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# FAIRFIELD COUNTY'S COMMUNITY FOUNDATION salutes the arts and nonprofits involved in the 2021 Bridgeport Art Trail!

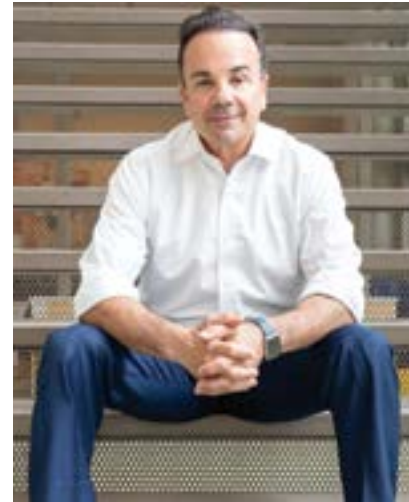


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in making our communities thrive, each and every day."*

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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

Welcome to the Bridgeport Art Trail.

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

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

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

Sincerely,

Mayor Joseph P. Ganim

## A Big Thank You to Our Sponsors



Hope mural by Jason Naylar, photo by Dariusz Kanarek. *We Will Make It* by Dan Makara, Marcella Jean Cavaliere, Iyaba Ibo Mandingo, *Color Fields* John Torres and Scott Packham, portrait by Luis Lopez, studio of Denyse Schmidt photo by KVON, *Lady Blaze* photo by Dariusz Kanarek. Thank you to everyone who contributed photos.



## Welcome to the 13th Annual Bridgeport Art Trail

### Welcome!

It's great to meet you back on the Bridgeport Art Trail. Last year's Bridgeport Art Trail was an online adaptation due to the Covid-19 shutdown. We all endured challenges and hardships and wonder how much longer this could go on. The creative community, always resilient, responds to conditions, finding new ways to adapt. Together we created a free archive of digital artists' interviews from the 2020, 10-day, online BAT, available at [bridgeport-art-trail.org](http://bridgeport-art-trail.org).

### 2021 Bridgeport Art Trail Theme - Discovery and Reinvention

We hope the Bridgeport Art Trail 2021 experience will be an activity to help us reset and renew, after the Covid months, protests and social reckoning, and political polarization. Many may now perceive things differently than we did in 2019. We chose *Discovery and Reinvention* as the theme for the 2021 Bridgeport Art Trail weekend to raise awareness and reflect on how the arts are used to heal, nurture, inspire, solve problems, socially connect us, and provide a respite from our daily tasks and worries. ENJOY!

### How to Use the Bridgeport Art Trail Program Book

You will find there are new arts sites and others have relocated. We suggest you peruse the full Bridgeport Art Trail listings and also refer to the BAT-at-glance schedule that easily connects you to Bridgeport Art Trail highlights and the overall flow of the weekend. There's a simplified map in the program and a digital map on the website. Late program additions, collaborations, and changes will be posted on the website at [bridgeport-art-trail.org](http://bridgeport-art-trail.org) and on social media. Check for the latest updates before hitting the Trail!

Along with the printed guides found at participating venues, the calendar of events, artists' directory, and bi-monthly newsletter, year round news about the Bridgeport arts scene are updated monthly and available at [bridgeport-art-trail.org](http://bridgeport-art-trail.org)

### What's New Downtown?

The newest arts venues are **lionheART Gallery #16** and **Twig Lips Studios #17**. **URSA Gallery #20D** and **The Firm #19** are relatively new galleries too. **WPKN Radio #15** has relocated its broadcasting studios to downtown Bridgeport on Fairfield

Avenue and **Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County #23** has moved to 150 Elm Street, in the same building as the **Downtown Cabaret Theater #22** and **City Lights Gallery #21A**. Metro Art Studios has arrived in the South End on Railroad Avenue! After years of hard work and persistence, an artists' working space is established in the South End of Bridgeport, just blocks from downtown. Opening just in time for this year's Bridgeport Art Trail is Metro Art Studios, a three-story building of premium art studios, originally built in 1907 as the Crown Corset Factory. Metro artists were actively involved in the physical transformation under the direction of Jane Davila. It surely is a highlight of curiosity among the Bridgeport Art Trail venues. The ribbon cutting takes place Friday, November 12, 2021 from 4 to 6 pm.



In 2010 **City Lights** and the **Friends of Seaside Park** commissioned **Emily Bedard** to sculpt the missing figure from the **Sailors and Soldiers Monument** in Seaside Park.

Use the QR to learn more about this and other public art in Bridgeport.

## BAT 2021 Event Highlights at a Glance

Thursday, November 11, 2021

5:30 pm to 9:30 pm, THE PARTY!

The Downtown Artists' Party kicks off the Bridgeport Art Trail 2021!

Meander and mingle, touring 9 venues. View art exhibits. Enjoy live music and outdoor projections of music videos and visual art. Live music from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm at both **Read's ArtSpace #11** and the **Arcade Mall #20**.

Two outdoor projection sites are on the corner of Broad Street and Cannon Street near the **Arcade Mall #20** and at the corner of Main Street and Golden Hill Street near **Berlinetta Brewing**.

Don't miss any of the Downtown Thursday sites:

**The Firm Art Gallery #19** is hosting an open house, as are **lionheART #16** and **Twig Lips #17**. **WPKN Radio #15** invites you to visit their new broadcasting studio on Bijou Square.

**City Lights Gallery #21A** hosts the opening reception for the exhibit *It's Complicated* from 5:30 pm to 7:30 pm. And don't forget to stop into **City Lights Vintage #21B** to see what's new!

**URSA Gallery #20D** has *The Coral Reef Principle*, an eco-art exhibit opening, featuring 50 artists from around the world. Shops will be open and there's live music by *Fuzz and Friends*, all in the **Arcade Mall #20**.

The annual *Artists Choose Artists* exhibit opens at **Read's ArtSpace #11**, with live music that features a fusion of jazz, Latin and African rhythms by old friends and Bridgeport legends **Steve Clarke**, **Asher Delorme**, **James Moss**, and **Eddie Rivera**.

**NBALAB #26** hosts an open house, and the **Freeman Center #24** has the *Black Life Matters Exhibit: How & Why We Fight* exhibit on view. **Damon Wayans Jr.** is performing at the **Stress Factory Comedy Club #13**, and at the **Bijou Theatre #14** the **Golden Gays NYC** perform a fun holiday musical adventure, *Thank Yule for Being a Friend*.

Post party at **Berlinetta Brewing**, 90 Golden Hill Street.

Friday, November 12, 2021

12 pm to 3 pm

**City Lights Gallery #21A** *It's Complicated* exhibit, and wax resist painting workshop, a hands-on activity for children.

12 pm to 5 pm

Visit the **Bridgeport History Center #9**, to see Bridgeport postcards and photographs, featuring the postcard art of **Steve Gerber**, and items of interest from the collections.

Visit several exhibits at the **Housatonic Museum of Art #7** and the *It's Complicated* exhibit at **City Lights Gallery #21A**; plus **City Lights Vintage #21B** is having a Seasonal Sale.

Stop by the Arcade Mall for the **Richual Boutique** thrift shop **#20H**, and then the **Freeman Center's #24** open house, with *Black Life Matters* photography by **Chefren Gray**.

4 to 6 pm

Bridgeport's newest art studio building, **Metro Art Studios #4**, cuts the ribbon at their grand opening from 4 pm to 6 pm, plus there's a preview of the *Books on the Verge* exhibit in their gallery.



### Save the Date

*Legacy of a Collector* at **Paier College #3**, an extraordinary exhibit reception, **Sunday, December 12, 2021**, Bridgeport Art Trail fundraiser, Admission \$50

To purchase tickets: [bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/contribute/](http://bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/contribute/)

See more info at #21A. View select artworks from the extensive collection of Harry Laurie including **Bansky**, **Andy Warhol**, **Christo**, **Alice Neel**, **Robert Rauschenberg**, **Shepard Fairey**, and others while enjoying reception bites and drink and gypsy swing jazz by the **Hot Club of Black Rock** 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm.

**Damon Wayans Jr.** performs at downtown's **Stress Factory Comedy Club #13**, starting at 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm.

8 pm

Enjoy Never Say No Improv's, *Love, Laugh & Lyrics* at **BPT Creates #20G**, or the **Shakira & Enrique Iglesias Tribute** at **Bijou Theatre #14**.



Meighan Morrison's studio, at Metro Art Studios #4.



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

Check out the Bridgeport Art Trail at-a-glance listing.



## BAT 2021 Event Highlights at a Glance

Saturday, November 13, 2021

8:00 am to 8:45 am

Join the **Urban Bike Tours** group bright and early at **City Lights Gallery #21A** for the annual Bridgeport Art Trail bike tour. Meet up for coffee and a 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 # 21A.

10 am to 5 pm

Tour art studios city-wide, at 4 artists' buildings for Open Studios at **American Fabrics Arts #1**, **Metro Art Studios #4**, **NEST Arts Factory #30**, and **The Knowlton #28**.

**American Fabrics Arts Building #1** has a number of events including *Name Your Price*, *Wall of Art* by **Janine Brown**, studio sales with **Emily Larned**, **Ulla Surland**, **Linda Colletta**, **Holly Hawthorn**, **Roxy Savage**, and others. *The Wobbler* is a sound-activated sculpture that makes Jell-O wiggle by **Roxy Savage**.



The Wobbler by Roxy Savage, #1 American Fabrics.



See *The Wobbler*, A sound activated Jello mold installation piece by **Roxy Savage** in studio #201, American Fabrics, #1.



WPKN Vinyl Collection Sale at American Fabrics, #1

Showing at **Metro Art Studios #4** and curated by **Chris Perry**, the *Books on the Verge* exhibit is a survey of book art made by 23 artists residing all over New England. Many of the works were created specifically for this exhibit. Some of the exhibiting artists will be speaking about their work throughout the day. And make sure to tour the three full floors of newly renovated artist studios to find some of your favorite Bridgeport artists.



*Ovum XIX/Margaret* and *Ovum XX/Angelina* by Carole Kunststadt in the *Books on the Verge* exhibit at Metro Art Studios, #4.

## BAT 2021 Event Highlights at a Glance

**ARTcade** event #20A offers vintage & artisanal vendors and live music to shop by at the **Arcade Mall #20**.

*The Coral Reef Principle* in an eco-art exhibit featuring work by 50 artists at **URSA Gallery #20D**.

**WPKN Radio #15** spins discs at their Vintage Vinyl sale at **American Fabrics Arts Building #1**.

12 pm to 3 pm

**City Lights Gallery #21A** has the *It's Complicated* exhibit, and wax resist painting, a hands-on activity for children.

**City Lights Vintage #21B** holds their Seasonal Sale and a Sit and Sew.

**The Freeman Center's #24** open house from 11 am to 5 pm features *Black Life Matters* photography by **Chefren Gray**.

Make an appointment between 12 pm and 5 pm at the **Bridgeport History Center #9** to view Bridgeport postcards and photographs, featuring the postcard art of **Steve Gerber**, and items of interest from the collections.

12 pm to 6 pm

At **Gallery 9104 #6** view the gallery and studio of **Iyaba Ibo Mandingo**, storyteller and master teacher specializing in paintings, drawings, sculpture, textile collage.

1 pm to 3pm

See demos at the **NEST Art Factory #30**, including glass blowing, belly dancing, and puppet storytelling for children of all ages.

1:30 pm

For children of all ages and cultures, don't miss **Djeli Village**, folkloric storytelling with puppets, by **Iyaba Ibo Mandingo** at 1:30 pm.



*Djeli Village*, folklore storytelling with puppets by Iyaba Ibo Mandingo at The NEST, #30.

2:15 pm to 3:15 p.m.

