Wills was a victim of the "color line" drawn by the white heavyweight champions of his era. Fast forward, Wills is old now, sipping his morning coffee with the demons that haunt him from his past. He talks to them, blames them, and invites their spirits to materialize from old dusty posters hung on the wall of his dilapidated gym in Harlem. This has been his routine for years. One morning he enters his gym, and his life changes forever.

Event: The Name Droppers Fundraiser to Support Ukraine Saturday, November 11; starting at 8 pm, doors open at 7 pm

The Name Droppers are a popular blues, rock and soul band that hails out of Fairfield, Connecticut. They have a very unique sound that blends elements of blues, rock and soul. Accomplished players are Rafe Klein on guitar/vocals (played alongside blues legend with Charlie Karp), Bobby "T" Torello on drums (former drummer for Johnny Winter Band and inducted into the Classic Drummer Hall of Fame), and Cott Spray on bass, (playing on Johnny Winter's Grammy Award-winning album "Step Back"), Ron Rifkin, a keyboard powerhouse, (a sought after studio session musician who has played on recordings and live with Charlie Karp).

Blues Chaser will rock you with music from three critically acclaimed albums. The lineup is impressive: Big Thurrsty, Blues Hall Of Fame inductee; Tony Delisio, a member of The George T. Gregory Band (James Cotton) & Lee Oskar of WAR; Joey Primo, a master of the B-3 organ & member of the Blues Society All-Stars, played with Lucky Peterson & Bruce Katz; and Tom the suit Forst, a two time Blues Hall Of Fame inductee who recorded with Grammy winner Paul Nelson (Johnny Winter Band) and has been written up in Forbes Magazine.

Sunday night closing party at the Bijou Theater, #14. **PechaKucha Storytelling and Crabby Caberet.**

Event: CONNECTICUT STORIES: A Series of Short Films + Filmmaker Discussion

Sunday, November 13; Doors open at 1 pm, screenings from 1:30 pm to 3 pm

MUNCH & MOVIES, purchase a beverage from the Bijou bar and help yourself to a complimentary nosh. Featuring local filmmakers and musicians from the Connecticut area sharing their original short films, documentaries and music videos followed by a post screening Q+A with the filmmakers. This free event is curated by Jason A. Coombs, the Artistic Director of the Bridgeport Film Fest #28. Price: Free but donations are accepted.

PechaKucha

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 Night Bridgeport is intended for adult audiences.

The event is free. Contributions are used to defray operating costs. One dollar of each contribution goes to support the international PechaKucha organization. PechaKucha Night Bridgeport is organized by The Barnum Museum #8, City Lights Gallery #20, the Downtown Special Services District, and Nina Lesiga.

Event: PechaKucha Storytelling Night, a Bridgeport Art Trail **Closing Party Tradition**

Sunday, November 13; 6 pm to 8 pm, doors open at 5 pm www.pechakucha.com/events/bills-event

Wind down after a weekend full of art with storytelling, live music and good meal offered for sale by Chef Raquel of A Pinch of Salt, paired well with a beverage from the Bijou bar. Among the storytellers are Bridgeport Art Trail artists. This year's event theme is Journey, How Did We Get Here?. The art of conversation and community connection is celebrated through the sharing of personal stories at PechaKucha Night Bridgeport bringing people together from diverse backgrounds.

For info on PechaKucha presenters go to pechakucha.com/explore?query=Bridgeport. pechakucha.com/communities/bridgeport.

14b | Crabby Cabaret

Event: The Crabby Cabaret

Sunday, November 13; 8:30 to 10 pm

Instagram: www.instagram.com/CrabbyCabCT, Facebook: www.facebook.com/ CrabbyCabCT Contact: CrabbyCabCT@gmail.com

Come down to the Bijou Theatre for the inaugural performance of the Crabby Cabaret which features an evening of laughs, uncomfortable feelings, and downright sassy fun starring an eclectic group of local vocalists, musicians, poets and storytellers. Our mission is to promote interest in the arts, and to showcase the untapped resources that are in our artistic community. We hope that our show will inspire someone to pursue their dreams, even if they are small steps to a larger goal of realizing their full potential! Free but donations are accepted.



PechaKucha Storytelling at Bijou Theater, #14. photo by: Dariusz Kanarek

Bridgeport Art Trail Storytelling Exchange

bridgeport-art-trail.org/ninas-story-exchange/

Director: Nina Lesiga I sponsored by City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail Inquiries: clgallerybpt@gmail.com

The Bridgeport Art Trail Storytelling creates community and connection through the oral tradition of storytelling. Held monthly on Zoom on the first Thursday of the month from 7 to 9 pm, it is attended by story tellers and story listeners in Bridgeport and from across the United States.

First time tellers, seasoned professionals, and listeners gather to share any genre story and receive constructive feedback in a welcoming and supportive environment. The group brainstorms how to make the shared story stronger and celebrates the power of story to see the world beyond one's own eyes. Hosted by professional storyteller Nina Lesiga. For more info visit bridgeport-art-trail.org/ninas-story-exchange/277 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06604

WPKN Radio, 89.5FM

Website/streaming/audio archives: wpkn.org

On-air telephone: 203.336.9756, Office telephone: 203.331.9756

General Manager: Steve di Costanzo

Broadcasting real time, on site interviews along the art trail all weekend long, tune in to WPKN 89.5 - FM

"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 the Summer of 2021, an article in The New Yorker Magazine's 'Talk of the Town' said "WPKN, to be honest, is the greatest radio station in the world".





WPKN Radio, 89.5FM

Founded in 1963, non-profit, Community Radio WPKN 89.5-FM is now a proud resident of downtown Bridgeport having relocated from the University of Bridgeport.

In November 2021, WPKN moved to Bijou Square adjacent to the Bijou Theatre. With three studios and a Community Room, WPKN is becoming a multi-platform operation encompassing video and livestreaming, podcasting, and terrestrial radio.

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 2000 Podcasts for WPKN's 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 a freeform 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 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, and many others. WPKN is the founder of New England's largest one-day record fair- Music Mash-Record Fair held bi-annually the last weekend in October and the first weekend in March. WPKN also produces two film series: Music on Film and the Environmental Film Series.

Event: Open House & Record and 'Special CD Collection' Sale

Saturday, November 12; 11 am to 5 pm, Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm 89.5-FM community radio spins discs and sells vinyl in the Community Room of the WPKN Studios. Proceeds support the non-profit radio station programming.

Event: WPKN Vinvl Collection Sale and DJ Music at American Fabrics Arts Building #1

Saturday, November 12; 11 am to 5 pm , Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm 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.

Bridgeport Art Trail marks 14 years! Please support City Lights

the lead producer of the Bridgeport Art Trail bridgeport-art-trail.org







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Tune into WPKN 89.5 FM for live, on site artists' interviews during the art trail weekend.

16a Twig Lips

277 Fairfield Avenue, 2nd Floor, Bridgeport CT 06604 www.twiglips.com / instagram.com/twig.lips / 860.716.8879

Twig Lips is a Bridgeport, CT based artist. Self-taught, she has been painting professionally since 2017, transforming canvas with acrylic, oil and surprising materials which add a sculptural dimension to her work. Derived from the artist's original source of inspiration, her nom de plume sprung from her fascination with the mouth and the painting of lips. From this seed sprouted the evolution of growth which sprung into the signature flowers that remain integral to her work today. Twig Lips intuitively channels her paintings, creating pieces that align with her vision of balance between dynamic magnetism and that which imbues both harmony and power for the viewer. Twig Lips is a constant reinvention of herself. Her bold colors paired with delicate details make for a reimagined abstraction. She opens conversation between art and the metaphysical world and our relationship to nature. More rare, her oil portraits reveal a duality of raw emotion and modern influence.

Ursa Minor

245 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06604

This site is under construction for the new home of Lorca Coffee Roasters Proprietor: Cris Dam of Ursa Gallery 718.431.4567 / cris@ursa.gallery

Art is born of creativity and process. Experience the process of Cris Dam—artist, visionary, entrepreneur—as he brews up a new venue of art and coffee, transforming a downtown building that has been dormant for years into Lorca Coffee Roasters (opening spring 2023). Lorca Coffee Bar in Stamford, run by Cris's sister, has been celebrated as the best coffee in the state of Connecticut by the Huffington Post. Visitors can experience this unique phase of transition, from raw space to pre-

Location for Saturday evening Ursa event is subject to change, please check Ursa Gallery on the Venues page of bridgeport-art-trail.org.

Ursa Minor

Event: Cris Dam and Invited Artists Exhibit

Thursday, November 10; 6 pm to 9 pm or by appointment Friday, November 11; by appointment

Saturday, November 12; Exhibit Party 12 pm to 8 pm

Explore the mind of artist and curator Cris Dam during this inaugural exhibit. His works create magical worlds using lights, bold shapes, and various fun creatures. His signature art combines painting and light creating a dynamic ambiance for this raw space undergoing the process of renovation.

