DUMBO Open Studios Enlivens Brooklyn This Weekend

April 25, 2019 by Pat Rogers

DUMBO Open Studios takes place this weekend, April 27 and 28, 2019, in the DUMBO and Vinegar Hill neighborhoods of Brooklyn. In addition to artist studios, residency programs open their doors to visitors and galleries stay open late. Visitors are welcome to browse and explore from 1 to 6 p.m. each day. The event is presented by Art in DUMBO.

The heart of DUMBO Open Studios is the ability to drop into artist studios and discover what each artist is up to. This year's Open Studios features around 98 artists. The full list (as well as one piece representing their art practice) can be found by visiting <u>www.dumboopenstudios.com</u>.

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DUMBO Open Studios, 2018. Photo: Giles Ashford. Courtesy of DUMBO Open Studios.

Participating artist residency programs for the 2019 event are are Sharpe-Walentas Studio Program, Triangle Arts Association and Smack Mellon Artist Studio Program.

Participating galleries include A.I.R. Gallery, Art in General, Center for Cuban Studies, Gallery 55, GAIA, Janet Borden, Inc., Klompching Gallery, Main Window, Minus Space, Platform Project Space United Photo Industries, UsagiNY. <u>Click here</u> for a list of shows currently on view at all.

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Studios opening their doors for the weekend range from artists who have worked in DUMBO for decades to recent arrivals participating in one of the neighborhood's numerous artist residency programs.

"There is so much talent in this neighborhood," lexandria Sica, Executive Director of DUMBO Improvement District, stated. "Come find a new favorite artist and see it all for yourself! DUMBO Open Studios gives you easy access and a rare glimpse into legendary artist spaces in the neighborhood."

Studio highlights include Adam Liam Rose, Arash Fewzee, Cey Adams, Cheryl Wing-Zi Wong, Etty Yaniv, Felicita Maynard, Heather Hunt, Jeanine Oleson, Jessica Segall, Julie Curtiss, Kameelah Janan Rasheed, Noah Lyon, Peter Drake, Ronny Quevedo, Sharon Butler and others, according to event organizers.

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"We are thrilled to have the artists of DUMBO open their doors again and share the work they are creating in the neighborhood," Kate Gavriel, Cultural Affairs Director at Two Trees, stated. "There is a diverse set of artists, galleries and cultural institutions that call DUMBO their open and we are happy to celebrate them with DUMBO Open Studios."

DUMBO is a Brooklyn neighborhood located between the Brooklyn and Manhattan Bridges and is a long-standing epicenter of creativity. In the 1970's, industry along the waterfront gave way to converted buildings occupied by artists. Former warehouses now house artist residencies and arts organizations creating a vibrant area of artists, organizations and contemporary art galleries.

Tension" by Jamie Martinez, 2019. Martinez is one of the artists opening his studio for DUMBO Open Studios 2019. Courtesy of DUMBO Open Studios.

Participating Artist Residencies for DUMBO Open Studios 2019 are as follows:

Art In General Residency Program (20 Jay Street, Suite 309A)

Featured Artists: Arash Fewzee, Anaïs Castro

Sharpe-Walentas Studio Program, (20 Jay Street, Suite 720)

Featured Artists: Alejandro Guzman, Allison Gildersleeve, Ana Wieder-Blank, Carrie Elston Tunick, Derek Weisberg, Erick Hernandez, Heather Hart, James Biederman, Jennifer Coates, Julie Curtiss, Kimo Nelson, Lee Relvas, Louis Fratino, Lumin Wakoa, Sacha Ingber, Sun You and Tracy Thomason.

Smack Mellon, (92 Plymouth Street)

Featured Artists: Beatice Glow, Felicita Maynard, Jia Sung, Priyanka Dasgupta & Chad Marshall, Rebecca Shapass and Ronny Queveda.

Triangle Arts Association, (20 Jay Street, Suite 317)

Featured Artists: Adam Liam Rose, Aliza Shvarts and Emanuel Almborg, Barbara Byrd, Kameelah Janan Rasheed and Ping Sheng Wu.

A map spotlighting the residency programs, galleries and participating artists can be found by visiting <u>www.dumboopenstudios.com</u>.

DUMBO Open Studios is a project of Art in DUMBO, a resource that provides information about art events, happenings, galleries, residency programs in DUMBO, Brooklyn.

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BASIC FACTS: DUMBO Open Studios 2019 takes place from April 27 – 28, 2019. Artist studios, residency programs and galleries are all open from 1 to 6 p.m. For information, visit <u>www.artindumbo.com</u>.

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