



Museum Look - December on Long Island

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December provides a great time to head to a museum and commune with art. The East End museums (Guild Hall and the Parrish) both have strong new shows that are worth seeing. Contemporary and historic Chinese art occupies the main galleries at the Nassau County Museum of Art. In December, the Heckscher Museum unveils two new shows that push the boundaries of the photography and landscapes. Continue reading for details and for the full list of what's on view at Long Island museums.

DAN FLAVIN ART INSTITUTE - BRIDGEHAMPTON, NY

"A FRIENDSHIP: CARL ANDRE'S WORKS ON PAPER FROM THE LEWITT COLLECTION" continues through March 2, 2015. The exhibition is presented in two consecutive exhibitions. The first section, on view through Oct. 18, presents Andre's correspondences with LeWitt and rare works on paper. The second section will be on view from Oct. 24, 2014 through March 2, 2015, and will focus on Andre's poetry.

ON PERMANENT VIEW is an installation by Dan Flavin (1933-1996) of nine works in fluorescent light made between 1963 and 1981. The exhibition follows Flavin's art practice from when he began to work solely with standard fluorescent fixtures and tubes to just before the presentation of his new art form was realized.

Dan Flavin Art Institute is located on Corwith Avenue, about 1/2 block from Main Street, Bridgehampton, NY 11932. The museum is open weekends from noon to 6 p.m. For details and programming, visit www.diaart.org.

EAST HAMPTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY - EAST HAMPTON, NY

"IT'S A CHILD'S WORLD: EXHIBITION OF ANTIQUE DOLLS AND TOYS" continues through Dec. 28, 2014 at the Clinton Academy Museum. The exhibition examines the ways Christmas was celebrated in the 19th and early 20th centuries.

The Clinton Academy is located at 151 Main Street, East Hampton, NY 11937. Free but donations appreciated. www.easthamptonhistory.org.

GUILD HALL MUSEUM - EAST HAMPTON, NY

“NEW ADDITIONS TO THE GUILD HALL MUSEUM PERMANENT COLLECTION 2010-2014” continues through Jan. 4, 2015. The exhibition focuses on artworks that have entered the collection from 2010-2014.

“MARY ELLEN BARTLEY: LEANING ABOVE THE PAGE” continues through Jan. 4, 2015. Mary Ellen Bartley, the winner of the 74th Annual Guild Hall Artist Members Exhibition (2012), is known for her photographs of books.

Guild Hall is located at 158 Main Street, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.guildhall.org.

HECKSCHER MUSEUM OF ART - HUNTINGTON, NY

“MODERN ALCHEMY: EXPERIMENTS IN PHOTOGRAPHY” opens Dec. 6 and continues through Mar. 15, 2015. The exhibition features 20th and 21st century artists who have pushed the boundaries of photography through untraditional techniques and processes.



“Cloud Sisters” by Maggie Taylor, 2001. © Maggie Taylor.

“FERDINAND RICHARDT’S NIAGARA: A STUDY IN LANDSCAPE PAINTING” opens Dec. 6 and continues through April 12, 2015. The exhibition examines Ferdinand Richardt’s *Niagara* in the context of landscape tradition. On view will be European and American works from the Museum’s Permanent Collection.

The Heckscher Museum of Art is located at 2 Prime Avenue, Huntington, NY 11743. For details and programming, visit www.heckscher.org.

HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY MUSEUM - HEMPSTEAD, NY

“PAST TRADITIONS/NEW VOICES IN ASIAN ART” continues through Dec. 10 at the Emily Lowe Gallery.

Curated by Karen T. Albert, the Museum’s associate director of exhibitions and collections, the exhibition presents contemporary Asian artists who mix or juxtapose traditional Asian subject matter and techniques with modern Western Influences. Nations of influence include China, India, Indonesia, Japan, South Korea and Vietnam. Exhibiting artists include Xu Bing, Fx Harsono, Yun-Fei Ji, Bari Kumar, Dinh Q. Lê, Nyoman Masriadi, Shazia Sikander and Ai Weiwei.

“EXPLORING THE CENTURIES: 3rd - 20th CENTURY ASIAN ART” continues through Feb. 8,

2015.

Co-curated by Ms. Albert and Kristy Caratzola, the exhibition is divided into three categories: **Buddhism; Devotional Sculpture**; and **Flowers, Animals and the Seasons**. Works include woodblock prints, hand-painted scrolls, metal works and sculpture that highlight esteemed and centuries-old artistic practices and traditions from the cultures of Japan, China, India, Tibet and Thailand.

The Hofstra University Museum is located at 112 Hofstra University, Hempstead, NY 11549. The Emily Lowe Gallery is located at Emily Lowe Hall on the South Campus. The David Filderman Gallery is located on the ninth floor of the Joan and Donald E. Axinn Library on the South Campus. www.hofstra.edu.

ISLIP ART MUSEUM - EAST ISLIP, NY

"FAUX SHO" continues through Dec. 28. The exhibition features contemporary artists exploring artistic methods and materials to produce illusionistic works. Curated by Beth Giacommo.

"EXPLORING THE FEMININE IN EGG TEMPERA: WORKS BY CHALTIN PAGAN" continues through Dec. 28 in the museum's gift shop. Pagan will present egg tempera paintings of Barbie Dolls that explore ideas of the feminine and the body. Curated by Jay Schuck.

The Islip Art Museum is located at 50 Irish Lane, East Islip, NY 11730. www.islipartmuseum.org.