Throwback to Bridgeport Grunge and 1980's Punk Rock Scene

Ursa Minor inspires the BAT to reawaken Bridgeport's creative grunge energy that thrived on Bijou Square. The BAT hosts a line-up of Punk music, fondly remembering the days of Pogo's bar, in the 1980's. Decades before the Bijou Square development, this downtown Fairfield Ave strip was a perfect stop for many of the contemporary Punk bands



Event: Exhibit Reception and Punk Music Saturday, November 12; 8 pm to 11 pm

The Sonic Superchargers 66 and friends, with some band members heralding back to the Pogo's years, resurrect the cutting-edge energy, that rattled the walls, and our ear drums 40 yrs ago.

What came first, the Pogo's or the Punk?

Why the name Pogo's? There are 2 possible reasons, it could be from the Punk dance of the same name. Another is from the long-running syndicated Pogo comic strip which satirized politics and current events, created by Bridgeport's cartoonist Walt Kelly.



The Arcade Mall



The Mistfits at Pogo's Bridgeport, circa 1980's.

18 The Emporium

305 Fairfield Avenue, Downtown, Bridgeport CT 06604 203.530.8051 / mike@academybooksandrecords.com / academybooksandrecords.com Regular Hours: Thursday to Saturday, 11 am to 5 pm

The Emporium is an eclectic library and museum of touchstones of history and culture, available to be experienced or acquired. Listen to a favorite song from our collection of over 15,000 vinyl recordings; peruse one of our rare books dating back to the dawn of printing, or explore historical ephemera ranging from Bridgeport to Baseball. You can also support local entrepreneurs in the Startups Section, where you'll find hand-crafted jewelry and other unique gifts.



Diptych by Looketha



See Bridgeport's city-wide public art inventory



Art Trail Locations

- **American Fabrics Arts Building** 1069 Connecticut Avenue
- Seaside Park
- Paier College
 491 University Avenue
- 4 Metro Art Studios
- 345 Railroad Avenue
- **PenRod Studios** 325 Lafayette Street
- **Gallery 9104**325 Lafayette Street, Unit 9104
- Housatonic Museum of Art, HCC 900 Lafayette Street
- Barnum Museum 820 Main Street
- The Bridgeport History Center
 Bridgeport Public Library
 925 Broad Street
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 Government Center
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- Mongers Market 1155 Railroad Avenue
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- **Park City Music Hall** 2926 Fairfield Avenue
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 - 218 Harborview Avenue
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 3004 Fairfield Avenue
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- 2470 Fairfield Avenue

 Connecticut's Beardsley Park Zoo
- 1875 Noble Avenue

 SHU Discovery Museum,
- Planetarium and Adventure
 4450 Park Avenue
- See guide listing for locations
- **KEYS /** Kids Empowered by Your Support
- Art Alliance of Stratford Sterling House Community Center

2283 Main Street, Stratford

Historic Arcade Mall

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

A true architectural gem in downtown Bridgeport, the Arcade Mall is a stunning historic restoration of one of the nation's first enclosed shopping malls. The breath-taking atrium has a dramatic Victorian steppedglass 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 renovated 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. This site will be activated with pop-ups, music and a striking 15' sculpture by lyaba Ibo Mandingo #6.



Ankhient Future by Iyaba Ibo Mandingo

BAT Sampler/PopUp Exhibit/Arcade

Event: Artists Kick-Off Party/Bridgeport Art Trail Sampler Pop-Up/Ursa Gallery

Thursday, November 10; 6 pm to 9:30pm

A collision of visual art and Reggae vibes bombards the senses and energizes the Arcade Mall. Stretching out her hand to greet you, visitors are stunned by a 15 ft sculpture, created by Ivaba Ibo Mandingo #6, installed in the Arcade atrium for the Bridgeport Art Trail weekend. Tour the 2 floors of studio spaces, storefronts and galleries.

A popular exhibit returns to the Bridgeport Art Trail. A small works sampler offers a comprehensive presentation of artwork from all participating art studio venues. Prominent signage and meeter greeters will direct you to this pop-up site in the Arcade.

19b URSA Gallery

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 23, Bridgeport CT 06604 718.431.4567 / cris@ursa.gallery

ursa.gallery / instagram.com/ursa.gallery / facebook.com/ursa.gallery

From Brooklyn to Bridgeport. URSA is an experiential gallery showcasing modern art and design. URSA is founded by Bridgeport-based artist Cris Dam and is conceived in collaboration with architect Dustin Malstrom. Ursa presents three exhibits in the Arcade and another at **Ursa** Minor #17, 245 Fairfield Ave, Bridgeport.

Event: Drawings After Dark Reception

Thursday, November 10; 6 pm to 9 pm

Join us for an adventure in the dark! Explore URSA's main gallery by torchlight and discover hundreds of wonderful works hidden within its

Event: Three Art Exhibits - Drawings After Dark, Facade, and Ursa Group Show

Thursday, November 10; 6 pm to 9 pm, Friday, November 11; 12 pm to 8 pm Saturday, November 12; 12 pm to 8 pm, Sunday, November 13: by appointment

Drawings After Dark — hundreds of black and white artworks printed on letter size paper

Facade — A descent into madness! Experience the mind of an artist through this installation by Gabe Sorretino.

Bringing it Downtown group exhibit artists include Thalia Hernandez, Michael J Clocks, Frank F Post, Looketha, Jeff Ostergen, and Eddy Hall.

19c Orphan Girl Studio

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 2, Floor 1, Bridgeport CT 06604 203.260.9394 / www.orphangirl.studio

Event: Open Studio

Thursday, November 10; 5 pm to 9 pm, Friday, November 11; 2 pm to 8 pm Saturday, November 12; 12 pm to 6 pm (Nu Earth Interactive Film Showing) Sunday, November 13; 12 pm to 6 pm

Orphan Girl Studio is a multidisciplinary studio and gallery founded by Juliana and Omari Harebin. The Nu Earth exhibit is an ongoing collaboration with a creative enclave in Jacmel, Haiti. On Saturday, November 12, we'll be showing a video collage with still poses for you to sketch/ draw/paint in real-time. Materials will be provided.

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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 #11 live/work studios.





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 has been photographed wearing dertbag designs.

Richual Boutique

Arcade Mall, 1001-12 Main St. Bridgeport, CT 06604 929.800.7861 / hoprichual@gmail.com

shoprichual.com / instagram.com/shop richual / facebook.com/shoprichual Poshmark @richual / Boutique hrs: Thurs-Sat 12pm-5pm

Richual Boutique AKA The Glamorous Thrift Shop offers a variety of curated thrift and vintage clothing from all eras. Through the art of thrifting, we aim to offer nostalgic and unique finds to enhance your wardrobe.

Sankofa Cafe

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main St, Suite 11, first floor, Bridgeport CT 06604 sankofa.cafe / 203.549.9128 / team@sankofa.cafe

Regular hours: Monday and Tuesday, 11 am to 5 pm Wednesday and Thursday, 11 am to 8 pm / Friday, 3 pm to 8 pm Saturday, 11 am to 5 pm / Sunday, closed

Sankofa offers specialty African coffee, lattes, and other hot and cold drinks, wraps, sandwiches, Halal BBQ, bean pies, salads and more made with care of the beautiful mythological Sankofa bird. Visit the café or order through Uber Eats. Sankofa Café is delicious and convenient stop on the Bridgeport Art Trail while downtown at the Arcade.

19h ARTcade at the Arcade Mall

This series of art, vintage and handmade bazaar was initiated by the Bridgeport Art Trail as a response to the recovery of the Covid shutdown, designed to encourage safe social and cultural events through an indoor/outdoor model of "meander and mingle" between participating downtown venues with the Arcade as the anchor site.

Event: Oddities Bazaar produced by the Frankenstein Twins Saturday November 12: 11 am to 5 pm

Who said "spooky" is just for Halloween?! The Frankenstein Twins are here to change that! Join the Twins for their fourth annual Oddities Bazaar, returning once again to the breathtaking, historic Arcade Mall in Downtown Bridgeport! This well-loved market is annually attended by hundreds of guests who appreciate the weird, whimsical, and wonderfully dark side of life. We understand that "spooky" is a lifestyle!

This year, we are thrilled to host the Bazaar in November to keep the ghoulish vibes going into the holiday season. We will also be welcoming our guest of honor, Krampus, for our yearly Photos With Krampus event. Get your holiday shopping done and snap a family portrait with everyone's favorite anti-Santa!

Browse the bazaar for all of your Yuletide shopping needs-you're bound to find something for everyone on your list. We are filling the mall with Connecticut's finest purveyors of oddities, vintage, and handmade goods, all locally sourced and lovingly curated by your hosts. This eccentric event is sure to make the yuletide gay and bring light to the darkest days of the year.

