City-Wide Open Studios 2019

October 4
Opening Night
@ Artspace
50 Orange Street

October 12-13
Westville & Private Studios Weekend
New Haven & Beyond

October 19-20
Erector Square Weekend
315 Peck Street

November 2-3
Alternative Space Weekend
Yale West Campus
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Yale West Campus

From molecules to midwives, to the future of our shared cultural heritage, to the discovery of new energy sources to run our planet, Yale West Campus is a place where the arts, humanities, and sciences converge.

West Campus is home to Yale School of Nursing and seven research institutes that extend the boundaries of health, culture, energy, and the environment; the university’s most advanced research technology; a landscape full of inspired, student-driven projects; and a conference center and cafe for talking it all over.

We look forward to welcoming you to Yale West Campus, November 2–3, 2019.
Welcome! Your journey through City-Wide Open Studios starts with this indispensable Guide, which will lead you to a dazzling breadth of artists and diversity of artwork.

This year’s theme, *Older but Younger*, explores society’s changing attitudes about aging and longevity. Artists of different generations have paired up to animate the theme through invigorating acts of collaboration. These innovators—with generous support from our funders and partners—are leading an extensive critical inquiry into the relationship between creativity, public health and community wellbeing.

Each weekend is filled with programming and events. So read each page, check our website for updates, and plan for an exciting month!
Welcome!

I am proud to live in a community in which artists are a vital part of our identity, where their ideas are prized and help shape our collective consciousness. Twenty-two years ago, when Artspace piloted City-Wide Open Studios over one single weekend, we could not have anticipated that the festival would approach a quarter century, span a month of activities, and become such a cultural cornerstone for Connecticut. Today, thanks to the unwavering support and tireless efforts of so many, CWOS has helped to inspire a new generation of artists and art lovers, while also making our community a desirable place to live, work and play.

The simple act in which artists join together to stand shoulder to shoulder to be counted and seen has had a profound impact on how we define and describe ourselves. And yet, as we head into a tumultuous political season, I believe we must ask if we artists and activists are doing enough to acknowledge that these are extraordinary times in which more opportunities to build empathy, fortitude and opportunities for growth across our community are needed. This is the urgency that points us to thematic thrust, and our 2019 effort, Older but Younger, invites us to come together to spotlight artists with bold and provocative ideas to confront and address our demographic challenges, artists capable of responding to new conditions and expectations, and offering novel solutions to our most vexing problems.

There is so much uncertainty and ambivalence around aging. One need only look at the ways mainstream culture promotes unhealthy stereotypes and fear and describes aging as a problem. Take for example the notion that elders will diminish social security benefits for everyone younger, a way of thinking that divides us. By bringing the tools from the struggles for civil rights, women’s rights, queer empowerment and dis-ability to the work of changing narrative around age, Artspace hopes to dismantle ageism and combat bias against our elders. In the process, we will spark intergenerational friendships and strategies, and foster a positive sense of our shared destiny.

A special thanks to our sponsors and to the 35 individuals who make up our City-Wide Open Studios Host Committee, listed below. Thank you for helping us build a stronger community and for your investment, which sets the stage for what is to come.

I extend my deepest thanks to my colleagues Sarah Fritchey, Katie Jurkiewicz, and Shannon Blencowe, for their staunch belief in this festival, and to the Festival’s producers, Elinor Slomba and Randi Renee, for their outstanding and imaginative work behind-the-scenes to pull off another extravaganza. There are so many details that must be worked out, from all the information and maps in this Magazine, to the wayfinding signage, to our opening night schedule of events. I also want to express my appreciation for the many volunteers who contributed countless hours of time to make the festival possible, including mounting 400 works for the exhibition at Artspace, and to all those who’ll be greeting visitors at all the sites with their welcoming energy—please join me in thanking them when you see them!

P.S. I invite you to open our Centerfold for an example of an artist, among our oldest old, who has not retired and continues to work with purpose every day. Ann Lehman is our role model for society as we grow. This is the first time in our 22-year history that we replaced the map of all the studios with a photograph that we hope will serve as inspiration—a pin-up for this new age.

On behalf of the State of Connecticut, it is my great pleasure to welcome all who are gathered for Older but Younger, the 22nd annual City-Wide Open Studios festival. This uniquely home-grown celebration brings together artists and citizens from across the State of Connecticut to showcase their creative strengths and reflect on the most resonant issues and ideas of our time.

This year, the festival will focus on the connections between the arts and longevity, specifically highlighting intergenerational collaborations as a source of renewal and growth. This theme goes hand-in-hand with our values in Connecticut: we have outstanding centers for lifelong learning, Centers of Excellence in medical care, and residential offerings to make aging a time of growth and fulfillment.

Connecticut communities are an inspirational and inviting setting for artists to live and work. We have a long and rich tradition in the arts, and recognize the important contributions art makes to our cities and towns. Artspace is integral to this artistic tradition and has served the New Haven area for the past three decades.

I applaud the work of the Artspace staff, Board of Directors, volunteers, and sponsors, the towns and leadership of West Haven, New Haven, and Orange, and especially the artists who have made this year’s City-Wide Open Studios possible. Please know that you have my best wishes for an enjoyable and successful event.

Special thanks to the 2019 CWOS Host Committee

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On behalf of the City of New Haven and its residents, welcome to the 22nd annual City-Wide Open Studios festival! We’re delighted you’ve come to meet and celebrate the talented artists who live and work in this area. There is no better time to discover the breadth and depth of our collective, creative spirit than during this inclusive festival.

I’m grateful to the artists who are so welcoming; likewise, I’m grateful to those who make host sites and workspace buildings available for productive and collaborative work. From the West River Arts and ArLow buildings in Westville, to the Erector Square complex in Fair Haven, to the newly opened NxtHvn in Dixwell, artists with varied backgrounds and influences contribute to a sense of community by making New Haven their creative home. CWOS attracts an enthusiastic audience of some 10,000 people who then see our city in a whole new way.

I’m pleased to share these welcoming honors with West Haven Mayor Nancy Rossi, Orange First Selectman Jim Zeoli, and leaders of Yale West Campus who have together helped significantly extend the footprint of the festival.

