

# 2nd Saturday

## ART WALK

April

9

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, April 9. Meet artists and mingle with fellow art lovers while enjoying refreshments and new exhibits.

### ART BUSINESSES

#### 1. Imogen Gallery

240 11th St.

Imogen presents the second solo exhibition of April Coppini, who focuses her charcoal renderings on the wild and unseen side of animals. For this series she takes a look at domesticated working animals, primarily dogs, and the relationship to wild animals. She explores the parallels between the hunted and hunter. A slight movement, the tension of muscle before a possible leap, or the casual stance of an animal are all conveyed through gestural mark making.

#### 2. RiverSea Gallery

1160 Commercial St.

"Painting with Wool" features narrative works in needlefelting by Portland fiber artist Stacy Polson. Inspired by vintage Japanese woodcuts, Polson combines storytelling with her love of color and texture, translating patterned kimonos, stylized figures and landscapes into intricate "paintings" in wool.

Showing in the Alcove is "Cast in Light," hand-cast stone planters by Claire Bandfield of Camas, Washington. Passionate about mid-century architecture and formal Japanese gardens, the artist creates simple forms that are crisply contemporary, yet rustic. This series has cast vintage light fixtures in a mix of cement, sand and organic material that is lighter than concrete and aged for weeks in the artist's garden.

#### 3. Old Town Framing

1287 Commercial St.

Scratchboard artist Steve DeLoe explores the world of opposites using light as dark and dark as light.

Astoria Parks & Recreation will host its Master Plan Open House. Learn the initial results, and give feedback; get caught up to date on the planning process, and hear about preliminary findings and next steps. Project staff will be present to answer questions.



A painting by Edward Peterson at Tempo Gallery.

#### 4. Tempo Gallery

1271 Commercial St.

Tempo Gallery will feature paintings by Edward Peterson in the show "Speaking Through Color." "Color is like music," he says. "It can be pianissimo, soft and tender, or forte, loud and exciting. I want every painting to tell a story that evokes a feeling." Refreshments will be served.

#### 5. KALA

1017 Marine Drive

Born and raised in Portland, Jason Scribner is a commercial fisherman in Bristol Bay, Alaska. During the summer months, he works long hours harvesting wild and sustainable sockeye salmon while squatting in an abandoned cannery known as "Graveyard Point." Scribner paints on self-collected remnants of wood, applying layers of distressed paint while simultaneously reviving life into an expiring substance. The desolate grandeur of the Alaskan landscape would be a direct reflection of the material and visions being poured onto them, which serves as an expression of loss, process and recovery.

#### 6. Astoria Art Loft

106 Third St.

There will be lots of action at the Astoria Art Loft all day. From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Cindy Black and Scott Leahing will lead a hands-on session featuring the latest art materials to create mixed-media masterpieces. At 1 p.m., Native American artist Wade Stroud will lead a hands-on session featuring Brusho Crystal Watercolors. The cost for both sessions



"An Inconvenient Day" by Stacy Polson at RiverSea Gallery.



"Madeleine" hand cast stone by Claire Bandfield at RiverSea Gallery.



A painting by Edward Peterson at Tempo Gallery.

is \$20. All three artists will be at art walk from 3 to 6 p.m. Meet the artists, view creations and enjoy refreshments.

#### 7. Astoria Fiber Arts Studio

1296 Duane St.

See a trunk show of silk shawls, scarves and other handmade apparel by Mihara Shibori Studio, which held its last trunk show in Astoria in 2010. The studio was formed by Michael Tadao and artist Barbara Setsu Pickett, a professor emeritus at the department of art at the University of Oregon. Shibori is the cluster of textile techniques that make rich patterns and textures on cloth by pressure resists. The dimensional textures are heat-set with steam and retain shape until moistened.



A scarf by Mihara Shibori Studio, which will show work at Astoria Fiber Arts Studio during art walk.

#### 8. Laughing Duck Digital Pond

120 10th St.

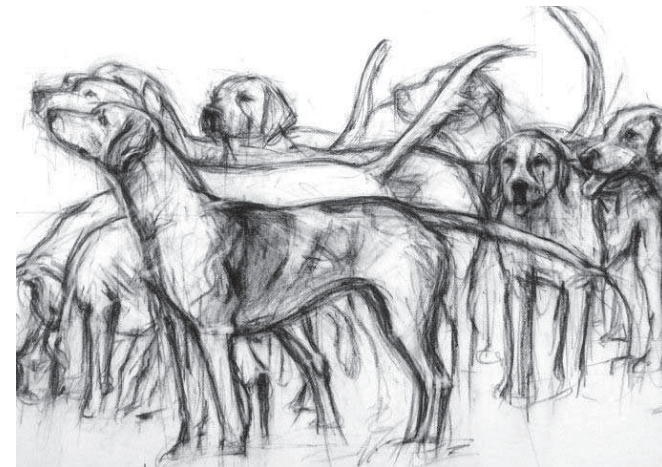
Find a blend of photography and art. Featured are drawings of fantasy underwater marine life, Columbia River cargo ships and a series of sketches created over time. Refreshments will be served.

### ALSO FEATURING ORIGINAL ART

#### 9. Luminari Arts

1133 Commercial St.

Celebrate Luminari Arts' two-year anniversary. Visitors will enjoy live



"Foxhound" by April Coppini at Imogen Gallery.



"Conversation" by LeBrie Rich at Pacific Pro Realty.

music with Ted and Mike on guitar and mandolin, beverages and bites, local art and cards. "Listen," a collection of new works by fiber artist Constance Waisanen, features monprinted and hand-dyed natural subjects detailed with stitching. Accompanying poetry invites viewers to celebrate the spirit within natural beauty. "My intent with this work is to bridge the gap between the illusion of individuality and the reality that we are all part of something larger," she says.

Head Start will also showcase student artwork. The children in the program are part of a group show represented at various venues during art walk.

#### 10. Forsythea

1124 Commercial St.

Casey Jaye Palmgren, a graduate of Evergreen State College who lives in Astoria, will debut her mixed-media pieces during an opening reception. Palmgren allows intuition along with everyday sights and sounds to guide her through the creative process. Her layered pieces emerge with honest results.

#### 11. Adagio

1174 Commercial St.

On display are antique African masks and Japanese woodblock prints from the Shin-Hanga and Sosaku-Han-

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