



Museum Look - April 2016 on Long Island

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Art museums on Long Island continue to thrive in April. Opening this month is “Poison Play” at the Islip Art Museum, a group exhibition examining the toxic environmental side effects of consumer culture. Guild Hall’s 78th Annual Artist Members Exhibition opens towards the end of the month and remains on view through June. For information on the open call and juried exhibition and how to submit, click [here](#). Also opening are oversized historic photographs of Long Island from the Suffolk County Historical Society’s collection. Read on to discover new and continuing museum exhibitions on view on Long Island in April.

DAN FLAVIN ART INSTITUTE - BRIDGEHAMPTON, NY

“DAN FLAVIN: ICONS” continues through April 30, 2017. The five wall-mounted “icons” on view in the exhibition bridge the mediums of painting and sculpture. The box-like constructions with painted surfaces and attached light fixtures were created between 1961 and 1964. Click [here](#) for details on the exhibition.

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.

GUILD HALL MUSEUM - EAST HAMPTON, NY

“78th ANNUAL ARTIST MEMBERS EXHIBITION” opens on April 23 and continues through June 4. An Opening Reception will be held on April 23 from 4 to 6 p.m. The show is the oldest non-juried museum exhibition on Long Island and one of the few non-juried exhibitions still offered.

RELATED: [“Artist Entries Now Open for Guild Hall’s Artist Members Exhibition”](#).

[Guild Hall](#) is located at 158 Main Street, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.guildhall.org.

HECKSCHER MUSEUM OF ART - HUNTINGTON, NY

“LONG ISLAND’S BEST: YOUNG ARTISTS AT THE HECKSCHER MUSEUM 2016” opens on April 9 and continues through May 15, 2016. An Opening Reception and Awards Ceremony takes place on April 16 at 5:30 p.m. The exhibition features approximately 80 young artists from grades 9 through 12 in Long Island schools.

[The Heckscher Museum of Art](http://www.heckscher.org) is located at 2 Prime Avenue, Huntington, NY 11743. www.heckscher.org.

HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY MUSEUM - HEMPSTEAD, NY

“IN PRINT” continues through September 18, 2016 in the David Filderman Gallery. The exhibition presents works made with a variety of printmaking processes such as relief, intaglio, planographic, and stencil. Works are drawn from the museum’s collections and date from the late 16th to the 21st century.

“AFRICA: SUB-SAHARAN DIVERSITY” continues through August 12, 2016 in the Emily Lowe Gallery. Drawn exclusively from the Museum’s Collections, the exhibition presents art and artifacts from cultures across West and Central Africa. Masks, weapons, sculptures, and jewelry will be on view.



Democratic Republic of the Congo, Kuba peoples, Helmet Mask (Bwoom), 19th-20th Century, Hofstra University Museum Collections, Gift of Mr. and Mrs. Sol Levitt.

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

“POISON PLAY” opens on April 10 and continues through June 5, 2016. An Opening Reception takes place on April 24 from 1 to 4 p.m. Artists on view include [Margaret DeLima](#), [Scott McIntire](#), John Sabraw and [Anne Seelbach](#). The exhibition explores our carbon footprint, the abuse of natural resources and works born from destruction. Curated by Beth Giacummo.

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



“Power Pole #37.5” by Scott McIntire. Enamel on canvas, 18 x 24 inches.

LONG ISLAND MUSEUM - STONY BROOK, NY

“THE BRUSH IS MY PEN: ART THAT TELLS STORIES” continues through July 30, 2016. The exhibition explores American art in the narrative tradition, from the 1820s through today. 18 paintings, prints, and photographs chosen primarily from the Long Island Museum’s permanent collection will be on view.

“MORT KÜNSTLER: THE ART OF ADVENTURE” continues through May 30, 2016. The features nearly 100 original artworks and ephemera by illustrator Mort Künstler. Künstler is known for his romance, adventure, and sporting illustrations as well as American Civil War and historical paintings.

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

“KENNY SCHARF” continues through July 10, 2016. A major player in the 1980s NYC street art movement, Kenny Scharf is recognized by his vibrant, large-scale paintings and playful installations. His imagery draws upon pop icons, advertising and consumer culture of the 1960s, including TV cartoon characters. The exhibition includes approximately 50 major paintings and sculptures from throughout the artist’s career. Also on view are installations taken directly from the artist’s former Brooklyn studio and loft space as a recreation of the artist’s workspace.