LONG ISLAND MUSEUM - STONY BROOK, NY

"LONG ISLAND AT WAR" continues through Dec. 28. The exhibition explores Long Island's contributions to each military engagement since the American Revolution.

"LIMarts" HERE AND NOW" opens Dec. 5 and continues through Feb. 1, 2015. The exhibition includes 80 works from LIMarts members. A panel of artists from the museum's collaborative arts group, LIMarts, will present a panel titled *The Artist's Vision: Understanding the Creative Inspiration and Process*. A Q&A session will follow.

The Long Island Museum is located at 1200 Route 25A, Stony Brook, NY 11790. For details and programming, visit www.longislandmuseum.org.

NASSAU COUNTY MUSEUM OF ART - ROSLYN HARBOR, NY

"CHINA THEN AND NOW" continues through Mar. 8, 2015. The exhibition presents Chinese works from the classical, early modern, and contemporary periods. The show includes a large group of Ming and Qing Dynasty porcelains from the Frick Collection and large-scale classical stone sculpture from the Sackler Collection. This is the first exhibition devoted to Chinese art mounted by the museum. Presented in three galleries, the show also features ink paintings by contemporary Beijing artist Liu Dan (b. 1953).

The show is co-curated by guest curators Amy G. Poster, Curator Emerita of Asian Art at the Brooklyn Museum, and Kaijun Chen, Ph.D., post-doctoral Fellow at the Max-Planck-Institute for the History of Science.

“LONG ISLAND COLLECTS THE ARTS OF CHINA” continues through Mar. 8, 2015. The exhibition presents art in a variety of mediums from Long Island collectors. Many works have never been exhibited in public before.

“GAVIN RAIN” continues through Mar. 8, 2015 in the Contemporary Collectors Gallery. A native of Cape Town, South Africa, Gavin Rain works primarily in a neo-pointillist style and is influenced by Seurat, the Russian avant-garde art of the 1900s, and work by architects.

The Nassau County Museum of Art is located at One Museum Drive (just off Northern Blvd, Route 25A), Roslyn Harbor, NY 11576. www.nassaumuseum.org.

PARRISH ART MUSEUM - WATER MILL, NY

“STEVEN AND WILLIAM LADD: MARY QUEEN OF THE UNIVERSE” continues through Jan. 19, 2015. The exhibition features sculpture, drawings, and prints by the collaborative sibling team of Steven and William Ladd.

“ALAN SHIELDS: IN MOTION” continues through Jan. 19, 2015. The exhibition features sculpture, installations, and video documentation focusing on movement.

The Parrish Art Museum is located at 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill, NY 11976. www.parrishart.org.

COLLECTION GALLERIES at The Parrish: Seven permanent collection gallery exhibitions continue through Nov. 7, 2014. Exhibitions on view are **“Look and Look Again: Contemporary Observation,” “Changing Views: Expanding the Horizon”, “Portraits”, “Esteban Vicente: In the Company of Friends”, “Poets and Painters”, “Dennis Oppenheim: Splash Buildings”,** and **“House and Studio: The Spaces Between”**.

POLLOCK-KRASNER HOUSE & STUDY CENTER - EAST HAMPTON, NY

Closed for the Season. Reopens May 2015. The Pollock-Krasner House & Study Center is located at 830 Springs-Fireplace Road, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.sb.cc.stonybrook.edu/pkhouse.

SOUTHAMPTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM & RESEARCH CENTER - SOUTHAMPTON, NY

“SOUTHAMPTON BLUE BOOK, 1930 to 1960: PHOTOGRAPHS BY BERT MORGAN” continues through Dec. 31 at the Rogers Mansion on the main campus.

RELATED: [“Southampton Society \(and The Blue Book\) Revealed in Photographs”](#).

“PEOPLE AND OTHER FOUR-LEGGED FRIENDS, PAINTINGS BY DINAH MAXWELL SMITH” continues through Dec. 31. The exhibition presents contemporary impressionistic paintings of people and animals found on the East End throughout history.

The Southampton Historical Museum & Research Center’s main campus is located at 17 Meeting House Lane, Southampton, NY. www.southamptonhistoricalmuseum.org.

SOUTHOLD HISTORICAL SOCIETY - SOUTHOLD, NY

“NO PEEKING: A HISTORY OF PROSTITUTION ON THE NORTH FORK” continues through Dec. 13. The exhibition documents a portion of the history of prostitution in Southold Town.

The Reichert Family Center and Cosden Price Gallery is located at 54127 Main Road, Southold, NY. www.southoldhistoricalsociety.org.

SUFFOLK COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY - RIVERHEAD, NY

“AGELESS BEAUTY: ANTIQUE DOLLS EXHIBIT” continues through Mar. 7, 2015. The exhibition features over 100 vintage dolls.

PERMANENT EXHIBITIONS: Six historical exhibitions culled from the SCHS collections. The Syliva Downs Staas Gallery presents paintings and furniture from the 18th - 20th centuries. Permanent exhibitions include “So Ends This Long Journey”, “Early Suffolk Farm Life and The Rise of Crafts”, “Early Suffolk Transport”, “From Near and Far: Ceramics in Suffolk County Households, 1750-1870” and “Arms & Armament”.

The Suffolk County Historical Society is located at 300 West Main St., Riverhead, NY 11901. www.suffolkcountyhistoricalsociety.org.

WATER MILL MUSEUM - WATER MILL, NY

The museum is closed for the season. It will re-open on May 22, 2015. The museum is located at 41 Old Mill Road, Water Mill, NY 11976. www.watermillmuseum.org.

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