Join the *Viewers' Talk* at **City Lights Gallery #21A**. Curator **Suzanne Kachmar** and storyteller **Nina Lesiga** host a community conversation with viewers and visitors discussing what they see in the art on view. Art is interactive and viewers are encouraged to be actively involved in what the art is expressing, this breaks with the tradition of an artists' talk, where the artists lead the conversation.

3 pm to 4 pm

**Bridgeport Film Fest #29B** is screening short films, *Curator's Choice*, from 3 pm to 4 pm at the **NEST Arts Factory #30**.

3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

**NBALAB's #26** open house and presentation with artist/designer/entrepreneur **Billi Kid**. Learn about how NBALAB supports young entrepreneurs and see a variety of cutting-edge brand concepts and works by popular street artists.



Rick Reyes, P-ART-y at the NEST Arts Factory, #30.

4 pm to 6 pm

P-ART-Y at the **NEST Arts Factory #30**. View a building full of art and enjoy live music by the Latin Americana ensemble with **Rick Reyes**, **Dick Neal**, and friends with reception bites and drinks.

6 pm to 8 pm

**URSA Gallery #20D**, has special Bridgeport Art Trail hours from 6 pm to 8 pm for *The Coral Reef Principle* group exhibit, featuring art that addresses global climate change and associated economic and social justice issues.

7:30 to ? pm

**Damon Wayans Jr.** performs at downtown's **Stress Factory Comedy Club #13**, starting at 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm.

At 8 pm enjoy a Chicago tribute show with Connecticut Transit Authority at the **Bijou Theatre #14**, **Dragonfly Poetry Exchange Online Program #21A** hosted by **Shanna Melton**, the **Greater Bridgeport Symphony #29A** at the **Klein Auditorium #29**, or **BPT Creates' #20G** 8-year anniversary party.

Sunday, November 14, 2021

10 am to 5 pm

Tour art studios city-wide, at 4 artists' buildings for Open Studios, **American Fabrics Arts #1**, **Metro Art Studios #4**, **NEST Arts Factory #30**, and **The Knowlton #28** throw open their doors for the public.

Open just one day a week, **Mongers Market #31** is a vast warehouse of vintage, antique, and artisanal vendors, including furniture, lighting, architectural elements, and clothing. Rummage through an extensive inventory of salvaged industrial and antique items.

Showing at **Metro Art Studios #4** and curated by **Chris Perry**, the *Books on the Verge* exhibit is a survey of book art made by 23 artists residing all over New England. Many of the works were created specifically for this exhibit. Some of the exhibiting artists will be speaking about their work throughout the day. And make sure to tour the three full floors of newly renovated artist studios to find some of your favorite Bridgeport artists.

In addition to open studios, **American Fabrics Arts Building #1** artists also have a number of studio sales, including *Name Your Price*, *Wall of Art* by **Janine Brown** and **Emily Larned**, **Ulla Surland**, **Linda Colletta**, **Holly Hawthorn**, and others.

*The Wobbler* installation by **Roxy Savage** at **American Fabrics Arts Building #1**. *The Wobbler* is a sound-activated sculpture that makes Jell-O wiggle. Roxanne's studio sale includes art, art supplies, art books.



## BAT 2021 Event Highlights at a Glance

**11 am to 3 pm**

**City Lights Gallery #21A** exhibits *It's Complicated* and **URSA Gallery #20D** shows *The Coral Reef Principle*, an eco-art exhibit featuring 50 artists.

**12 pm to 3 pm**

At noon at the **Bijou Theatre #14** there's *Inheriting the Well* a play reading by **Lisa McCree**, directed by **Jan Mason**.

**City Lights Vintage #21B** holds their Seasonal Sale.

*Art for Everyone* at **The Knowlton #28** is a laser-guided live art experience, painters of all ages welcome.

**12 pm to 5 pm**

**WPKN Radio #15** spins discs at their **Vintage Vinyl** sale at **American Fabrics Arts Building #1**.

**12 to 6 pm**

At **Gallery 9104 #6** view the gallery and studio of **Iyaba Ibo Mandingo**, storyteller, artist and master teacher specializing in paintings, drawings, sculpture, textile collage.

**1 pm to 3 pm**

**Berlinetta Brewing Beer Brunch and Art**, we figured it out, we found an art event that pleases everyone, art lovers and beer lovers. Breaking the wine and cheese reception model, **Berlinetta Brewing** and the **Bridgeport Art Trail #21** host a *Beer Brunch and Artist Talk* with renowned artist **Tom Sanford**, whose painting at Berlinetta enshrines Cliff from Cheers a.k.a. Bridgeport's John Ratzenberger as the Patron Saint of Beer, or at least Berlinetta's awesome Czech-style Pilsner. Meet the artist, enjoy his sardonic humor and R. Crumb aesthetic while enjoying good beer and good food. Berlinetta is located at 90 Golden Hill Street.

**3 pm to 4 pm**

**Bridgeport Film Fest #29B** is screening short films, *Curator's Choice*, from 3 pm to 4 pm at the **NEST Arts Factory #30**.

**5:30 pm to 8:30 pm**

Storytelling at the **Bijou Theatre #14**. Don't miss this year's version of **PechaKucha** storytelling. Catered food for sale will be available, by Chef Rachel.

**8 pm to 9:30 pm**

The amazing **Ken Butler** closes the BAT weekend at the **Bijou Theatre #14** with an astonishing musical performance on instruments he's constructed from discarded objects. He has performed on TV and arts centers, including the Jay Leno show and Lincoln Center. *The Village Voice* calls Ken "a crazy instrument builder who can get virtuoso riffs from anything."



Watch the amazing **Ken Butler** perform with his one-of-a-kind musical instruments that he makes from discarded objects. His constructions are on view at **URSA gallery, #20d**. Ken performs on Sunday, November 14 at 8:30 pm at the **Bijou Theatre, #14**. **FREE admission.**



**Sunday, 1:00 pm to 3 pm**  
**Berlinetta Brewing Beer Brunch and Art**  
 90 Golden Hill Street  
**Painting of Cliff from Cheers**  
 a.k.a. Bridgeport's John Ratzenberger  
 as Patron Saint of Beer by Tom Sanford

Help sustain the Bridgeport Art Trail programs. **City Lights & Company** is a nonprofit organization that serves the community through art, produces the Bridgeport Art Trail and provides free arts enrichment for youth.



Go to [Bridgeport-art-trail.org](http://Bridgeport-art-trail.org)  
 Checks can be made out to:

**City Lights & Company**  
 Mailing Address:  
 130 Elm Street, Bridgeport CT 06604  
**THANK YOU!**



Ken Butler and his instruments, #14



## ARTcade

Saturday, November 13, 2021, 11 am to 5 pm

Meander and mingle through the three downtown blocks along Broad Street from City Lights Gallery at 265 Golden Hill Street and the Arcade Mall at 1042 Broad Street.

Enjoy art, design, vintage and artisanal vendors, live music, and demonstrations. ARTcade happens monthly, check the Bridgeport Art Trail website for dates and info. For more info see #20A in this guide.





## 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 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

In its 16th 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 (see the AFA artists list at the back of the guide, for more information). Denyse Schmidt Quilts, Jocelyn Braxton Armstrong Ceramics, Brechin Morgan, and Ulla Surland will be holding their annual studio sales. Once again we are supporting the Bridgeport Rescue Mission (BRM). The mission serves those critically in need directly in our community. It feeds the hungry, shelters the homeless, and helps people conquer drug and alcohol addictions. AFA will be serving as a drop-off point for their Thanksgiving Stuff-A-Truck event, giving patrons the opportunity to donate food and coats for local families in need. (See event listing.) Lastly, the artists of AFA have joined together once again to donate an assortment of small works for the AFA Collector's Raffle. An amazing collection of work will be raffled for \$5 a chance, with all proceeds going to BRM! There will be food trucks, in the east parking lot to serve our patrons from 10 am to 5 pm each day. Music and participatory performances will offer fun for the whole family! Ample onsite free parking and handicapped access.

**Event: Roxy Savage, Studio #201**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

Hosting a studio exhibition and art supply sale. Framed digital prints (new work) and unframed monoprint portfolios to peruse & purchase. Studio art supply sale: printmaking supplies, art books, paper, tools, misc. mystery art \$5 /\$10 grab bags!

Installation: interactive mold/pan sound sculptures and *The Wobbler* - a voice activated vibrating jello sculpture :)).

**Event: Emily Larned, Studio #301**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

7th Annual Tag Sale Vintage and used clothes, knickknackery, and audio gear from special guest Preservation Sound!

**Event: Print Your Own: Letterpress, Studio #301**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

Pull your own letterpress print for a suggested donation of \$5. Proceeds are donated to Bridgeport's Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County.

**Event: "Name Your Price" Wall of Art, Janine Brown, Studio #302**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

Part conceptual artwork/part study of value/part art sale - The "Name Your Price" wall gives you a chance to take home a piece of art at a price you want. Just take a picture of the work, text it and the price that you want to pay to the artist. If the price is too low, the answer is "no", but if the price is acceptable, you go home with a piece of art that is valued equally by the artist and yourself.



Painting by Brechin Morgan, #1 American Fabrics. Photo by Francis Pressley.

**Event: Ulla Surland, Studio #307**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

Pop-up boutique featuring Ulla's pillows, bags, and scarves in amazing and unusual fabrics. Vintage clothing, leather belts and bags, sterling silver jewelry, wood and metal boxes, art, and other interesting paraphernalia. Ulla's interior design portfolio will be available for viewing. Tiny lemon cupcakes and coffee, both days.

**Event: Holly Hawthorn, Studio #402**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

You will be 'Happy as a Clam' to see whimsical pieces created in porcelain from local beach shells and finds. Each one is a unique portrait inside a shell, guaranteed to make you smile and want one of your own! Select pieces discounted.

**Event: Three Mates Studio Sale, Studio #402**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

Paintings, pottery, prints and porcelain. A unique collection of art and artists in one studio.

**Event: First Dibs Studio Sweep, Linda Colletta, #406**  
Friday, November 12; 5 pm to 7 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

First Dibs Studio Sweep - get first dibs on mid to large scale abstract art at very affordable pricing.

**Event: WPKN 50 Year Archive Record Sale**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

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

### 1 American Fabrics Arts Building

**Event: Thanksgiving Stuff-A-Truck with Food and Coats!**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 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.

### South End

### 2 Seaside Park

Entrance at the southernmost end of Park Avenue, Bridgeport  
[www.bridgeportct.gov/content/341307/341415/342203.aspx](http://www.bridgeportct.gov/content/341307/341415/342203.aspx)

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

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

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

### 3 Paier College

491 University Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
[paier.edu](http://paier.edu)

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: The Legacy of a Collector, Remembering Harry C. Laurie Through the Art He Collected, Bridgeport Art Trail Fundraiser**  
Sunday, December 12; 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Join us at the Arnold Bernhard Center for the Arts & Humanities, 84 Iranistan Avenue, Bridgeport for the annual Bridgeport Art Trail Fundraiser. Purchase your \$50 ticket to benefit BAT at [bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/contribute/](http://bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/contribute/)

Admission includes: Lite bites and drink, live music by the Hot Club of Black Rock, Acoustic Hot Swing Jazz

Collectors and curiosity-seekers can catch a preview of select works from an extensive art collection of impressive artworks on view at this Bridgeport Art Trail fundraiser, while enjoying reception fare and live music by the Hot Club of Black Rock, acoustic Gypsy jazz. This is an exclusive preview as the collection is being catalogued for an auction to be held in 2022.

The life of Bridgeport native, Harry Laurie and his passion for collecting art are a jumble spanning from Woodstock to a truck-driving Teamster amassing an impressive collection of art and collectibles, including works by Josef Albers, Banksy, Alice Neel, Shepard Fairey, Robert Rauschenberg, Christo, Andy Warhol, William Wegman and the Spanish abstract painter Antoni Tàpies. Laurie was so intrigued by Tàpies' work he traveled to Spain to meet him.

