

FIRST FRIDAY ART WALK

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JOIN US FOR A FREE SELF-GUIDED TOUR OF LOCAL ART GALLERIES, ART STUDIOS, MUSEUMS, AND ALTERNATIVE ART VENUES ON THE FIRST FRIDAY OF EVERY MONTH FROM 5 TO 8 PM.

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Fill your paper with the breathings of your heart.

William Wordsworth

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▲ Kent Maxwell

Places Unknown

Join us for the First Friday opening of Kent Maxwell's "Places Unknown." We'll have drink specials and free hors d'oeuvres from 4pm-6pm!

"The intention behind my artwork is to transport viewers to worlds unseen, while imbuing them with a sense of nostalgia or mystery. My process draws on color, pattern and texture from familiar elements in nature, which I arrange through paint and encaustic techniques into visuals of unfamiliar places. I veer away from the detail presented in traditional landscapes and hyperrealist scenery, and instead highlight universal visuals through an impressionistic focus. In this way I aim to paint a porthole to another world, not a view out the window. The effect is liberation from the world we inhabit in the present moment, and an escape to a place with the eerie familiarity of a lost memory."

Abilene | 539 Deering Avenue



▲ Andrew Crane

Andrew Crane | Antipodean Isles

"I have spent the last two years working, living, and shooting on two islands on opposite sides of the globe. In 2016, I lived for ten months on a small fisherman's island off of Hong Kong called Cheung Chau, after which I returned home to the coast of Maine and began shooting the second half of the project on the island of Vinalhaven. I chose to approach the islands as coupled macrocosms of change, isolated communities continually being sculpted and reformed by the tides of industry and technology. Both island communities sustained themselves over past centuries with their fishing fleets, only to experience in recent decades declines in fish population and a burgeoning demand for island real estate. Combined with an influx of tourism from the mainland, these two islands have struggled to maintain and redevelop what it is that defines their sense of islandness."

PhoPa Gallery | 132 Washington Avenue



▲ Eliot Porter

Eliot Porter's Nature

Eliot Porter (United States, 1901-1990) is one of the best-known and most-beloved photographers in the American tradition. Brother to painter and critic Fairfield Porter, whose work is also on view on this floor, Eliot Porter is credited for two major achievements: pushing color photography into the field of serious art photography and marrying his commitment to artistic expression with his commitment to the conservation of wildlife and wilderness areas. Porter worked extensively with the Sierra Club, publishing hundreds of images in books and portfolios in the 1960s and 1970s. As a result, his photography was hugely popular among American audiences, although he struggled to achieve the same levels of renown from his peers in the community of American art photographers during the same period.

Portland Museum of Art | 7 Congress Square

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PORTLAND MUSEUM OF ART



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ARTS DISTRICT

1 | PORTLAND MONTHLY MAGAZINE OFFICES

165 State Street
First Friday Fiction
Each month, *Portland Monthly Magazine* hosts First Friday Fiction with a Maine writer. Experience the stories beyond our pages!
portlandmonthly.com

2 | AVON STREET GALLERY

11 Avon Street
Inventory Show! Blow-out Pricing!
An inventory sale of a large selection of paintings by artist Jan ter Weele. Available will be landscapes, abstracts, and figure paintings, ranging in size from small to very large.
avonstreetgallery.com

3 | COFFEE BY DESIGN

620 Congress Street
On the Island and By the River
New paintings by Nance Parker. Acrylic on wood panels and canvas inspired by life on Lesvos, Greece and in the woods of Maine.
coffeebydesign.com

4 | THE PUBLICATION STUDIO

613 Congress Street
Publication Studio Experiments in Mono Printing
We will be displaying the results of our investigations into the mono printing process as well as new T-shirt designs from a collaboration with an illustration class at MECA.
theartdepartment.me/publication-studio.html

5 | DAUNIS FINE HANDMADE JEWELRY

616 Congress Street
Translucence and Color Fields
Photographs by John Ripton, a poet, essayist, photographer and historian. His work has been exhibited in galleries in New York City, New Jersey and New England.
daunis.com

6 | CONGRESS SQUARE GALLERY

609a Congress Street
Artist owner
Dozens of new paintings and prints of Portland by RN Cohen and Stan Leiberman.
congresssquaregallery.com

7 | SCHWARTZ BUILDING

602 Congress Street
Arcs & Angles
Little Village, creator of illuminated environment for various festivals & events, is pleased and proud to present a holiday light display.

Butterfly in a Snowstorm

Please join us at 4:00pm when Little Village will turn on a new projection mapped installation to light the way in the depths of winter.

8 | PORTLAND MUSEUM OF ART

7 Congress Square
Eliot Porter's Nature
Porter is credited for pushing color photography into the field of serious art photography and marrying his commitment to artistic expression with his commitment to the conservation of wildlife and wilderness areas.