19i Cris Dam Art Studio

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 23, second floor, Bridgeport CT 06604 718.431.4567 / cris@ursa.gallery / ursa.gallery

This year for the Bridgeport Art Trail, Cris' studio will feature guest artists including Michael Clocks, Looketha, Frank Foster Post, and others.

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 Dam cofounded Dam Stuhltrager in Brooklyn in 1998, and was an early gallerist who helped propel Williamsburg into an international art mecca. Dam's bright paintings and large persona made him a recognizable character synonymous with Brooklyn's lively art scene.

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. BPT Creates is located behind Read's ArtSpace #11 and the Arcade Mall #19, between Broad Street and Cannon Street.

Please check our social media pages for all upcoming events!

City Lights & Company

City Lights Gallery/City Lights Vintage 265 Golden Hill Street, Downtown Bridgeport CT 06604 **Executive Director: Suzanne Kachmar** 203.334.7748 / clgallerybpt@gmail.com / citylightsgallery.org

Mailing address: 130 Elm St, Bridgeport CT 06604 Gallery and Bridgeport Art Trail HQ hours: Wednesday, November 9; 12 pm to 5 pm Thursday, November 10; 12 pm to 7:30 pm Friday, November 11; 12 pm to 5 pm

Saturday, November 12; 12 pm to 5 pm (Bike Tour meets at 8:30 am) Sunday, November 13; 12 pm to 5 pm

City Lights & Company is a nonprofit organization that serves the community through art and is the lead organization of the Bridgeport Art Trail, that raises the funds and produces the annual city-wide arts celebration weekend, attracting visitors from greater Bridgeport and the region. City Lights thanks all the creative hardworking collaborators, all the Bridgeport Art Trail artists and community partners and sponsors that have supported the Bridgeport Art Trail for 14 years.

City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail also provides free arts programs that enrich the learning experience for youth, celebrates the rich diversity of the greater community and provides work and opportunities for artists and creative entrepreneurs.



20a | 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 12-5; Saturday, 12-4 Special BAT hours: Saturday 12-8:30, Sunday 12-4

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: Exhibit How Did We Get Here? Photography, Video, Installation

Collaborators Yolanda Vasquez Petrocelli and Dariusz Kanarek present personal stories of creatives and individuals who migrated to the USA. Among the 10+ featured are Bridgeport Art Trail artists Radu Gheorghe/ Romania, Rafiq Kathwari/Kashmir, Ulla Surland/Denmark, Iyaba Ibo Mandingo/Antigua, Desmond Nature/Cameroon, Carlos Biernnay/Chile. This project is sponsored by a Connecticut Office of the Arts, Artists Respond Grant, and City Lights Gallery.

About the Exhibit

Consciously or subconsciously, we may find ourselves asking this question, How Did We Get Here? for a multitude reasons, life experiences, social, economic, environmental, political events and conditions, existential questions spurred by Covid and global aggression and gun violence. Currently we may feel that we are at a pivotal point in time, actions and attitudes can make long lasting consequences. This exhibit supports the required constant scrutiny of our perspectives, to make prudent, objective assessment and decisions, to support co-existence, empathy and the constant need to evolve.

Maya Angelou said, "You can't really know where you are going until you know where you've been." The 2 photographers, Yolanda and Dariusz celebrate the American migration story. It is a story they personally understand well, both were born in other countries and are now American citizens who built their lives here.

Insightful videos of life stories, compliment their sensitive, expressive photographs and installation. Viewers can access the videos through QR codes and a viewing area in the gallery and on the City Lights website.

Event: Exhibit Reception at City Lights Gallery/City Lights Vintage

Thursday, November 10, 2022. 5:00 to 7:30 pm

Mingle and meander between the gallery and the neighboring vintage shop. View the exhibit *How Did We Get Here?*, photography, video and installation. Meet the artists and those featured in the exhibit. Check out the eclectic inventory of vintage clothing, accessories, housewares, collectibles. Take advantage of Vintage shop discounts. Meet shop managers Steve Gerber and Robin Jopp. Get a 20% coupon for City Lights framing services.

Event: Annual Bridgeport Art Trail Urban Bike Tour

Saturday, November 12; 8:30 am to 4:30 pm

Meet at City Lights Gallery, 265 Golden Hill, Bridgeport. Join us for a free bike tour of artists' open studios along the 2021 Bridgeport Art Trail. BYOB: Bring Your Own Bike (+ money for lunch, art, donations). Join us on a free, guided bike tour of open artist studios and art galleries along the 2022 Bridgeport Art Trail.

BAT Bike Tour Schedule

8:30 am Meet at City Lights Gallery for registration, coffee, and refresh-

9:00 am Annual group photo (at the bottom of Broad Street Steps), Evel Knievel stunt cycle demo, and then we depart for the art

We will stop for lunch **please bring money for lunch**

Stops will include Arcade Mall #19, Metro Art Studios #4, The Knowlton and Armstrong Gallery #26, American Fabric Arts Building #1, City Lights Vintage #20b, and more.

Urban Bike Tours of Bridgeport aims to use the bicycle to connect the dots of Bridgeport's history and architecture while highlighting local artists, events, businesses, and activism. Throughout the year, Urban Bike

Tours of Bridgeport leads free semi-monthly bike tour adventures in and out of the city of Bridgeport. Find more details and updates at Facebook: Urban Bike Tours of Bridgeport

Event: Saturday Virtual Writers' Group

Saturday, November 12; 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 are welcome. The writers' group meets the first two Saturdays of every month online from 2 pm to 4 pm. To RSVP, send requests to clgallerybpt@gmail.com

Event: Poetry Open Mic Online with Shanna Melton

Sunday, November 13, 2022 / 3:00PM - 5:00PM on Facebook Live

Sign up for the limited Open Mic List at shannatmelton.com or Facebook.com/ShannaTMeltonArts

This will be a celebration of poetry, poets and art. Join the open mic list and learn more about the rich culture of art in Bridgeport, CT.

Like Shanna T Melton Arts and Bridgeport Art Trail on Facebook to find the live stream. Created and presented by Shanna T Melton of shannatmelton.com; Sponsored by Bridgeport Art Trail bridgeport-art-trail.org Technical Support Provided by Open Road Poetry of OpenRoadPoetry.com

Event: Art Walk and Talk with Yolanda

Saturday, November 12; 12 pm to 4 pm / Sunday, November 13; 12 pm to 4 pm Artist/guest curator Yolanda Vasquez Petrocelli welcomes visitors and hosts an informal walk and talk. View insightful photographic portraits. Learn about diverse personal life stories through videos produced by Dariusz Kanarek, accessed through QR codes and screenings.

City Lights Vintage 20b

265 Golden Hill, Bridgeport CT 06604 / 203.334.7748 / clgallerybpt@gmail.com bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/city-lights/ / 203-334-7748 Manager: Robin Gilmore

Enjoy a nostalgic shopping experience in downtown Bridgeport. The City Lights Vintage shop is steps away from the CL gallery. Step back in time, appreciating vintage items from the pre-cell phone era. Create your own style with vintage clothes, accessories, radios, camera, toys, antiques, collectibles, nostalgic art and housewares - the inventory is always changing.

Regular Vintage shop hours: Thursday, Friday, and Saturday; 12 pm to 5 pm City Lights Vintage open until 8:30 pm on Saturday November 12, 2022

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.

Event: Absolute Queen tribute band featuring Bohemian Rhapsody and other Queen covers

Saturday November 12, 2022 5:00 pm & 8:00pm

Experience the hyper-realistic sights and sounds of what a Queen concert was like in the early 1980s. Absolute Queen is an amazing realistic Queen show that replicates the songs, effects and music note for note live filled with all of the many hits, incredible vocals, stories about Queen and the songs, costume changes, and high energy sing along songs that will lift you off your seat!

Downtown Cabaret Theatre

Their attention to detail is astounding and you have to experience them performing Bohemian Rhapsody live to truly appreciate the incredible performance of this masterpiece song as Queen envisioned it.

Absolute Queen perform popular favorites, We Are The Champions, Another Ones Bites the Dust, to name a few.

Secured parking is available in the second lot on Lyons Terrace across the street from the theatre.

Save the Date: Nov 26-Dec. 30, for the Santa Story

This Cabaret original is a Holiday special for kids of all ages. We all know who Santa Claus is, but where did he come from? This wildly popular Cabaret original is the heart-warming and hilarious story of a young Christopher Kringle and his journey to become Santa Claus. The perfect blend of music, mayhem, and merriment for the whole family that is sure to have you ringing jingle bells this holiday season.

Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County

150 Elm Street, Downtown Bridgeport, CT 06604 203.366.3300 / nstudios.org / Executive Director: Frank Derico

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. Fall schedule includes classes in art, theatre, dance and music, including instrumental and voice lessons.

Event: Open House

Saturday, November 12; 12 pm to 3 pm

Visit our downtown space, adjacent to City Lights #20 and the **Downtown Cabaret Theatre #21** . Come to our Open House, try a free class, meet the instructors.