Greater New Haven is the arts and creative capital of Connecticut. The area is dynamic, diverse, and successful because of a flourishing arts culture, with outlets for creative cultural expression throughout, regardless of training, background, and origin. New Haven is proud of its reputation as a welcoming city. The arts are unique in their ability to build community for residents and draw visitors to New Haven; in the process, we can highlight all there is to offer—from retail shops and restaurants to entertainment and world class attractions.

I’m grateful to the organizations, businesses, and individual sponsors of this event. It is with all thanks for their support that the arts can have direct and meaningful social impact on residents.

I hope like me you’ll plan your fall weekends and take advantage of the open doors and friendly conversations for which CWOS is known. I look forward to seeing how artists address the 2019 festival theme, Older But Younger, and applaud the effort to promote intergenerational conversations and reduce isolation among older residents. I know the festival will encourage the discovery of new art and ideas in this critical domain.

Thank you to Artspace and its hard-working staff for organizing another year of the festival. I look forward to seeing everybody in the studios!

On behalf of the Connecticut Office of the Arts, Department of Community and Economic Development, I would like to congratulate Artspace both on the longtime success of this multi-discipline, intergenerational and community-focused arts festival, and on the choice of this year’s theme, Older but Younger. Every day in the U.S., 10,000 people turn 65. The fastest-growing age group is women 85 and older. It is widely accepted that engagement with the arts can help us live longer, healthier lives. This year’s Open Studios celebrates the artistic experiences of Greater New Haven’s illustrious community of creative elders.

The arts have a critical role to play across all aspects of the human experience. Art illuminates the connections between people—connections that often become more and more fragile and isolating for people as they age. By honoring the wisdom and accomplishments of elder artists, and tapping into ancestral knowledge and the time-honored tradition of shared stories, we build stronger and more inclusive communities.

The Office of the Arts is proud to support this year’s Open Studios with an ARTE-Accessible grant. This funding recognizes excellent projects designed to align with the goals of the READI initiative: Relevance, Equity, Access, Diversity, and Inclusion. Visit the studios, engage with the artists, and Party in the Streets! Enjoy the festival.

It is with deepest appreciation for the arts’ role in advancing civil discourse and civic pride that I welcome you—together with Artspace and their many partners, friends and supporters—to West Haven, Connecticut, for the 22nd annual City-Wide Open Studios festival.

This is a celebration that reverberates across the region, inspiring and attracting cultural practitioners of all ages, abilities and artistic viewpoints. We gather under the banner of this year’s theme, Older but Younger, to honor and applaud their efforts and staying power.

West Haven benefits from our wealth of resident artists, and we are happy that Yale West Campus can once again be a showcase destination. Dedicated to improving our city’s quality of life, community groups such as Sustainable CT West Haven and West Haven United are rallying behind City-Wide Open Studios, and for good reason.

We are proud to see this month-long festival stimulate critical inquiry, deepen public engagement in the arts and broaden cultural perspectives. With Artspace and their collaborating partners including scientists, physicians and veterans service organizations, West Haven gladly opens our doors to this year’s artists, volunteers and attendees. Congratulations on the 22nd annual City-Wide Open Studios.

I congratulate Artspace for bringing City-Wide Open Studios into being. And, on behalf of the town of Orange, I welcome this extraordinary cultural celebration back to our community for its 22nd year!

Yale West Campus is a lovely destination for the festival’s grand finale weekend. This year’s theme of Older but Younger reflects so much of what we see across our community and region—creative, caring people coming together across generations to contribute to the quality of life we aspire to enjoy in Connecticut.

Fellow citizens and Selectmen will join me in anticipation and attendance. We thank you for preparing an enlightening experience.
Special Commissions

1. Generations of Rhythm
Choreographer: Alexis Robbins
A tap dance performance uniting diverse dancers young and old. To choreograph the piece, Robbins will pull from the dancers’ memories, experiences, and the movements they create rehearsing together.
Underwriting by Jody Ellant & Howard Rester and William & Betsy Sledge
SEE IT: Corner of Orange St and Crown St
Friday, October 4, 6:15pm

2. Creativity Is the Key
Donna Collins, Carol Conze, Karen Neems, Cate Leach, Pam Lindberg, Jane Lubin, Mary Manning, Lisa Thoren, Meg Tweedy, Cynthia Whalen, and Mary Whalen
Work by a collective of ten women artists ages 60 to 92, exhibited alongside antique keys with personally-crafted words of insight, presented by the artists’ teacher and mentor Constance Kiermaier. The keys show how Constance inspired her students to trust their instincts.
Underwriting by Janine Brown & Peter Weinbach and Riaz Lalani & Jane Lubin
SEE IT: Yale West Campus
Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3, 12-6pm

3. Strange Fruit
Howard el-Yasin and Dymin Ellis
An installation accompanied by sound and movement, created by two artists born 40 years apart but sharing an interest in queer identity and the contemporary Black experience as explored through everyday materials and language. Featuring choreography developed with Annie Sailer.
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Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3, 12-6pm

4. Searching for the Fountain of Youth: A Feminine Perspective
Kate Henderson, Roxy Savage, Lee Walther Joy, and Kenechukwu Okeke with support from Carlos Garica, Jessica Dugan, and Patricija Tlstam
Step onto a game board to find the fountain of youth. This project leads viewers through a series of immersive installations with participatory components designed to prompt personal reflection on practices of self-care and intergenerational connection. The final room opens up into a fountain and seating area.
SEE IT: Yale West Campus
Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3, 12-6pm

5. Memory Edit: I will never forget
Megan Craig, Ralph Franklin, Nick Lloyd, and Kyle Goldbach
A participatory installation that tells the life stories of four seniors, including two residents of the Whitney Center life care facility, through the collaborative production of 17-foot fabric banners and a sound score.
Underwriting by Cathy DeMeo & Greg Futoma
SEE IT: Yale West Campus
Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3, 12-6pm

6. Vagina Chorus
Althea Rao
An early prototype of a performance to be developed during Rao’s year-long residency at Artspace, this project imagines a choir of people of various ages and identities, who will produce a symphony of notes using bio-feedback-enabled personal kegel trainers. Through playfulness and humor, the performance dismantles the taboos that stop us from talking about pelvic and sexual health.
HEAR IT: Yale West Campus
Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3, 12-6pm
This year’s festival features twelve commissioned projects that mobilize intergenerational collaborations between artists and explore topics like longevity, renewal, where memory resides, and how it might be passed from one person to the next.

