

# 2nd Saturday

## ART WALK

March  
**12**  
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, March 12. Meet artists and mingle with fellow art lovers while enjoying refreshments and new exhibits.

### ART BUSINESSES

#### 1. Imogen Gallery

240 11th St.

Seattle artist Lisa Snow Lady brings a fresh collection of paintings for her first solo exhibition at Imogen. Like most of us who live in a coastal region, Snow Lady is interested and inspired by the views that come with proximity to water. Her work, largely inspired by living near water, focuses on exterior and interior structure and the views. Working primarily in acrylic, she portrays dwellings with a sense of fluidity and elegance.

#### 2. RiverSea Gallery

1160 Commercial St.

In "The Musicians," Astoria artist Jill McVarish and Portland artist Stephanie Brockway collaborate on a mischievous medley of painting and sculpture. Both artists explore the theme through a vintage aesthetic paired with arch humor and a contemporary outlook. McVarish brings a series of lyrically beautiful paintings featuring human and animal musicians; Brockway upcycles musical instruments to form the heart of each of her sculptures, embellishing and transforming them through her playfully primitive carved wood elements.

In the Alcove, Portland's Raquel Edwards offers abstracted floral paintings inspired by rhythm and movement in "Springtime Dance." She works in encaustic, a mix of beeswax, pigment and tree resin, and her paintings dance with light, color and luminous depth. Meet the artists and enjoy retro swing, jazz and blues music by Swingcats of Astoria.

#### 3. Old Town Framing

1287 Commercial St.

Old Town hosts a preview and silent auction for Clatsop Community College Foundation, with art donated by local artists and patrons of the arts and college.



"Cello Practice" by Jill McVarish at RiverSea.

#### 4. Tempo Gallery

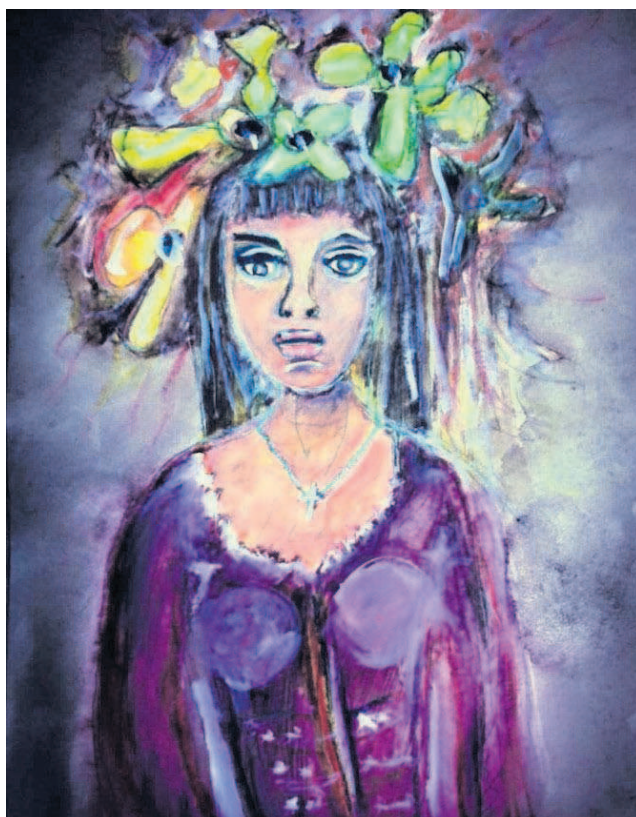
1271 Commercial St.

Tempo Gallery will feature the work of Phyllis Taylor in the all-watercolor spring show "Daffodils: The Harbinger of Spring." Taylor has created a collection of paintings depicting the beauty of a variety of daffodils and other spring flowers found in local gardens. Her paintings are fresh and colorful and capture the detail of each blossom. Taylor will be available to discuss her artwork. Refreshments will be served, and John Orr will perform instrumental guitar from 6 to 8 p.m.

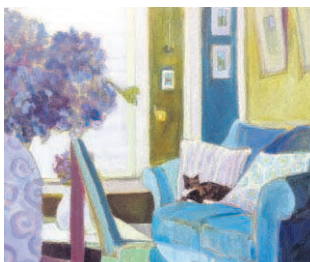
#### 5. Studio 11

453 11th St.

