

BRIEFLY

Sponsored by the Highland Park Arts Commission & the Highland Park Artists' Collective, 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 environments, ask questions about their techniques and processes, 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, and/or the Highland Park Arts Commission at www.hpacnj.org. These web sites will have a map of studio locations, accessibility details, and up-to-date information.

Information will also be posted 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
- Window Art for Highland Park 2009

For more information about the Highland Park Arts Commission or to volunteer to help with the Open Studios event, please contact: Coleen Tyler at www.hpacnj.org

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 and www.hpacnj.org

The BOROUGH of HIGHLAND PARK

7th ANNUAL HIGHLAND PARK OPEN STUDIOS

Celebrating the artists
in our community

October 18, 2009,
12:00–5:00
Rain or Shine

Enjoy free self-guided tours
of local artists' studios and displays from
the **Window Art Project**

Additional works at:
IM Gallery
235 Raritan Ave.

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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 flyers. Each artist will receive postcards for personal publicity.

REPRODUCTION

The Arts Commission will produce

- Postcards with a list of the artists' names
- Flyers & publicity

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 is SEPTEMBER 4, 2009.

LIABILITY

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

ART SALES

Any art sale generated during the Open Studios (October 18) is a private business exchange between the artists and buyers. The Arts Commission will not collect any commission for art sales.

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.

CALENDAR

September 4 registration deadline.
Registration forms and checks must be received by this date.

October 18
Open Studios: 12:00 – 5:00 p.m.
Set up at IM Gallery 10:00 a.m.

WINDOW ART PROJECT:

This exciting project is the first of what we hope will be an annual event. It will open in conjunction with the Highland Park Arts Commission's 7th annual Open Studios day on October 18.

For questions about the Window Art Project contact James McCrone at jmccrone@mainstreethp.org

Please complete and mail the artist registration form with a check for \$10 made payable to FRIENDS OF THE ARTS and mail to:

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Name _____

Studio Address _____

Cross Street _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Art Media _____

Demo:
Yes ___ No ___

I need a studio space.
Yes ___ No ___

I can share my studio space.
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 _____

Cut here.....

Keep for your records:

REGISTRATION CHECKLIST

- Fill out registration form.
- Write a check payable to the FRIENDS OF THE ARTS.
- Mail, no later than September 4, both registration form and check to the Open Studios address above.