Together, these projects offer strategies for celebrating life and extending our health-span, pollinating ideas across generational divides, and strengthening our ties to the planet, our ancestors, our future progeny, and the unknown.

7. Ages of Life: Inhabiting the Fossil Record
Leila Daw and Alexis Musinski
An immersive installation of panels hanging in space, allowing visitors to experience themselves within the strata of the Earth as part of the fossil record. Born 44 years apart, the artists share a concern for the health and delicacy of our planet, employing sewing, embroidery and mapping as methods for creating more nuanced representations of ancient life forms.

Underwriting by Phyllis & Joseph Crowley
SEE IT: Yale West Campus
Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3, 12-6pm

8. The War Experience Project
Rick Lawson
An installation of military uniforms painted by multiple generations of local Veterans who share their personal stories through image making. Veterans and their families are invited to stop by to add to this growing project.

Underwriting by Jennifer Davies & JL Scott
SEE IT: Yale West Campus
Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3, 12-6pm

9. The Body Is an Archive
Angharad Davies
Memory lives in our bodies, stays with us and becomes our own through dance. Davies will present a video installation and live performance featuring New Haven residents of all ages, who demonstrate and discuss the vocabularies of social dances—from the Watusi to the Floss to the Cha Cha Slide.

SEE IT: Yale West Campus
Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3, 1pm & 5pm

10. The Million-Petaled Flower of Being Here
Jacquelyn Gleisner
A writing project drawn from interviews with ten artists of different backgrounds and ages, presenting a nuanced picture of how artists change over the span of their careers.

READ IT: Excerpts at the center of this Guide; full project at connecticutartreview.com
SEE IT: Yale West Campus
Saturday & Sunday, November 2-3, 12-6pm

11. Land Acknowledgement
Erin Lee Antonak
An installation at our gallery’s entrance, acknowledging Artspace’s occupation of the sacred land of the Quinnipiac people. Written from an indigenous perspective, the work tells the creation story of Turtle Island and the matriarchy who stewarded the land for thousands of years before the arrival of European settlers.

Underwriting by Ellen Eisenberg & Neal Feigenson
SEE IT: Artspace, 50 Orange St
On permanent display; open Wed-Sat 12-6pm

12. Día de los Muertos (Day of the Dead)
Unidad Latinos en Acción and Pedro Lopez
A two-week exhibition celebrating the ten year history of New Haven's Día de los Muertos festival and parade, featuring giant bamboo kites, puppets, masks, and their stories.

Underwriting by an anonymous donor
SEE IT: November 14-24; check cwos.org for location
Opening Night

The official start of the month-long Festival features an exhibition with one work by every artist participating in City-Wide Open Studios.

Join the flow of talented artists from across the city and state to mingle, greet friends, and see new work. Start making plans for which studios to visit!

Support the Artists of City-Wide Open Studios!
Your purchase of artwork from the central exhibition supports both the artist and Artspace. (And remember, artwork makes an extra-special holiday or birthday gift!)

Special Thanks to Our Beverage Sponsor
Libations for the night provided by New Haven’s own Rhythm Brewing.

Generations of Rhythm
Fri, October 4, 6:15-7pm
Corner of Orange and Crown
Take in a one-night only tap dance performance conceived for the opening night of City-Wide Open Studios. Choreographed by Alexis Robbins and set to live music, the performance brings together three generations of artists who will perform duets and variations on the Shim-Sham Shimmy and the B.S. Chorus. The dance will feature a blend of traditional steps and movements invented during group rehearsals that pull from each dancer’s life experiences and memories. Following the performance, audience members are invited to tap on small wooden boards.

Performers: Kate Cavenagh, Hanan Hameen, Juliana McBroom, Victorya McEvoy, Rolanda Mitchell, and Alexis Robbins
Musicians: Mike Carabello and Avery Collins

New Haven Night Market
Fri, October 4, 6pm-midnight
Orange Street, between Center and George
Step outside Artspace to explore Downtown NHV's Night Market, a lively assembly of booths featuring local makers, plus savory and sweet food vendors.

Make sure to drop by our CWOS PopUp Paper Shop at 49 Orange Street, featuring a curated group of artists who trade in 'zines, paper goods, and related merch.

Organized by

Let's Dance
Can you do the Shim-Sham Shimmy? Experience the exuberance of tap dance during the performance of Generations of Rhythm.
Also at Artspace

Windowed Worlds
Around Ninth Square
After dark is the best time to view Windowed Worlds! This project transforms empty downtown storefronts into mini worlds of wonder through collaborations between property owners, artists, and community organizations.

Binwanka: Breaking, Bending, Blending
October 4–November 3 :: The Project Room
For his solo show in the Project Room, Binwanka will debut a 4-channel installation that explores the activities of data-breaking, -blending and -bending as the essential ingredients of his creative process. This work is a continuation of the artist’s quest to find methods by which humans can collaborate with machines, allowing them to create sounds and visual masterpieces autonomously. Aligned with the philosophy of the Arte Povera movement, Binwanka only works from materials that are free and readily at hand, scouring the internet for open-source software and videos that become his source material. This project builds upon Masahiro Mori’s concept that machines have a Buddha-like nature and R. John Williams’ ideas of the eastern influence on technology. Pushing these ideas one step further, Binwanka posits that all machines have Buddha-like characteristics in that they go with the flow, unyielding even when they encounter an obstacle.

Día de los Muertos
October 4–November 3
Crown Street Window
Unidad Latina en Acción and Artspace are partnering to organize an exhibition of over 100 puppets, floats, luminaries and costumes collaboratively made over the past ten years for New Haven’s annual Día de los Muertos parade. This window installation will provide viewers with a spectacular glimpse of what’s to come on Saturday, October 13, when ULA will open their doors to invite community members to work alongside their Artist-in-Residence to make new objects for this year’s festival.

Also at Artspace:

50 Orange Street
A Artspace

96 Orange Street
1 Maria Morabito
2 Mackenzie Pikkart

360 State Street Rear Storefront
3 Dan Gries and Dan Bernier
4 Amira Brown
5 John Fallon

852 Chapel Street
6-8 Students of Paier College of Art

74 Church Street
9 Johanna Bresnick
10 Audrey Knight
11 Joshua Gonzalez
12 Students and alumni of Educational Center for the Arts

900 Chapel Street
13 Molly Gambardella
14 Molly Gambardella
15 Ives Squared Maker Space, New Haven Free Public Library
16 Jacquelyn Gleisner & Ryan Paxton

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City-Wide Open Studios 2019
Weekend Highlights

Westville Village is home to a remarkable concentration of artists. Spend a few hours getting to know this vibrant district! Pick up a schedule at West River Arts (909 Whalley Avenue) for information about additional events.