Artist/friend Joann Moran has the task of cataloguing the collection. She explains, "To understand the extent of Harry's collection... it contains 157 signed Shepard Fairey prints alone." When the pieces are auctioned and sold, a portion of sales will be donated to two Bridgeport arts and culture nonprofits, WPKN radio and City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail.

#### Bridgeport Art Trail Fundraiser

**Banksy**

**Harry C. Laurie Art Collection**

**Alice Neel**

**Lite bites & Drink, Live music**

**Christo**

**Arnold Bernhard Center for the Arts and Humanities**

**Shepard Fairey**

**Friday, November 12 – 6:30 to 9:30 pm**

**David Hockney and more...**



## 4 Metro Art Studios

345 Railroad Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06604  
metroartstudios@gmail.com / metroartstudios.com  
Executive Director: Jane Davila

Opening just in time for this year's Bridgeport Art Trail is Metro Art Studios, a three-story building of premium art studios. Originally built in 1907 as the Crown Corset Factory and historically important as one of Bridgeport's corset factories that took part in the 1915 labor strike that led to the adoption of today's most important national labor laws, the renovated factory once welcomed 500 mostly female workers each day and is now home to 38 loft studios for professional fine artists. The nearly 3 year journey to thoughtfully renovate this lovely South End landmark has resulted in an ideal space for artists to thrive. Contact us for information about studio rentals. Parking is available in the parking lot, and along Railroad and Myrtle Avenues. Fully ADA accessible.

NOTE: At Metro Art Studios, the most current local, state, and federal guidelines will be followed to ensure the safety of all. Before visiting, please check our website (metroartstudios.com) for the most up-to-date information about possible restrictions such as timed entry, limited capacity, and more. Masks are required for all visitors.

**Event: Grand Opening/Ribbon Cutting**  
Friday, November 12; 4 pm to 6 pm

Join the artists and owners of Metro Art Studios for the official Grand Opening of Bridgeport's newest art building! Get a preview of the *Books on the Verge* exhibit in the gallery. Hear about the journey to sensitively renovate a historic corset factory into modern artist studios. Celebrate the renaissance of Bridgeport's South End neighborhood.

**Event: Open Studios**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 6 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

Come see some of your favorite Bridgeport artists in their new home at Metro Art Studios – nearly 40 fine artists working in a wide variety of disciplines, from drawing to painting, sculpture to jewelry, printmaking to photography, and much more. View the work in the environment in which it is created, talk to the artists about their inspiration, techniques, and processes, and find art to buy, collect, gift, and display!

**Event: Books on the Verge Art Exhibit**  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 6 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

Regular Gallery hours: Wednesdays through Saturdays from 12 pm to 4 pm

Books on the Verge is a survey of book art made by 23 artists residing in New England that has been curated by Chris Perry. It is but a small sampling of the variety of work that is being produced by artists around the world today. On Saturday, several of the artists in the exhibit will be speaking about their work, methods, and inspiration. Check the Metro Art Studios website for specific artists and times (metroartstudios.com)

**Event: Invitational Artist Kristen Ambrosi**  
Friday, November 12; 4:30 pm to 6 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

Kristen Ambrosi's intuitive abstractions are characterized by juxtaposed hues and linear marks alongside softer masses. Embracing integration, aesthetics, beauty, and balance, these harmonious canvases reflect the richness of human experience communicated through color and form. View Kristen's work outside the gallery at Metro on the first floor.



*Juncos and Wildflowers* by Rebecca Goodale in the *Books on the Verge* exhibit at Metro Art Studios, #4

**Event: Pop-up Artist Benjamin Casiano**  
Friday, November 12; 4:30 pm to 6 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 10 am to 5 pm

Benjamin Casiano's distinctive figurative compositions depict the people who inspired him to continue his artistry – teachers, mentors, friends, & family members. His one eye compositions are his trademark & a reflection of his alter-ego. Casiano's art has been described as pop-cubism, after the early 20th-century style that is defined by its simple geometric shapes, interlocking planes, and collage. His goal is to create art that viewers have never seen before, to push the envelope of modern aesthetics, one painting at a time.

## 5 PenRod Studio

325 Lafayette Street, Unit 9105, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
Penny and Rod Cook  
203.992.1001 / penrodcook@gmail.com / penrodphotographs.com

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

## 6 Gallery 9104

325 Lafayette Street, Unit 9104 (entrance on Gregory St), Bridgeport, CT 06604

Iyaba Ibo 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.

**Event: Gallery Visits**  
Saturday, November 13; 12 pm to 6 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 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 relate to.

**Event: Djeli Village Storytelling with Puppets at the NEST # 30**  
Saturday November 13; 1:30 pm to 2:30pm

Iyaba Ibo Mandingo and his troupe of Puppets take us back to ancient Afrika, to the tradition of Oral History. When the Djeli or Griot (story teller) traveled from village to village, telling the tales and folklore passed down from generation to generation.

## Downtown

## 7 Housatonic Museum of Art at HCC

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

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

**Event: Joseph Fucigna: Drip Drop, Tick Tock**  
Burt Chernow Galleries, Lafayette Hall  
Thursday, November 11; 8:30 am to 7 pm  
Friday, November 12; 8:30 am to 5:30 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 9 am to 3 pm

*Drip, Drop, Tick Tock*, by regional artist Joseph Fucigna, features sculpture from the ongoing Plastic Fencing Series created in the last 14 years, elegant yet provocative abstractions that speak about the inherent qualities of the material, process, craft, and time. On view through December 10, 2021.

**Event: Eric Chiang: Are We Born Connected?**

Performing Arts Center, Lafayette Hall  
Thursday, November 11; 8:30 am to 7 pm  
Friday, November 12; 8:30 am to 5:30 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 9 am to 3 pm

A meditation on modern physics and human relationships, the exhibition features a series of large-scale paintings by contemporary Taiwanese American artist, Eric Chiang. *Are We Born Connected?* is organized in conjunction with HCC STEAMFest to highlight the interdisciplinary contributions of science, technology, engineering, art, and math in developing our understanding of ourselves and our place in the universe. On view through May 18, 2022.

**Event: Of Woman Born: Group Show, 2nd floor atrium, Lafayette Hall**

Thursday, November 11; 8:30 am to 7 pm  
Friday, November 12; 8:30 am to 5:30 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 9 am to 3 pm

Tracing the systematic history of repression of women and women's bodies from the Paleolithic to the present day, this exhibition of paintings, photographs, and sculpture explores the role of gender and male dominance in familial, social, legal, political, religious, and economic structures. On view through May 10, 2022.

**Event: Jongil Ma: Be There When You Return, 2nd floor atrium, Lafayette Hall**

Thursday, November 11; 8:30 am to 7 pm  
Friday, November 12; 8:30 am to 5:30 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 9 am to 3 pm

Be There When You Return, a dynamic, new sculpture installation commissioned by the Museum, floats above the entrance to the Burt Chernow Galleries. An intricate arrangement of colorful stained wood, the sculpture presents a lesson in balance and flow.

## 8 Barnum Museum

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

As one of the longest ongoing museums in the nation, the Barnum Museum remains true to P.T. Barnum's original mission; 'Instructive Entertainment.' For over a century, families from around the world have visited the Barnum Museum and experienced wonder, curiosity, surprise and enrichment. With exhibits ranging from a miniature circus to the recently acquired 'Centaur of Tymfi,' the Museum continues to amaze and enthrall guests of all ages. The Museum Gallery is currently closed due to the pandemic. Please support the Museum with a donation in their Show Must Go On appeal 2021 [barnum-museum.org/Appeal/](http://barnum-museum.org/Appeal/)

The museum gallery, currently installed in the People's United Bank Gallery behind the historic museum building, features artifacts that belonged to PT Barnum and Tom Thumb, pieces of historic Bridgeport, and a few extraordinary surprises!



Artist/Entrepreneur Billi Kid of the NBA LAB, #26 created this piece in honor of the passing of the legendary Chuck Close known for his super-sized, realistic art. Close worked with Bridgeport students at Roosevelt School in the Turnaround Arts Program.



## 9 Bridgeport History Center

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

### Event: Bridgeport History featuring the postcard art of Steve Gerber

Thursday, November 11; 12 pm to 8 pm

Friday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm

Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm

Bridgeport History, postcards and photographs, featuring the postcard art of Steve Gerber, and items of interest from the collections in the Bridgeport History Center exhibition cabinets.

## 10 Gallery@999

The Mayor's Gallery at Margaret E Morton Government Center  
999 Broad Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
203.576.7201 / [bridgeportct.gov](http://bridgeportct.gov)

A sculpture of Lewis Latimer studying his lightbulb design greets you as you 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.

## 11 The Firm

17 Lafayette Circle, Bridgeport CT 06604  
203.414.3302 / [vandaysha@thefirmartgallery.com](mailto:vandaysha@thefirmartgallery.com)  
[thefirmartgallery.com](http://thefirmartgallery.com) / [instagram.com/thefirmartgallery](https://www.instagram.com/thefirmartgallery)  
Owner/curator: VanDaysha Taylor

The Firm's aim is to uplift the community through the sale and exhibition of fine art and engaging the community in artistic endeavors to bring art to all people. The artists represented are established community artists, promising up-and-coming artists and often established artists of note from other areas. The Firm is a Black, woman-owned business.

Gallery hours are Tuesdays from 11 am to 6 pm; Wednesdays by appointment; Thursdays and Fridays from 11 am to 6 pm; and Saturdays from 11 am to 4 pm.

During the Covid shutdown City Lights and the Bridgeport Art Trail provided \$80,000 to artist/entrepreneurs who lost their gig-economy source of income. The CL/BAT team found new ways to serve the community through art which included facilitating supplemental income for artists/entrepreneurs through work, compensation, referrals, and sales. The CL/BAT team also adapted to online programs to enrich the learning experience for Bridgeport students. We rely on contributions to remain relevant and flexible to address needs and opportunities.

## 12 Read's ArtSpace & Ground Floor Gallery

1042 Broad Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
203.336.0435 / [facebook.com/thefgfatreadsartspace](https://www.facebook.com/thefgfatreadsartspace)

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 11; 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.

### Event: Artists Choose Artists Exhibition

Saturday, November 13; 12 pm to 4 pm

Sunday, November 14; 12 pm to 5 pm

## 12a Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative (MDAC)

1042 Broad Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
Contact: Kathryn Kelly  
203.690.1609 / [mdac@kennedyctr.org](mailto:mdac@kennedyctr.org) / [mdac-kc.org](http://mdac-kc.org)

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

## 13 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.

## 13a Farmer's Market

[infobridgeport.com/downtown-market](http://infobridgeport.com/downtown-market) / [facebook.com/BptFarmersMarket](https://www.facebook.com/BptFarmersMarket)  
Every Thursday from mid-July to mid-October; 10:30 am to 2 pm

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

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

## 14 Stress Factory

167 State Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
203.576.4242 / [bridgeport.stressfactory.com](http://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: Damon Wayans Jr Live Stand Up

Thursday, November 11; 7:30 pm

Friday, November 12; 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm

Saturday, November 13; 7:30 pm and 9:30 pm

Sunday, November 14; 7:30 pm

Enjoy live stand up by Damon Kyle Wayans Jr, American actor, comedian and writer. Buy tickets online at [bridgeport.stressfactory.com/events/43558](http://bridgeport.stressfactory.com/events/43558)

## 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](http://bijousquare.com)

## 15 Bijou Theatre

275 Fairfield Avenue, Downtown, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
203.296.9605 / [gpeterson@bijoutheatrect.com](mailto:gpeterson@bijoutheatrect.com) / [bijoutheatrect.net](http://bijoutheatrect.net)  
Executive Director: Gary Peterson

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

### Event: Shakira & Enrique Iglesias Tribute

Friday, November 12; starts at 8 pm

A high-energy act performing the hits of the King and Queen of Latin Pop, Shakira and Enrique Iglesias! live instruments and incredible vocals. Get ready to experience the biggest Latin party around! Brought to you by LTL Entertainment. Tickets are \$27 to \$42 at [eventbrite.com/e/shakira-enrique-iglesias-tribute-tickets-156562652107](http://eventbrite.com/e/shakira-enrique-iglesias-tribute-tickets-156562652107)

### Event: Chicago Tribute - Connecticut Transit Authority

Saturday, November 13; starts at 8 pm

Winners of CTNow's Best Tribute Band for 2018 and 2019, Connecticut Transit Authority faithfully recreates the music of one of the greatest American bands ever, Chicago. They focus on the early years of Chicago, better known as the "Terry Kath Era" when the band was raw with emotion, heart, and soul. Songs from Chicago's 1969 debut album Chicago Transit Authority through 1977's Chicago XI are covered here with attention to detail and respect for the originators of these timeless classics. The setlist contains hits like Does Anybody Really Know What Time It Is, Make Me Smile, Beginnings, Just You 'n Me, Dialogue, Old Days, and many more. Tickets are \$24 to \$39 at [eventbrite.com/e/chicago-tribute-ct-transit-authority-tickets-94268047267](http://eventbrite.com/e/chicago-tribute-ct-transit-authority-tickets-94268047267)

Event: Play Reading *Inheriting The Well* by Lisa McCree,  
Directed by Jan Mason

Sunday, November 14; starts at 12 pm sharp

The old saying holds true for the Jackson family, "Everyone who drinks from the same well, shares the same sickness." Mid-summer, 1970: Sophia, a colored woman, has just returned home from the funeral of her lover Mattie, a white woman from Carrollton, Mississippi. Expecting her guests to arrive any minute, a knock on the door changes everything... inside and out. Masks required.