The Mary & Eliza Freeman Center

1135 Main Street, Bridgeport CT 06604 203.612.7769 / info@freemancenterbpt.com / freemancenterbpt.com Executive Director: Maisa L Tisdale

Founded in 2009, The Mary & Eliza Freeman Center for History and Community is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. The Center owns the Mary & Eliza Freeman Houses (circa 1848), under restoration, in Bridgeport's South End. They are listed on the National Register of Historic Places for significance to African Americans and women. The Freeman Center is creating a national African American historic site consisting of a museum and education center, and a digital research center. Mission: restore, preserve, and ensure the viability of the Mary and Eliza Freeman Houses; teach the history of Connecticut African Americans; revitalize the surrounding Bridgeport South End community; and facilitate the preservation and revitalization of other African American, and greater Bridgeport historic/preservation communities.

Event: Departures & Arrivals: Bridgeport and the Great Migration Exhibit

Thursday, November 10; 5 pm to 9 pm / Friday, November 11; 5 pm to 9 pm Saturday, November 12; 1 pm to 9 pm / Sunday, November 13; 1 pm to 6 pm In partnership with the Westport Museum for History and Culture. Considered among the largest movements of people in human history, "The Great Migration" took place between 1910 and 1970 when African Americans from the South moved to the Northern, Mid-Western and Western states, seeking liberty, personal security, and opportunity. This new exhibit features the photos, family memorabilia and personal stories of Black Bridgeporters who came to the city from the American South, adding to the cultural and economic diversity of the city.

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Event: Richard Patton IV: Contemporary Fine Art & Graphic Design Exhibit

Thursday, November 10; 5 pm to 9 pm / Friday, November 11; 5 pm to 9 pm Saturday, November 12; 1 pm to 9 pm / Sunday, November 13; 1 pm to 6 pm Rich Patton's work combines his African, Hispanic, and Native American heritage with abstract expressionism. It expresses his emotions, ideas, and beliefs through vibrant color, bold composition and contrasting texture and patter. Born in Bridgeport, Rich graduated from Western Connecticut State University, School of Visual and Performing Arts. His pieces are owned by private collections here and abroad, and by corporate collectors including the Freeman Center and Yale New Haven Health's Park Avenue Medical Center.

Event: Reimagining Little Liberia: Restoration & Reunion Exhibit

Thursday, November 10; 8:30 am to 7 pm

Friday, November 11; 8:30 am to 5:30 pm / Saturday, November 12; 9 am to 3 pm This exhibit, shown at the Housatonic Museum of Art #7, shows that Connecticut's African American legacies are rich, layered. From land to sea, countryside to cityscape, African and Native Americans contributed to the development of this region - only to have their own stories omitted from official histories. Bridgeport's "Little Liberia" (1821-1899) was even ignored on maps. Art, artifacts and scholarship tell this story. Little Liberia, deeply connected to a Black Atlantic network, created opportunities for Connecticut's Black and Native Americans beyond the denigration of slavery and servitude.

In Memoriam

Hertz Nazaire, proud Haitian, exquisite artist, self-proclaimed Sickle Cell Warrior who the Bridgeport, CT artist community lovingly called Naz. His vibrant colors against a black background mimicked the vibrant spirit who battled the darkness of sickle cell disease which he fought to survive each day using art as his shield. He created paintings, chairs that represent the wait for treatment, puzzles, clothing, coloring books, book covers and so much more. One might think he was quiet and reserved but his art is where he was vocal and used his platform to educate others while giving voice to all who battled the same illness. His work is forever a reminder to share our testimonies because stories through all mediums of art offer healing to the spirit. Naz left his body so his soul can be free. We are a community at our best when we say his name, learn from his art, continue to discuss his testimony and hold space for his work. May we dance like the Haitian women in his art, love like the mother holding her child, and be transparent about our pain in the hopes that someone watching may do the same. This community lifts up the spirit and vision of Hertz Nazaire with gratitude and love.

—Shanna Melton



NBALAB

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NBALAB is a disruptive research and development incubator focused on innovative design, imaginative concepts, and strategic partnerships. Founded in 2015 to facilitate product expansion for the NBA's Global Licensing Group, the NBALAB experiments with a variety of consumer goods as well as new product categories in collaboration with small and minority owned companies that are making noise in their respective

Event: Open House and Public Art Crawl Happy Hour

Friday, November 11; 5 pm to 6:30 pm

View the recently completed large scale mural, meet artist Billi Kid and his mural painting team.

The Archive

118 Congress Street, Bridgeport CT 06604 203.441.5678 / bridgeport@browsethearchive browsethearchive.com/bridgeport Open Tuesdays through Sundays from 11 am to 6 pm

The Archive is Vinegar Syndrome's experimental retail store located at our film preservation facility in Bridgeport, CT (right off I-95!) We carry all of our releases (of course) and a wide variety of other like-minded genre home video companies, in addition to super rare VHS, laserdiscs, and movie posters. We also have a growing selection of vinyl LPs and one of the largest collections of soundtrack LPs you will ever encounter.

East Side

Artists of The Knowlton

305 Knowlton Street, Bridgeport, CT 06608 203.900.4545 info@theknowlton.com theknowlton com facebook.com/theknowlton instagram.com/theknowlton



New England's premier arts and entertainment hub and one-of-a-kind industrial waterfront event venue is home to world class visual artists, sculptures, and innovative businesses, nestled in the historic Armstrong Manufacturing Building on the banks of the Pequonnock River in Washington Park Historic District on Bridgeport's East Side. Housing 27 artist studios and 35,000 square feet of event space, The Knowlton has just recently completed a major renovation of this artist complex, connecting all three of our Galleries and Premium event spaces, featuring The Armstrong Gallery, The Wilder Gallery and the expansive waterfront venue, The Boathouse, as well as the ever evolving outdoor Knowlton Art Park with new murals by world renowned artists and local artists.

PARKING: There is plenty of parking in private secured parking lot along the water. Enter on Maple Street & Knowlton Street. When you see the Hope mural you are in the right spot

Event: Open Studios & Art Sale

Saturday, November 12; 11 am to 4 pm / Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 2 pm

Meet the artists, see the work, talk the talk! Tour three floors of open studios including our beautiful Armstrong & Wilder Galleries (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 big off-street parking lot, located on the Pequonock River.

Event: Exhibit at Armstrong and Wilder Galleries

Saturday, November 12, 2022, 11 to 9 pm Sunday, November 13, 2022, 11 to 2 pm

The Bridgeport Art Trail Exhibit at The Knowlton will include new art talent from our region and beyond, plus the work of the current studio-tenant 'creatives' at The Knowlton, including painters Brad Noble, Michael Reinwald, Nicole Cantore Koester, Herm Freeman, Sam Grace, Selina Huber, Ricky Mestre, Cynthia Lucero, and photographers Alexandra Tremaine, NFT artist Emily Swift, Zaibel Torres, January Jennene, Stanley Leon, Courtney Brown, Ivan Lopez, Luis Cuevas, and sculptor/ jeweler Anton Visina.

Event: DeFineArt

Saturday, November 12

4 pm to 5 pm Special Speaker Panel

5 pm to 9 pm NFT & Contemporary Art Exhibit first ever laser guided NFT

9 pm to 11:59 pm After Party

The Knowlton Art Galleries, Arts & Culture Together and Art of Everyone Presents DefineArt, Connecticut's First Hybrid NFT & Contemporary Art Exhibition. Over 6,000 square feet of pure artistic creativity will be on display, beginning with a Panel Discussion centered around traditional visual arts and the convergence of NFTs in the market place, followed by an stellar exhibit of Contemporary Art Photography alongside Digital NFT Creations Minting Live, featuring local and national talent. We will be adding new talent from the region and beyond, so be sure to scan, and bookmark the QR code above, and RSVP!!! We'll keep you posted as we bring on new talent. Part of this exciting event will be a never-before-done artistic creation. You will have the opportunity to Get Behind the Canvas with Art of Everyone and paint the First Ever Laser Guided NFT, that will be "Minted" as an NFT Piece of Art. Art of Everyone is a collective of curated artistic talent, specializing in the creative mediums of traditional visual art to NFTs, murals and our proprietary Laser Guided

West End

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 multiple entertainment shows ranging from rock, blues, reggae, jazz, R&B and classical music, to ballet, comedy, plays and opera. Annually the Klein hosts the Greater Bridgeport Symphony #27a and the **Bridgeport Film Fest #28**. Parking is available in the Klein parking lot on Iranistan Avenue between State Street and Fairfield Avenue.

27a Greater Bridgeport Symphony

Mailing Address: 446 University Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604 Executive Director: Mark Halstead / Principal Conductor: Eric Jacobsen 203.576.0263 / mark@qbs.org

Under the exciting leadership of Eric Jacobsen, the Greater Bridgeport Symphony maintains the highest musical standards, presenting truly extraordinary and captivating concerts. Eric has revitalized the orchestra and brought a new level of excitement and youthful energy that is unique among regional orchestras in Connecticut.

