



5 NYC Things To Do Through February 29, 2016

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Searching for things to do in New York City? Here are our picks for five art and culture events taking place through February 29, 2016. Included on our list are a piano performance, artists painting live, art and artist talks, dance and more.

1. Sarah Cahill Performs Mamoru Fujieda's "Patterns of Plants" at the Noguchi Museum

Pianist Sarah Cahill will perform "Patterns of Plants" on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at 10 a.m. and Sunday, February 28, 2016 at 6 p.m. at the Noguchi Museum in Long Island City. Mamoru Fujieda's cycle of short pieces, "Patterns of Plants" represents a fusion of nature and technology. To create the piece, Fujieda measured the electrical impulses on the leaves of plants using the "Plantron," a device created by botanist & artist Yuji Dogane. He then converted the data into sound with Max, a visual programming language. Finally, he identified musical patterns within the sound and used them as the basis for "Patterns of Plants." In 2014, Sarah Cahill made the first solo piano recording of "Patterns of Plants" to be available outside of Japan.

The event is free with museum admission. The Noguchi Museum is located at 9-01 33rd Road, Long Island City, NY 11106. www.noguchi.org.

Click [here](#) for event details.

2. "Your Life in Logotype" with Stephen Powers at the Brooklyn Museum

"Your Life in Logotype" with Stephen Powers takes place on Thursday, February 25, 2016 at 7 p.m. at the Brooklyn Museum. Visitors are invited to watch as artist Stephen Powers and friends paint live. Attendees can contribute their ideas for a chance to have them included on one of Powers' canvases. Powers' favorite music will be provided by DJ Ayres. Attendees can arrive early at 6:30 p.m. for a tour of the exhibition "Coney Island Is Still Dreamland (To a Seagull)" with Powers and Sharon Matt Atkins, Vice Director, Exhibitions and Collections Management at the Brooklyn Museum.

Admission is free. The Brooklyn Museum is located at 200 Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn, New York 11238. www.brooklynmuseum.org.

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“Stephen Powers: Coney Island Is Still Dreamland (To a Seagull) (detail),”
by Steven Powers, 2015. Photo: Jonathan Dorado, Brooklyn Museum.

3. Conversation with Zhang Hongtu and Robert Lee at the Queens Museum

A Conversation with artist Zhang Hongtu and Executive Director & Curator of Asian American Arts Centre Robert Lee takes place on Sunday, February 28, 2016 from 2 to 4 p.m. The program is presented in conjunction with “Zhang Hongtu” at the Queens Museum, the first U.S. survey of Hontu’s work. The exhibition includes pieces from the late 1950s to the present, chronicling Zhang’s work from his early days in China, to his pursuit of artistic freedom in the West. Zhang has spent the past fifty years expanding the ways in which viewers perceive the world around them while juxtaposing artistic and cultural elements of the East and West.

The event is free with museum admission. The Queens Museum is located at the New York City Building, Flushing Meadows Corona Park, Queens, NY 11368. www.queensmuseum.org.

Click [here](#) for event details.

4. “Unorthodox: On Museums” Talk at The Jewish Museum

A Talk titled “Unorthodox: On Museums” takes place on Sunday, February 28, 2016 from 2 to 6:30 p.m. at The Jewish Museum. International and local curators will discuss the unconventional and nonconformist approaches to programming at their various institutions in a half-day symposium. The talk is presented in collaboration with the Program in Museum Studies, New York University.

[Admission](#) is \$12, \$8 for students, seniors and members. The Jewish Museum is located at 1109 5th Ave at 92nd St, New York, NY 10128. www.thejewishmuseum.org.

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5. Shen Wei Dance Arts at the Guggenheim

Shen Wei Dance Arts performs on Sunday and Monday, February 28 & 29, 2016, at 7:30 p.m. Shen Wei Dance Arts celebrates its 15th-anniversary season with a program that illuminates the synergy

between choreographer, visual artist and director Shen Wei's visual and choreographic creations. Selections from his dances—*Connect Transfer*, *Collective Measures*, and a new work commissioned by BAM will be performed. A discussion moderated by Guggenheim curator Alexandra Munroe follows.

[Tickets](#) are \$40, \$35 for members and Friends of the "Works & Process" series at the Guggenheim. The Guggenheim is located at 1071 5th Ave, New York, NY 10128. www.guggenheim.org.

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Shen Wei Dance Arts. Photo: David Massio Studio

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