### Event: PechaKucha Night Bridgeport

Sunday, November 14; 6 pm to 8 pm (doors open at 5 pm)

The art of conversation and community connection is celebrated through the sharing of personal stories at PechaKucha Night Bridgeport. Attend in-person or virtually for the final event and closing party of the 2021 Bridgeport Art Trail. PechaKucha Night Bridgeport brings people together from diverse backgrounds. Bridgeport Art Trail artists will be among those presenting. The Nov 14th PechaKucha Night Bridgeport cast is posted at [pechakucha.com/cities/bridgeport](http://pechakucha.com/cities/bridgeport)

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. Food by Raquel Rivera of *A Pinch of Salt* is available for purchase. 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, City Lights Gallery, the Downtown Special Services District, and Nina Lesiga. In-person free ticket (masks required): [eventbrite.com/e/170224968463](http://eventbrite.com/e/170224968463)

Virtual free ticket: [eventbrite.com/e/170235154931](http://eventbrite.com/e/170235154931)

### Event: Ken Butler's astonishing musical performance on instruments made from found objects.

Sunday, November 14; starts at 8:30 pm

"...a crazy instrument builder who can get virtuoso riffs from anything." The Village Voice

Ken Butler's musical performance closes out the BAT weekend on a high note, truly reflecting the theme of the 2021 BAT, *Discovery and Re-invention*. His creations are on view at Ursa Gallery #20D in the exhibit that addresses global warming and economic and social justice issues related to it.

Ken Butler builds and performs with instruments made of found objects. You know the saying one man's trash is another man's treasure. Ken creates these unique string instruments using all sorts of found/discarded objects from a vintage ax, tennis racket, a rifle gun stock, even a tailor's female mannequin. His playable constructions resemble guitars to cellos. He calls his work "Bricoleuthieri". This is the combination of bricolage- creating something from whatever is available and leuthieri- the artisanal practice of constructing and repairing string instruments.

Butler will discuss and present various instruments and then play them! Critics describe his music as "mesmerizing world textures and driving melodic grooves with passion and purpose on an amazing arsenal of amplified hybrid string instruments made from household objects and tools. Duchampian Dada meets Hybrid Hindu Hendrix as function and form collide in an environment of hyperactive hardware.

Butler blends aspects of Mid-Eastern, Indian, Flamenco, and Roma modes with jazz, rock, funk, and blues, all held together by an open, edgy "downtown" improv aesthetic. Virtually indescribable and unclassifiable, Butler mixes high and low technology and audio-visual antics to create an ancient/future music that forms a provoking cultural portrait of human / machine adaptation and transformation



## 16 WPKN Radio, 89.5FM

77 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06604  
Website/streaming/audio archives: [wpkn.org](http://wpkn.org)  
On-air telephone: 203.336.9756  
Office telephone: 203.331.9756

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

This 10,000-watt non-commercial station was founded in 1963 as the college radio station of the University of Bridgeport and has been broadcasting for more than 55 years with a potential listenership of 1.5 million people. While operating on the campus of the University of Bridgeport, in 1989 WPKN became an independent, non-profit corporation. In November 2021, WPKN relocated from UB to a downtown Bridgeport location in Bijou Square adjacent to the Bijou Theatre. With three studios and a Community Room, WPKN is also adding podcasting, livestreaming and video content. WPKN streams live on the Internet at [wpkn.org](http://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 30-plus public affairs, news and interview shows are available through Apple Podcasts, Soundcloud and podcast apps via WPKN Community Radio. Look for interviews with artists and musicians via podcasts. WPKN programs include live and recorded music, free-form music, news, public affairs, and spoken word. WPKN's volunteer programmers present a wide variety of music and alternative information in 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, Blues & Views Festival in Westport and many others. WPKN is the founder of New England's largest one-day record fair- Music Mash-Record Fair held annually the first weekend in March in Bridgeport and recently launched Music Mash New Haven as well, and its film series Music on Film at The Bijou Theatre.

### Event: Open House, check out our new studio space

Thursday, November 11; 5 pm to 8 pm  
Friday, November 12; 5 pm to 8 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 5 pm

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

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 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.



## 17 lionheART Bridgeport

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203-581-0150 / [lionheartbpt@gmail.com](mailto:lionheartbpt@gmail.com)  
[lionheartct.com](http://lionheartct.com) / [instagram.com/lionheartct](https://www.instagram.com/lionheartct)

lionheART Bridgeport is an art space in loving memory of grandparents Bonnie and Richard Bieder. lionheART combines Bonnie's joy, laughter, and love of the arts with Richard's humility, honesty, and sense of justice. lionheART offers free gallery openings for Connecticut artists, free weekly painting sessions for children and adults, and a free arts & social justice library.

### Event: lionheART Bridgeport Art Trail Group Show

Thursday, November 11; 6 pm to 7:30 pm

The lionheART Bridgeport Art Trail Group Show features a number of Connecticut artists who share a love of art and creativity. Many of these local artists have been discovered over social media, displaying the creative potential of the online world. The show intends to bring happiness and joy to its audience and to connect artists and patrons of the arts who may not be familiar with each other's work.

### Event: Free Paint

Sunday, November 14; 2 pm to 6 pm

Come by the lionheART Bridgeport gallery and make your very own painting! We will spend a few minutes talking about what we will paint, do some painting, and share what we've made with others in attendance. Paint, brushes, panel canvases, and smocks will be provided. Please wear clothes that you don't mind getting paint on, just in case!

## 18 Twig Lips

277 Fairfield Avenue, 2nd Floor, Bridgeport CT 06604  
[www.twiglips.com](http://www.twiglips.com) / [instagram.com/twig.lips](https://www.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.

### Event: Open Studio

Thursday, November 11; 5 pm to 8 pm  
Friday, November 12; 5 pm to 8 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 5 pm

## 19 The Emporium

305 Fairfield Avenue, Downtown, Bridgeport CT 06604  
203.530.8051 / [mike@academybooksandrecords.com](mailto:mike@academybooksandrecords.com) / [academybooksandrecords.com](http://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. Exemplary book bindings, record jackets, and magazine covers by artists great and obscure. Continuous Platter Party, enjoy the nostalgic practice of sampling a listen to a vintage record before your purchase. Pick out that special song from over 5000 45s and LPs.

## 20 Historic Arcade Mall

1001 Main Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
203.395.1395 / [facebook.com/arcademallbpt](https://www.facebook.com/arcademallbpt)

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 stepped-glass roof. The property was built in 1840 and underwent several interior and exterior renovations during the 1920s, 1950s, and 1980s. It holds historic significance locally and nationally as one of the few remaining arcades from its time period. The 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.

## 20a ARTcade in Downtown Bridgeport

Enjoy art, design, vintage and artisanal vendors, live music, and demonstrations every month! Meander and mingle through the three downtown blocks along Broad St from City Lights Gallery at 265 Golden Hill St and the Arcade Mall at 1042 Broad St. Visit the open studios of the Arcade artists. Shop while enjoying a fabulous line-up of live music. Local vendors offer vintage clothing, furniture, accessories, and artisanal creations. Downtown Bridgeport Art Trail partners started ARTcade in response to the Pandemic shutdown as an indoor/outdoor event to en-

courage foot traffic and attendance to arts venues and small businesses and reconnecting with the creative community. ARTcade events happen monthly on the 4th weekend of the month. For monthly updates visit [bridgeport-art-trail.org](http://bridgeport-art-trail.org)

## 20b Paradox Ink Screenprinting + Murals

Liz Squillace  
Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 19, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
203.521.8681 / [paradoxink.com](http://paradoxink.com)

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

### Event: Open Studios

Saturday, November 13; 12 pm to 6 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 12 pm to 6 pm



Liz Squillace, #20b Paradox Ink.

## 20c Cris Dam

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 23, Bridgeport CT 06604  
718.431.4567 / [cris@ursa.gallery](mailto:cris@ursa.gallery) / [ursa.gallery](http://ursa.gallery)

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.



