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August Gallery Hop Celebrates City's Largest Public Art Investment and Return of "Summer Spray"

Art lovers can enjoy live mural painting, special events for "The Makers Monument," artisan vendors and exhibitions at Short North Arts District galleries

COLUMBUS, Ohio (July 29, 2021) -- On Saturday, Aug. 7, art lovers are invited to hit High Street in the Short North Arts District for Gallery Hop. The event, which occurs on the first Saturday of each month, will feature seven new art exhibitions, events celebrating "The Makers Monument," an all-new Makers Marketplace, and the kick-off of "Summer Spray," a multi-weekend collaborative mural event featuring local artists. Gallery Hop activities start as early as 1 p.m.

"The Makers Monument"

In June 2021, the most significant public art installation to date in Columbus' history was installed in the Short North Arts District. "The Makers Monument," created by artist Mark Reigelman, is a 20-foot tall crystalline sculpture that's perforated with the spades of items that have been made in Columbus throughout our city's history. "The Makers Monument" was funded by the City of Columbus Capital Budget and through contributions from property owners in the Short North Special Improvement District. For more information, visit <https://shortnorth.org/arts-galleries/public-art>.

In celebration of "The Makers Monument", August Gallery Hop will feature a dedication ceremony, artist talk and reception with Mark Reigelman at WeWork Short North, and a Short North Arts District Makers Marketplace in Poplar Park featuring several local makers. For more event information and to RSVP, visit themakersmonument.eventbrite.com.

"Summer Spray"

The August Gallery Hop will serve as the kick off for "Summer Spray." Returning for its second year, "Summer Spray" is a multi-weekend collaborative mural-making event that showcases the live progression of a dynamic 1,280-square-foot mural wall. Similar to its first iteration, "Summer Spray" will feature local artists producing in-the-moment creations inspired by their experiences, surroundings, current conversations and the creations of other participating artists. For more information, visit <https://shortnorth.org/arts-galleries/public-art>.

All artists participating in "Summer Spray" are local to Columbus and were selected through a public application process. In order of participation, "Summer Spray" artists include Apeg Design, Khaila Carr,

Mrrobotgeek, Nicholas Schukay, Sarah Hout, Hakim Callwood, Derrick Calender, Lance Johnson, FDZgraffiti and Andrea Myers.

“Summer Spray” is a project of the Short North Alliance and is made possible with support from PNC Bank, the Greater Columbus Arts Council, the Ohio Arts Council, Pizzuti and the Short North Alliance Art Fund.

Gallery Hoppers can receive a complimentary validation code and find available on-street parking spaces using the ParkColumbus app. Visit <https://shortnorth.org/safeparking> for full parking details.

A full listing of additional Aug. 7 Gallery Hop exhibitions, events and online showrooms is below, and corresponding photos can be downloaded [here](#). Hours of operation will vary by gallery and business. More information on Gallery Hop happenings and hours will be available online and via maps available at local galleries during the event.

Gallery Hop is a project of the Short North Alliance with support from the Greater Columbus Arts Council, Art Makes Columbus, Music Columbus, Columbus Monthly, WOSU, CD 92.9, Columbus Recreation and Parks Department and Industrious.

Short North Arts District Gallery Exhibitions During Gallery Hop

Brandt-Roberts Galleries

Brandt-Roberts Galleries presents the third and final exhibition in the “BRG Summer Series,” placing Chicago-based encaustic artist Jeffrey Hirst with Indianapolis-based textile artist Marco Querin. Hirst fabricates nonobjective encaustic and oil works on shaped wood panels that investigate the relationship between man-made architectural structures and the natural landscape, conjuring questions about how these two forces coexist in an urban environment. Querin constructs minimalist fiber-based work that references fragility, tension, elasticity and equilibrium through precision-based, controlled execution. The exhibition will be on view through Aug. 29 and a virtual exhibition will also be available at <https://brandtrobertsgalleries.com/exhibitions>.

Brandt-Roberts Galleries is also proud to exhibit small-scale works related to the fabrication of new public sculpture, “The Makers Monument,” throughout the month of August. From framed test pieces of laser cut steel to drawings of shadow studies and ink sketches to 3D prints, Brandt-Roberts Galleries will exhibit artifacts of the artistic practice of Ohio-born and New York-based artist Mark Reigelman leading up to the fabrication and installation of this hallmark sculpture. The work will be on view through Aug. 29.

August Gallery Hop hours will be from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Emergent Art + Craft

Luke Boyd is a painter, baker and cake decorator working and living in Athens, Ohio. His practice combines cake decorating, baking and painting to relate the temporality and sweetness of baked goods to life. Boyd holds an MFA in painting and drawing from Ohio University.

“Pieces” is a collection of new works on display at Emergent Art + Craft from Aug. 3 through the end of the month. The opening reception will take place during Gallery Hop from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m.

August Gallery Hop hours will be from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Hammond Harkins Galleries

Join Hammond Harkins Galleries for its most recent edition of “6 plus 1.” This recurring group exhibition includes six gallery artists and a “plus one,” who, this year, is Amanda Love from Granville. Love is an interdisciplinary artist with a background in bookbinding, design and conservation. Her work is informed by the environment and ranges from small intimate works to room-size installations. In addition to a selection of Love’s paintings, also on display will be the artist’s “Word Matter,” a floor-to-ceiling installation comprised of reconfigured dismantled books. Participating Artists: Laura Alexander, Linda Gall, Paul Hamilton, Andrew Hendrixson, Andrea Myers, Tariku Shiferaw and Amanda Love.