Artist PODs!
Sat & Sun, October 12-13
Central Avenue, between Whalley and Fountain
Westville is excited to host six artists in temporary studios housed in PODS storage containers on Central Avenue! Artists Michelle Bradford, Janet Brodie, Colin Burke, Rebekah Fraser, Sarah Schneiderman, and Sara Zunda will transform their PODs into small galleries.

Sponsored by PODS

Block Party
@ Elm City Sounds
Sat, October 12, 6-8pm
24 Fountain Street
Join us at Chris Della Ragione’s amazing new record shop; great music and great beer promised. Free and open to the public. 21 and over: wristbands for beer are $15 in advance, purchase online at westvillect.org.

Sponsored by ArtEcon

Donate
Most CWOS events are free, but we need your support! Consider donating $5 at West River Arts to support the festival.

ArtEcon presents:
Literary Happy Hour
Sat, October 12, 6-8pm
Kehler Liddell Gallery
873 Whalley Avenue
Literary Happy Hour creates a radically inclusive performance space that gives rise to healing, liberation, deepening of self, and genuine community building. Open mic to follow three featured artists.

Giant Puppet Workshop
Sat & Sun, October 12-13
10am-2pm
Location TBA
Join Westville-based artist Noé Jimenez to make giant puppets! Free and open to the public; all materials provided.

Mew Haven Cat Café
Sat & Sun, October 12-13
10am-5pm
904 Whalley Ave
Celebrate the first anniversary of Mew Haven with cat-themed fun! Featuring 15 specialty food and artisan booths, music, giveaways and a raffle to raise funds for The Animal Haven animal rescue.

HERE KITTY, KITTY
Take a time out and visit a few feline friends at Mew Haven Cat Café!
Studio Locations

LOTTO STUDIO: 911 Whalley Ave
13 Luke Hanscom
14 Mistina Hanscom

904 Whalley Ave
16 Drew Keefer

PODS on Central Ave
02 Michelle Bradford
04 Janet Brodie
06 Colin Burke
09 Rebekah Fraser
22 Sarah Schneiderman
32 Sara Zunda

16 Fountain St
30 Martha Savage with Active Wellness

12 Fountain St
27 Artisans of UARTS
Chapel Haven

WESTIVER

West River Arts
909 Whalley Ave
01 Caryn Azoff
03 Sarah Bratchell (Sat only)
07 Howard el-Yasin
08 Eric Epstein
10 Molly Gambardella
12 Mohammad Hafez
15 Noé Jimenez
17 Susan McCaslin
21 Martha Savage
23 Semi Semi-Dikoko
25 Kate Stephen
31 Don Wunderlee
33 JoAnne Wilcox

DaSilva Gallery
897-899 Whalley Ave
20 Daniel Ramirez

Kehler Liddell Gallery
879 Whalley Ave
19 PenRod Cook
26 Lisa Toto
28 Hanifa Nayo Washington

426 West Rock Ave
18 Tim Nighswander
24 Alice Steinhardt

425 West Rock Ave
29 Gar Waterman
11 Sergei Gerasimenko

418 West Rock Ave
05 Frank Bruckmann

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The Westville Village Renaissance Alliance thanks PODS for their sponsorship of our artists’ pods this year!

Don’t forget to visit our Shops, Restaurants, and our Sunday Farmers Market during Open Studios...

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Artist Directory

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PenRod
penrodphotographs.com

Daniel Ramirez
500px.com/morzatramp

Martha Savage

Sarah Schneiderman
sarahschneiderman.com

Semi Semi-Dikoko

Alice Steinhardt

Kate Stephen
katestephenjewelry.com

Lisa Toto

Artisans at UARTS Chapel Haven

Hanifa Nayo Washington
handsofhanifa.com

Gar Waterman
garwaterman.com

Martha Savage with Active Wellness
activewellnessholisticfitness.com

Don Wunderlee
donwunderleeart.com

Sara Zunda
sarazunda.com

Late-breaking addition!

JoAnne Wilcox

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We are proud to support one of Artspace’s most open and inclusive programs – City-Wide Open Studios.
Weekend Highlights

Discover artists in the intimacy of their own environments. Create your own itinerary, or come along for the ride on the CWOS Bike Tour. Either way, pick up your map and schedule at Artspace (50 Orange Street), then hit the road!

CWOS Bike Tour
Sun, October 13, 12-4pm
Meet at 50 Orange Street
Do you prefer biking to driving? Meet us at Artspace and set off on a tour of local artists’ studios. The group ride will ensure your road safety, and we’ll travel at a casual pace. Helmets required.

With support from Elm City Cycling

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Artist Demos @ Creative Arts Workshop
Sat & Sun, October 12-13, 12-6pm
80 Audubon Street
A group of CAW teaching artists invite you to stop in and participate in hands-on workshops at stations set up throughout the building specially for CWOS visitors.

Leave time to see Sanctuary Cities and the Politics of the American Dream, an ambitious group exhibition featuring more than 100 artists.

MAKE IT!
Go hands on to create floats, masks, puppets, and more for this year’s Día de los Muertos parade.

NXTHVN Open House
Sun, October 13, 12-6pm
169 Henry Street
Currently in development, NXTHVN is an ambitious art space and residency program housed in a former manufacturing plant in the Dixwell neighborhood, founded by artists Titus Kaphar and Jonathan Brand with Jonathan Price. Although the entire facility, designed by Deborah Berke Partners, won’t be ready until next year, you’re invited to visit the center studio building where a first cohort of artists are at work, see projects in progress, and meet Executive Director Nico Wheadon. Don’t miss this first opportunity for local audiences to step inside!

Día de los Muertos Workshop
Sun, October 13, 12-6pm
26 Mill Street
Unidad Latinas en Acción welcomes visitors to help Artist-in-Residence Pedro Lopez create massive kites, puppets, floats, and masks for this year’s Día de los Muertos festival. Free and open to the public, materials provided.