Studio 11 features the works of three artists this month. Glass artist and printmaker Jaime Boyd will present some of her glass pieces. Kari J. Young will present some of her acrylic/mixed-media pieces from her Beetle Girl/Goddess series. Printmaker Sarah Lippold, an Astoria Visual Arts artist-in-residence, will also showcase her monoprints; see No. 10.



"Woman in a Dream" by Eddie Morgan at KALA.



"Nestled" by Lisa Snow Lady at Imogen Gallery.



"Two Narcissi," a watercolor by Phyllis Taylor at Tempo Gallery.

#### 6. KALA

1017 Marine Drive

KALA presents Portland artist Eddie Morgan. A longtime photographer and former punk rocker, Morgan now brings to vivid life — through portraiture, watercolor and ink — the faces he sees, whether on the street or in a dream.

#### 7. Astoria Art Loft

106 Third St.

The Astoria Art Loft will hold an open house from 3 to 6 p.m. featuring Warrenton artist Judith Fredrikson, who started with calligraphy before being introduced to her passion: watercolors. She is a member of Palette Puddlers and the Trail's End Art Association. Owner-artists Jo Pomeroy-Crockett and Jeannette Davis will also show artwork. See paintings, cards and posters from all of the loft's artists. Refreshments will be served.

### ALSO FEATURING ORIGINAL ART

#### 8. AVA Artist in Residence

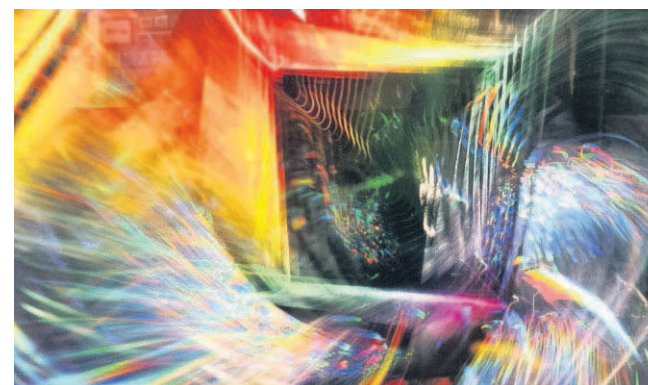
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Painter Annie Eskelin will showcase her distinctive landscape paintings. Eskelin is inspired by coastal themes and rural landscapes, often incorporating personal ideology into her work. Visitors to the studio will get to see her process through works in progress and finished pieces.

#### 9. AVA Artist in Residence

80 11th St.

Artist Blaine Verley will show recent works. "Especially those inspired by the power and influence of the Columbia River, which I can literally feel through its fluid proximity five or six fathoms below me," he says. "It is my distinct honor to be able to give some voice to



A kinetic motion study by Mike Parnate at Luminari Arts.



A photo by Nhakira LaPointe at Pacific Pro Realty.

the River I have lived alongside my entire life, and I hope I can impart some of its ancient wisdom to those who have an interest in preserving this immense and immeasurable treasure we are all privileged to have at our doorstep in Astoria and within our surrounding river communities."

#### 10. AVA Artist in Residence

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Sarah Lippold will showcase her new body of work of monoprints. Lippold uses techniques she learned as a student of Royal Nebeker at Clatsop Community College and as a member of the North Coast Printers Collective.

#### 11. Luminari Arts

1133 Commercial St.

At Luminari Arts, photographer Mike Parnate will present his work "Collaborative Motion," a series of kinetic motion studies inspired by and co-directed by his son, AJ.

AJ was born severely handicapped but likes to watch lights and motion; while his father takes pictures of the whirling lights and movement of the mobile above AJ's bed, AJ controls the switch. The result is a collection of intensely colorful, high-energy kinetic studies on aluminum. "I take the photographs, and AJ adds the magic," Parnate says. "It offers me my only glance into AJ's secret world." Enjoy live music by Geezer Creek.

#### 12. Forsythea

1124 Commercial St.

Spring ahead with something fresh for your home or garden. The shop is budding with the latest pieces from artisans near and far. There are also new finds from a market trip that you won't want to miss. Refreshments and cheer will be served.

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