After eight glorious seasons, our beloved music director Eric Jacobsen has announced his retirement from GBS at the end of next season. He will conduct his final concert on Saturday, 11/2/22. He has recommended three amazing conductors, one of whom, we hope, will be selected to be our new Music Director next April.

The season is themed TURN, TURN, TURN -- and indeed you, the audience, will participate in each of the three conductors having a turn conducting for you in November, December and March. Through surveys and focus groups, you'll be able to assist GBS in forming our future!

27a Greater Bridgeport Symphony

Event: Beethoven's Piano Concerto #1 and Schumann's Second Symphony Saturday, November 12; 8 pm, doors open at 7 pm

Guest Conductor Benjamin Hochman, a noted pianist as well as conductor, leads the orchestra and will perform Beethoven's Piano Concerto #1 and Schumann's Second Symphony. Tickets available at www.GBS.org. Price: Various prices (\$18-\$65)

28 Bridgeport Film Fest

BridgeportFilmFest.org / info@BridgeportFilmFest.org instagram.com/BridgeportFilmFest / facebook.com/BridgeportFilmFest Artistic Director & Founder: Jason A Coombs

The Bridgeport Film Fest is making "philanthropy through film" a priority in Bridgeport, CT. This nonprofit initiative is dedicated to the discovery, championing, and development of independent filmmakers and audiences. Through various programming, the festival seeks to showcase, guide, and inspire independent film and theatre artists from the Bridgeport community and beyond.

After another successful three day event in July 2022, the BFF team is preparing for its 3rd annual at the Klein Memorial Auditorium #27 for September 2023. Local audiences will be enriched by the films, workshops, panels discussions, and other forms of artistic expression curated by the festival team. Submissions for the 2023 Festival are now open! Learn more about the Bridgeport Film Fest or submit films for consideration: bridgeportfilmfest.org

Event: Curator's Choice: A Series of Short Films

Saturday, November 12; 2 pm to 3 pm and 4 pm to 5 pm

at NEST Arts Factory #29

Featuring highlights from the 2022 Bridgeport Film Fest. This free event is curated by Jason A. Coombs, the Artistic Director of the Bridgeport Film Fest. Free but donations accepted.

Event: Connecticut Stories: A Series of Short Films + Filmmaker Discussion Sunday, November 13; doors open at 1 pm, screening from 1:30 pm to 3 pm at Bijou Theatre #14

Munch & Movies. Purchase a beverage from the Bijou bar and help yourself to a complimentary nosh. Featuring local filmmakers and musicians from the Connecticut area sharing their original short films, documentaries and music videos followed by a post screening Q+A with the filmmakers. This free event is curated by Jason A. Coombs, the Artistic Director of the Bridgeport Film Fest. Free but donations accepted.

NEST Arts Factory

1720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605 203.690.1335 / nestbpt@gmail.com nestartsfactory.com / instagram.com/nestartsfactory

Open Studios, art sale, hands-on activities, great family fun! The NEST Arts Factory is the longest-running working artists studio in Bridgeport, marking over 30 years.

Meet the artists, tour their studios, and experience the variety of art and music created in this working studio space. The weekend program offers several hands-on, interactive programs; many are great family-fun activities. Artists' work of all sizes and materials will be on sale, just in time for the holidays. Also view the work of guest artists, including the Black Rock Art Guild #36, the Bridgeport Portrait Project, and artists in the exhibit "Reconstructed/Deconstructed Still Lifes."

Activities taking place throughout the NEST include busker-style music, hands-on art activities like aromatherapy, mosaic, demos of the 'lamp work' technique of glass-blowing, and screenings from the **Bridgeport** Film Fest #28.

On Saturday evening, sample the sounds of the eclectic NEST musicians starting with Pangea World Music followed by the high energy of the Swamp Hogs.

Event: NEST Open Studios & Art Sale

Saturday, November 12; 11 am to 5 pm / Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm Meet the NEST artists, tour their studios, and experience the variety of art and music created in this collaborative space. The artists will have work of all sizes for sale, just in time for the holidays.

Event: Reconstructed/Deconstructed Still Lifes

Saturday, November 12; 11 am to 5 pm / Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm

Art will be on view throughout the building along with this exhibit featuring NEST Arts Factory artists Ellie Mesa, Strive Glass, Stella Whittle, and invited artists Maralyn Adlin, Larry Morse, Miranda Updike showing paintings and 3D art, whimsical pottery, glass and upcycled furniture, curated by NEST artist and City Lights Gallery #20 director Suzanne

This exhibit dusts off an old concept of still lifes, through a conglomeration of creations, on and off the canvas, presenting representational works that are abstracted, imaginary, kinetic and breathe with process, exploring materials, marks, shapes and scrapes, line, form, color and

Historically in painting the glorification of the object could represent religious and philosophical concepts, joys of domestic life, wealth and status. For some, art based on still-lifes may seem trite. But for the art student and the many artists who explore painting and the principles of design, still lifes are the building blocks for new visual ideas and ways to work. This exhibit dusts off an old concept of still lifes, on and off the canvas, presenting representational works that are abstracted, imaginary, kinetic and breathe with process, exploring materials, marks, shapes and scrapes, line, form, color and fantasy.

There is an immediate energy to these works, although complete and well executed, they have a sense that the artist just stepped away and may return to keep working. Representational paintings that abandon logic, toy with realistic rendering in the exchange for the passion of painting. The viewer is present, experiencing the physical application of paint, sensing the artist's thoughts, process and feelings. "It's like a musician riffing on a classic Jazz standard, translating the beautiful arrangement of notes with the artist's specific character," says curator Suzanne Kachmar. "As a painter I find it cathartic to make still lifes with objects that signify a feeling or current event."

Continuing the playful exploration of the still-life concept, Kachmar includes actual still-life objects, the fantastic pottery by Ellie Mesa, mini abstract sculpture/maquettes that painter Larry Morse builds for the visual reference of his large abstracted still life creations and the fantastical manipulation of stretched and twisted glass bottles by Strive-Glass.

Event: Black Rock Art Guild #36 Members' Art in the Brickway

Saturday, November 12; 11 am to 5 pm / Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm Members of the Black Rock Art Guild #36 will be exhibiting work in a variety of media. Exhibiting artists: Kit Briner, Harold Davis, Linda Downey, Geri Gould, Maxine Greenberg, Janet Habansky, Rita Daley Hannafin, Holly Hawthorn, Pat Jenkins, Diane Wendy, Kleros, Barbara Loss, Nina Marino, Jay Misencik, Judy Noel, Donna OsterbyBrien, Paul Rockoff, Cristina Sarno, Robb Sauerhoff, Gabriel Sorrentino, Geralene Valentine, Lee Walther. Poets: Janet Krauss, Heidi St Jean, Musician: Steven Gilbert

Founded in 2013 BRAG (Black Rock Art Guild) #36 is a not-for-profit organization that welcomes artists of any genre - painters, writers, actors, sculptors, poets, photographers; to join its diverse group of talented members. BRAG's active membership of 75 prides itself on creating a sense of artistic community in Black Rock and the surrounding areas. BRAG meets monthly. Yearly dues are \$10.

> BRAG, Black Rock Art Guild art exhibition reception Saturday, November 12, 2022 at the **NEST Arts Factory #29. Art, music and poetry.**

NEST Arts Factory

Event: Bridgeport Portrait Project

Saturday, November 12; 11 am to 5 pm / Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm Jay Misencik & Geralene Valentine, photographers

203-268-8306 / misencik.images@gmail.com / misencik-images.com

The NEST welcomes the Bridgeport Portrait Project team back for the Bridgeport Art Trail. See and hear updates to the project and celebrate "100 Years" - Poli's Palace and Majestic Theatres Memories Project with photographs, slideshow videos, and story recordings. Since 2014, Jay Misencik and Geralene Valentine have been working on The Bridgeport Portrait Project. It is an ongoing, documentary-style, photography and storytelling project. The people photographed and the stories they tell, explain why Bridgeport is so much more than just a place.

They photographed people with different occupations on Bridgeport's Main Street. They photographed clients at The Thomas Merton House of Hospitality. They photographed people who had a connection to the shuttered Palace and Majestic theatres in Bridgeport's downtown. To participate in or comment about The Bridgeport Portrait Project, please contact Jay and Geralene: misencik.images@gmail.com

Event: Art Demos & Music

Saturday, November 12; 1 pm to 4:30 pm

Busker-style music curated by Rick Reyes. Exploring art materials, hands-on making stations facilitated by Lori Bloom, and other NEST artists. Textile collage demo and hands on workshop with artist lyaba lbo Mandingo #6 in the Community Room.

