Welcome to Art Walk in the Downtown Arts District! Downtown members host events for First Fridays, or catch the displays throughout the month during regular hours. June’s First Friday events will be Friday, June 3rd with variable hours between 5pm-10pm. Find the details here, at ffaw.org, or follow along at @artwalksgf on Facebook and Instagram.

**ART WALK NEWS**

**JUNE 2022**

**FORMED PRESENTS LAURA INGALSBE**

Formed is proud to present their local artist Laura Ingalsbe. Artist, Laura Ingalsbe, is the creativity behind Waxing Moon Collective: fine art studios, and co-owner of Formed: An Artist Collective and Forming Art Studios. Ingalsbe has been an artist for almost 30 years now, finding a passion for art in her early teens. She studied painting and sculpture at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia. She has a vision of expanding the local creative community to incorporate more artistic opportunities for emerging artists, young adults, and anyone wishing to begin their artistic journey. Stop by on Friday, June 3, 2022 from 6-9pm for a chance to speak with our artists and enjoy live music by Tony Menown.

**FRESH FEATURES SARAH GRIGGS & STEVEN STRAUCH**

Join Fresh Gallery at the June FFAW from 6-9 pm! Their featured artists are Sarah Griggs, photographer and mixed-media artist, and Steven Strauch, photographer. While you are at Fresh, sign up to have your portrait drawn by Cory Naden or become a Friends of Fresh Member. During the FFAW, they are offering discounts on Family Friends of Fresh Memberships. Also, Friends of Fresh Members are invited to join them for a champagne reception at the FFAW.

**SRAC HOSTS MEMBER’S SHOWCASE**

June means it’s time for the SRAC to show off their members through the Annual Member’s Showcase! The Creamery Exhibition Hall will celebrate the arts through visual art from their artist members and live performances from tenants at the Creamery Arts Center! Join them for their opening reception running from 5-7pm with performances starting at 6. The Springfield Ballet will kick off the night at 6:05, The Fools Gladly will take over at 6:30, and the Ozarks Lyric Opera will finish the night at 6:50. The exhibition will run from June through their Annual Member Meeting in July.

**OPAL HEPOLA FEATURED AT SPRINGFIELD VINEYARD**

Springfield Vineyard will be hosting Ralph Hepola on the tuba performing jazz, fusions, blues, ballads, and instrumental rock for June’s FFAW between 6-9pm! There will also be free snow cones and art by Barry Linville inside.
Sculpture Walk Springfield features sculptures by local, national, and international artists throughout downtown. Find them on the map and visit their website for an audio tour on Otocast.
1 Artistic Photography at the Monarch Art Factory, 600 W. College Street Suite 112, open 5:30-8:30pm for FFAW. 417artisticphotography.com or call (417) 737-1901.

2 The Bonsai Guy, 600 W. Walnut St., The shop and garden have hundreds of items to shop, look, and learn all things about the art of bonsai. Open regularly Tues-Sat 12-6pm. (417) 848-9569.

3 The Geek Foundation, 433 W. Walnut, is a nonprofit that provides free, interactive education to train, inspire, and support the future of a diverse and inclusive tech workforce. Open regularly Mon-Fri 10am-5pm, thegeekfoundation.org

4 Forming Art Studios, 330 South Ave, open for FFAW 6-9pm only. Peek in on their seven resident artists and sign up for classes and workshops! formedgallery.com/classes

5 Formed: An Artist Collective, 210 E. Walnut Street, open for FFAW 6-9pm. A multi-artist gallery and retail space hosting forty local and emerging artists. Open regularly: Tue - Thurs 10am-5pm, Fri - Sat 10am-7pm, Sun 10am-2pm. (417) 350-1142, formedgallery.com

6 Hotel Vandivort, 305 E. Walnut St. FFAW event 5-10pm. The lobby is open 24/7! View their permanent collection including works by Julie Blackmon, Stephanie Cramer, Shelly Forbes, Dustin Burgert, and Jeff Broekhoven. (417)832-1515, hotelvandivort.com

7 BookMarx, 325 E. Walnut St., Ste. 101, New & used books, art, and Googey the cat! Open until 10pm for FFAW, regularly Mon-Sat 10:30am-7pm. facebook.com/bookmarkbooks

8 Transformation Gallery & Tattoo, 330 E. Walnut, is open 6pm-9pm for FFAW featuring a collection of their talented staff's work on display. Open regularly 9AM-6PM Tues-Sat. (417) 869-2338 transformationgallery.com

9 Ward Downtown YMCA, 417 S. Jefferson Ave, Ste.1. View art & childcare available for FFAW. Open 5-10pm for First Friday. (417) 862-7456 orymca.org

10 MSU’s Center for International Programs, at the Jim D. Morris Center, 301 S. Jefferson closed for FFAW.

11 Kokoro Training Academy, 212 W. McDaniel St., martial arts gym open 5:30-8:00pm for FFAW. Open variably for classes through the week (417) 824-6946, kokorotrainingacademy.com

12 Park Central Branch Library, 128 Park Central Square, open for FFAW 6:30pm-9pm. Downtown’s library hosts art and frequent artist talks. Open regularly Monday-Saturdays 10am-6pm, Closed Sundays. (417) 831-1342

