



Museum Look - May 2016 on Long Island

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Long Island Museums enliven in May as the East End season begins. Seasonal museums also begin opening for 2016, bringing even more art exhibitions presented at Long Island museums. Be sure not to miss the Parrish Art Museum's multifaceted "[Radical Seafaring](#)" exhibition, opening on May 8, 2016, or Guild Hall's Annual [Artist Members Exhibition](#), on view through June 4, 2016. Other highlights include an exhibition of illusionary painter Gary Erbe's work opening at the [Heckscher Museum of Art](#) and a Philip Pavia sculpture and drawing show at the Pollock-Krasner House. Read on to discover new and continuing exhibitions on view in May at art and historical museums on Long Island.

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.

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" continues through June 4. The show is the oldest non-juried museum exhibition on Long Island and one of the few non-juried exhibitions still offered.

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



“United Nations | Skyline” by Mike McLaughlin.
Photography, 20 x 16 x 1 inches.

HECKSCHER MUSEUM OF ART - HUNTINGTON, NY

“LONG ISLAND’S BEST: YOUNG ARTISTS AT THE HECKSCHER MUSEUM 2016” continues through May 15, 2016. The exhibition features approximately 80 young artists from grades 9 through 12 in Long Island schools.

“MASTER OF ILLUSION: THE MAGICAL ART OF GARY ERBE” opens on May 21, 2016 and continues through August 28, 2016.

This exhibition traces the career of artist [Gary Erbe](#) from his early troupe l’oeil works to his recent paintings combining realism with modernist tendencies, including works that focus on objects arranged to emphasize composition, form and structure. Erbe’s surreal works are inspired by popular culture, including nostalgic childhood pastimes, 1950s radio and television, American history, contemporary social issues and more.

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



“The Big Splash” by Gary Erbe, 2001. Oil on canvas, 40 x 50 inches. Lent by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cusenza.

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.

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" continues through June 5, 2016. 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.

LONGHOUSE RESERVE - EAST HAMPTON, NY

LongHouse Reserve opened for the season on April 30. On view is the design exhibition "Master Works" featuring a mix of furnishings and "art-in-craft media". Twelve new sited sculptures join the LongHouse Reserve cultivated grounds and gardens for the season. Click [here](#) to discover the new sculpture on view.

[LongHouse Reserve](#) is located at 133 Hands Creek Rd, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.longhouse.org.

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.

"COMMON GROUND: THE MUSIC FESTIVAL EXPERIENCE" opens on May 20, 2016 and continues through September 5, 2016. The exhibition is curated by the Rock and Roll Hall of Fame and explores the appeal and influence of music festivals on our society.

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.

"JOSEF ALBERS: FORMULATION: ARTICULATION" continues through July 10, 2016. On view will be [Josef 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

"RADICAL SEAFARING" opens on May 8, 2016 and continues through July 24, 2016. A Member's Reception takes place on May 8 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. "Radical Seafaring" is a multidisciplinary exhibition, publication, and program initiative that will include two-dimensional works, sculptural objects, vessels, models, film and video, off-site commissions, and boat trips around East End waterways. Under the direction of Andrea Grover, the show will feature 25 artists showing works ranging from artist-made seafaring vessels, documentation of past expeditions, designs exploring alternative communities on the water and more.

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



"After the Battle of Brooklyn" by Duke Riley, 2007. Courtesy the artist and Magnan Metz Gallery. Photo: Damon Winter.

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

"PHILIP PAVIA: SCULPTURE AND DRAWINGS" opens on May 4, 2016 and continues through July 30, 2016. The exhibition includes a selection of drawings and stone sculptures by [Philip Pavia](#) (1911-2005). The show focuses on the 1960s, when Pavia began working in marble, treating blocks of stone as collage elements to create various colors and textures culminating in "scatter sculptures." Drawings on view represent "thought-forms" that helped Pavia visualize ideas for

sculptures.

The [Pollock-Krasner House and Study Center](http://www.sb.cc.stonybrook.edu/pkhouse) is located at 830 Springs-Fireplace Road, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.sb.cc.stonybrook.edu/pkhouse.

SAG HARBOR WHALING & HISTORICAL MUSEUM - SAG HARBOR, NY

“CUBA! AN EXHIBITION OF ART AND PHOTOGRAPHY BY PIERSON HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS” opens on May 7, 2016 and continues through May 15, 2016. An Opening Reception takes place on May 7 from 6 to 8 p.m. A Panel Discussion takes place on May 7 from 4 to 5:30 p.m. The exhibition features journal entries, photography and visual art created by 26 high-school students in response to their recent visit to Cuba after the easing of traveling restrictions to the country.

“EVERY VILLAGE HAS A STORY: PLACES” opens on May 27, 2016 with an Opening Reception from 6 to 8 p.m. In this exhibition curated by Elise Goodheart, nine local artists were invited to explore the roots of Sag Harbor’s past through it’s buildings and “places.” Artists on view include [Reynold Ruffins](#), [John Capello](#), Paul Davis, [Erica Lynn Huberty](#), [Joan Tripp](#), Scott Sandell, Peter Solow, [Carolyn Conrad](#), Michael Butler.

The [Sag Harbor Whaling and Historical Museum](http://www.sagharborwhalingmuseum.org) is located at 200 Main Street, Sag Harbor, NY 11963. www.sagharborwhalingmuseum.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.

“BEACH LIGHT: PAINTINGS BY EILEEN DAWN SKRETCH” opens May 20, 2016 and continues through October 22, 2016. The exhibition features seaside paintings of the flat, open spaces of the East End by artist [Eileen Dawn Skretch](#).

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” 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” continues through December 23, 2016. 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. 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 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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