Event: Lampwork Style Glass Blowing

Saturday, November 12; 1pm and 3 pm

Sunday, November 13; 12:30 pm and 2 pm

Demos by Jimmi of Strive-Glass. Learn about the history of glass and the ways humans used glass through history. Watch Jimmi as he manipulates molten glass, twisting and stretching with a live flame. Select works of Strive-Glass will be in the exhibit Reconstructed/Deconstructed.

Event: Textile Collage with Iyaba Ibo Mandingo #6, Community Room

Saturday, November 12; 1 pm to 3 pm

Sunday, November 13; 1 pm to 3 pm

Don't miss the opportunity to make a small textile collage with master teacher, multi-media artist and storyteller of Gallery 9104 #6.

Event: It's Bead Time

Sunday, November 13, 2022; 1 pm to 3 pm

Linda Smith will be hosting a bead workshop. You can make necklaces and bracelets and fun. Come, see and buy from a large collection of



Jimmi, Glassblowing Demonstration at The NEST, #29.

Event: Drum Circle, Community Room

Sunday, November 13; 3 pm to 4 pm

Drum Circle returns from being so popular during our last Art Trail. Definitely a hands-on experience that everyone enjoys.

Event: Community Mosaic Project, studio 25A

Saturday, November 12; 1 pm to 4 pm

Take part in a community mosaic project to be permanently on view at

Kat, of Marvelous Mosaic, introduces you to the ancient art of mosaic. Participate in a hands-on group mural project, that will be permanently on view at the NEST.

Event: Mixed Media Demo and Play, studios 32 & 33

Saturday, November 12; 2 pm and 4 pm

Sunday, November 13; 11:30 am

Lori Bloom and Camille Enkeboll welcome you to The Studio at Bridgeport. Come learn a bit abut used media and the various materials that an be used to make art. We are the newest art studio in Bridgeport. Take a moment to play and create with us.

Event: Tai Chai Demo, Community Room

Saturday, November 12; 2 pm to 4 pm

Sunday, November 13; 1:30 pm

Evel8ion Studios presents Tai Chi and good health practices with certified Tai Chi practitioner Jonathan B Davis. Learn the history and philosophy of the Healing Art of Tai Chi. Observe or participate in a group demonstration of Tai Chi form of Yang and Sun style. Learn how to apply every day simple and effective methods and techniques of the principles of traditional Tai Chi and Chinese medicine to stay healthy and well through the flu season and winter months.

Tawawa Wellness LLIC & Elev8ion Studio Live and Zoom Ta Chi Classes, sign up for affordable winter classes. tawawawellness@optonline.net / 203.257.1145

What is Tai Chi?

A series of gentle physical exercises and stretches. Each posture flows into the next without pause, ensuring that your body is in constant motion. Thai Chi is sometimes described as meditation in motion. It promotes serenity through gentle movements. It's a powerful method of exercising that leads to optimal health. The teaching style utilized is a safe, simple and effective approach. It can be performed standing or seated.

Event: The Fabric Chronicles, Gallery

Saturday, November 12; 2 pm

The Fabric Chronicles documents the lives of the people behind the interior design trade and textile enthusiasts as captured and told by fabric salesman, artist, and musician, Rick Reyes.

Event: Bridgeport Film Fest #28 Shorts, Gallery

Saturday, November 12; 3 pm to 4 pm

The Bridgeport Film Fest #28 is making "philanthropy through film" a priority in Bridgeport, CT. This nonprofit initiative is dedicated to the discovery, championing, and development of independent filmmakers and audiences. Through various programming, the festival seeks to showcase, guide, and inspire independent film and theatre artists from the Bridgeport community and beyond.

After another successful three day event in July 2022, the BFF team is preparing for its 3rd annual at the Klein for September 2023. Local audiences will be enriched by the films, workshops, panels discussions, and other forms of artistic expression curated by the festival team. Submissions for the 2023 Festival are now open. Learn more about the Bridgeport Film Fest #28 or submit films for consideration: bridgeportfilmfest.org.

Colorful Bridgeport: A Series of Short Documentaries Highlighting Bridgeport, Local Residents and Businesses

Curator's Choice: A Series of Short Films

Featuring local filmmakers and musicians from the Connecticut area sharing their original short films, documentaries and music videos. This free event is curated by Jason A. Coombs, The Artistic Director of the Bridgeport Film Fest.



Maralyn Adlin, exhibiting in Deconstructed/Reconstructed at the NEST.

Event: Black Rock Art Guild #36 and NEST Artists' Reception

Saturday, November 12; 4 pm to 6 pm

Talk with the artists, enjoy light refreshment, acoustic music by Steven Gilbert, poetry by BRAG #36 poets, Janet Krauss, Heidi St Jean, guest poets lyaba lbo Mandingo #6 and Larry Morse. Poetry and Live Music 4:00-6:30 pm

Event: Swamp Hogs Concert, Community Room

Saturday, November 12; 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm

Pandemic born, The Swamp Hogs are a 5-hog band with an experimental inclination towards jam/funk, rock, folk, stoner doom and feral psychedelia. Emerging from the swamps of the Greater Bridgeport Area, the Hogs deliver a welcoming high energy mix of covers and originals that will surely get you off your feet for a funky good time.

The Hogs consist of the Casey brothers (Catfish crooning lead vocals/ rhythm guitar & Jimmy "Professor Casey" wigglin fingers on lead), Brian "Bowski" Grabowski slapping bass and singing backup, Garrett "G-Hal" Halstead bangin' beats on the drum kit, and Owen "Squirrels" Nelson tenderly ticklin' on them Conga skins and assisting vocals.

Event: Munch, Mingle, Music, and Mimosas

Sunday, November 13; 11:30 am to 1 pm

The NEST is transformed into an artful piano bar with music by Rob Foley, light bites, coffee and mimosa bar. Once the Mimosas start flowing, stick around for an impromptu artists walk and talk.

Event: cARTie #39 Museum Pop-Up

Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 2 pm

Mobile art museum bus presenting a juried exhibit of CT high school student artists, by cARTie #39.

Event: Boosting Creativity with Aromatherapy

Sunday, November 13; 11:30 am to 1 pm

Create your very own signature scent with Nest artist, Kerry Gale, and learn about the impact of scent on mood and spirit and its ability to enhance creativity. Kerry is the founder of Floraco, a company focused on small batch, hand-crafted botanical products rooted from a passion for clean ingredients

Event: Figure Drawing at the NEST sponsored by City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail #20, Community Room

Ongoing on the first two Tuesday of each month; 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

Sketches in charcoal, ink, watercolor and pencil are informally presented, (unframed with pushpins) seemingly fresh from the open sketch workshop. Tables, easels are provided, bring drawing board and materials. Work in a comfortable, yet serious and supportive atmosphere. \$15 for model fee and studio time. RSVP to attend to clgallerybpt@gmail.com

29a | Black Rock Galleries and Design Center

1720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605 203.335.0000 / contact@blackrockgalleries.com / blackrockgalleries.com

Event: Open Showroom

Thursday, November 10; 10 am to 5 pm Friday, November 11; 10 am to 5 pm Saturday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm

With over 20 years of experience in the industry and an amazing onestop 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

30 | Mongers Market

1155 Railroad Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605 203-326-0904 / info@mongers-market.com / mongers-market.com instagram.com/mongersmarketusa Business Hours: Sundays 10 am to 4pm

A collection of diverse mongers selling vintage, industrial salvage and antique items in a 75,000-square-foot refurnished factory space. The extensive eclectic inventory of furniture, lighting, architectural elements, and clothing is always changing. Shopping here is an experience! Items are uniquely displayed. You'll discover authentic, upcycled or reclaimed inventory, including doors, windows, light fixtures, lumber, furniture, architectural elements, wrought iron, sinks, lockers, bins, fireplace mantels, machine legs, shutters, etc. Mongers Market will get your creative juices flowing and very likely inspire DIY projects for your home, workspace, or gardens. 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.

Black Rock

Source Coffeehouse

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The cutest coffee shop in Black Rock made the Best of Connecticut 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 10; 7 am to 6 pm / Friday, November 11; 7 am to 6 pm Saturday, November 12; 7 am to 6 pm / Sunday, November 13; 8 am to 6 pm Source Coffeehouse proudly hosts art exhibits year round. Grab a cup of fresh local coffee and view the art here before hitting the Trail for

> **Bridgeport Film Fest and Fabric Chronicles**, screenings at the NEST Factory Arts, #29, Saturday, November 12, 2022.

32 | Park City Music Hall

2926 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605 203.335.3655 / parkcitymusichall.com

Live music, food, drinks at Bridgeport's latest music venue! Park City Music Hall began its life as The Acoustic Cafe in 1999. Over the following decades, The Acoustic became a wellspring of legendary musical performance and birthed the modern Bridgeport music scene. Park City Music Hall intends to carry that mantle well into the future.

The ambitious reimagining of this popular music venue consists of a 500 square foot expansion, a redesigned building facade with overhead garage doors, a new state of the art sound system from L-Acoustics, a new kitchen, restrooms, expanded green room, and an oversized bar capable of servicing the venue's new capacity of 300.

