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Jersey City's 23rd Annual Artists Studio Tour
East Coast's Fastest Growing Art Scene Features Hundreds of Artists,
Dozens of Exhibitions, Galleries, Museums, and Live Entertainment

A FREE Self-Guided Walking Tour All Weekend

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Steven M. Fulop, the Municipal Council, and the Jersey City Division of Cultural Affairs, in partnership with Pro Arts, and the Hudson Reporter, present the 2013 Jersey City Artists Studio Tour, a FREE self-guided walking tour featuring galleries, artist studios and ad hoc exhibition sites. The tour will take place from noon to 6:00 p.m. throughout the city on Saturday, October 5th and Sunday, October 6th.

In its 23rd year, the Annual *Jersey City Artists Studio Tour* is a weekend celebration of Jersey City's diverse art scene that features hundreds of artists, dozens of exhibitions, galleries, museums, live music and performances, food, drink and parties – all located just five minutes from Manhattan.

Every year, hundreds of artists participate in the tour attracting thousands of visitors during its two-day run. The *Jersey City Artists Studio Tour* is widely considered New Jersey's premier art and cultural event, and is free and open to the public.

“Jersey City’s artists are a vital part of our community and we encourage everyone to join us in celebrating their creativity and supporting the arts,” said **Mayor Fulop**. “We recognize how important the artists are to the vibrancy of our city, and not only do we embrace the arts, we are working to expand the role of art in our community. The administration just launched a citywide mural program and we are exploring additional ways to expand opportunities for our visual and performing artists.”

The **Studio Tour kick-off party**, which is open to the public, will be held from **6 to 9 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 4th** at the **Tenmark building** at 430 Communipaw Avenue, which also the site of multiple group exhibitions. Busses for attendees will be available at Grove Street PATH beginning at 5:30 p.m.

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Group exhibitions will also be held at Panepinto Galleries at 371 Warren Street, The Drawing Rooms at 180 Grand Street, and at the new downtown gallery Freshly Printed at 383 Monmouth Street.

Also not to be missed is this year's Hispanic Heritage Month group exhibition show at City Hall, which features several local artists and celebrates the contributions of Hispanic Americans to our great nation.

At 150 Bay Street, art will be showcased at two dozen open studios, and the site will also be host to this year's **Studio Tour Closing Party** featuring a performance by blues rocker Eliza Neals on **Sunday, Oct. 6th, from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.**

Tour Maps can be obtained from our Tour Welcome Tents at Grove PATH and City Hall during the weekend. Shuttle busses will also be available at City Hall, 280 Grove Street.

Other Studio Tour Highlights:

888 Newark Avenue / Mana Contemporary

Pop Culture: Selections from the Frederick R. Weisman Art Foundation explores the roots of the Pop Art movement in the 1950s and '60s and its continuing influence. Iconic works such as all 10 of Andy Warhol's variously hued Marilyn Monroe silkscreens, as well as prominent works by Keith Haring, Jenny Holzer, Yayoi Kusama, Roy Lichtenstein, Edward Ruscha, and others.

125 First Street / City Life

"Pro Arts Photo Salon" / group exhibition curated by Aileen Bassis & Leona Strassberg Steiner featuring: Aileen Bassis, Kay Kenny, Ed Fausty, Aliza Augustine, Susan Evans Grove, Trix Rosen, Mike McNamara, Charlie Steiner, Leona Strassberg Steiner.

371 Warren Street / Panepinto Galleries

Group exhibition featuring : Doreen McCarthy, Carolyn Salas, Glenn Garver / painting, sculpture

80 Grand Street / The Museum of Russian Art

Group exhibition

380 Monmouth Street / Casa Columbo

"Organics - Three Artists' Journey Through Intaglio Prints" / Group exhibition featuring: Melida Rodas, Tatyana Shayevich, Patricia Kelly.

383 Monmouth Street / Freshly Printed

Group Exhibition

121 Newark Avenue/ Indiegrove

Miguel Hernandez / "Angels Under Water" / painting, drawing, conceptual art, performance art

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424 Ocean Avenue / Nuradeen Gallery

“Visions of Greenville”

Group exhibition featuring Darin DeField, Nuradeen and others

Photography, painting, collage

91 Harrison Ave., btwn Bergen & Monticello Aves. / “Love Yourself“ / presented by the good vibes coalition / musical performances by: Kiwi, Debra Devi, The Audiobodies / sculpture works, live art and drumming by local artists

Gallery 58

Thomas John Carlson / “Bird Boat” / painting

158 Brunswick Street / The Brunswick Window

Roger Sayre / “Intercession Series” / photography

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