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Lindsay Gallery

For more information on Lindsay Gallery, visit <https://lindsaygallery.com>.

Marcia Evans Gallery

Marcia Evans Gallery presents an exhibition of works by French-born American artist Annette Poitau. She received her MFA in Paris, and her paintings are shown in private and public collections in the United States, Europe and Japan. Poitau's oil paintings often call to mind the rich colors of the earth, exploring a technique that is analogous to the geological processes of sedimentation and erosion that shape our planet, creating imaginary landscapes. Poitau's works will be on view through Aug. 30.

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(Not) Sheep Gallery

“Water and Cake,” an exhibition and sale of new work by Columbus clay artist Juliellen Byrne. The theme of the show is the desperate world issues of water, poverty, immigration vs. wealth and comfort. Works will be on view through Aug. 30.

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Sarah Gormley Gallery

Virginia Kistler’s first solo show at Sarah Gormley Gallery will feature two-dimensional and sculptural work that examines natural phenomena, such as fungi spore prints and technological systems. Works will be on view through Aug. 29.

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Sean Christopher Gallery Ohio

Sean Christopher Gallery Ohio presents “Craig Matis: Songbooks and X-Ray Collages,” on view through Aug. 20. In the solo exhibition by Cleveland-based artist, musician, teacher and Trans ally, Craig Matis continues to examine life obstacles (often-life threatening) experienced by transgender individuals. Matis first creates unique music and lyrics performed by his eclectic group UZIZI throughout Northeast Ohio (founded in Cleveland in the 1980s). He then makes labor-intensive paper collages that embellish on the narrative of his songs.

August Gallery Hop hours will be from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m., with an artist talk with Matis at 7 p.m.

Sharon Weiss Gallery

Sharon Weiss Gallery presents a Salon Show of works by the gallery's stable of artists through Aug. 29. Visit 12 Lincoln, Sharon Weiss Gallery, 24 Lincoln Street Art Studios, and Found @sharonweissgallery, or visit <https://sharonweissgallery.com>. For inquiries, call 614-291-5683.

August Gallery Hop hours will be from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Sherrie Gallerie

See outdoor ceramic sculptures and expressive paintings in a world of color in Russ Vogt's "Color World," showing through Aug. 27.

August Gallery Hop hours will be from 12 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Studios on High Gallery

Studios on High Gallery presents "Hit the Hop," the gallery's annual open-call juried exhibition open to Ohio artists. This year's theme, "Frame of Mind," invites artists to contemplate and interpret headspace, mood and time. A \$300 first place, \$175 second place, and People's Choice award will be announced Aug. 8.

August Gallery Hop hours will be from 1 p.m. to 8 p.m.

Wexner Center for the Arts

The Wexner Center for the Arts presents "Climate Changing: On Artists, Institutions, and the Social Environment." Foregrounding contemporary artists' engagement with social issues and shaping institutions, "Climate Changing" raises critical questions as we face the entwined crises of systemic racism and a global health pandemic. What role do art and culture play in revealing legacies of oppression and violence? How might artists help imagine a different future? How can all of us, collectively, create a real climate for change?

The artists in "Climate Changing" deal with a range of matters such as mass incarceration; global warming; labor, debt and economic inequality; colonization; racism; education and democracy; and ableism. By presenting projects that span multiple themes and frameworks, the exhibition emphasizes the power of intersectionality and interdependence, and encourages a collective reimagining of our social environment. To learn more, visit <https://wexarts.org>.

August Gallery Hop hours will be from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Other August 7 Gallery Hop Activities

Global Gifts

Global Gifts is honored to showcase works by local artist Ryan Hudson throughout the month of August. Hudson is a self-taught local artist with a passion for acrylics and spray paint who draws inspiration from Mexican Folk Art and the Expressionist style. All pieces will be available for purchase and on display until

Aug. 29. While experiencing the art show, be sure to also shop the selection of Fair Trade artisan-made goods from over 40 different countries.

August Gallery Hop hours will be from 11 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Jolie Occasions

Jolie Occasions is hosting its 4th anniversary party! Receive 20% off everything all day, treats by The Cheesecake Girl, champagne toast, giveaways and more.

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Prologue Bookshop

The Sidewalk Sale returns! Look for more great discounts on books of all types, plus puzzles, shirts, and featuring notebooks and journals. The sidewalk sale will run from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

August Gallery Hop hours will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Skully's Music Diner

Check out Space Camp at Skully's Music Diner.

Two Truths

Terry Norman's charcoal artwork returns to Two Truths, located at 1205 N. High St. Terry Norman has been on display for past Gallery Hops and his artwork was just at the Columbus Museum of Art.

About Gallery Hop

On the first Saturday of every month, hundreds of visitors converge on High Street in the Short North Arts District to celebrate art at Gallery Hop. Throughout the day, Gallery Hoppers enjoy new gallery exhibitions, street performers and artisan vendors, special events, food and drinks throughout the District. With dozens of galleries and non-traditional exhibit spaces, it's Columbus' favorite day of the month to celebrate art. Follow the day from home on the [@ShortNorthArtsDistrict Instagram](#).

About the Short North Arts District

The Short North Arts District is the most vibrant spot in the City of Columbus, and is home to more than 300 exciting businesses, the majority of which are locally-owned or headquartered. It has received numerous national accolades, is considered a model for urban revitalization, and is known as the art and soul of Columbus. The Short North Alliance (SNA) is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization serving both the property owners and business owners of the Short North Arts District. For more information, visit www.shortnorth.org.

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