

2nd Saturday

ART WALK

June
13
5 to 8 p.m.

ASTORIA — Downtown merchants and galleries will hold Astoria's Second Saturday Art Walk from 5 to 8 p.m. Saturday, June 13. Meet artists and mingle with fellow art lovers while enjoying refreshments and new exhibits.

ART BUSINESSES

1. Imogen Gallery

240 11th St.

Ryan Dobrowski will exhibit a new series of oil paintings and drawings for his first exhibition at Imogen. "On My Own" will include works inspired by his solo bike trek through Iceland. Besides being a talented visual artist, earning his Bachelor of Fine Arts through the University of Oregon, Dobrowski is also the drummer of indie folk pop band Blind Pilot. *Read more on Page 9.*

2. Old Town Framing Company

1287 Commercial St.

Feast your eyes on deliciously detailed, large oil paintings by Rod Nichols. He studied painting and art history at Southern Illinois University and attended New York School of Holography in Manhattan. Locally Nichols is known as a chef and food activist.

Also on local display for the first time are custom Louisville Slugger rocking chairs by Supple Rockers. Talk baseball, and enjoy ballpark fare, such as cold Fort George Brewery beer, hot dogs, peanuts and Cracker Jacks.

The North Coast Food Web will also dish up delectable, edible art and present an inspirational array of food art by local elementary school students. Come by for a bite and an update on NCFW's teaching kitchen.

3. RiverSea Gallery

1160 Commercial St.

Presenting "Expanse," an exhibition of new paintings by Don Gray. Much of the artist's inspiration comes from landscape forms. His gestural, expressive work straddles representation and abstraction, calling forth the sublime from any chosen subject. Raised in rural northeastern Oregon, Gray has had a

See rocking chairs made from Louisville Slugger baseball bats at Old Town Framing.

long career as an artist.

In the Alcove, Portland sculptor Michelle Gallagher presents "Ineffable Tranquility," a series of contemplative Buddhist monks with enigmatic smiles and a grouping of small Jizo figures. Jizo is a bodhisattva who imparts benevolence, determination and optimism, the patron saint of lost causes and guardian of all children.

4. Tempo Gallery

1271 Commercial St.

Tempo Gallery is an artist collective showing paintings, photographs and monotypes by five local artists: Vicki Baker, Edward Peterson, Thron Riggs, Carol Smith and Phyllis Taylor. In the spring of 2012, the Astoria Music Festival invited 10 artists who were involved



A piece from Sid Deluca's "The Car Show" at KALA.

with the festival to hang their art in the festival's office. The artist collective grew and became Festival Artists, and later renamed Tempo Art Gallery.

5. KALA

1017 Marine Drive

KALA presents Astoria-based collage artist Sid Deluca in "The Car Show." Deluca was heavily influenced by juxtaposition at the age of 7 when he visited

the New York World's Fair and rode on Ford Motor Company's Magic Skyway. One would sit in a convertible car and be transported through a diorama of prehistoric life. Riding through a jungle of dinosaurs in a Thunderbird convertible left a lasting impression on him, and he's been viewing the world through an absurdist's eye ever since. Through the process of archival ink jet printing on cotton rag, (known as the giclée

print process) Deluca's collages meld together in painterly fashion, producing evocative mash-ups that instantly ignite a psychological response in the viewer.

6. Ratz & Company

260 10th St.

Showcasing the artwork and illustrations of owner Dave McMacken,

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Bracelets by Brigitte Willse at the Astoria Art Loft.



A beaded work by Zemula Fleming at Forsythea.



"Tranquil Figure" by Michelle Gallagher at RiverSea Gallery.