Check out the full calendar here: parkcitymusichall.com/calendar

Event: A Tribute to the Queen of Soul

Friday, November 11; Doors open at 7 pm, show starts at 9 pm

A Tribute to the Queen of Soul, this performance will feature all your Aretha Franklin favorites along with other soul classics. Fronting the house band is Black Rock's own Tracy Jo featuring Will Earley, Kris Yunker (On The Spot Trio), and Andrew Klein (On The Spot Trio).

Event: Muscle Tough

Sunday, November 13; Doors open at 6 pm, show starts at 8 pm

Muscle Tough, Philadelphia's premier Futuristic Funk Fusion trio, specializes in a heavily improvised blend of modal jazz, funk, and rocking psychedelia. Their creative use of sound design and group-minded improvisation blurs the line between their originals and the quirky pop classics they stretch out on. Tough Transmissions, a recent collection of hilariously titled 1-minute songs, showcases the trios lack of musical boundaries and deep comedic undercurrents. With a revolving door of guests including members of Phish, MMW, Dopapod, Lotus, Snarky Puppy, and DJ Logic, along with a reputation for their sprawling latenight sets, Muscle Tough invites audiences world-wide to GET TOUGH!

Pious Bird

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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

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"Reggae on the beach in Jamaca flava" with lijam Reggaelution at the Thursday Night Kick-o nergize the Arcade with dance music and songs of **Bob Marley & The Wailers, Berris Hammond.** Gregory Isaacs, and UB40, to name a few along with

Harborview Market

218 Harborview Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605

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View local art 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.

Bridgeport Art Trail Hours: Thursday, November 10; 6 am to 5 pm Friday, November 11; 6 am to 5 pm, Saturday, November 12; 6 am to 4 pm Sunday, November 13; 6:30 am to 2 pm

Event: Featured Artist Patrice Barrett

Prints and paintings by Patrice Barrett of Metro Art Studios #4 grace the walls of Harborview Market as you enjoy tasty treats and delicious

Framemakers & Art Gallery

3004 Fairfield Avenue, Black Rock, Bridgeport, CT 06605 203.338.0332 / framemakers3142@gmail.com / instagram.com/ framemakersblackrock

Director: Maureen Buckley

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

Bridgeport Art Trail hours: Thursday, November 10; 8:30 am to 5 pm Friday, November 11; 8:30 am to 5 pm, Saturday, November 12; 8:30 am to 4 pm

Event: Photography by Jim O'Donnell

November through December. The collection is a series of prints of the Black Rock Lighthouse on Fayerweather Island. O'Donnell's use of color and modification make for a unique painterly quality; visions of the impressionists.

39 | Black Rock Art Guild

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

Event: Black Rock Art Guild Members' Art Exhibit at the NEST Arts Factory #29

Saturday, November 12; 11:00 am to 5:00 pm (reception 4 pm to 6 pm) Sunday November 13; 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

Members of the Black Rock Art Guild will be exhibiting work in a variety of media at the **NEST Arts Factory #29.**

> **Munch your way along the Trail,** Jello Social at American Fabrics, #1

Music. Mimosas and Mingle at the NEST Arts Factory, #2

Munch and Movies at the Bijou Theatre #14.

North End Bridgeport

Connecticut's Beardsley Park Zoo

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

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Let your curiosity run wild! Connecticut's only zoo, celebrating its 100th year, features 350 animals representing primarily North and South American and Northern Asian species. Guests won't want to miss our Amur tigers and leopards, maned wolves, Mexican gray wolves, and red wolves. Other highlights include our new Spider Monkey Habitat, the Rainforest Building, the prairie dog exhibit, and the Pampas Plain with Giant anteaters and Chacoan peccaries. Guests can ride on the carousel, grab a bite from the Peacock Café and eat in the Picnic Grove. Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo is a non-profit organization approaching its 100th year at a time when the mission of helping fragile wildlife populations and ecosystems is more important than ever.

Event: Glow Wild Lantern Festival

Thursday, November 10; 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm

Journey through a wonderland of illuminated larger-than-life lanterns inspired by our wild world. This amazing festival will culminate a year of festivities celebrating the Zoo's 100th birthday and will be held every Thursday - Sunday thru November 27. The festival will showcase more than 35 large-scale illuminated displays, featuring hundreds of beautiful individual and interactive lanterns.

Spanning the width and breadth of Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo's 30 acres, guests are invited to walk through glowing corridors. Displays of flora and fauna will light up the night sky, dazzling guests of all ages! The Glow Wild Lantern Festival is designed for everyone to enjoy whether a family outing, romantic date, or coworker get-together. The festival will run from 5:30 pm to 9:30 pm Thursdays through Sundays. Timed tickets should be purchased online in advance, offered in half hour increments. A small number of tickets may be available at the door, depending upon Zoo capacity.

38 SHU Discovery Center and Planetarium

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Museum Hours: Mondays through Thursdays 10 am to 6 pm; Fridays through Sundays 10 am to 5 pm

We believe in the importance of providing hands-on STEAM learning experiences that resonate with children's natural curiosity and love of learning. We are active advocates for science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM) literacy in Connecticut, and utilize our unique resources and expertise in informal STEAM learning to encourage and provide a pathway for all young learners to become STEAM-empowered and informed decision makers in an increasingly technology-driven world.

Our mission is to engage, excite, and educate young learners through experiences and programs that inspire wonder and ignite creativity as the foundation for a lifetime love of science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM) learning. Please check our website and social media pages for all upcoming events!



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39 | cARTie Museum Pop-up

cARTie Co-Founder and Executive Director: Clare Murray cARTie.org / CTcARTie@gmail.com

Event: cARTie Museum Pop-Up

Saturday, November 12: 11 am to 2 pm at American Arts Fabrics Building #1 Sunday, November 13; 11 am to 2 pm at NEST Arts Factory #29

Hop aboard cARTie during your journey along the Bridgeport Art Trail this weekend, and marvel at this year's juried exhibition of art by a diverse representation of Connecticut high school student-artists curated for young children and families! cARTie is Connecticut's first and only nonprofit mobile art museum bus committed to bridging inequities in education and arts access across the state. On an annual basis, cARTie exhibits a juried art show of a diverse representation of high school students' art in highly interactive and participatory ways for our youngest learners and their school, family, and other communities. cARTie focuses programming on PreK-2 audiences and ensures all young children positive and prolonged early introductions to museum-based learning and opportunities for developing critical and creative thinking dispositions. Art-making materials will be provided, and family/adult -friendly scavenger hunts and other museum tours will be available.

40 KEYS / Kids Empowered by Your Support

Director: Karen Cobham / Founder, Artistic Director: Rob Silvan Office Address: The Bessemer Center, 2200 North Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06604 Mailing Address: PO Box 532, New Canaan, CT 06840 203.350.0255 / keysmusic.ora

KEYS is a non-profit organization that changes the lives of youth through music, including individual and group lessons. KEYS' mission is to provide free music lessons and performance opportunities to under-resourced students of Bridgeport. KEYS envisions a world where every child has access to the transformative experience of studying and playing music regardless of circumstances.

Event: KEYS Instructors and Students Perform

Thursday, November 10; 6 to 9:30 pm

KEYS performance at the Bridgeport Art Trail Kick-Off Party at Read's **Ground Floor Gallery #11.**

Nearby Stratford

Art Alliance of Stratford

Sterling House Community Center, 2283 Main Street, Stratford, CT 06615 artsallianceofstratford.org

Arts Alliance of Stratford was created to support and foster the growth of the arts, education, and cultural experiences in the Stratford, CT region. Arts Alliance of Stratford is a nonprofit organization working to build community and enhance the quality of life in the Stratford, Connecticut region. We collaborate with the public, artists, creatives, and art lovers offering opportunities to learn, teach, create, network, and enjoy the arts. See our website for programs and workshops including creative writing and open sketch figure drawing.

Event: Elements Exhibit Opening Reception

Friday, November 11: 6 to 8 pm

An exhibit presenting a variety of works interpreting the theme runs to Friday, December 2, 2022.

Finding inspiration is important.

At M&T Bank, we understand how important the arts are to a vibrant community. That's why we offer our time, energy and resources to support artists of all kinds, and encourage others to do the same. Learn more at mtb.com.

M&T Bank is a proud supporter of City Lights and the Bridgeport Art Trail.



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Artists of the Bridgeport Art Trail

American Fabrics Arts Building

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Crystal art studio Affordable colorful paintings with reiki energy infused crystals

William P Duffv. #203

Landscape, urban, and coastal painting *In studio and plein aire painting instruction* williampduffy@hotmail.com

Crystal Heiden, #204

All the art all the time

heidenart@gmail.com / crystalheiden.com guest artist: Arthur Halvorsen ceramics

Joanie Landau, Studio 206

Abstract photography and mixed media art, decorative pillows, home accessories

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Jay Petrow, #208

Abstract expressionist painting

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Exploring abstract shapes and deconstruction. Available by appointment.