RELATED: [“Kenny Scharf & ’80s Street Art Opens at Nassau County Museum of Art”](#) by Pat Rogers.



“Pink Frosted Cruller in Outer Space” by Kenny Scharf, 2010. Oil on linen, 24 x 24 inches. Private collection.

“JOSEF ALBERS: FORMULATION: ARTICULATION” continues through July 10, 2016. On view will be Albers silkscreens from his “Formulation:Articulation” portfolio spanning 40 years. Works in the portfolio explore themes such as perception of color and spatial geometry.

[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

“PARRISH PERSPECTIVES: CONNIE FOX: SELF AS...” continues through April 24, 2016. The exhibition includes self-portraits drawn by Connie Fox inspired by the self-portraits of artist Max Beckmann and the photographs of writer Colette. Parrish Perspectives is a series of exhibitions in which the museum responds spontaneously to unique ways of thinking about art and the creative process.

“PARRISH PERSPECTIVES: BRIAN GAMAN: VANISHING POINT” continues through April 24, 2016. The exhibition features Gaman’s ambiguous sculptures and enigmatic large-scale works on paper. Gaman’s work employs a visual language that is unknowable and captivating and makes use of the simplest of visual gestures.

“PARRISH PERSPECTIVES: LINDSAY MORRIS: YOU ARE YOU” continues through April 24, 2016. Since 2007 Morris has been documenting a summer camp for gender-nonconforming children and their families. On view are a selection of photographs from the resulting body of work.

Exhibitions from the museum’s permanent collection continue through October 30, 2016: “Inscape—The Inner Nature Of Things”; “American Views”; “James Brooks: Process of Discovery”; “Connections and Context”; “Collective Conversation”; “Home Sweet Home”; “Picturing Artists”; “Jean-Luc Mylayne” and “Close to Home”.

RELATED: [“The Parrish Opens a Trio of Artist ‘Perspectives’”](#) by Pat Rogers.

[The Parrish Art Museum](#) is located at 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill, NY 11976. www.parrishart.org.

SOUTHAMPTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM & RESEARCH CENTER - SOUTHAMPTON, NY

“SOUTHAMPTON UNDER SIEGE: THE BRITISH OCCUPATION OF SOUTHAMPTON DURING THE REVOLUTIONARY WAR” continues through December 31, 2016. The exhibition makes use of a timeline, maps, period rooms, artifacts, video, and a catalog to bring attention to the men, women, and children who lived in an isolated and occupied village from 1776 until the end of the revolutionary war.

The Southampton Historical Museum & Research Center’s main campus is located at 17 Meeting House Lane, Southampton, NY 11968. www.southamptonhistoricalmuseum.org.

SOUTHOLD HISTORICAL SOCIETY - SOUTHOLD, NY

"IMAGES OF NEW YORK, 1912-1964" opens on April 16 and continues through June 24, 2016 in the Reichert Family Center. Photographs of New York City over a span of over 50 years by Charles Henry Meredith and William Steeple Davis will be on view.

The Reichert Family Center and Cosden Price Gallery is located at 54127 Main Road, Southold, NY 11971. The Ann Currie-Bell House is located at 55200 Main Road, Southold, NY 11971. www.southoldhistoricalsociety.org.

SUFFOLK COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY - RIVERHEAD, NY

"FULLERTON'S LONG ISLAND: THE LURE OF THE LAND" opens on April 6 and continues through December 23, 2016. An Opening Reception takes place on April 9 at 1 p.m. The exhibition will feature over 70 large-sized historic photographs from the museum's Hal B. Fullerton Collection. Curated by Neil Scholl and Peter Dicke.

"WHEN THE BROADBILL WAS KING ON GREAT SOUTH BAY" continues through August 27, 2016. An Opening Reception will be held on March 12 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. The exhibition highlights local families, maritime history, folk art, and bay ecology. Presented by the Long Island Decoy Collectors Assoc., the show will feature decoys, a scooter boat, a documentary, historic photos of the Great South Bay rigs, and artwork and photography by Steven Sanford.

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](http://www.suffolkcountyhistoricalsociety.org) is located at 300 West Main St., Riverhead, NY 11901. www.suffolkcountyhistoricalsociety.org.

BASIC FACTS: The Museum Look, a round-up of art exhibitions at museums on Long Island, is published monthly at HamptonsArtHub.com. For a list of museums exhibiting art on Long Island, New York City and South Florida, visit our Museum Guide by clicking [here](#).

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