Lost in New Haven
Sat & Sun, October 12-13, 12-6pm
424 Grand Avenue
A true “Cabinet of Curiosities,” this installation encompasses over 381 years of local history. For City-Wide Open Studios, the standard admission fee is replaced by a $10 suggested donation. Show your Festival Guide at the door.

Dance Church @ The Urban Collective
Sun, October 13, 4pm
85 Willow Street, First Floor
Move with your neighbors and fellow creators! Research shows how powerful a dance practice is to stay youthful and maintain social connections. Free and open to the public.
Artist Directory

Find up-to-date studio events and artist statements at cwos.org
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nancykarpeljewelry.com

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katiekindilienfineart.com

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jennykraussstudio.com

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constancelapalombara.com

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phillique.com

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davidottenstein.com

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Weekend Highlights

Visit nearly 100 artists at the historic Erector Set factory, now a studio complex. Interested in renting a studio of your own? Talk to management—they will be on site.

Pick up a map and schedule at the Artspace Welcome Tent, located on Peck Street between Buildings 2 and 3. Find studio locations for each artist in the complex, plus information about additional events—demonstrations, talks and more.

CWOS Scavenger Hunt
Sat & Sun, October 19-20
Throughout Erector Square
Entertain your kids and young sleuths with an Erector Square-wide Scavenger Hunt! Explore the complex as you search for works across seven connected buildings. Pick up the Scavenger Hunt form at the Welcome Tent, take photos with each of the works, post to Instagram and tag us @artspacenh to show you have found all the clues. You’ll be automatically entered into a raffle to win art supplies.

WPKN Live Broadcast
Sat, October 19, 11am-4pm
Building 3, Third Floor
WPKN will broadcast live from Erector Square, serving up a mix of music and discussions with CWOS artists. Listen live at 89.5 FM, stream at wpkn.org or visit us in action in the historic offices of A. C. Gilbert!

Donate
Most CWOS events are free, but we need your support! Consider donating $5 at the Welcome Tent to support the festival.

Food & Drink
Looking at art can make you hungry! Mamoun’s Falafel on Wheels and The Jitter Bus will be onsite to fuel your artistic exploration.

New Haven Chalk Art Festival
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The Million-Petaled Flower of Being Here

A Commissioned Project of City-Wide Open Studios by Jacquelyn Gleisner

*The Million-Petaled Flower of Being Here* takes its name from an excerpt of the poem “The Old Fools” by Phillip Larkin. With “ash hair, toad hands, prune face dried into lines,” Larkin’s depiction of senescence is startling, emphasizing the uncertainty that awaits us. We don’t know what will happen when we arrive at our final resting place, nor do we know how we’ll get there.

Parallel uncertainties riddle the lives of artists. Artists balance the obligations of their careers and personal lives, investing great financial sums and emotional energy into their practices. How these loose threads become woven together often remains a mystery to outsiders. At times, it may even seem foolish.

This project’s title is a metaphor for how artists advance — their antennae extended to the multitude of simultaneous experiences around them. These stories share aspects of the process of getting older — and perhaps, younger — from the perspectives of artists working with a range of media around the state. Together, these narratives elucidate a variety of experiences, splintering the collective mythology of an artist into finite pieces.

This writing series includes the profiles of ten Connecticut artists, and this section of the 2019 City-Wide Open Studios Guide features five of these stories — Ann Lehman, Joe Saccio, Howard el-Yasin, Rashmi Talpade, and Kwadwo Adae. They have been arranged chronologically by their age, their births spanning five decades.

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From Ann Lehman’s studio, a screen door leads outside where a poof of a young pine tree grows near a chair welded together from horseshoes. Other sculptures are scattered around this patio, too. The remnants of a commissioned work for the Girl Scouts rests against a wall. A geometric gate at the top of a short staircase was designed and fabricated by Lehman. Elsewhere on her property, a curlicue form ends with an arrow pointing to the ground. This sculpture is reminiscent of another one of her pieces called *Intersections* (1980), a nine-foot-tall steel sculpture painted red on Whitney Avenue in downtown New Haven.

“That’s how I’ve been able to survive—because I’m part of something. And I mean survive emotionally. If I didn’t have my art, I think I would be dead.”

“All of Lehman’s quotes are from a conversation with the author at Lehman’s home in Bethany, Connecticut on August 2, 2019.
Joseph Saccio

Joseph Saccio descends a narrow staircase to the damp basement of building six inside Erector Square. At 84 years old, Saccio walks carefully, using a metal flashlight to illuminate the rooms. Fragments of his large sculptures begin to emerge from the darkness. Against one wall, he shows me the shiny amber surface of a gnarled root ball. This wooden base came from a felled tree that he had retrieved, incorporating the natural structure into one of his carved sculptures. For over thirty years, Saccio’s studio has been located at Erector Square, where his sculptures have been accumulating, now tracing his trajectory as an artist.

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Trees are a recurring theme within Saccio’s pieces, many of which explore the slow and inevitable decomposition of these organic bodies. The impetus for this emphasis on decay comes from a personal tragedy: Saccio’s 12-year-old son Milos was fatally struck by a bus crossing the street on Whitney Avenue in 1979. Reeling from the loss, Saccio rented his first studio inside an old factory along the Quinnipiac River, explaining, “The death of my son strengthened the need to express loss and redemption through making art.” Many of his early sculptures were memorials to Milos which incorporated scraps of his clothing. He planted a weeping beech tree at Foote School in his son’s memory, too.

During the weekdays, Saccio worked as a child psychiatrist, but all his free time was spent inside his studio. Growing up in Manhattan, he had won art competitions during high school for his paintings and drawings. His parents were uneducated immigrants from Sicily, and while his family wasn’t destitute, it had been challenging, Saccio recalled. He wanted to choose a path that would offer him greater financial security than a career in the arts. At that time, Saccio had been a devout Catholic. Desiring to help others, he went to medical school and planned to continue to pursue his art on the side.

“I had the imagination and interest to pursue child psychiatry because it was a lot like making art,” Saccio said. He specialized in early childhood development, working with children to overcome a range of problems. This work often entailed allowing children to create their own fantasy worlds, where they could practice resolving issues from their real lives together. He remembered one patient who had been selectively mute—she only spoke to members within her immediate family. Saccio and this patient made elaborate drawings during her appointments and little by little, she started talking to other people. She never spoke directly to Saccio, but he understood that they had their own nonverbal way of communicating with each other.

