



Top Things to Do Memorial Day Weekend 2019 in The Hamptons

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Memorial Day Weekend is choked full of events and things to do to welcome the first blush of summer in The Hamptons. Expect to find a benefit gala, theater, live music, special events, artist presentations and more. Read on for our picks of the best ways to spend the holiday weekend “out east.” Looking for receptions at galleries on the East End? [Click here](#) for our list of options.

1. Noël Coward’s “Private Lives” Opens in Quogue

Hampton Theatre Company (HTC) welcomes summer with a performance of Noël Coward’s “Private Lives” with performances **Thursday through Sunday**. Opening on Thursday, May 23, 2019, at the Quogue Community Hall in Quogue, Coward’s effervescent 1930s comedy “Private Lives” is considered to be his masterpiece. **Performances are at 7 p.m. on Thursdays and Fridays; 8 p.m. on Saturdays and 2:30 p.m. on Sundays.**

“Private Lives” takes a side-splitting look at the volatile chemistry that can draw couples together or split them apart. Sparkling with wit and wisdom, the play opens with once-married Elyot and Amanda now honeymooning at the same hotel with their new spouses. When their paths cross, the old spark is reignited and the two impulsively run away to Paris, only to wonder a few days later whether love, jealousy or anger is the hotter passion.

Performances run through June 9, 2019. Tickets are \$30 for Adults; \$25 for seniors 65 years and older (excluding Saturday night performances); \$20 for those under 35 years, theater industry members and veterans; and \$10 for students under 21 years old. Group discounts are available. [Click here](#) to purchase.

For a preview, read “[Hamptons Theatre Company Welcomes Summer with Noël Coward Masterpiece ‘Private Lives’](#)”



Rebecca Edana, Andrew Botsford, Rosemary Cline, Matthew Conlon in rehearsal for “Private Lives” performed May 23 – June 9, 2019 at Hampton Theatre Company in Quogue, NY. Courtesy HTC.

2. Parrish Exhibiting Photographer Talk & Book Signing

Parrish Art Museum collection artist and current solo exhibition photographer Renate Aller will discuss her recent, fully illustrated monograph “Mountain Interval” with Museum Director Terrie Sultan on **Friday, May 24, 2019 at 6 p.m.** at the museum.

Following the talk, Aller will sign copies of her book which features 61 images from the series that capture majestic mountain ranges in Alaska, Switzerland, Italy, and Nepal along with an essay by Sultan. Photographs from “Mountain Interval” are on view through July 28, 2019 as part of the artist’s exhibition “Renate Aller: The Space Between Memory and Expectation” and as part of Parrish Perspectives—a series of concentrated exhibitions that offers the Museum opportunities to respond spontaneously and directly to unique ways of thinking about art, artists, and the creative process.

Admission is free for museum members and \$12 for non-members. Click [here](#) to reserve. The Parrish Art Museum is located at 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill, NY 11976. www.parrishart.org.

Click [here](#) for event details.



“Mountain Interval PLATE 41 #12s, Swiss Alps, April 2016” by Renate Aller, 2016. Courtesy Parrish Art Museum.
Archival pigment print. 60 x 89 inches

3. Benefit Gala in Southampton

Southampton Cultural Center holds its Fourth Annual Gala of Wine & Roses will be held on **Saturday, May 25, 2019, from 6 to 9 p.m.** Click [here](#) to purchase tickets. Proceed benefit the programs of the [Southampton Cultural Center](#).

4. Live a Local Moment - Lighting of the Sag Harbor Cinema Sign

The art deco “Sag Harbor” Cinema sign will be lit for the first time on Saturday, May 25, 2019 at 8 p.m. The sign is being reinstalled for the first time since the 2017 fire that destroyed much of the theater and some of the surrounding buildings. Main Street stores will remain open to welcome visitors after the ceremony. Sag Harbor Cinema is located at 90 Main Street, Sag Harbor, NY 11968. Fundraising continues so the movie theater and new cultural center can open. Click [here](#) for details.

5. Live Music Event Activates Contemporary Art Installation at Guild Hall

A Closing Performance presented by ILLROOTS with exhibiting artist Yung Jake, TisaKorean and special guests takes place **Saturday, May 25, 2019 from 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.** at Guild Hall in gallery where the exhibition is being presented.

The performances celebrate the culmination of the solo exhibition “Yung Jake: cartoons” at Guild Hall. Admission is free by advance registration is required to gain admittance. Email yungjake@nadinejohnson.com. Guild Hall is located at 158 Main Street, East Hampton, NY 11937.

Click [here](#) for exhibition details.

6. Community Mosaic: Street Fair Featuring Chalk Art, Live Music & Crafts

East End Arts holds its signature “Community Mosaic” open air street painting festival on **Sunday, May 26, 2019 from noon to 5 p.m.** Rain date is Monday, May 27, 2019 from noon to 5 p.m. The centerpiece of the 34th Annual Event is chalk art drawings that spring to life by artists of all ages along a stretch of East Main Street in Riverhead with the road as canvas. The family friendly event also includes live music, theater, drumming, dance, art demonstration, performances, an arts and crafts fair and more.

Admission is free. The Community Mosaic takes place along East Main Street in Downtown Riverhead between Roanoke Avenue and East Avenue as well as on the grounds of East End Arts, 141 East Main Street, Riverhead, NY 11901.

7. Curator Talk for AB-EX Solo Show

The Pollock-Krasner House & Study Center hosts a Gallery Talk and Reception for “Joseph Glasco: East End Echoes” presented by Guest Curator Marti Mayo on **Sunday, May 26, 2019 from 5 to 7 p.m.** Free and no reservations required.

Mayo will discuss Joseph Glasco’s life and career and the influences of his art from time spent on the East End, first as a guest of Alfonso Ossorio and Ted Dragon at The Creeks in East Hampton and then with Julian Schnabel and his family in Montauk. The exhibition continues on view through July 27, 2019.

Parking is available at the Springs School with a shuttle available to the museum. Online parking is reserved for the disabled only. The Pollock-Krasner House & Study Center is located at 830 Springs-Fireplace Road, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.stonybrook.edu/pkhouse/

To read a preview and discover more, click: [“Joseph Glasco: East End Echoes” Opens Pollock-Krasner House Exhibition Season”](#)

UPCOMING EXTRAS

Can't make it to The Hamptons for Memorial Day Weekend? Here's a preview of a few events to look forward to in the upcoming week.

Bay Street Theater offers its first production of the 2019 season, the world premiere of the comedy "The Prompter" with a "PAY WHAT YOU CAN PERFORMANCE" on **Tuesday, May 28, 2019 at 7 p.m.** Tickets go up for grabs at 11 a.m. at the Box Office with a limited number available on a first come, first serve basis. Click [here](#) for details on the show. Bay Street Theater is located on the Long Wharf in Sag Harbor, NY.

Artists for Choice Benefit Concert and Art Auction to benefit Planned Parenthood Hudson Peconic kicks off with a Cocktail Party, art preview and Paddle 8 Art Auction on **Saturday, June 2, 2019 from 1 to 6 p.m.** with a Benefit Concert and Auction taking place on **Saturday, June 15, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.** at Guild Hall. Features The Movin' Out Band from the Tony Award winning Billy Joel Musical "Movin' Out."

Tickets are \$100 with Sponsorships beginning at \$500. [Click here](#) so see the art for the Paddle 8 Auction and [Click here](#) to purchase tickets and for information. Click [here](#) for event details.

Looking for gallery receptions and events for Memorial Day Weekend? [Click here](#). Looking for art exhibited across the East End and further afield? Visit our Exhibition Finder by [clicking here](#).

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