Model Citizens: Art and Identity in the United States, 1770-1830

A glimpse into how late 18th and early 19th-century Americans elected to represent themselves in private and public spheres.
portlandmuseum.org

9 | BROKEN CROW COLLECTIVE

594 Congress Street, 2nd Floor
Screwball
As a reaction to decades of art direction of his work, Mike Gorman decided to do a large series of paintings for himself, devoid of outside commentary.
brokencrowcollective.com

10 | THE DOGFISH BAR AND GRILLE

128 Free Street
Dogfish Staff & Friends
A compilation of artwork through multiple mediums put together by restaurant employees and friends around town.
thedogfishcompany.com/barandgrille

11 | ART HOUSE PICTURE FRAMES

61 Pleasant Street
A Retelling
Stop by to sip wine and view "A Retelling" by artist Maya Kuvaja. "The found materials are intertwined with my own painted images drawn from personal histories, dreams and experiences."
mayakuvaja.yolasite.com
arthousepictureframes.com

12 | SPACE GALLERY

538 Congress Street
Here/Now
An ASMR-inspired video series on how to find comfort through synthetic mediation.

Mendacious Veracity

Incorporating draped textile forms by Liz Miller.
The Same River
Nick Carter layers flag-like artworks in the window.
space538.org

13 | MAINE COLLEGE OF ART

522 Congress Street
ARTISTS AT WORK
#MECAmade
A pop-up shop featuring selected alumni work, including goods from the alumni co-founded design firm Might and Main.
meca.edu

14 | CREATIVE PORTLAND

84 Free Street
Best of Greater Portland - Fall 2017 Juried Art Exhibit
Our first juried exhibition showcasing a variety of works by over 20 local artists. All work is for sale.
creativeportland.com

15 | UMVA GALLERY @ CTN

516 Congress Street
Prayers & Elegies: Found Narratives, Combinatorial Artworks by Gregg
Opening reception 5-8pm. The UMVA Gallery presents monthly member group, thematic, and solo exhibitions.
umvaonline.org

16 | MECHANICS HALL

519 Congress Street
Flashback Friday
Ongoing slide show featuring Iceland and the Balkans - Romania and Bulgaria.
mainecharitablemechanic-association.com

17 | DOROTHEA AND LEO RABKIN FOUNDATION

13 Brown Street
Rethinking Watercolor: The Art of Leo Rabkin
Leo Rabkin made many creative uses of the traditional medium of watercolor. Some are 3D, some are pleated, some are in boxes, many are just gorgeous. Come see for yourself!
rabkinfoundation.org

18 | LEWIS GALLERY @ PORTLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY

5 Monument Square
Photos of the Year: The Photography of the Portland Press Herald/Maine Sunday Telegram
Opening reception 5-7pm for this new collaborative exhibit. On view through February 17.
portlandlibrary.com

19 | PUBLIC MARKET HOUSE

28 Monument Square
Love Life
Eric Sorensen's art is an extension of the freedom in his heart. He wants to reach the viewer with passion and a feeling of healing and hope.
publicmarkethouse.com

20 | GRANT WAHLQUIST GALLERY

30 City Center, 2nd Floor
Tad Beck: The accident
Beck pushes the boundaries of photography, deliberately putting in play qualities that are traditionally considered undesirable.
grantwahlquist.com

OLD PORT

21 | DOBRA TEA
89 Exchange Street
Of Travels for Tea
Photographs from Ellen Kanner & Ray Marcotte's travels for tea to Korea, Japan, India, China, Nepal and more.
dobrateame.com

22 | DOCKFORE

336 Fore Street
Old Maine Themed Trucks
Works by Gene Whitney.
facebook.com/dock.fore

EAST END

23 | COFFEE BY DESIGN
67 India Street
On the Island and By the River
New Paintings by Nance Parker. Acrylic on wood panels and canvas inspired by life on Lesvos, Greece and in the woods of Maine.
coffeebydesign.com

24 | MAINE JEWISH MUSEUM

267 Congress Street
Artifact and Artifice / Jeffrey Ackerman
Primarily a painter and sculptor, Ackerman was also trained in furniture making, wood carving, and conservation.
Hours and Days / Kathy Weinberg
Weinberg is a painter, sculptor, and printmaker whose paintings were included in the 2016 CMCA Biennial. Her antiques experience gives her artwork a familiarity with a historical visual language.

2017 Menorah Invitational Exhibition
Menorahs created by artists with a Maine connection including Jane Banquer, Randy Fein, Lin Lisberger, Scot Vonnegut, and many others.
mainejewishmuseum.org

25 | PHOPA GALLERY

132 Washington Avenue
Andrew Crane / Antipodean Isles
Photographs shot on two islands on opposite sides of the globe, Cheung Chau off the coast of Hong Kong and Vinalhaven off the coast of Maine, approached as coupled macrocosms of change.
phopagallery.com

WOODFORDS CORNER

26 | ABILENE
539 Deering Avenue
Places Unknown
Join us for drink specials and free hors d'oeuvres from 4pm-6pm!
abileneportland.com

PEAKS ISLAND

27 | RICHARD BOYD ART GALLERY
15 Epps Street
Holiday Offering - 2017
An annual group exhibition of original two and three-dimensional works of art including paintings, sculptures, and a broad selection of works in clay.
richardboydartgallery.com