Slowly, Saccio began creating more space within his schedule for art. His private practice allowed him to taper his appointments, retiring gradually at the age of 70. The rigor of his work within the medical field carried over as he transitioned into a full-time sculptor. “As a practitioner in child psychiatry, I would see my first patient at 8:00 a.m., so I also came to the studio every morning at 8:00 a.m.,” Saccio explained. He joined Kehler Liddell Gallery and began participating in City-Wide Open Studio events as a way to become more involved with the New Haven arts scene. With time, he was invited to show his work around town and with other artists who admired his sculptures.

This November, work from over 30 years of Saccio’s career will be exhibited in a retrospective titled THROUGH A DARK WOOD, WANDERING at the Housatonic Museum of Art. His first museum show follows his 85th birthday. “It’s probably my swan song,” stated Saccio. In the past few years, his arthritis has worsened and he has been losing muscle strength in his legs in particular. It is unclear how much longer he will be able to continue making his sculptures, which are often very large and extremely heavy.

Looking back on his career, Saccio said, “It seems to have been a very straight line.” After the death of his son, his need for an outlet to process his grief propelled his studio practice. “I wanted people to see that things can be transformed,” added Saccio, “and that there’s always a response of life from death.”

All of Saccio’s quotes are from a conversation with the author at Saccio’s studio in the Fair Haven neighborhood of New Haven, Connecticut on August 7, 2019.
Howard el-Yasin

Stacked on a bookshelf inside Howard el-Yasin’s Westville studio, around a dozen white cardboard boxes are labeled “banana peels.” On top of a nearby table, el-Yasin holds up something shriveled—another banana peel, once yellow and fresh, now desiccated. This peel, like those stored in the boxes, was baked in el-Yasin’s oven for close to an hour. This process gives the skin a leathery texture bringing a slight sheen to the charcoal black surface. Across the studio pinned to the wall, a small plastic bag contains a handful of gray dryer lint— “a material with integrity,” he said. For decades, el-Yasin has been collecting these types of materials—things most people would throw away—and incorporating them into his work as a visual artist.

Around age ten, el-Yasin recalls making a footstool made from found fragments of wood for his father. He can’t remember what the stool looked like, but the memory of making the object is formative. Growing up in the same neighborhood as his current studio, el-Yasin enjoyed drawing, but he did not feel encouraged to make art, nor did he think of himself as an artist until much later.

For a City-Wide Open Studios event in the early 1990s, el-Yasin, then in his early 30s, created a series of colorful abstract monoprints. Aesthetically and conceptually removed from his recent work, these prints rekindled his interest in making art. With this body of work, el-Yasin suspects he had been exploring the formal properties of the work, without probing the critical meaning, mimicking a formalist approach to abstraction.

“[In graduate school,] I became much more attuned to conversations about identity, which is central to my work,” said el-Yasin. Today he approaches this subject obliquely, preferring his work to be open-ended, not a finite statement about his own experiences.

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For a current work in progress, el-Yasin utilizes discarded objects, this time to explore the color black. On a wooden ladder in the corner of his studio, el-Yasin had arranged a selection of stuff: a tire from a toy, a binder clip, a hair pick, and a package of “Black Powder Candy,” among other items. This color is so imbued with racial energy, el-Yasin explained, but this work is about more than that. Together, the objects embody a poetic spectrum of blackness by exhibiting a full range of textures. From the crinkly skin of a plastic bag to the fine hairs of a feather boa, el-Yasin’s collection is a metaphor for the multiplicities of existence. There are endless ways to gender blackness as there are infinite ways to make a life.

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As an undergraduate at New England College, el-Yasin had taken art classes, but outside of school, his demanding job as the manager of the Yale University Art Gallery store had drained his energy. One positive aspect of this role was that el-Yasin experienced the work of many artists up-close. In a 1992 exhibition of Eva Hesse’s work organized by Helen A. Cooper, the Holcombe T. Green Curator of American Paintings and Sculpture until 2014, el-Yasin was fascinated by the artist’s use of latex. Hesse’s unorthodox sculptures piqued el-Yasin’s desire to make “ugly work, once cited as raw work by a critic, and I embraced it.”

Enrolling in the Master of Arts in Liberal Studies program at Wesleyan University, el-Yasin began to research contemporary and pivotal black artists such as Josephine Baker. Then, in 2013 el-Yasin entered a low residency M.F.A. program at the Maryland Institute College of Art to deepen his practice. “It didn’t feel as meaningful to me to make work without knowing what I was doing,” he said.

Reading literature and learning art theory exposed him to new ways of thinking and talking about art. “I became much more attuned to conversations about identity, which is central to my work,” said el-Yasin. Today he approaches this subject obliquely, preferring his work to be open-ended, not a finite statement about his own experiences.

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On a wooden table in Rashmi Talpade’s kitchen, a small pair of scissors rest atop scraps of color photographs—a part of a metal chain, a series of stoplights, different views of barbed-wire fences. She works slowly, first cutting out the precise piece of one of her photographs and then affixing it to the appropriate place. Even in their unfinished states, two of Talpade’s smaller collages appear ornate. Her fastidious layering of pasted imagery creates tactile surfaces that underscore her crowded compositions.

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These collages, with their vibrancy and intricacies, recall the energy and warmth of her hometown, Mumbai, India. In 1991, Talpade, then in her late twenties, arrived in Connecticut on a freezing February day wearing cropped pants and a light cotton sweater. She had never owned a coat or been the United States before. Her husband had been promoted to the Vice President of Finance at an overseas branch of his company, so together they moved to Wallingford, a suburb north of New Haven.

“You discover so many pieces of yourself when you are transplanted to another place,” Talpade said. Aside from the weather, one of the biggest challenges for Talpade was adjusting to a small town. She had to get used to driving five miles to buy milk at the store, instead of having it delivered to her doorstep each morning. She learned to purchase groceries in bulk, planning for a week of meals, rather than picking fresh produce from the daily fruit vendor. For the first month, she was housebound, studying to take the test to receive a driver’s license. There were few places of interest within walking distance of her apartment in Wallingford and fewer pedestrians.