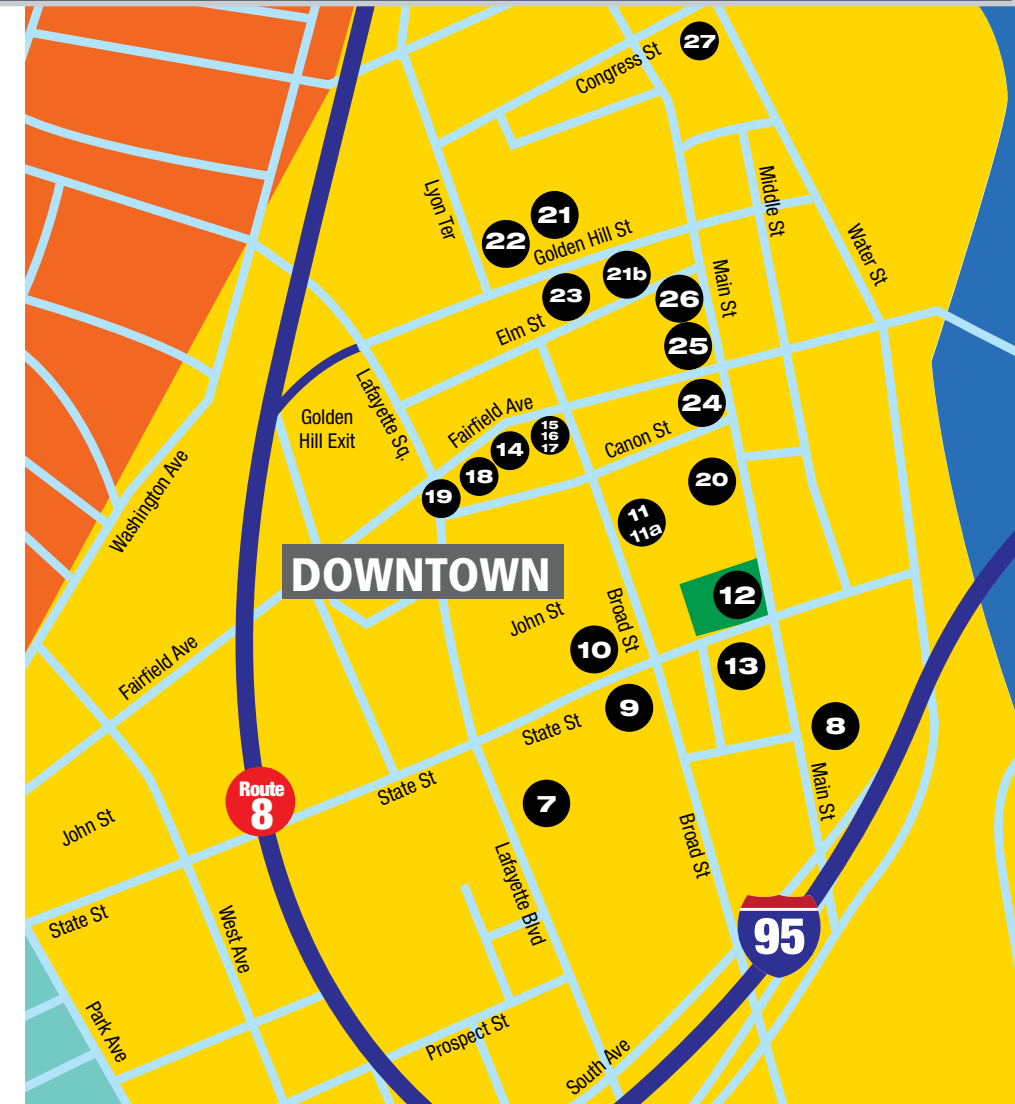
# Art Trail Locations



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- 1** American Fabrics Arts Building  
1069 Connecticut Avenue
- 2** Seaside Park
- 3** Paier College  
491 University Avenue
- 4** Metro Art Studios  
345 Railroad Avenue
- 5** PenRod Studios  
325 Lafayette Street
- 6** Gallery 9104  
325 Lafayette Street, Unit 9104
- 7** Housatonic Museum of Art, HCC  
900 Lafayette Street
- 8** Barnum Museum  
820 Main Street
- 9** The Bridgeport History Center  
Bridgeport Public Library  
925 Broad Street
- 10** Gallery@999, Margaret Morton  
Government Center  
999 Broad Street
- 11** Read's ArtSpace & Ground Floor Gallery  
1042 Broad Street  
a. Maggie Daly Arts Cooperative
- 12** McLevy Green  
102 Street  
a. Farmer's Market
- 13** Stress Factory Comedy Club  
167 State Street
- 14** Bijou Theatre  
275 Fairfield Avenue
- 15** WPKN Radio, 89.5 FM  
277 Fairfield Avenue
- 16** lionART Bridgeport  
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- 17** Twig Lips  
277 Fairfield Avenue, 2nd floor
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1720 Fairfield Avenue
- 30a** Black Rock Galleries, Auction  
and Design Center  
1720 Fairfield Avenue
- 31** Mongers Market  
1155 Railroad Avenue
- 32** TABLab  
20 Bennett Street
- 33** Source Coffeehouse  
2889 Fairfield Avenue
- 34** Lousie Cadoux  
42 Prescott Street
- 35** Park City Music Hall  
2926 Fairfield Avenue
- 36** Pious Bird of Good Omen  
3142 Fairfield Avenue
- 37** Harborview Market  
218 Harborview Avenue
- 38** Framemakers Framing & Gallery  
3004 Fairfield Avenue
- 39** Black Rock Arts Guild  
Burroughs Center  
2470 Fairfield Avenue
- 40** Connecticut's Beardsley Park Zoo  
1875 Noble Avenue
- 41** SHU Discovery Museum,  
Planetarium and Adventure  
4450 Park Avenue
- 42** Art Alliance of Stratford  
Sterling House Community Center  
2283 Main Street, Stratford

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## 20d URSA Gallery

Arcade Mall, 1001 Main Street, Suite 23, Bridgeport CT 06604  
917.331.5338 / hello@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.

**Event: The Coral Reef Principle Exhibit**  
Saturday, November 13; 12 pm to 6 pm

A coral reef is both the world's largest organism, as well as the largest undesigned structure in the world. It is a complimentary biosphere whereby every component makes it possible for each other to survive without modifying its own needs. There is no master architect because it literally builds and maintains itself once all the correct conditions exist. It is this concept or "principle" that URSA wants to mirror in this exhibition. The eco group was created to become the world's first art community solely focused on climate change, and all of the economic and social disruptions that attach to this global crisis. Eco was formed to include not only visual artists, but writers, designers, poets, and creators of all types interested in developing a sustainable way to make and promote their works, and to begin a conversation concerning the ethical and environmental issues attached to the global art market.

The show features over 50 artists from the US and around the world including Finland, Argentina, France, Italy, Greece, Africa, and the UK. While this event is an ambitious beginning, we are most eager to begin the process of aggregating other already built eco-focused art groups thus engineering a virtual "coral reef" of like-minded entities all sharing resources, information, and funding possibilities. Thus, the concept of a self-organized, and self-generating structure that maintains individual needs while also "feeding information" back into the whole is our ultimate goal. This exhibition is the first step in creating a "living" organic community of like-minded artists and citizens united to begin a process of addressing global climate change and all the associated economic and social justice issues related to it.

**Event: The Art and Music of Ken Butler at the Bijou #14**

The art of Ken Butler in this exhibit at URSA Gallery closes out the Bridgeport Art Trail weekend celebration on a high note. He will perform music with his instruments created from found objects at the Bijou Theatre.

"...a crazy instrument builder who can get virtuoso riffs from anything."  
—The Village Voice See more at listing #14

## 20e Robert Valle

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

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

## 20f 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.

## 20g 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 and the Arcade Mall, between Broad Street and Cannon Street.

**Event: Love, Laughs, & Lyrics**  
Friday, November 12; starts at 9 pm (doors open at 8:30 pm)

Do you like improv comedy? Well, if you enjoy shows like, "Who's line is it anyway" and "Nick Cannon's Wildin' Out," then come out to Love, Laughs, & Lyrics at BPT Creates. Featuring The Never Say No Improv Troupe, Bridgeport's very own improv team. Come celebrate with Never Say No, hosted by Jason Phnix Hall and brought to you by Magnacon 7, Never Say No LLC, and LuvJonz Entertainment. Admission is \$10 all night.

**Event: The 8 Year Anniversary of BPT Creates**  
Saturday, November 13; 8 pm to 1 am

On behalf of the entire BPT Creates family and universe, we'd like to cordially invite you to join us for our 8th-year anniversary rager. We've done a lot of things, touched a lot of lives, and started a lot of trouble, and we couldn't think of better people to celebrate that with. Live music, cocktails, snacks, bites, DJs and maybe some surprises through the night. \$20 cover gets ya in, makes sure ya fed, and keeps ya socially lubricated. 21+ Limited Space

## 20h Richual Boutique

Shoprichual.com / Poshmark @richual  
Instagram @shop\_richual / facebook.com/shoprichual/  
929.800.7861 / Shoprichual@gmail.com

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.

## 21 City Lights & Company

City Lights Gallery/City Lights Vintage/ Bridgeport Art Trail HQ  
Business hrs: W -Fri 12-5, Sat 12-4 or by appointment.  
265 Golden Hill Street, Downtown Bridgeport CT 06604  
Executive Director: Suzanne Kachmar  
203.334.7748 / citylightsbpt@gmail.com / citylightsgallery.org  
Mailing address: 130 Elm St, Bridgeport CT 06604

City Lights & Company is a nonprofit organization that serves the community through art and is the lead organization of the Bridgeport Art Trail attracting visitors from greater Bridgeport and the region. City Lights is grateful for the hard work and collaboration from all the artists and community partners that have produced the Bridgeport Art Trail for 13 years. Pick up your Art Trail program guide/annual artists' directory at City Lights Gallery and City Lights Vintage. City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail staff can offer info and answer questions.

## 21a 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

**BAT Weekend Gallery Hours:**  
Thursday, November 11; 12 pm to 7:30 pm  
Friday, November 12; 12 pm to 5 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 12 pm to 3 pm

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

**Event: It's Complicated Art Exhibit Opening Reception**  
Thursday, November 11; 5 pm to 7:30 pm

Artists: Maralyn Adlin, Carlos Bautista Biernnay, Claude Desir Jr, Dan Makara, Marcella Kurkowski, Tunde Odunlade, Mark Rich, Gerald Saladyga, Isabella Saraceni, Roxy Savage, Scott Schuldt, Joan Wheeler. Curated by Suzanne Kachmar

Fiber art, paintings, drawing, and assemblage in this exhibit contain contradictory, ambiguous content with complex imagery and compositions. Although materials and techniques vary, all artists in this exhibit practice the sincere process of artmaking, combining automatism, criticism, and plan.

"Creativity is messy. Life is complicated." Curator Suzanne Kachmar suggests we practice sitting with complexity and find the beauty there. "I suggest we acknowledge that conditions, 'facts' and perspectives are a mash up of information, feelings, and learned bias, where more than one point of view, or logic can be true. In life and in the art in this exhibit, there is often more to a story than what we see on the surface. As we try to make sense of things, remember that existence of any form is an ever-changing battle between order and entropy. It's complicated!"

"We are living in a time fraught with contentious polarization, hubris, disruption, and a lack of trust, that tests loyalties and exposes who we are, what we need to change and cherish. We may tend to settle with those who have similar perspectives, rather than doing the work to find the answers that are in the mess somewhere in the middle, between the extremes."

This exhibit encourages the viewer to spend time with complexity and uncertainty and find meaning from the personal interaction with the art. The show is designed to encourage that we maintain an open mind and an open heart. The exhibit runs through January 8, 2022. The show includes looking guides to enhance the viewing experience.

**Event: The Legacy of a Collector, Remembering Harry Laurie Through the Art He Collected**

Friday, December 12; 2:30 pm to 5:30 pm

Bridgeport Art Trail Fundraiser at Paier College Gallery, the Arnold Bernhard Center for the Arts & Humanities 84 Iranistan Avenue, Bridgeport Admission \$50, to purchase tickets go to [bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/contribute/](http://bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/contribute/)

Collectors and curiosity-seekers can catch a preview of select works from an extensive art collection on view at this Bridgeport Art Trail fundraiser, enjoying reception fare and live music.

The life of Bridgeport native, Harry Laurie and his passion for collecting art are a jumble spanning from Woodstock to a truck driving Teamster amassing an impressive collection of art and collectibles, including Josef Albers, Banksy, Alice Neel, Shepard Fairey, Robert Rauschenberg, Christo, Andy Warhol, William Wegman and the Spanish abstract painter Antoni Tapias. He was so intrigued by Tapias' work he traveled to Spain to meet him.

Artist/friend Joann Moran has the task of cataloguing the collection. She explains, "To understand the extent of Harry's collection... it contains 157 signed Shepard Fairey prints alone." When the pieces are auctioned and sold, a portion of sales will be donated to 2 Bridgeport arts and culture nonprofits, WPKN radio and City Lights/Bridgeport Art Trail.

**Event: Annual Bridgeport Art Trail Urban Bike Tour**  
Saturday, November 13; 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)

**BAT Bike Tour Schedule**

8:30 am Meet at City Lights Gallery for registration, coffee, and refreshments.  
9:00 am Annual group photo (at the bottom of Broad Street Steps) and then we depart for the art

Stops will include Arcade Mall, The Knowlton, American Fabric Arts Building, City Lights Vintage, 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: Art for Kids - Wax resist painting with Yolanda Vasquez Petrocelli**  
Saturday, November 13; 1 pm to 3 pm

To better understand the process involved in making some of the art in the exhibit *It's Complicated*, children learn about layering in painting through wax resist with crayon and watercolor.

**Event: It's Complicated Viewer's Talk**  
Saturday, November 13; 2 pm to 3 pm

Rather than an artists' talk, visitors are encouraged to do the talking, sharing what they see in the art on view and asking questions. Exhibit curator Suzanne Kachmar and professional storyteller Nina Lesiga host a community discussion, respecting that everyone's point of view and interpretation are valid, encouraging participants to explore the interactive experience of viewing art and finding meaning in what they see.

