Northeast Arts Insights

The Arts at Work

Major art buildings in the district are in black, current page sponsors in red; both, in red and black icons and listing.

Arts Education for All Ages

by Sarah Ratermann Beahan

The Northeast Minneapolis Arts District is a place for students of all ages to explore the arts, as well as being a regional arts hub. The arts buildings in the District provide many classes. From drawing co-ops at the California Building to woodworking and upholstery classes at Northrup King Building, there’s a variety of forms and media to participate in.

Check out the art building websites for more information:

www.northrupkingbuilding.com
www.californiabuilding.com
www.casketarts.com

In the Keg House arts building, 34 13th Ave. NE, are Clay Squared to Infinity, Mosaic Secrets, and Straightline Dance Fitness; websites in ads on this page.

Aside from the arts buildings, there are many other opportunities to learn something new. The Gumball Collective, a shop featuring local artists curated by artist Anne Meyers hosts workshops for all ages and abilities. Her fall lineup includes a jewelry making class and a T-shirt design class. The Gumball Collective, 158 13th Ave. NE, http://www.gumballboutique.com

Philip Shorey offers music classes at The Music Parlor, a space he’s created in his home. Shorey teaches piano lessons and offers a group class for 4- and 5-year-olds to inspire them to pick up an instrument. Shorey shows being able to provide a hyper-local service to his neighborhood and community.

“Even when there’s a snowstorm, you can still walk down the street to your piano lesson,” Shorey says. www.musichandshand.com

Sarah Jane’s Music School opened a brick and mortar location at 2522 Central Avenue in March 2015. The space allows them to expand their class offerings, including a BYOB Guitar Class for adults. “Music is best expressed together,” Sarah Petros says. www.sarahjmusic school.com

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The Northeast Minneapolis Arts Association’s Fall Fine Arts Show offers diverse art from local artists available for collectors of all levels. Open September 16-25 with the reception on Friday, Sept. 16 from 6-10 p.m., it will be held in the beautiful top floor gallery at the Arts Building, 711 15th Ave. NE, Minneapolis in the Northeast Minneapolis Arts District.

Parking available in a lot facing 15th Avenue, carpooling, biking, transit and walking are encouraged. For those who would like more time and solitude to focus on each piece in the dizzying but always deftly curated array, the gallery will also be open Thursdays and Fridays, 5-9 p.m., Saturdays and Sundays, 12-6 p.m.

Congratulations to Liza Sylvestre, whose image, Cool I, was chosen for the event poster. Liza lives and works in Artpaces Jackson Flats.

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Mosaic artist Shanna Frank is taking a new approach to teaching. In addition to teaching studio art classes, Frank began teaching online class es in 2012. Her online classes allow individuals from across the globe to participate. The classes include a Facebook group for community connection and never expire. “As a working mom, this has been an incredible way to balance work and family,” Frank says. http://sharrasmosaicsecrets.com

Elisabeth Morley offers art classes for youth and adults in her home. Teaching out of her home allows Morley to keep costs low for her students. The classes range from sewing, painting with acrylics to wash tape greeting cards. https://www.facebook.com/elisabethmorley

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