



Cambridge Open Studios
Cambridge Arts Council

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Cambridge Arts Council Announces the Fourth Annual City-Wide Cambridge Open Studios – Two Weekends in May 2012

COS East/Central: May 12 & 13, 2012

(includes Lechmere, Inman, Kendall, Central Square, Mid Cambridge, Area IV, and Cambridgeport)

COS North/West: May 19 & 20, 2012

(includes neighborhoods from Alewife and Fresh Pond, down to Porter and Harvard)

Cambridge, MA — Artists throughout Cambridge open their doors to the public for the fourth annual city-wide Cambridge Open Studios (COS) during two weekends in May. **Cambridge Open Studios East/Central** on the weekend of **May 12 & 13, 2012** includes Lechmere, Inman, Kendall, Central Square, Mid Cambridge, Area IV, and Cambridgeport. **Cambridge Open Studios North/West** on the weekend of **May 19 & 20, 2012** includes neighborhoods from Alewife and Fresh Pond, down to Porter and Harvard. Open Studios hours are from 12:00 Noon to 6:00pm. Meet local artists and experience an array of visual and performing arts. 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 home or work space.

Information is available at www.cambridgeartscouncil.org/openstudios or by calling the Cambridge Arts Council at 617-349-4380.

:: Download Press Photos of Participating Artists' Works:

Cambridge Open Studios Central/East Images: <http://www2.cambridgema.gov/gallery/?AlbumID=505>

Cambridge Open Studios North/West Images: <http://www2.cambridgema.gov/gallery/?AlbumID=506>

Cambridge's Public Art Collection

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 200 works in parks, municipal buildings and open spaces. For more information, visit www.cambridgema.gov/cac/public_art_tour/index.html

MORE SPRING & SUMMER CAMBRIDGE ARTS COUNCIL EVENTS:

MOVE ME: A public art project

Roberta Paul and Beth Kantrowitz/bkprojects

April 2- June 15, 2012

Reception: Friday, April 27, 6:00-8:00pm

CAC Gallery (Cambridge Arts Council), City Hall Annex, 344 Broadway, 2nd Fl.

Inspired by Roberta Paul's travels to the Serengeti, this multifaceted, pop-up art project investigates themes of immigration, national identity, and life transitions through the metaphor of animal migration. Experience the exhibition and "performance" of wrapped vehicles traveling the streets of Cambridge.

Gallery Hours: M: 8:30 a.m.-8:00 p.m. Tu, W, Th: 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. F: 8:30 a.m.-noon

<http://www2.cambridgema.gov/CAC/Exhibitions/Upcoming.cfm?action=add&ctype=message&cname=CAC/Exhibitions/Upcoming>

Cambridge Poetry Jam

Saturday, May 5, 2012, 11:00am - 4:00pm

Cambridge Public Library Main Branch, Community Meeting Room & Lecture Hall, 449 Broadway

Celebrate poetry and the local poet community in recognition and observance of National Poetry Month. Hosted by Toni Bee, Cambridge Poet Populist, the Cambridge Poetry Jam features local and national poets, representing various poetic genres: Traditional Poetry (11am-12:00 Noon), Multilingual Poetry (Noon-1:00pm), Spoken Word (1:00-2:00pm), Poetry Music Mash-up (2:00-3:00pm), and Free Verse (3:00-4:00pm). This event is free and open to the public.

http://www2.cambridgema.gov/CAC/Community/Poetry_Festival.cfm

Cambridge River Festival

Saturday, June 2, 2012, 12:00 Noon -6:00 p.m. (rain or shine)

Banks of the Charles River (Memorial Drive between JFK St. & Western Ave.)

Cambridge Arts Council's signature event, the 33rd Annual Cambridge River Festival creates a splash with a FREE, one-day celebration of the arts along a mile stretch of Memorial Drive between JFK St. and Western Ave. The Festival attracts over 200,000 people annually, and features multiple stages of live local and national jazz, folk, roots, world music, dance, poetry and theater performers, hands-on family activities, visual art exhibitions and installations, arts & crafts, an international food bazaar and more. www.cambridgeartscouncil.org/riverfestival

Summer in the City

July & August 2012

Cambridge parks come alive with music, dance, storytellers, theatrical performances, puppetry, arts & crafts, movies and more! These FREE, multicultural, interactive arts programs, performances, and activities take place both day and night for children, families, and the entire community throughout the week during the months of July and August in parks and open spaces throughout Cambridge. www.cambridgeartscouncil.org/summerinthecity

Events are free and open to the public. Information: www.cambridgeartscouncil.org or 617-349-4380

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