**Event: Saturday Virtual Writers' Group**  
Saturday, November 13; 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 2 Saturdays of every month at City Lights Gallery from 2 to 4 pm.



## 21a City Lights Gallery

**Event: Online Open Mic with the Dragonfly Poetry Exchange**  
Saturday, November 13; 8 pm to 10 pm  
To attend, go to Poetic Souls Arts Facebook page for FB live event.  
[facebook.com/PoeticSoulArts](https://facebook.com/PoeticSoulArts)

The Dragonfly Poetry Exchange gives space on a virtual open mic for poets to celebrate the art form of poetry. There are so many talented writers and performance artists that can be highlighted along with an extended community that is woven into Bridgeport's poetry scene. Our host and creator, Shanna T. Melton ran Lyrical Voices, a local poetry venue with a community that has existed for 18 years. The Dragonfly Poetry Exchange is an extension of that beautiful energy.

### The Bridgeport Art Trail Story Exchange

Free, online Storytelling meets the 1st Thursday of the month, from 7-9 pm, led by the popular professional storyteller Nina Lesiga and sponsored by the Bridgeport Art Trail.

To learn more and access the Zoom registration link go to, [bridgeport-art-trail.org/ninas-story-exchange/](https://bridgeport-art-trail.org/ninas-story-exchange/) Questions? Email: [clgallerybpt@gmail.com](mailto:clgallerybpt@gmail.com)

City Lights Gallery /Bridgeport Art Trail began this storytelling initiative during the 2020 Bridgeport Art Trail to recognize the power of the oral storytelling tradition as an art form. Storyteller Nina Lesiga explains, "Stories make us feel, spark understanding and connect us to others. It's been an honor to hear stories from Storytelling Exchange participants in Bridgeport and from across the United States who want to connect by sharing of stories!" What kind of stories? Any kind – personal, historic, fictional, or folk. Tellers of all experience levels and listeners join to share an entire story, a part of a story, a story idea or just listen. Nina maintains a welcoming and respectful atmosphere. Participants can test out a story and request help and feedback as they develop a piece.

## 21b City Lights Vintage

265 Golden Hill, Bridgeport CT 06604  
[clgallerybpt@gmail.com](mailto:clgallerybpt@gmail.com) / [bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/city-lights/](https://bridgeport-art-trail.org/portfolio/city-lights/)  
Manager: Robin Jopp / 203.334.7748

Create your style with vintage clothes, accessories, radios, camera, toys, antiques, collectibles, nostalgic art and housewares - the inventory is always changing. Regular shop hours are: Thursdays and Fridays 12 to 5 pm, and Saturdays 12 to 4 pm. Enjoy a nostalgic shopping experience in downtown Bridgeport. Come during the Bridgeport Art Trail and meet shop managers Steve and Robin. Take advantage of Vintage shop discounts and sidewalk sale.

**BAT Weekend Vintage Hours:**  
Thursday, November 11; 11 am to 7 pm  
Friday, November 12; 12pm to 5 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14 12 pm to 3 pm

**Event: Family Fun "Sew n' Sew" Artisans**  
Saturday, November 13; 12 pm to 3 pm

Singer sewing machine aficionados and others present the art of mend and needle crafts.



## 22 Downtown Cabaret Theatre

263 Golden Hill Street, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
203.576.1634 / [mycabaret.org](mailto:mycabaret.org) / [dtcab.com](http://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: Theatre for Young Audiences: Little Mermaid

Take a journey under the sea with us as our plucky mermaid princess risks everything for a chance at a better life. This exciting new adaptation of the Hans Christian Andersen story asks what are you willing to give up to get what you want?

Saturdays, October 23, 30, November 6, 13; 12 pm and 2:30 pm  
Sundays October 24, 31, November 7, 14; 12 pm and 2:30 pm

Save the Date for *The Santa Story* from December 4 to December 30. We all know who Santa Claus is, but where did he come from? This brand-new Cabaret original is the heart-warming and hilarious story of a young St. Nick 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.

Visit [mycabaret.org](http://mycabaret.org) for full information about the 2021-22 season featuring the concert series tribute performances of: So Good: Neil Diamond Experience on November 20; *Dancing Dream*: Abba on January 15; Carol King by *Tapstry* on March 26, and more. Secured parking is available in the second lot on Lyons Terrace across the street from the theatre.

## 23 Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County

150 Elm Street, Downtown Bridgeport, CT 06604  
203.366.3300 / [nstudios.org](http://nstudios.org)  
Executive Director: Frank Derico

We've moved! 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.

**Event: Open House**  
Saturday, November 13; 12 pm to 3 pm

Come to our Open House, try a free class, meet the instructors, check out our new location.

## 24 The Mary & Eliza Freeman Center

1135 Main Street, Bridgeport CT 06604  
203.612.7769 / [freemancenterbpt-ct@yahoo.com](mailto:freemancenterbpt-ct@yahoo.com) / [freemancenterbpt.com](http://freemancenterbpt.com)  
Mailing address: 1019 Main Street, Suite 210, Bridgeport CT 06604  
Executive Director: Maisa L Tisdale

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

### Freeman Center Hours:

Thursday, November 11; 5 pm to 9:30 pm  
Friday, November 12; 4 pm to 9:30 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 5 pm

### Event: Black Life Matters Exhibit: How & Why We Fight

Bridgeport's Black Lives Matter movement through the lens of Chefren Gray, Bridgeport photographer. This exhibition chronicles Bridgeport, CT's Black Lives Matter movement, capturing images of Bridgeporters protesting at home and in Washington, DC between 2014 and 2021. These photographs are juxtaposed with photos of Black life in Bridgeport, aspirations and inspirations that prompted people to march. One of two exhibits sharing common themes – shown in partnership with Fairfield University Art Museum's, "Rob Gerhardt: Mic Check," a photography exhibit tracking #BlackLivesMatter protest photographs in New York City from 2014 to 2021.

### Event: Reimagining Little Liberia: Restoration & Reunion Exhibit

Thursday, November 11; 8:30 am to 7 pm  
Friday, November 12; 8:30 am to 5:30 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 9 am to 3 pm

The art, architecture, and history exhibit of Bridgeport's Little Liberia is on view at Housatonic Museum of Art | Housatonic Community College, 900 Lafayette Boulevard, Bridgeport, CT.

## 25 Collab Exchange

1123 Main Street, Bridgeport CT 06604  
[collabexchange@gmail.com](mailto:collabexchange@gmail.com) / [collab-exchange.com](http://collab-exchange.com)  
Hours: Thursday thru Friday 4 pm - 7 pm to learn more.

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

This retail initiative that serves as an incubator for professional development in the Bridgeport community and beyond. We offer retail space to new vendors seeking to improve their business model and MVP. Stop in to see why we are Bridgeport's go-to safe space for novice business owners who thrive in #collaboration

### NEWS: OCT - NOV Clearance Sale and Book Blowout Sale

Now Seeking: Retail vendors, acoustic performers, DJs, photographers looking for in-store marketing opportunities.

## 26 NBALAB

1163 Main Street, Bridgeport CT 06604  
[bk@nbalab.com](mailto:bk@nbalab.com) / [nbalab.com](http://nbalab.com)  
[instagram.com/nbalab](https://instagram.com/nbalab) / [facebook.com/nbalab](https://facebook.com/nbalab)  
Contact: Billi Kid / 646.228.4140

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 fields.

### Event: Open House

Thursday, November 11; 5 pm to 9 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm

NBALAB Co-Founder and Chief Creative Officer, Billi Kid, will present the NBALAB, its foundation, its history and its proposed future development in Bridgeport and beyond.

## 27 The Archive

118 Congress Street, Bridgeport CT 06604  
203.441.5678 / [bridgeport@browsethearchive.com](mailto:bridgeport@browsethearchive.com)  
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 End

## 28 The Knowlton

305 Knowlton Street, Bridgeport, CT 06608  
203.900.4545 / [info@theknowlton.com](mailto:info@theknowlton.com) / [TheKnowlton.com](http://TheKnowlton.com)  
[facebook.com/ theknowlton/](https://facebook.com/theknowlton/) [Instagram.com/theknowlton/](https://instagram.com/theknowlton/)

A premier arts and entertainment hub, 25 art studios, 18,000 square feet of premium event space, 35,000 square feet of thriving outdoor art park with new murals, 4,500 square feet of our newest space - the Wilder Gallery.

The Knowlton is a one-of-a-kind industrial waterfront event venue and arts hub located on the Pequonnock River estuary in Bridgeport, CT. Steeped in history, The Knowlton was once home to the Armstrong Manufacturing Company and now functions as a multi-use venue for innovative businesses, artist studios and gallery, and custom events.

### Event: The Knowlton Open Studios & Art Sale, Meet the Artists

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 4 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 2 pm

Meet the artists, see the work, talk the talk! Tour three floors of open studios including our beautiful Armstrong Gallery (downstairs) where you can view and purchase art, including watercolor, acrylic and oil paintings, sculpture, photography, airbrush works, and more

### Event: Art of Everyone

Saturday, November 12 pm to 3 pm

Art of Everyone is an experiential, laser-guided live art company, providing highly immersive, artistic experiences for events of all kinds. Guided by our Artist Conductors, we collaborate with people through art, expression, and communication – engaging with and putting the creativity in the hands of everyone.



## 28 The Knowlton

### Event: Emily Swift Studios Film Processing Demonstrations

Saturday, November 13; 1 pm to 3 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 1 pm to 3 pm

Join Darkslide Film Lab at Studio 7 on the third floor at the Knowlton for a darkroom technique demonstration! Between 1-3 the lab will be open to visitors to showcase either how to make a cyanotype OR how to process black and white film! Darkroom processes are becoming a lost art, but at Darkslide our woman only team wants to share the exciting experience with you!

### Event: Visina Visions

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 2 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 2 pm

Join Sarah Visina from Visina Visions as she does a full character transformation which will entail prosthetic application and airbrush techniques. This is not to be missed:

### Event: Live Music

Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 3 pm  
Band will be announced:

### Event: Gallery Exhibit

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 4 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 2 pm

Lots of amazing new pieces from our community of visual artists will be on display and for sale.

### Event: Mural Park Photo Moments

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 4 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 2 pm

New mural, a land of jumbo painted spools and more. Come take photos galore.

### Event: Make Your Mark / Collaboration Wall

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 4 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 2 pm

Come and make your mark on our community Collaboration Wall.

## West End

## 29 The Klein Memorial Auditorium

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

A 1,447-seat performing arts center serving the greater Bridgeport region with the mission to “enrich, educate and entertain through arts and ideas”. In addition to hosting several civic events each year, The Klein presents multiple entertainment shows ranging from rock, blues, reggae, jazz, R&B and classical music, to ballet, comedy, plays and opera. Parking is available in the Klein parking lot on Iranistan Avenue between State Street and Fairfield Avenue.

## 29a Greater Bridgeport Symphony

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

GBS returns to The Klein after the long dark night of the pandemic. We've used the time away from live concerts to learn and grow, and GBS is ready for an exciting new future. We'll be presenting both live and recorded concerts, and expanding our reach to young and old alike.

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.

### Event: Beethoven's Fifth Symphony Concert

Saturday, November 13; starts at 8 pm

Guest conductor Eduardo Leandro brings us the most iconic symphony ever – Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, the “Symphony of Fate” – and makes musical tradition and innovation come together with a modern piece, Jessie Montgomery's Starburst. Add to this the exotic Violin Concerto #1 by Prokofiev, featuring solo by our own Deborah Wong, and we've got an evening to remember. After the pandemic months, here's a night that brings triumph. Purchase tickets at [gbs.org](http://gbs.org)

## 29b Bridgeport Film Fest

After a successful launch this year, the BFF team is preparing for its 2nd annual at the Klein for July 2022. The festival seeks to showcase, guide, and inspire independent film and theatre artists from the Bridgeport community and beyond. 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 2022 Festival are now open!