13 Equality Healthcare, 420 W. College, Ste. 100, is closed for FFAW but call to make an appointment to view their featured artist, J. Kent Martin. equality.healthcare.com (417) 633-7020

14 MSU’s Robert and Margaret Carolla Arts Exhibition Center, 326 N. Boonville, closed for FFAW. Open regularly Mon-Fri 11am-6pm and Sat 12-4pm (417) 836-6999 or sec.missouristate.edu

15 Fresh Gallery, 401 N. Boonville, open 6-9pm for FFAW. fresh is a co-op gallery home to over 20 juried artists working in a variety of media. Open regularly Tues-Sat 11am-5pm. freshgallery.org, (417) 862-9300

16 MSU’s Brick City Gallery, 215 W. Mill, closed for FFAW. Open regularly Mon-Fri 11am-6pm, and Sat from 12-4pm. (417) 836-6794 art.missouristate.edu/

17 Obelisk Home, 214 W. Phelps Ste 101, open 6-10pm for FFAW. Art gallery, retail store, and interior design! Three levels to explore. Open regularly Tues–Fri 10am-6pm & Sat 10am-5pm. obeliskhome.com (417) 616-6488

18 Springfield Vineyard Church, 634 W. Wall St., will be open 6-9pm for FFAW. Open at 10:30am on Sunday for services. (417) 894-4159 springfieldvineyard.org

19 Creamery Arts Center, 411 N. Sherman Parkway, open 5-7pm for FFAW. Open regularly Mon-Fri 9am-5pm. springfieldarts.org, (417) 862-ARTS (2787)

20 Drury Pool Art Center, 940 N. Clay St. will be closed for FFAW. Open regularly MTWF 9am-5pm, Thurs 9am-7pm. (417) 873-6337.

21 Hold Fast Brewing, 235 N. Kimbrough Ave., open for FFAW 12pm-11pm. Open regularly Mon-Thurs 3-9pm, Fri-Sat 12-11pm and Sun from 11am-7pm. hfbrewing.com (417) 761-2318.

22 OTC Fine Arts, 1001 E. Chestnut Expwy, FFAW Sponsor closed for FFAW. otc.edu/finearts (417) 447-8975

F  FFAW Call for Artists

Would you like to get plugged into one of Springfield’s favorite traditions? We are asking artists interested in exhibiting in 2022’s Art Walk to submit their artwork samples to be considered by our downtown venues for showing.

Please submit the following information via email to artwalknews@gmail.com:

- 3-4 artwork sample images in JPEG format
- brief statement about you and your work
- your contact information (phone number and email)
- list previously shown local venues (when and where)
- website and social links

Submissions will be shared with all the FFAW venues for their selection process. FFAW venues will contact the artists directly for scheduling.

*If you choose to visit a venue, please respect masking requests, utilize sanitation stations, and practice physical distancing when possible.
**LIVE ART AND MUSIC AT FOUNDERS PARK**

Springfield-Greene County Park Board is participating in FFAW in June at Founders Park with live art by Rebekah Polly and Ashley Laren and live music by Queen City Trio from 6-9pm.

**THE YMCA HOSTS BELINDA JENSEN WOOD AND THE MINI-ARTISTS PROGRAM!**

The Ward Downtown YMCA will be hosting artist Belinda Jensen Wood for June’s FFAW. They will also be offering the Mini-Artists Program with childcare for the Walk offering arts and crafts for kids ages 6 weeks to 9 years old. Online pre-registration is required by Wed. June 1st. The program will run from 5pm-10pm and cost is $20/child for families who have memberships to the YMCA and $35/child for non-members.

**OKLAHOMA ARTIST AT MONARCH ART FACTORY**

Monarch Art Factory features the works of Muskogee, Oklahoma artist, Kimberly Smith, and owner Angela Hughes’s photographic art for June’s First Friday Art Walk. Open for FFAW 5:30-8:30pm. Wine. ART. Awesome People.

**HOTEL VANDIVORT HOSTS JOHN RUTKOWSKI**

Hotel Vandivort features local abstract artist, John Rutkowski from 5-10pm. Come by to view the layers, textures, and objects included in his expressive works, and have a limited-edition cocktail at the Order inspired by the artist himself.

**KOKORO TRAINING ACADEMY FEATURES MUSIC BY JOSIAH MANN**

Kokoro Training Academy will be open 5:30-8pm with music by Josiah Mann 7-8pm. Josiah is a singer-songwriter based out of Springfield, Missouri. Josiah’s music is a blend of heartfelt, introspective lyrics driven by melodic guitar and piano themes. His debut album, Grace, is scheduled to be released in January 2023.

**SCULPTURE WALK JUNE FEATURE**

The McQueary and O'Reilly Families are proud to present the 7th Sculpture Walk Springfield Collection. Sculpture Walk Springfield (SWS) has brought 32 new sculptures to Downtown Springfield! For June, SWS is featuring “Connection” by Jenn Peek. While you’re at Founders Park for live art and music for FFAW, be sure to check out this new sculpture at the entrance sponsored by the Springfield Art Museum. Made of steel pipe and enamel paint, it stands eight feet tall and speaks to the desire for community.

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