# Art Events Not To Miss During Armory Art Week

March 3, 2015 by Pat Rogers

Armory Art Week is designed to put a special focus on the arts during the first week in March. Taking center stage is The Armory Show and the 13 or so satellite art fairs converging on New York City. (Click <u>here</u> to read our Armory Week Art Fair Guide). Meanwhile, the art fairs aren't the only places to find art and crowds. Check out our picks of art events that keep the art excitement going outside of the art fair scene and give Armory Art Week some extra art zing.

## EFA OPEN HOUSE: OPEN STUDIOS, EXHIBITIONS, PRINTMAKING WORKSHOP

#### The Elizabeth Foundation for Arts

323 West 39th Street, New York (between 8th and 9th Avenues). Floors 2 - 10.

The Elizabeth Foundation for the Arts holds an Open House that features Open Studios, Project Space and Printmaking Tours and Exhibition Receptions. There are over 60 artist studios that are opening for the event with Exhibitions Opening at the EFA Project Space and EFA's Robert Blackburn Printmaking Workshop.

EFA Studios Member Artists work in a wide range of media and artistic sensibilities, creating a vibrant and diverse community. Open Studios takes place from 5 to p.m. on Floors 2 – 10. Included on the rooster is Susan Vecsey, Maggie Simonelli, Eric Brown, Jeanette May, TV Moore, Morgan O'Hara, Thomas Pihl and Shahpour Pouyan.

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"Fire, Pale Blush Caress" by Maggie Simonelli. Encaustic (beeswax), 24 kt. gold leaf, Japanese coral, pigments, Chanel Utopia eyeshadow, and Laura Mercier translucent face powder on birch, 9 inch diameter.

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The Project Space is located on the 2nd Floor and is open for tours from 5 – 9 p.m.. On view is "Double Visions" with work by current SHIFT artist residents. An Opening Reception for "This Color is you" curated by Bill Carroll will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. in Blackburn 20|20 on the 5th floor. An Opening Reception for "Speculum Speculorum – Mirrors of Mirrors" curated by Mary Dinaburg and Howard Rutkowski will be held 6 – 9 p.m. on the 3rd Floor.

EFA Open House: March 3 from 5 to 9 p.m.

The Project Space is open Wednesdays — Saturdays from Noon to 6 p.m.

www.efanyc.org

## **THE ARMORY PARTY 2015**

MoMA, 11 West 53 Street, New York, N.Y.

The party of the week is held tonight (Tuesday, March 3) at MoMA (Museum of Modern Art). The Party kicks off with a VIP hour from 8 to 9 p.m. It then opens up to ticketholders from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Features a live performance by Kelela with a DJ Set by Alexis Taylor (Hot Chip) and special guest DJs Business Class (Lawrence Abu Hamdan), E\*vax (Ratatat) and Ezra Koenig (Vampire Weekend).

The Party also includes the first look at The Armory Show with the Preview beginning at noon. The Armory Show is held March 4 – 8, 2015 at Piers 92 (Modern Section) and 94 (Contemporary Art by Living Artists) on the Hudson River on Twelfth Avenue at 55 Street. The Preview and Party benefits MoMA. Tickets are available online.

**Preview: March 3 from Noon at The Armory Show.** 

Party: March 3 from 8 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. at MoMA.

www.moma.org.

## ON THE EDGE OF FUSION

## **West Harlem Art Fund**

Mist Harlem, 46 West 116th Street between Lenox and 5th Avenue, NYC

The West Harlem Art Fund and Friends are presenting "On the Edge of Fusion" for Armory Arts Week. Starting on Monday (March 2), a digital salon with installations will be held in Harlem at MIST located at 46 West Street, New York, N.Y. Curator-driven, the digital platform allows participants to watching digital art and digitally-based films online from their homes or live from MIST where opinion-sharing is encouraged.

March 2 - 6, 2015 from 6 to 8 p.m.

www.westharlemartfund.wordpress.com

## **HEARTBEAT BY STEREOTANK**

### **Times Square Arts**

Duffy Square, Times Square, NYC

Visit Duffy Square to see HeartBeat, an installation by Brooklyn-based design studio Stereotank. Selected as the 2015 Times Square Valentine Heart, this engagement sculpture consists of a massive heart glowing to the rhythm of a strong, deep and low frequency heartbeat sound and visitors are encouraged to move around and engage with it by playing various percussion instruments. The audience is invited to come together and creatively play, listen, dance and feel the vibrations of the heart while enjoying the warm pulsating light.

For the first week of March, Stereotank transforms Heartbeat into innovative public seating complementing the infamous TKTS red steps. Seating open for the first week of March only. Created in partnership with The Architectural League of New York and the Times Square Alliance.

March 2 - 8, 2015

www.timessquarenyc.org/HeartBeat

## **IPCNY EXHIBITION TOUR & ARTIST TALKS**

#### **International Print Center New York (IPCNY)**

508 West 26th Street, 5th Floor, NYC

International Print Center New York (IPCNY) presents Artist Talks and a tour of 50/50: New Prints 2015/Winter. The exhibition consists of 50 prints by 34 artists, representing a variety of printmaking techniques, such as relief, silkscreen, lithography, and intaglio. Opening IPCNY's 15th Anniversary year, 50/50 is the 50th in this unique exhibition series. Artist Talks will be given by Evan Bellantone, Mary Lynn Blasutta, and Jennifer Marshall. Mountain Views: Swiss Travel Posters from the Dana/Spencer Collection will also be on view in our Project Space, featuring Swiss lithographs from the 1930's/40's.