Learn more about the Bridgeport Film Fest or submit films for consideration: [bridgeportfilmfest.org/](http://bridgeportfilmfest.org/)

## 30 NEST Arts Factory

1720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605  
203.690.1335 / nestbpt@gmail.com  
[nestartsfactory.com](http://nestartsfactory.com) / [instagram.com/nestartsfactory](https://www.instagram.com/nestartsfactory)

Welcome to the NEST Arts Factory, a long-standing cornerstone of the West Side arts scene. Established over 30 years ago, the NEST is located in a historic piano factory. It serves as the artistic home for over 30 artists and musicians. From glass blowing and abstract painting to landscapes and mixed media, the NEST has welcomed several new artists to its creative community. Come and discover what's new at the NEST!

During the annual Bridgeport Art Trail, the artists and musicians of the NEST will be hosting open studios and a gallery show. Visitors are invited to stop by, ask questions, and see/hear how the art is created. In addition, there will be live music, art demonstrations, and much more. Free onsite and street parking is available.

### Event: NEST Open Studios & Art Sale

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 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. Work of all sizes for sale, just in time for the holidays.

### Event: Secret World of Honey

Saturday, November 13; 11:30 am to 12:30 pm

A sensory journey into the secret world of honey. Learn how to taste five varietal honeys like a sommelier. Workshop is limited to 20 participants. Please RSVP via [nestartsfactory.com/](http://nestartsfactory.com/) to reserve your spot.

### Event: Glass Blowing

Saturday, November 13; 1 pm to 3 pm

Have you ever seen melted glass transform into art? Experience a live demonstration of the lampwork style of glassblowing by [strive\\_glass](https://www.instagram.com/strive_glass).

### Event: Djeli Village, Storytelling with Puppets

Saturday, November 13, 1:30 pm to 2:30pm

Iyaba Ibo Mandingo and his troupe of puppets take us back to ancient Afrika, to the tradition of oral history. When the Djeli or Griot (story teller) traveled from village to village, telling the tales and folklore passed down from generation to generation.



Jimmi, Glassblowing Demonstration at The NEST, #30.

## 30 NEST Arts Factory

### Event: P-ART-Y at the NEST and Latina Americana, Latin/Bluegrass fusion

Saturday, November 13; 4 pm to 6 pm

View a building full of art. Enjoy live music by the Latin Americana ensemble with Rick Reyes, Dick Neal and friends with reception bites and drinks.

### Event: Belly Dancing Demo

Sunday, November 14; 1 pm to 2 pm

Prepare to rock the casbah! Experience the ancient art of belly dancing. Demonstration will be led by Camila Pina in the NEST Community Room. All ages welcome.

### Event: Gallery Talk with Mercedes Arensberg

Sunday, November 14; 2:30 pm to 3:30 pm

Local art and art history teacher Mercedes Arensberg, who is also a practicing artist, will be sharing her insight and passion for art at the NEST. Come join her for a thought-provoking gallery talk regarding the work on exhibit for the Art Trail. Open to all ages.

### Event: Pop-up Jewelry Boutique

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 5 pm

Hand-crafted jewelry, perfect for holiday gift-giving. The NEST boutique will feature the amazing work of jewelry artists MaryAnn Provey and Amy Bock.

### Event: Colorful Collages... Just for Kids

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 1 pm

Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 1 pm

Calling all kids... Learn about artist Henri Matisse, see his colorful paper collages, and then create your own collage to take home. (Please note, this is not a drop-off event.)

### Event: Black Rock Art Guild Members' Art Exhibit

Saturday, November 13; 11 am to 5 pm

Sunday, November 14; 11 am to 5 pm

Over 15 artist members of the Black Rock Art Guild will be exhibiting work in a variety of media. Light refreshments will be served, free and open to the public. Exhibiting artists include: Donna Osterby Brien,

Harold Davis, Linda Downey, Julie Fatherley, Susan Fehlinger, Mary Gibbs, Geri Gould, Rita Daley Hannafin, Pat Jenkins, Noah Laurent, Barbara Loss, Judy Noel, Ada Van Duyn, Lee Walther, Bruce Williams

### Event: Bridgeport Film Fest-Curator's Choice: A Series of Short Films and Music Videos

Saturday, November 13; 3:15 pm to 4:30 pm (doors open at 3 pm)

Sunday, November 14; 3:15 pm to 4:30 pm (doors open at 3 pm)

This film series will feature local filmmakers and musicians from the the Connecticut area sharing their original work that represents the Bridgeport Art Trail themes of *It's Complicated* and *Rediscovery and Reinvention*. This free event is curated by Jason A. Coombs, the Producing Artistic Director of the Bridgeport Film Fest.

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. Find out more about the Bridgeport Film Fest at [bridgeportfilmfest.org](http://bridgeportfilmfest.org), or on instagram or Facebook @bridgeportfilmfest. Contact at [bptfilmfest@gmail.com](mailto:bptfilmfest@gmail.com)

## 30a Black Rock Galleries and Design Center

1720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605  
203.335.0000 / [contact@blackrockgalleries.com](mailto:contact@blackrockgalleries.com) / [blackrockgalleries.com](http://blackrockgalleries.com)

### Event: Open Showroom

Thursday, November 11; 10 am to 5 pm

Friday, November 12; 10 am to 5 pm

Saturday, November 13; 10 am to 5 pm

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

## 31 Mongers Market

1155 Railroad Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605  
203-326-0904 / [info@mongers-market.com](mailto:info@mongers-market.com) / [mongers-market.com](http://mongers-market.com)  
[instagram.com/mongersmarketusa](https://www.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 refurbished 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

### 32 TABLab

20 Bennett Street, Bridgeport CT 06605  
203.212.3570 / info@tablab.xyz / tablab.xyz

TABLab is a new multi-use studio in the Black Rock section of Bridgeport. Our 1,300 sq. ft. space is home to Giffords Group Consulting, Silver Tusk Jewelry & Collectibles, and hosts a monthly rotation of student and local art exhibitions. Our flexible space is available for photo shoots, meetings, or classes. Please visit and sign up for future events.

#### Event: Family Ties

Thursday, November 11; 4 pm to 9 pm  
Friday, November 12; 4 pm to 9 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 12 pm to 5 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 12 pm to 5 pm

Featuring graphic design, photography and painting from a local family of artists. See how a mom and two daughters depict their different yet connective expressions through various visual art mediums.

### 33 Source Coffeehouse

2889 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605  
203.522.5662 / drinklocal@sourcecoffeehouse.com / sourcecoffeehouse.com

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

#### Event: Bridgeport Art Trail Sampler

Thursday, November 11; 7 am to 6 pm  
Friday, November 12; 7 am to 6 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 7 am to 6 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 8 am to 6 pm

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

### 34 Louise Cadoux Open Studio

42 Prescott Street, Bridgeport, CT  
914-837-2603

#### Event Open Studio

November 13, Saturday 11 am to 4 pm  
November 14, Sunday 11 am to 4 pm

Sculpture & wall pieces in metal, clay, yarn and paper

### 35 Park City Music Hall

2926 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605  
203.335.3655 / parkcitymusicall.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.

Improvements now underway include a more than 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, new

bathrooms, expanded green room, and an oversized bar capable of servicing the venue's new capacity of 300.

Tickets are now on sale for upcoming shows. Check out the full calendar here: [parkcitymusicall.com/calendar](http://parkcitymusicall.com/calendar)

### 36 Pious Bird

2960 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605

Contact: Desiree Witt

203.540.5175 / piousbird@me.com / piousbird.com

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

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

### 37 Harborview Market

218 Harborview Avenue, Bridgeport CT 06605  
203.367.7336 / harborviewmarketcatering@gmail.com / harborviewmarket.com

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

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

#### Bridgeport Art Trail Hours:

Thursday, November 11; 6 am to 5 pm  
Friday, November 12; 6 am to 5 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 6 am to 4 pm  
Sunday, November 14; 6:30 am to 2 pm

### 38 Framemakers & Art Gallery

3004 Fairfield Avenue, Black Rock, Bridgeport, CT 06605  
203.338.0332 / framemakers3142@gmail.com  
[instagram.com/framemakersblackrock](https://www.instagram.com/framemakersblackrock)

Director: Maureen Buckley

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

#### Event: Frank Iovino Exhibit

In November, Frank Iovino will be showing his abstract pieces. Burt Chernow has been a big influence in Frank's work, which is fun and very colorful.

Thursday, November 11; 8:30 am to 5 pm  
Friday, November 12; 8:30 am to 5 pm  
Saturday, November 13; 8:30 am to 4 pm

### 39 Black Rock Art Guild

Contact: Judy Noel 203.367.9759 / judy.noel5@aol.com  
or Sheila Weaver 816.678.3029 / saweaver@optonline.net  
[blackrockartguild.wordpress.com](http://blackrockartguild.wordpress.com)

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

Saturday, November 13; 11:00 am to 5:00 pm  
Sunday November 14; 11:00 am to 5:00 pm

Over 15 artist members of the Black Rock Art Guild will be exhibiting work in a variety of media at the NEST Arts Factory, 1720 Fairfield Avenue. Light refreshments will be served, free and open to the public.

## North End Bridgeport

### 40 Connecticut's Beardsley Park Zoo

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

Let your curiosity run wild! Connecticut's only zoo, celebrating its 99th 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.

Tickets must be purchased on the Zoo's website at [beardsleyzoo.org](http://beardsleyzoo.org). In accordance with the state of Connecticut COVID-19 guidelines: Guests must continue to wear masks while visiting the Zoo, but when guests are outside and are able to maintain social distance, masks may be removed. In any indoor area, or when social distancing cannot be maintained, masks are required. Everyone over the age of two, except for those with medical conditions that preclude wearing them, should have a mask available.

#### Event: Virtual Zoo Tots: Who Eats What

Wednesday, November 17

Virtual Zoo Tots may include song/story time, virtual animal encounters, and virtual tours of the Zoo. The cost is \$10 per household. Space is limited and the program fills up quickly—register early to secure your spot. You will receive the information to join the Zoom call in your confirmation email. Questions? E-mail [programming@beardsleyzoo.org](mailto:programming@beardsleyzoo.org) or call 203-394-6563.

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### 41 SHU Discovery Center and Planetarium

4450 Park Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06604  
203.416.3521 / info@shudiscovery.org  
[shudiscovery.org](http://shudiscovery.org) / [instagram.com/discoverybpt](https://www.instagram.com/discoverybpt)  
[facebook.com/shudiscoverysciencecenter](https://www.facebook.com/shudiscoverysciencecenter)  
Museum Hours: Monday through Thursday 10 am to 6 pm;  
Friday through Sunday 10 am to 5 pm

The new SHU's Discovery Science Center & Planetarium is a place for everyone to learn, grow and imagine. Discovery is providing hands on STEAM learning on three floors of exhibits that resonates with our visitor's natural curiosity & an ageless love of learning. Explore topography and dinosaurs, learn what keeps a plane in the air, keep your balance on our indoor junior ropes course, and bandage up your soft stuffed friends in our Teddy Bear Triage area. And with a state-of-the-art planetarium, the sky is no longer the limit! Join us to fly to the outermost parts of space.

#### Event: Abstractions: Anne Marchand

Beginning Monday, November 15

Inspired by the Hubble space telescope photographs, Anne Marchand's work is an exploration of the surprisingly colorful and frequently fluid-like state of the universe. Her mixed media pieces combine texture, color & negative space to convey the dichotomy between the chaos of entropy and the cohesion of nature.

## Nearby Stratford

### 42 Art Alliance of Stratford

Sterling House Community Center, 2283 Main Street, Stratford, CT 06615  
[artsallianceofstratford.org](http://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.

