

HAPPY MARCH FROM CREATIVE PORTLAND



↑ JanaeSound and Palaver Strings perform at Hear Here!
Photo by Dave Wade

Hear Here! The verdict is out! Portland's got major performing arts talent. The inaugural concert, HEAR HERE on Feb 17 at Merrill Auditorium, showcased a range of amazing talent including a rapper, a trumpeter, a pop singer, a strings ensemble, an international dance sensation, and extraordinary drummers from Burundi, who mesmerized a crowd of 700 including Governor Janet Mills and Congresswoman Chellie Pingree.

Hear Here 2 will be back next year! The theme of home and the journey to get to Portland was a thread throughout the local concert. JanaeSound hit it out of the park with "Diamonds," accompanied by Palaver Strings and a stunning art installation by Big Room Studios. Thank you to all our community partners, sponsors, and curators who made it happen. This month we're in for a treat with more local performing arts talent in the POP-UP Fringe festival. Leprechauns are bouncing all over town with excitement about Portland's electrifying arts scene. Never a dull moment! And restaurant week is happening too!

- Dinah Minot, Executive Director

MAMMOTH Brass Band & Rock Chorus Pop-Up March 1

The Maine Academy of Modern Music (MAMM) is proud to announce a free, public performance at Port City Music Hall. This pop-up will feature students from Boys & Girls Clubs of Southern Maine and Portland Public Schools.

MAMM's new MAMMOTH programs allow the school to broaden its reach across genres and instrument families. MAMMOTH consists of three major components: MAMMOTH Brass Band is a New Orleans style brass ensemble for students ages 10 to 18. MAMMOTH Rock Chorus brings local children and teens together to rehearse and perform popular songs. MAMMOTH Strings offers students a unique chamber music experience. Under the guidance of local musicians and educators, students will have a chance to collaborate with other young musicians, allowing for opportunities to build on individual skills while fostering a sense of responsibility to their peers.



↑ MAMMOTH Rock Chorus

Port City Music Hall
504 Congress Street
maineacademyofmodernmusic.org

FEELING GRATEFUL TO..... the cast and crew of Hear Here!

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Creative Portland's mission is to support the creative economy through the arts by providing essential resources, by fostering partnerships, and by promoting Portland's artistic talents and cultural assets. As the official nonprofit arts agency, we support economic development efforts by strengthening and stimulating our workforce, creative industries, and enterprises.

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"The older
the fiddle
the sweeter
the tune."
- Old Irish
Proverb



↑ Arts & Culture Summit
May 31, 2018 at One Longfellow Square

Cultural Plan 2018: A Call to Celebrate the Arts

On February 20, City Council finalized and approved the Cultural Plan Update of 2018 as an adopted city plan. The two-year, three phase cultural planning process was facilitated by Creative Portland. Boston-based urban design firm, CivicMoxie, gathered data in Phase 1, analyzing previous plans, comparing strategic plans of local organizations, reviewing economic impact studies and reports, and conducting individual interviews and focus groups with leaders from cultural anchors and community members. Phase 2 considered strategic priorities and the writing of the report. Phase 3 is the launch and distribution of this living action plan that focuses on celebrating & branding the arts and securing an arts center with work and exhibition space. The living plan will include check-ins throughout the year and an annual arts & culture summit, scheduled for Tuesday June 18th, 2019, on the eve of Startup Maine's schedule, June 19-21.

Cultural Plan PDF available at creativeportland.com/cultural-plan



PortFringe - "Pop-Up Odyssey" March 1 & 2

Get ready for POP-UP ODYSSEY, PortFringe's annual celebration of collaborative performance and the Fringe theater spirit. It's gonna be epic.

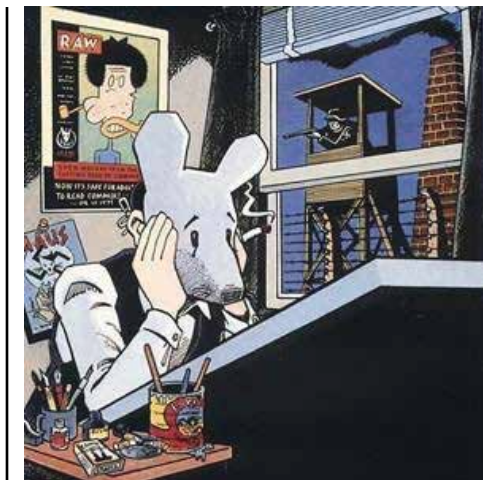
Here's how it works: Fourteen theater companies have been randomly assigned individual scenes from Homer's "The Odyssey." The artists are free to present their assigned scenes however they want -- puppets! dance! music! multimedia! -- as long as they stick to a 5-minute time limit and incorporate at least one line of original text.