Moving meant a complete reboot for her career as an artist, too. Back in India, Talpade studied art at Sir J.J. School of Fine Art, a reputable school where she double-majored in ceramics and painting. (Becoming an artist was an unconventional path for an Indian woman in the late 1970s, but her parents were supportive.) The start of her career had been promising: the Museum of Modern Art in Bhopal, India purchased one of her collages and she had received several commissions, including one from the Ministry of Energy Resources from the Government of India in New Delhi. She had several shows around town, though there were few galleries and only one major contemporary art museum in Mumbai.

In Connecticut, Talpade had no connections in the art world, but participating in City-Wide Open Studios helped her build relationships with curators and other artists. Around six years ago, she met Michael Shortell, who included her work in an exhibition at Five Points Gallery in Torrington. Last year, she exhibited again at this space in the group show, Paper Rock Scissors. Since the early 90s, Talpade has been a part of nearly every City-Wide Open Studios, learning how to talk about her work with new people. Each year has been fruitful: she’s sold pieces, been offered commissions, and met people who have supported her in other ways. Over the past twenty years, Talpade has exhibited extensively across the state and elsewhere.

At 57, Talpade shared that there have been less productive periods, but she developed a strategy to sustain her career as an artist. “If I’m not working with my hands, my mind is still working,” said Talpade. After her daughter was born, she did not have as much free time to devote to her practice, but she continued to work by fabricating plans for her future projects. “Now when I sit down to do the work, I pull out files from the mental library that I’ve created for myself,” she explained.

A series called Modern Archaeology resulted from one of these mental plans. Talpade began working on this body of work about two years ago, but she’s had the idea for nearly a decade. “Future generations are going to find a lot of our trash,” stated Talpade. Based on this premise, Talpade has been concocting small vignettes of specific objects such as a manhole cover she spotted on Canal Street that had been fabricated in India. Working with collage, her preferred medium, Talpade combines slices of her color photographs onto square panels, which are often displayed in large groupings. Cumulatively, they symbolize the chaos and waste of our current culture.

Looking back on her career, Talpade reflected, “I’ve been very fortunate to do exactly what I love.” Moving to Connecticut was a challenge and there have been other difficulties along her path as an artist, but Talpade’s positive spirit has helped her endure.

All of Talpade’s quotes are from a conversation with the author at Talpade’s home in Wallingford, Connecticut on August 5, 2019.
Inside the Adae Fine Art Academy, a small pastel drawing of a brown mouse hangs on the wall. This piece was the first work of art completed by Kwadwo Adae, the founder of the aforementioned school. “It’s always been in the studio as a reminder of how far I’ve come and where I’ve been,” said Adae.

From the age of seven, Adae took art lessons every Saturday morning for two hours with Bill Carney at Artist Garrett in Monroe, Connecticut. Here, he completed his first drawing and many others in an unconventional studio environment. Instead of one person teaching everyone the same thing, the students were allowed to choose what they wanted to make and which tools they wanted to use. Giving the students freedom allowed Carney to foster creativity and ideas, not just skills. Adae emulated this same structure when he opened his art school 14 years ago.

Adae knew from an early age that he wanted to be an artist, but his parents, both Ghanaian immigrants, encouraged him to study subjects they considered more practical. He double-majored in public health and Asian history at the University of Rochester, making art on the side. After school, Adae worked as a customer service representative for a health insurance company in the Hartford area. For nearly two years, he fielded customer complaints and answered questions over the phone. He had intended to use his generous salary to chip away at his sizeable school debt, but Adae grew miserable. He gave his two weeks’ notice without another prospect lined up.

Thanks to a shortage of art teachers within the New Haven Public School system, Adae was not unemployed for long. Within a few weeks, he was offered jobs at three different schools. He began teaching at Davis Street Magnet School, working with pre-kindergarten through fifth-grade students. The next year, he transferred to Betsy Ross Arts Magnet School, which offered a slight raise in pay, but the salary was still meager. Adae knew his life as a part-time educator was unsustainable.

Around this time, Adae applied and was accepted to the painting program at New York University. He stayed in New Haven, opting to commute to Manhattan because his partner at the time was expecting their first son, born two months into his graduate studies. Adae welcomed his second son as he was concluding the program, book-ending his Master of Arts degree with the births of his two children.

Outside of school, Adae applied to teach at the college level, but he was dismayed when he did not receive any promising offers. With the continued rejection, he began to wonder why he was seeking permission to teach art when he already had experience. Also, he had ambition. In 2005, he decided to create his own school on the second floor of a building on Chapel Street and purchased several easels from an art store that was going out of business in New Haven. Adae wrote a press release for the grand opening and accepted six students into his first class.

From the beginning, Adae was committed to bringing art to the community, especially people who might not be able to attend his school for one reason or another. “I really feel that art is a language,” he said. “If people don’t have access to that language and want it, then I owe it to them to make it accessible.” He began working with the Parents’ Foundation for Transitional Living, a residential community for people with mental illnesses, 13 years ago, and he has offered watercolor painting classes at the Linden at Woodbridge, an assisted living facility for patients with Alzheimer’s and dementia, for about 12 years.

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More recently, Adae began teaching meditation, which entered his life almost by chance. Breathing Room Yoga Center was on the same floor as his school’s first location. Healing from a divorce, Adae chose meditation as an alternative for other types of therapy. “I see so many parallels between meditation and painting,” he explained, “how a person has to use attention and focus to manifest something.” As his passion for both meditation and yoga has grown, these practices provided the impetus for murals painted by Adae alongside teams of volunteers (often school children) in India, Guatemala, and Ecuador over the past three years.

“Failure has been my best teacher,” reflected Adae, now in his early 40s. There have been setbacks and heaps of rejection, he explained, but Adae learned to seek out environments where his work would be welcomed. The Adae Fine Art Academy moved into a new location on State Street at the beginning of the summer and continues to be a supportive place for young artists. Traveling the world or teaching at home, Adae remains devoted to bringing art to the masses.

All of Adae’s quotes are from a conversation with the author at Adae’s home in the East Rock neighborhood of New Haven, Connecticut on August 6, 2019.
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Through Fall 2019

City Gallery
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Through October 27

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80 Audubon Street
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Zachary Keeting: seven piece sextet
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Between the Weekends

In between studio visits, there’s even more to experience this month!

You could look through a microscope and sketch what you see. Or you could listen to split-second stories from multigenerational speakers, all related to our festival theme.

Or just maybe, you could find true love?