#### Event: Creative After Hours Exhibit Opening Reception

Friday, November 12; 5 pm to 7 pm

The Arts Alliance and Sterling House features the art by those with a passion for the arts who work in occupations unrelated to the arts. This exhibit celebrates the creative souls who make art after hours, finding their mojo creating music, visual arts, dance, writing or other expressive pursuits. The show runs through December 3. Gallery hours are Mondays through Thursdays from 9 am to 6 pm and Fridays from 9 am to 5 pm (Call to be sure the room is not in use for Sterling House activities – 203.378.2606)



Sheneta Nicole, artist/rapper/designer/entrepreneur at the Collab #25.



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Crystal art studio  
*Affordable colorful paintings with reiki energy infused crystals*

#### William P. Duffy, #203

*Landscape, urban and coastal painting*  
*In studio and plein aire painting instruction.*  
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#### Crystal Heiden, #204

*All the art all the time*  
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#### Joanie Landau Designs, #206

*Fine art, jewelry, decorative pillows, and home accessories*  
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#### Jay Petrow, #208

*Abstract expressionist painting*  
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#### Ayn Kraven, #213

*Abstract artist: painter oil, acrylic and mixed media*  
*Exploring abstract shapes and deconstruction.*  
Available by appointment.  
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### 3rd Floor

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#### Steve Hurst, #301

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#### Janine Brown, #302

*Multidisciplinary artist*  
*\*Proof of vaccination and a mask are required in studio*  
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jbrownart.com / janinekbr@gmail.com /  
203.685.5986

#### Susan Newbold, #304

*Drawing, painting, printmaking and bookmaking*  
I teach classes in all four of these media in my studio  
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#### Thomas Mezzanotte, #306

*Photography, alternative photographic practices*  
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#### Ulla Surland / Ulla Surland Design, #307

*Interior, furniture & fashion design - fine art*  
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Facebook-Ulla Surland Fine Art & Interior Design

#### Kvon Photography, #308

*Commercial, advertising photography*  
kvonphotography.com

#### Richard Killeaney / Ocheltree Design, #309

*Repurposed, organic home accessories. Small leather goods.*  
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#### Emily Larned, #310

*Impractical Labor (ILSSA) and Alder & Frankia / socially engaged artist publishing / letterpress + risograph printing*  
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### 4th Floor

#### Denyse Schmidt Quilts, #401

*Sample quilts for discerning collectors; fabric, patterns, books, and other supplies for sewists, makers, crafters, and quilters!*  
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#### Mary Dwyer, #401

*Mary's painting are based in history and storytelling. She is featuring a new series called "Last Day at Work" highlighting journalist that have been targeted and killed because of their job.*  
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#### Judith Corrigan, #402

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#### Kelly Rossetti, #403

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#### Linda Colletta, #406

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#### Brechin Morgan, #408

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Huge studio sale- offering JBA Signature Collection ceramics and sculpture at discount. Lots of new work. Bargains on seconds.

#### Kyle Goldbach, #412

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### Historic Arcade Mall

#### Liz Squillace

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valledesigns2

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### The Knowlton

#### Floor 1

#### Alexandra Tremaine, #1&2

*Artist*  
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#### Floor 2

#### Herm Freeman, #1

*Artist, painter*  
hermfreeman.com

#### Michael Theophil, #2

*Video and podcast*

#### Nicole Koester, #4

*Artist*  
Instagram @cantorekoester

#### January Cilento, #5

*Artist*

#### Michael Reinwald, #6

*Artist*

#### Zaibel Torres, #7

*Photographer*  
zaiphotography.com

#### Michael Vartuli, #8

*Artist*

#### Jonathan Joseph, #9

*Artist*  
Instagram @therealjoseph

#### Stanley Leon, #10

*Photographer*  
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#### Cynthia Lucero, #11

*Artist*  
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#### Sarah Visina, #12

*Sculpture MUA*  
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#### Greg Walsh, #14

*Walsh Public Relations*  
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### The Knowlton

#### Katie Settle, #15

*Photographer*  
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#### Floor 3



## Artists of the Bridgeport Art Trail

### Rob Zajac, #1

*Photographer*

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### Jeff Erbe, #2

### Sharon Brzozowski, #3

*Artist*

### Ina Anderson, #4

*Playwriter and producer*

emergingvoicesproduction.com

### Ricardo Mestre, #5

*Artist, painter and videographer*

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### Wilmary Ripoll, #6

*Hair dresser*

### Emily Swift, #7

*Photography*

Instagram @emilyswiftphotography

### James Brown, #8

*Artist*

artofeveryone.com

### Brad Noble, #8

*Artist, painter*

artofeveryone.com

### Ivan Lopez, #9

*Photography, salon*

inkdavinci.com

### Luis Cuevas, #10

*Photography*

inkdavinci.com

## Metro Art Studios

### Alternate Routes, #103

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*Musicians and songwriters*

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### Denise Susalka, #105

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### Color Fields, #108

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*Mixed media photo chemical*

primitivefuturisms.com

### Kat Evans, #30

*Abstract painter*

kevansart.com

### Francine Fanali, #29

*Painter / sculptor*

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### Shinhwa Hong, #35

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### Jimmi, #25A

*Glassblower / lampworker*

Instagram @strive\_glass

### Luis Lopez, #31

*Painting / murals/ photography / graphic design*

Instagram @luis\_lopez\_art

### Eliana Mesa, #25

*Painter*

Instagram @ellie\_messsa

### Trish Monahan, #1

*Painter*

trishmonahan.com

### Rick Reyes, #39

*Latin world musician*

Instagram @rick\_reyes\_delmundo

### Michele Riche, #27

*Painter*

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### Ray Rivera, #31

*Photographer*

### Sharon Smalls, studio #34B

*Mixed Media Artist*

Instagram: @smallsdesign

### Linda Smith, #34A

*Mixed Media Artist*

LindaCSmith.com

### Kris Davenport Toohey, #30

*Landscape painter*

krisdavenporttoohey.com

### Stella Whittle, #26

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## Guest Artists at the NEST

### Mercedes Arensberg, #28

*Painter & art educator*

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### Amy Bock, studio #29

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amybockdesigns.com

### Mark Breslin, studio #28

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### Bridgeport Film Fest, #6

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Instagram: @bridgeportfilmfest

### Iyaba Ibo Mandingo, #6

*Storyteller, performer, puppeteer*

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### Francis Pressley

*Painter*

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### Joe Provey, studio #29

*Painter*

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### MaryAnn Provey, #29

*Metalsmith*

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## Read's ArtSpace

### Brian Anderson

*Musician*

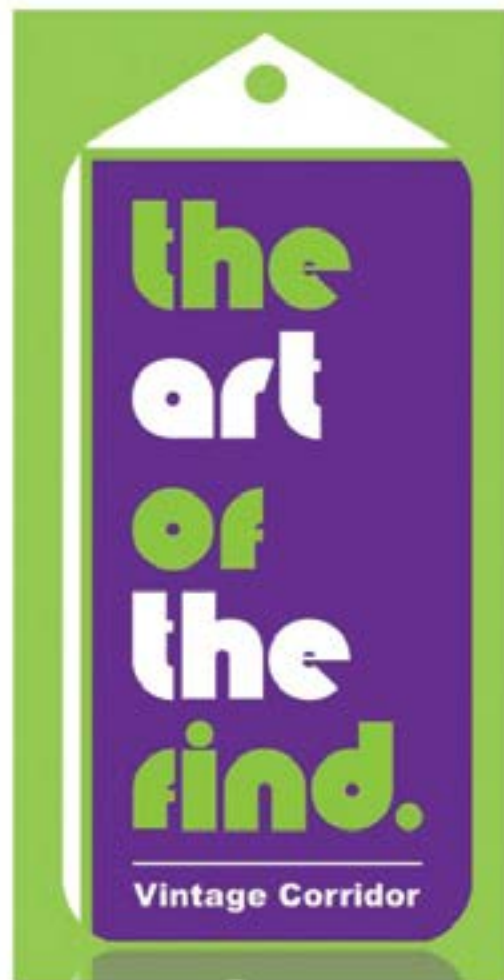
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## The ART of the Find

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  
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 [bridgeport-art-trail.org](http://bridgeport-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 10am to 5pm Friday-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 experimental 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 / Thriftleasta.com  
Hours Monday to Friday 11 am to 6 pm  
Support@thriftleasta.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 refurbished factory space.

**NEST Arts Factory**  
1720 Fairfield Avenue, Bridgeport, CT 06605  
203.690.1335 / nestbpt@gmail.com  
nestartsfactory.com / instagram.com/nestartsfactory  
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<https://bridgeport-art-trail.org/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 Art Building**  
1069 Connecticut Avenue, Building 4  
Bridgeport, CT 06607  
203.257.6695 / amfabarts.com  
Artists' working studios

**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.



**AMERICAN FABRICS  
ARTS BUILDING**

1069 Connecticut Ave  
Building 4  
Bridgeport, CT 06607

**AMFAB II**  
1313 Connecticut Ave

amfabarts.com

10am-5pm

**OPEN**

November 13 & 14, 2021

**STUDIOS**

#connectandcollect



If you are interested in leasing a studio at the American Fabrics Arts Building  
or AmFab II, please call 914-217-0395.



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and welcoming the most recent additions to our

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- WPKN 89.5
- Dot Think Design
- Samantha Annette Photography
- Twig Lips Fine Art
- Archichord Studio
- Oak Apparel
- LionheART Gallery
- Neighborhood Studios of Fairfield County
- Lash Palace
- Gerald Moore, Gallery 1212



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- 9 Downtown Café
- 10 Downtown Corner Deli
- 11 Dunkin Donuts
- 12 Dunkin Donuts
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- 15 El Pueblito
- 16 Fruta Juice
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- 20 Grill II
- 21 Joseph's Steakhouse
- 22 Leisha's Bakeria
- 23 Metric Bar & Grill
- 24 Miss Thelma's Soul Food
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- 26 Murphy's Law Bar and Grill

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- 28 Panda Chinese Restaurant
- 29 Park City Grill
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- 61 WPKN 89.5 Community Radio

## SERVICE

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- 62 C&T Driving School
- 63 Ceretta Builders
- 64 CitiBank
- 65 Craig & Terry's Barber Shop
- 66 Creative Instincts Tattoo
- 67 Downtown Dental
- 68 Engage Staffing
- 69 Evolution Tattoo
- 70 Forever Custom Tattoos
- 71 Greater Bridgeport Transit
- 72 Jerry's Printing & Graphics
- 73 JSB Cosmetics
- 74 Lafayette Barber Shop
- 75 Lane's Hair Designers

- 76 Liberty Tax Service
- 77 M&T Bank
- 78 NBA Labs
- 79 New Robin Hood Cleaners
- 80 Posh Beauty Bar
- 81 Preventative Healthcare Solutions
- 82 Qwikpack
- 83 Rapha Massage
- 84 Second 2 None Barbershop
- 85 Slash Studio
- 86 Sole 2 Soul Movement
- 87 TD Bank
- 88 THE1 Salon

## SHOPPING

- 89 An's Jewelry & Fashion
- 90 Blossoming Blessings Florist
- 91 Bob's Discount Furniture
- 92 Bridgeport Community Pharmacy
- 93 City Lights Vintage
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- 99 DertBag Clothing

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- 101 JB Beauty Supply
- 102 Jimmy's Hip Hop
- 103 Junior's Jewelry
- 104 Lee's Beauty Supply
- 105 Paradox Ink
- 106 Park City Wireless
- 107 Richual Boutique
- 108 Rico Suave Accessories
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- 114 Victor's Tailor Shop

## COMMUNITY

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- 116 Bridgeport Library
- 117 Cardinal Shehan Center
- 118 Child Family & Guidance Center
- 119 City of Bridgeport
- 120 Cook & Grow
- 121 Groundwork Bridgeport
- 122 Housatonic Community College
- 123 University of Bridgeport