March 1 | 6-7:30pm | Free
Multiple Locations

- Creative Portland
- Portland Public Library
- Portland Stage

March 2 | 1pm & 7pm
Oxbow Blending & Bottling
49 Washington Avenue

portfringe.com



↑ Maus by Art Spiegelman

Maine Jewish Film Festival March 9-17

Now in its 22nd year, the Maine Jewish Film Festival will present a slate of over 30 dramatic features, documentaries and short films. Events at this year's festival will include a "revival screening" of the 2007 film The Band's Visit with a special guest appearance by actor and playwright John Cariani and a screening of the classic silent film Jewish Luck with live musical accompaniment by pianist Carolyn Swartz. In the current climate of division, the festival's vision that great films unite us in achieving greater understanding and respect for each other has never been more relevant or necessary.

Multiple Locations

- Jewish Community Alliance
- Nickelodeon Cinema
- Portland Museum of Art
- Portland House of Music
- Saint Lawrence Arts Center

mjff.org

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ARTS & CULTURE MAP

w i t h ART WALK LISTINGS

Join in 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 8pm.

OUTER CONGRESS

- 1 Open Bench Project
- 2 Thompson's Point

WEST END

- 3 Maine Irish Heritage Center
- 4 PelotonLabs
- 5 PrintCraft
- 6 Seventy Five State Street
- 7 The Fire Museum
- 8 The Francis And Bolster, Snow & Co.
- 9 Victoria Mansion
- 10 Waynflote

WEST BAYSIDE

- 11 Bayside Bowl
- 12 Fork Food Lab
- 13 New System Exhibitions & New Fruit
- 14 Still Life Studio
- 15 The Apohadion Theater
- 16 The Public Works

ARTS DISTRICT

- 17 Able Baker Contemporary
- 18 Art House Picture Frames
- 19 AURA
- 20 Bakery Studios
- 21 Blue
- 22 Bomb Diggity Arts

- 23 Border Patrol & Project MEAC
- 24 Bridge Gallery
- 25 Broken Crow Collective
- 26 Children's Museum & Theatre
- 27 City Hall
- 28 Coffee By Design
- 29 Congress Square Gallery
- 30 Congress Square Park
- 31 coworkHERS
- 32 Creative Portland
- 33 Dauris Fine Handmade Jewelry
- 34 Dorothea & Leo Rabkin Foundation

- 35 First Parish Church
- 36 Geno's Rock Club
- 37 Grant Wahlquist Gallery
- 38 Greater Portland Landmarks
- 39 Jan Ter Weele Studio
- 40 Le Bureau
- 41 Lincoln Park
- 42 Longfellow Square
- 43 Maine Center for Electronic Music
- 44 Maine College Of Art
- 45 Maine Craft Portland
- 46 Maine Historical Society & The Longfellow Garden
- 47 Mainly Frames & Gallery
- 48 Maine Surfers Union
- 49 Mechanics' Hall (MCMA)
- 50 Merrill Auditorium
- 51 Monument Square
- 52 One Longfellow Square
- 53 Pinecone+Chickadee
- 54 Port City Music Hall
- 55 Portland House of Music
- 56 Portland Media Center
- 57 Portland Museum Of Art
- 58 Portland Public Library
- 59 Portland Regional Chamber
- 60 Portland Stage
- 61 Portland Symphony Orchestra
- 62 Publication Studio
- 63 Public Market House
- 64 Roux & Cyr International Fine Art Gallery
- 65 Sanctuary Tattoo
- 66 SPACE
- 67 State Theatre
- 68 Stockbridge Collection
- 69 The Art Department
- 70 The Dogfish Bar & Grille
- 71 The Dooryard
- 72 The Fresnel Theater
- 73 The Jewel Box
- 74 The Studio & MAMM
- 75 The UMVA Gallery
- 76 Think Tank Gallery

- 77 Todd Webb Archives
- ### OLD PORT
- 78 Casco Bay Artisans
 - 79 Dobrá Tea
 - 80 Dockfore
 - 81 Fore River Gallery
 - 82 Greenhut Galleries
 - 83 Higher Grounds
 - 84 Maine Potters Market
 - 85 Portland Art Gallery
 - 86 Process / Art At Akari
 - 87 The Blazin' Ace
 - 88 The Telling Room
 - 89 The Press Hotel
 - 90 Vena's Fizz House

- ### EAST END
- 91 Abyssinian Meeting House
 - 92 Coffee By Design
 - 93 Maine Jewish Museum
 - 94 Maine Narrow Gauge Railroad
 - 95 Ocean Gateway
 - 96 Print: A Bookstore
 - 97 St. Lawrence Arts
 - 98 Urban Dwellings