March 5 from 5 - 7 p.m.

www.ipcny.org

## **RACHEL MASON: THE LIVES OF HAMILTON FISH**

#### Art in General at ROOT Studios

ROOT Studios, 443 West 18th Street, NYC

A cinematic performance based on figures who lived in New York State during the Great Depression. A serial killer and a statesman—both named Hamilton Fish—die one day apart.

Hamilton Fish II is a descendant of one of the most prominent families on the east coast, and Hamilton "Albert" Fish is a psychopath and notorious murderer. A newspaper editor, played by Mason in drag, becomes obsessed with this coincidence after publishing their simultaneous obituaries on his front page. Through original songs performed live, a surreal tale unfolds where supernatural events and historic facts merge in a wild, musical journey.

March 6: 7 - 9 p.m.

Additional Performance: March 7th: 7 - 9 p.m. RSVP to <a href="mailto:lindsey@artingeneral.org">lindsey@artingeneral.org</a>.

www.artingeneral.org

## DIRECTOR'S TOUR of Public Sculpture Exhibition "EAF14"

### **Socrates Sculpture Park**

Socrates Sculpture Park, 32-01 Vernon Blvd, Long Island City, NYC

Join Socrates Sculpture Park's Executive Director for the final tour of "EAF14" before the exhibition closes in March. "EAF14," the Emerging Artist Fellowship Exhibition, is a cornerstone of the park's visual arts programming and widely acclaimed for the ambition, breadth, and innovation of the works on view. "EAF14" is a survey of the compelling and diverse state of sculpture today, featuring 15 artists: Matt Callinan, Jordan Griska, Meredith James, Fitzhugh Karol, Lilian Kreutzberger, Zaq Landsberg, Heidi Lau, Amanda Long, Christopher Mahonski, Kimberly Mayhorn, Eto Otitigbe, Brie Ruais, Edward Schexnayder, David J. Wilson, and Dane R. Winkler. Hot beverages served.

March 6: 5 - 7 p.m.

www.socratessculpturepark.org

Email <a href="mailto:rsvp@socratessculpturepark.org">rsvp@socratessculpturepark.org</a> by March 4th.

## **PSYCHLOTRON**

#### **Whitebox Art Center**

Whitebox Art Center, 329 Broome Street #1, NYC

Whitebox Art Center and curator Lara Pan are presenting the interdisciplinary art and performance event "PSYCHLOTRON" conceived by artist John Bonafede. Based in NYC, Psychlotron\* is an .

Inspired by a term coined by Timothy Leary in the 1960s. Leary assimilated the term from the field of subatomic physics, in particular the spiral of magnets that align atoms before they are smashed together in a particle collider. That spiral of magnets is known as a cyclotron. The colliding particles in Leary's social experimentation are the humans present. The concept is that psyches "smash" together in a creative context wherein unknown outcomes arise in an autonomous space.

"PYSCHOLOTRON" brings forward the concept into what's bound to be an unusual and trippy art performance.

March 7: 6 - 11 p.m.

www.whiteboxnyc.org

Whitebox Art Center is open Monday - Sunday from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

# OPEN STUDIO EVENT: ANDERS KRISÁR, MATTHIAS VAN ARKEL & CAJSA VON ZEIPEL

#### **OPEN STUDIOS at 255 CANAL**

255 Canal Street, NYC

The Swedish Consulate is supporting an Open Studio Event at 255 Canal Street in Chinatown featuring Swedish artists Anders Krisár, Matthias van Arkel and Cajsa von Zeipel. Refreshments served from 4 to 6 p.m.

March 7: 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Open Studios with Reception from 4 to 6 p.m.

www.swedenabroad.com

# WALTER DE MARIA'S THE NEW YORK EARTH ROOM AND THE BROKEN KILOMETER

#### **Dia Art Foundation**

The New York Earth Room, 141 Wooster Street, New YorkThe Broken Kilometer, 393 West Broadway, NYC

Visit Walter De Maria's The New York Earth Room and The Broken Kilometer. In celebration of The Armory Show's Soho Night, The New York Earth Room and The Broken Kilometer will stay open until 7pm on March 7, 2014. Please note that the center will be closed from 3-3:30pm on Saturday.

The New York Earth Room, 1977, is an interior earth sculpture. It is the third and only existing Earth Room sculpture executed by the artist. The other two were installed in Germany in 1968 and 1974. The Broken Kilometer, 1979, is composed of 500 highly polished, round, solid brass rods, each measuring two meters in length and five centimeters in diameter. The 500 rods are placed in five parallel rows of 100 rods each. This work is the companion piece to De Maria's 1977 Vertical Earth Kilometer at Kassel, Germany.

www.diaart.org

March 6 - 9: 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

BASIC FACTS: Armory Art Week takes place from March 3 – 8, 2015 and includes special art

events and exhibitions, The Armory Art Show and additional art fairs taking place across New York

City.

The Armory Show takes place from March 5 to 8 at Piers 92 and 94, 711 12th Avenue, New York, NY 10019. <a href="https://www.thearmoryshow.com">www.thearmoryshow.com</a>. To read our Armory Week Art Fair Guide, click here.

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