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Contemporary paintings based in history, drawing and storytelling

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Judith Corrigan, #402

Figurative and abstract paintings in acrylic and mixed media

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Sam Grace, #14

Painter

Courtney Brown, #14 Photographer

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Artists of the Bridgeport Art Trail

The Knowlton (continued)

Floor 3

Ina Anderson, #4

Playwriter and producer

Ricky Mestre, #5

Artist, painter, and videographer Instagram @rickymestre

Wilmary Ripoli, #6

Hairdresser

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Studio photographer, darkroom artist, full service

emily@emilyswiftstudios.com

EmilySwiftStudios.com / DarkslideFilmLab.com

Ivan Lopez, #9

Photography, salon inkdavinci.com

Luis Cuevas, #10

Photography

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Metro Art Studios

First Floor

Linn Cassetta, #101

Painter, printmaker, designer

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Susan Fehlinger, #101

Painter

susanfehlinger.com

Instagram @susanfehlinger Dale Najarian, #102

Painter

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Alternate Routes, #103

Eric Donnelly & Tim Warren

Musicians and songwriters

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Denise Susalka, #105

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Drew Angus, #106

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Lucienne Buckner, #107

Sculptor

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Scott Packham & John Torres Musicians and songwriters

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Jennifer Burbank, #202

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Gwen Hendrix, #208

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Abstract painter

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Artists of the Bridgeport Art Trail

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Jimmi, #25A

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Kat Jetson, #25A

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Rick Reves, #39 Latin world musician

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Michele Riche, #27 Painter

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Artist Ras Omari Harebin

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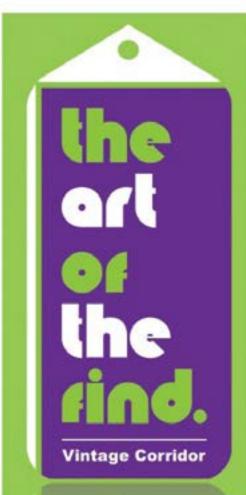
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The ART of the Find

Sometimes you don't know what you're looking for until you find it. This list of "hidden gems" along this Bridgeport
Stratford corridor will help you enjoy The ART of the Find featuring art, design, artisanal and vintage vendors. Create your own style from an eclectic array of possibilities to wear or decorate home and work. Find your way to vintage, thrift, consignment, gift and fashion venues.

These businesses support local artists and artisans and creative placemaking which enriches community. Choosing vintage and upcycled clothing and furniture is good for the environment, rather than dumping 'old stuff' into a landfill. Your purchases support women owned and black owned businesses, and thoughtfully curated shops.

Many locations are nearby attractions on the Bridgeport Art Trail. Please support these fine establishments in your travels. We hope you will enjoy the art of your find whether it is a fashion piece, home decor, or an object d'art.



BLACK ROCK

Pious Bird

2960 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605 Contact: Desiree Witt

203.540.5175 / piousbird@me.com / piousbird.com

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.

SOUTH END

Metro Art Studios

345 Railroad Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06604 metroartstudios@gmail.com / metroartstudios.com Artists' working studios

DOWNTOWN

City Lights Vintage/City Lights Gallery 265 Golden Hill Street

CL Vintage just steps from City Lights Gallery Next to the Downtown Cabaret Theater.

Phone: 203-334-7748 / Alt Phone: 203-449-2187 Hours Thursday & Friday 12-5pm* / Saturday 12-4pm *Open later during some of the Cabaret shows

FB: City Lights Vintage Instagram: @citylightsvintage

Etsy Shop: www.etsy.com/shop/citylightsvintagebpt

Vintage and boutique clothing, cameras, furniture and art, this vintage and collectibles shop was created as a means to help fund the many City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail arts programs and education projects, enhance placemaking and connect with community.

The Emporium

305 Fairfield Avenue, Downtown Bridgeport CT 06604

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203.530.8051 / academybooksandrecords.com mike@academybooksandrecords.com

Regular Hours: Friday and Saturday, 11 am to 5 pm or by appointment

A showcase for products and services from students and startups; a book and record store; and a coffee and pastry shop.

Historic Arcade Mall / ARTcade Ursa Gallery / Paradox Ink Richual Boutique

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

The Arcade is a stunning gem of Victorian architecture, with glass conservatory ceiling. Its charm and scale make it a perfect location for social gatherings, events and shopping experiences like ARTcade.

ARTcade happens monthly, enjoy an art, music and shopping experience featuring artisanal and vintage vendors at the Downtown Arcade mall and nearby participating shops. ARTcade takes place 11/13/21 during the BAT weekend. Check bridgeort-art-trail.org for monthly info and dates.

Ursa Gallery, Arcade Mall, Suite 23 917.331.5338 / hello@ursa.gallery instagram.com/ursa.gallery facebook.com/ursa.gallery

Paradox Ink Arcade Mall, Suite 19 203.521.8681 / paradoxink.com The art and silkscreen prints of Liz Squillace

Richual Boutique LLC.

CEO, Brittany Rae

Phone: 646. 467.0056

Email: Shoprichual@gmail.com / website: shoprichual.com

Instagram: @shop richual

Hours Tuesday -Thursday 10vam to 5vpFriday-Saturday. 10 am to 7pm

Collab Exchange

1123 Main Street, Bridgeport CT 06604 collabexchange@gmail.com / collab-exchange.com Hours: Thursday thru Friday 4PM - 7PM

A hybrid cooperative to launch artisanal brands and encourage small business growth.

The Archive

118 Congress Street, Bridgeport CT 06604
203.441.5678 / bridgeport@browsethearchive

Open Tuesdays through Sundays from 11 am to 6 pm The Archive is Vinegar Syndrome's experimen-

tal retail store located at our film preservation facility in Bridgeport, CT, Vintage video, vinyl, rare VHS, laserdiscs, and movie posters and one of the largest collections of soundtrack LPs you will ever encounter.

Thriftleasta

Resell Store

505 West Avenue (corner of Fairfield Avenue) 203-332-1555 / Thriftleasa.com Hours Monday to Friday 11 am to 6 pm Support@thriftfleasta.com

WEST END

Mongers Market

1155 Railroad Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605 203-326-0904 / info@mongers-market.com / mongers-market.com

instagram.com/mongersmarketusa

Business Hours: Sundays 10 am to 4pm

A collection of diverse mongers selling vintage, industrial salvage and antique items in a 75,000-square-foot refurnished factory space.

NEST Arts Factory

1720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605 203.690.1335 / nestbpt@gmail.com nestartsfactory.com / instagram.com/nestartsfactory Artists' working studios



Learn more about the Art of the Find

Black Rock Galleries, Auction and Design Center

1720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605 203.335.0000 / contact@blackrockgalleries.com / blackrockgalleries.com

EAST SIDE

American Fabrics Arts Building 1069 Connecticut Avenue, Building 4 Bridgeport, CT 06607

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The Knowlton

305 Knowlton Street, Bridgeport, CT 06608 203.900.4545 / info@theknowlton.com / TheKnowlton.com / facebook.com/ theknowlton/ Instagram.com/theknowlton/

Artists' working studios

Witch Bitch Thrift

955 Connecticut Ave, Building 5, Ste 5223 Bridgeport CT 06607

203-275-8100 / witchbitchthrift.com Insta: www.instagram.com/WitchBitchThrift

tiktok: www.tiktok.com/@WitchBitchThriftTok Size & gender inclusive thrift & witch shop, woman & queer owned!

Pickles Thrift Store and Creative Space Vanessa Strubbe & Ed Rivera

955 Connecticut Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06607 Bldg 1 Unit 1216

Hours: Sunday-Tuesday by appointment made by direct message on instagram @ pickles_thriftstore Wed-Saturday 11-7pm

*knock on our purple door

Vintage, secondhand, redesign clothes, accessories and home goods and we also offer workshops.

STRATFORD

Stratford Antique Center

400 Honeyspot Road, Stratford CT 203-378-7754

Open Daily 10 am to 5 pm stratfordantiquecenter.com

Tashas Nearly New Shop 2323 Barnum Ave, Stratford, CT 06615 203 549-8775

Tuesday thru Saturday 10 am to 3 pm https://tashasnearlynewthriftshop.com Tasha's Nearly New Thrift Shop (Facebook)

#forthesavvyandsophisticated Shakespeare Market

1850 Elm Street, Stratford, CT 06615 theshakespearemarket.org/

A year-round outdoor shopping experience on the grounds where the Shakespeare Theatre once was

The market runs the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month from 10 am to 2 pm.



1069 Connecticut Ave Building 4 Bridgeport, CT 06607

November 12 & 13, 2022

10am-5pm



amfabarts.com

If you are interested in leasing a studio at the American Fabrics Arts Building, please call 203.434.5749.