- ### EAST BAYSIDE
- 99 angela adams
 - 100 Mayo Street Arts
 - 101 Open Concepts
 - 102 Portland Pottery
 - 103 Running With Scissors
 - 104 Urban Farm Fermentory
 - 105 Venn + Maker
 - 106 Zero Station

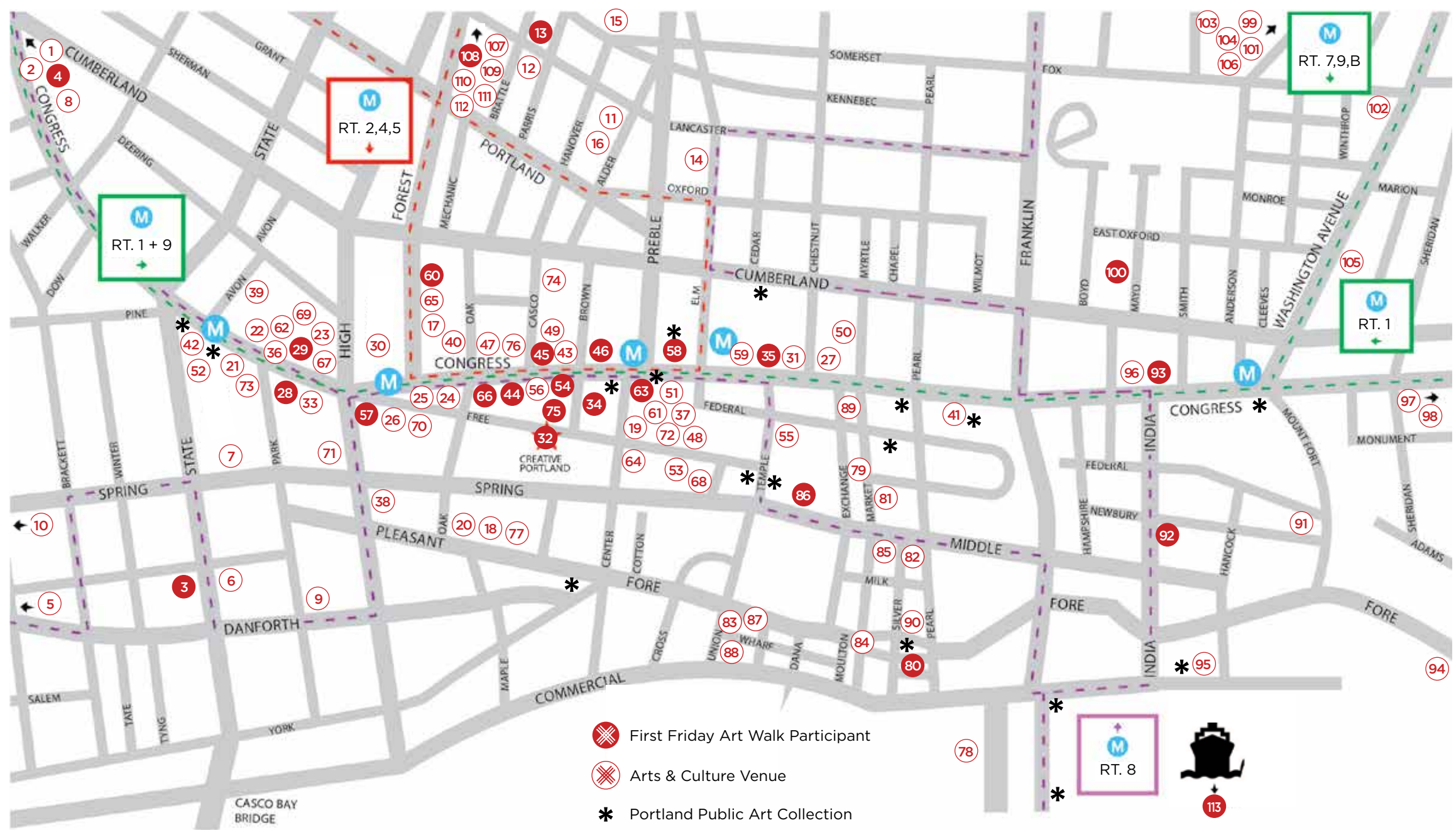
- ### OAKDALE
- 107 University of Southern Maine
- ### WOODFORDS CORNER

- 108 SPEEDWELL projects
- 109 Sun Tiki Studios
- 110 The Bakery Photo Collective
- 111 Portland Ballet

DEERING

- 112 UNE Art Gallery
- ### PEAKS ISLAND

- 113 Richard Boyd Art Gallery



- First Friday Art Walk Participant
- Arts & Culture Venue
- Portland Public Art Collection
- METRO Bus Stop

Visit portlandartwalk.org for detailed listings.