

BRIEFLY

Sponsored by the Highland Park Arts Commission, Open Studios is an annual event that celebrates the talented artists who live and work in our community. It offers the public free self-guided tours of local artists' studios and galleries representing an exciting variety of art media. Past events have included photography, book art, printmaking, painting, pottery, fiber arts, sculpture, jewelry, video, and performance art.

Visitors will have a chance to meet the artists in person, see their work environment, ask questions about their technique and process, or even see a demonstration.

Tour maps will be available at the following locations:

- ✓ The Highland Park Library, 31 North 5th Ave.
- ✓ Main Street Highland Park, 421 Raritan Ave.
- ✓ IM Gallery, 235 Raritan Ave.
- ✓ Academy of Art of Highland Park, 727 Raritan Ave.

The Arts Commission will post outdoor signs to assist in finding studio locations.

PLAN YOUR TOUR AHEAD

To plan your tour, visit the Highland Park Artists web site at www.highlandparkartists.org. This website will have a map of studio locations, accessibility details, and up-to-date information.

Information will also be posted on TV Channel 13 (Cablevision, Local Programming) and as the date draws closer, in local newspapers.

ABOUT THE HIGHLAND PARK ARTS COMMISSION

We are a group of volunteers, artists and arts advocates from the community.

Our mission is to "enrich the quality of life for the citizens of Highland Park by developing, sustaining and promoting artistic expression and arts appreciation in a manner that reflects all of our community's diverse cultures."

We sponsor various projects and collaborate with other community groups to further the arts. Recent projects include

- *One Book, One Highland Park*, a community wide book event that culminated with a memorable lecture by Dr. Thornton, author of the book *The Ditchdigger's Daughters*. April 2007
- A printmaking workshop at the Highland Park High School. June 2007
- Dance workshops for the residents of the Senior Center with Randy James Dance Works. December 2006
- Sponsored shows for high school students at the State Theater in New Brunswick. January 2006
- Spring Artist's Lecture Series

For more information about the Highland Park Arts Commission or to volunteer to help with the Open Studios event, please contact Coleen Tyler, Highland Park Arts Commission Chair, at clartcomm@yahoo.com

THANK YOU

Thanks to the Highland Park Arts Commission and Highland Park Artists' Collective Volunteers who helped plan and organize the Open Studios.

Thanks also to Julia Im, owner of the IM Gallery, who made the exhibition space available to us.

Additional copies of this prospectus are available at the Highland Park Library and on line at www.highlandparkartists.org

The BOROUGH of HIGHLAND PARK

6th ANNUAL HIGHLAND PARK OPEN STUDIOS

Celebrating the artists in our community

October 28, 2008, 12:00 – 5:00 Rain or Shine

Enjoy free self-guided tours
of local artist's studios

Additional works at:
IM Gallery
235 Raritan Ave

Sponsored and organized by the
**HIGHLAND PARK
ARTS COMMISSION**

With the assistance of HPArtist's Collective
Artist Registration Form inside

ARTIST REGISTRATION FORM

AN INVITATION TO ARTISTS

Artists of all levels are invited to display work and/or conduct performances in or outside their studios for the benefit of the Highland Park community.

ELIGIBILITY

All artists, professional and novices, residing in Highland Park or neighboring communities may participate. Artists must be over the age of 15, and works must be original. Note that the Open Studios event is attended by families. Artists' sensitivity and discretion is requested.

REGISTRATION FEE

A non-refundable entry fee of \$10 is necessary to offset publicity expenses. **Make checks payable to Friends of the Arts**, and mail the check along with the registration form to:

Open Studios
The Highland Park Arts Commission
c/o Highland Park Borough Hall
221 South 5th Ave.
Highland Park, NJ 08904

PUBLICITY

The Highland Park Arts Commission will publicize this event in the media and announce it by printing postcards and posters. Each artist will receive postcards for personal publicity.

REPRODUCTION

The Arts Commission will produce

- Postcards
- Posters

The Highland Park Arts Commission assumes the right to reproduce, for publicity, any photo of artwork sent by the artists as part of this registration form. **Deadline for registration forms and photographs is September 26.**

LIABILITY

Personal and Liability insurance is the responsibility of the artist. The Highland Park Arts Commission will not be held liable for sale of artwork, visitors' safety, and insurance of artwork.

OPTIONAL DIGITAL IMAGES

To be included in the poster, each artist may send one photo of artwork to Susan at telex78318@mypacks.net using "Open Studios" as subject of the email.

We prefer photos in JPEG format, 300 dpi, 2 x 2 inches or less. Please name the file

LastNameFirstName.jpg

Example: SmithMary.jpg

Please rotate images if needed to assure proper display.

If you do not have access to a computer, or if you do not know how to scan photos or how to manipulate the image size call Bill Bonner, who can do it for you for an additional fee. Bill is a professional photographer and the Webmaster of Highland Park Artists. Contact Bill at (732) 777-0686.

ART SALES

The IM Gallery will collect 20% commission for artworks sold at the gallery.

All art sale generated during the Open Studios (October 28) is a private business exchange between the artists and buyers. The Arts Commission will not collect any commission for art sale.

TEMPORARY STUDIO SPACE

The IM Gallery will provide limited free exhibition space for participating artists whose studios are not within walking distance of Raritan Avenue. To reserve space contact Susan at telex78318@mypacks.net.

CALENDAR

September 26

Registration deadline.
Registration forms, checks, and images (if applicable) must be received by this date.

October 28

Open Studios: 12:00-5:00 pm.
Set up at IM Gallery 10:00 am

Please complete and mail the artist registration form with a check for \$10 to:

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Name _____

Studio Address _____

Cross Street _____

Phone # _____ Email _____

Art Media _____

Demo

Yes _____ No _____

I need a studio space.

Yes _____ No _____

I can share my studio with a fellow artist.

Yes _____ No _____

My studio is wheelchair accessible.

Yes _____ No _____

To enter my studio, visitors need to use (#) _____ stairs.

Entry Fee (\$10) enclosed \$ _____

I understand and agree to all the terms listed in this prospectus.

Signature _____

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Keep for your records:

REGISTRATION CHECKLIST

- Fill out registration form.
- Write a check payable to the Friends of the Arts.
- Send **optional** photo on or before September 26, via email, to Susan at telex78318@mypacks.net
- Mail, no later than September 26, both registration form and check to the Open Studios address above.