



Cambridge Open Studios
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Cambridge Arts Council Announces the First City-Wide Open Studios

Cambridge Open Studios - North/West: April 25 & 26, Noon to 6pm

Cambridge Open Studios - Central: May 9 & 10, Noon to 6pm

Cambridge Open Studios - East: May 30 & 31, Noon to 6pm

Cambridge, MA— Artists throughout Cambridge open their doors to the public for the first city-wide Cambridge Open Studios (COS) during three weekends in April and May: Cambridge Open Studios- North/West: April 25 & 26, Cambridge Open Studios - Central: May 9 & 10, and Cambridge Open Studios - East: May 30 & 31. Open Studios hours are from 12 noon to 6pm. Meet hundreds of artists and discover unique paintings, jewelry, fiber arts, ceramics, film, mixed-media, literary works, and more! Much of the artwork is available for purchase, so it's a great way to find a unique gift or bring art into your own work space or home. Information is available at www.cambridgeartscouncil.org or by calling the Cambridge Arts Council at 617-349-4380.

This new city-wide event expands the Open Studios weekends that have taken place for more than a decade in Cambridge with more opportunities for a greater number of artists and community members to be a part of Open Studios. In past years, Open Studio weekends were organized by Cambridgeport Artists Open Studios (CAOS) and North Cambridge All Arts Open Studios (NoCa) in the spring and fall. The newly formed Cambridge Open Studios combines these two events, adding opportunities to include artists in Mid-Cambridge and other neighborhoods of the city.

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Cambridge Open Studios offers an excellent opportunity to explore the unique character of each neighborhood – the architecture, parks, playgrounds, shops, restaurants and cafés. Along the way, discover public artworks from Cambridge’s award-winning public art collection of over 170 works in parks, municipal buildings and open spaces.

After Cambridge Open Studios, mark you calendar for more visual and performing arts events! **The Multicultural Arts Center’s Boomtown Festival** takes place June 1-12, which flows right into the **Cambridge Arts Council’s 30th Cambridge River Festival**, a mile-long celebration of the arts along the Charles River, on Saturday, June 13, 2009. These events segue right into **Summer in the City**, a park-based, multicultural arts and performance series throughout Cambridge in July and August also presented by the Cambridge Arts Council.

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