

Discover heart of art, antiques on peninsula

Ocean Park to host second Art and Antiques Walk at area studios, galleries

OCEAN PARK, Wash. — Ocean Park has been hiding a secret, but the time to share is at hand: Art and antiques abound in this seaside town. You are invited to discover the artist studios, galleries and antique shops nestled between the beauty of the sea and bay and to experience all they have to share.

Art demonstrations, fine jewelry appraisals, emerging collections, a casual photo contest and conversations with artists as they work are just a few of the exciting options available during the upcoming second Ocean Park Art and Antiques Walk. Held from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19, the walk is free to all with maps at walk locations, posted around town and on Facebook.

Although most stops are on Bay Avenue, two studios are located north, a short jog off Vernon Avenue. Naquaiya Studio, at 1609 273rd Place, hosts two artists: Michele Naquaiya and Barbara Weich. The art is not limited to the walls and shelves of the

studio. Look everywhere inside and outside, and you will see the results of artistic hands at work.

Weich has been painting in oils and has continued her popular teapot series.

“She is also continuing to frame her art in unique hand-hewn rough wood for a truly signature look,” Naquaiya said. “I’m drawing in scratchboard and pen and ink while designing a coloring book (coming soon), and with cooler weather coming on, knitting more hats and scarves for the holidays. We are adding prints and cards.”

Bette Lu Krause also has a studio located off Vernon Avenue, but it will not be open for the tour on Sept. 19. Instead, Krause has opted to fill a corner of Bay Ave Gallery with her paintings, prints, cards and tiles. Nature, colors and landscapes influence this artist.

Bay Avenue Gallery, located at 1406 Bay Ave., will host Westport artist Barbara Sampson during the tour and is also offering a watercolor class by Samp-



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Beach Home Old and New hosts a photo contest the day of the art walk. Here is a sample of an informal “Clothesline Photo Show.”

son on Sept. 26. The bustling studio workshop has a long list of class choices and the gallery space is filled with color, texture, light and art from a large and diverse group of artists. Owner Sue Raymond is known for her charming clay creatures.

Ever wonder what that beautiful bracelet from Aunt Nellie might be worth? At Forgotten Treasures, Antiques and Collectibles, located at 1904 Bay Ave., you might just find out. Vince and Alissa Stevens have invited a jewelry expert to be there during the walk to offer free fine jewelry appraisals.

Ocean Park Art and Antiques Walk

10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 19
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facebook.com/opartandantiques

Multiple locations
Ocean Park, Wash.
Free

Close to 30 antique and collectible aficionados have booths at the mall. Fine antiques share space with the clunky, and fun retro finds are tucked here and there. Great bargains can be found in the tent, just be prepared

to dig a little.

When asked who she creates her jewelry for, Debbie Haugsten immediately answered, “It’s always me.” Using vintage buttons from her large collection, Haugsten’s bold and chattering bracelets cemented her early success. Steampunk-inspired pendants, made from bits and pieces of old clocks, charms and old jewelry followed. Moving toward a new style of necklace, she is experimenting with curious juxtapositions of rhinestones, metals, shapes and colors that not only create the pendant, but also create the chain.

Hosted by Beach Home Old and New, located at 2311 Bay Ave., Haugsten’s customer profile description fits in perfectly with shop keeper Bonnie Lou Cozby’s philosophy of, “If I don’t love it, it’s not here.” Most of Cozby’s customers also know that parting with well-loved items can be a bit bittersweet for her as well. Eclectic old and new décor mixes in with her and husband Charlie’s photography. For the Sept. 19 event, people are invited to participate in a casual photo contest hosted by Beach Home.

“We’ll register you, give you a photo press pass, and set you out to take the best shots at any of the walk locations. The next



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An oil painting of a teapot by Barbara Weich, one of a series at Naquaiya Studio.



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“Bumblebee,” a watercolor by Michele Naquaiya.

weekend, on the morning of Sept. 26, bring 4-incy-by-6-inch prints of your top three shots back to the barn to be hung for display, clothesline style. People can vote all day with the winner announced at 4 p.m.” said Cozby. “Simple and fun, no cost and of course a prize. Just register first.”

Weir Studios, at 2217 Bay Ave., is housed in an old boat barn. This is where artists Andrea and Sven Weir hang their collective creative hats. For the upcoming tour, the studio will be hosted by artist Rose Power. Power is known for her warm and fuzzie knitted scarves, headbands, gloves and more, her copper sheet mobile creations, her wit and charm. Andrea Weir has been doing a series of smaller-sized landscape paintings, and they will be on hand along with the glass, bead and jewelry she and her husband are known for.

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