**Rideshare: Cynthia Beth Rubin**

**Plankton Drawing Workshop**

Tue, October 15, 3-4:30pm or 6:15-7:45pm  
Ives Main Library, New Haven Free Public Library, 133 Elm Street  
Plankton are our essential friends. We need the oxygen they produce and the role they play on the food chain. Without plankton in our oceans, we could not exist. This workshop is designed for artists and would-be artists of all levels who want to become more familiar with the essential life forms of microscopic ocean life. The emphasis is on quick gesture drawings, capturing the general forms of a wide variety of plankton in a progressive series that brings us to observing details and intuitively developing our awareness of these marine lifeforms. No prior drawing experience required; experienced artists welcome. Participants are encouraged to bring their own non-liquid, dust-free drawing materials, and their own favorite sketch paper.

This event is free, but registration is required. Register at nhfpl.org/ives-squared

**Elm City Speed Dating**

Wed, October 16, 7-9pm  
Creative Arts Workshop  
80 Audubon Street  
Mix more than paint at this artistically-themed installment of Elm City Speed Dating!  
CAW faculty artist Cathy Reeve will lead participants in constructing a pocket accordion book—made from a single sheet of paper, with no cutting or gluing—to hold notes and cards traded among the group throughout the evening. Everyone will leave with their own creation. Free to participate; drinks included. RSVP via link posted on Facebook Event. Hosted by Creative Arts Workshop, Artspace, Cathy Reeve and Dave Weinreb.

**Pecha Kucha**

Wed, October 23, 6-9pm  
Long Wharf Theater Stage II  
222 Sargent Drive  
Pecha Kucha is a high-energy evening of 12 six-minute and 40-second slideshows, presented by a group of local speakers who will share their personal takes on this year’s festival theme. The evening will feature a multigenerational range of perspectives, sharing stories that relate to memory, inheritance, longevity, frontline care, gerontology and evolution. Beer, prosecco, and a food truck will keep viewers energized.  
Underwriting by Barbara Pearce & Norm Fleming  
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After CWOS

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Strange Loops
Curated by Federico Solmi and Johannes DeYoung
December 14, 2019–March 7, 2020

This group show features work by seven artists and collectives who explore psychological affect and the human condition expressed through instruments, systems, and objects of human design. Strange Loops continues an ongoing conversation begun by pioneers of Net Art and most recently explored in “Talk to Me” (2011) and “Thinking Machines” (2018) at MoMA. While these exhibitions surveyed the promises and processes of communication using digital and electronic media, they stopped short of addressing the anxieties and conflicting emotions brought about by rapid technological change. Strange Loops bridges a gap in the ongoing exploration of mass media’s hegemonic influence in an effort to create avenues for agency, plurality, and retort.

Through a variety of media including machines, computation, moving-image, painting, sculpture, and performance, the artists in this exhibition explore the boundaries of human experience in an age of emerging technologies that are capable of redefining and transforming our environments at a massive scale.

Featured artists include Sam Messer, Sarah Oppenheimer, Jon Kessler, Ana Maria Gómez López, Blinn & Lambert, Ilana Harris-Babou, and The Virtual Dream Center.

May Day 20/20
Curated by LaTanya Autry and Sarah Fritchey, with assistance from researcher Joshua Aiken
Opening May 2020

This group exhibition recognizes the 50th anniversary, local histories and lasting legacies of the trial of Black Panther Party chairman, Bobby Seale, New Haven chapter founder, Ericka Huggins, and six other party members. While Seale and Huggins were acquitted of the murder of Panther member Alex Rackley, the 1970 case shook the city and exposed deep inequities in the legal system and wider social structures. Upon reflecting on this moment, Kingman Brewster, then Yale University President, questioned, “Is it possible for a black revolutionary to achieve a fair trial anywhere in the United States?” May Day 20/20 takes up this concern and more as it reveals critical threads across then and now. In concert with New Haven’s vast archives and Yale’s research facilities, community members and local-area historians will serve as invaluable resources for the artists.

Featured artists include Kwadwo Adae, Chloe Bass, Alex Callender, Melanie Crean, Kameelah Janan Rasheed, Miguel Luciano and Tschabalala Self.
Flatfile: Annual Open Call
Artspace announces an open call for artists interested in joining our Flatfile Collection. The Collection was started in 2000 and expanded in 2010 with the aid of an Institute of Museum and Library Science Grant, and holds over 1,000 works on paper by 150 artists from across the country.
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Deadline: February 1, 2020
Announced: March 30, 2020

Artist-in-Residence: Annual Open Call
Artspace invites emerging and mid-career artists from all fields to apply for our one year Artist-in-Residence program.
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Deadline: March 1, 2020

Dia de los Muertos
November 14–24, 2019
**Opening Reception:** Saturday, November 16, 6-8pm
This Fall, the New Haven chapter of Unidad Latina en Acción (ULA) will invite people of all ages, backgrounds and walks of life to come together to make objects and costumes that will be carried and worn through the annual Dia de los Muertos parade. Over the past 11 years, the festival has grown to feature giant bamboo kites, cardboard floats, exquisite masks and larger-than-life puppets that commemorate the stories and enduring spirits of our passed and disappeared ancestors. Stilt walkers, brass band musicians, jugglers, fire dancers, and face painters join this life-affirming procession. This parade is one of New Haven’s largest, most creative and inclusive community-driven celebrations, and the exhibition will provide an opportunity for visitors to learn about the personal stories that each of the objects behold.

Lead organizers and collaborators include John Lugo (Director, ULA), Pedro Lopez (Artist-in-Residence, ULA) and Rosario Ciaceno (Activist/Volunteer, ULA).
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Over this period, Artspace has been at the forefront of New Haven’s arts scene, taking risks on behalf of local artists to advance their careers. Touchstone programs like our annual Summer Apprenticeship Program for New Haven Public School teens, our Artist speed networking which has expanded to foster conversations between artists and civic activists and leaders, this annual City-Wide Open Studios festival, and our Flatfile Collection showcasing exceptional works on paper, create a vital hub so that artists and the community they live in can thrive together.

Our mission is to catalyze artistic activities; connect contemporary artists, audiences, and resources; and to enrich art experiences and activate art spaces. We are dedicated to supporting emerging visual artists because we believe that a community such as ours is enriched immeasurably by actions and activities conceived and created by them.

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