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Art Galleries & Studios

Bethesda Fine Art
914-806-1979
4931 Cordell Ave. [WT]
www.bethesdafineart.com

Gallery B
(301) 215-7990
7700 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite E [BC]
www.bethesda.org

Marin-Price Galleries
(301) 718-0622
7022 Wisconsin Avenue [WS]
www.marin-price.com

Studio B
(301) 215-7880
7475 Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 1 [BC]
www.bethesda.org

Upstairs Art Studios
(301) 442-6402
4948 St. Elmo Avenue, Ste. 208 [WT]
www.upstairsartstudios.com

Waverly Street Gallery, LLC
(301) 951-9441
4600 East-West Highway [BC]
www.waverlystreetgallery.com



Art Supplies, Frame Shops & Crafts

All Fired Up
(301) 654-3208
4923 Elm Street [BW]
www.allfiredupdc.com

Bethesda Custom Framing
(301) 654-1118
7906 Old Georgetown Road [WT]
www.bethesdacustomframing.com

Framer McGee's Gallery
(301) 656-4090
4936 Hampden Lane [BW]
www.framermcgeesgallery.com

Plaza Artist Materials
(301) 718-8500
7825 Old Georgetown Road [WT]
www.plazaart.com

Second Story Knits
(301) 652-8688
4706 Bethesda Avenue [BW]
www.secondstoryknits.com





From award-winning theatre and fine art galleries to independent films, downtown Bethesda's Arts & Entertainment District is filled with inspiring artists and art venues. The Bethesda Arts & Entertainment District strives to promote, support and encourage the growth of art and culture in downtown Bethesda.

Arts Education

Artworks

(301) 656-0044

7740 Old Georgetown Road [WT]

www.artworksclasses.com

L'Academie de Cuisine

(301) 986-9490

5021 Wilson Lane [WT]

www.lacademie.com

Studio Neptune

(301) 718-0809

5001 Wilson Lane [WT]

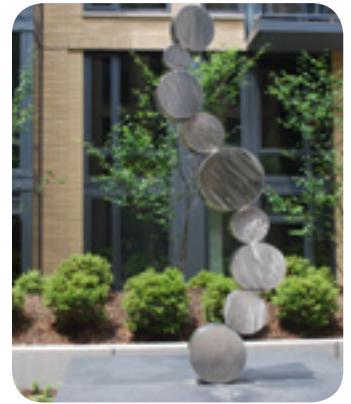
www.studioneptune.com

The Writer's Center

(301) 654-8664

4508 Walsh Street [WS]

www.writer.org



Arts Organizations

Bethesda Arts & Entertainment District

(301) 215-6660

7700 Old Georgetown Road [WT]

www.bethesda.org

Cinema

Landmark's Bethesda Row Cinema

(301) 652-7273

7235 Woodmont Avenue [BW]



Dance Studios

Bethesda Conservatory of Dance
(301) 651-2200
8004-A Norfolk Avenue [WT]
www.bethesdaconservatoryofdance.com

Capital Ballroom
(240) 630-8224
7800 Wisconsin Avenue [WT]
www.capitalballroomds.com

C-Unit Studio
(301) 664-7900
4507 Stanford Street [WS]
www.c-unitstudio.com

Dansez! Dansez!
(301) 652-2551
4907 Rugby Avenue [WT]
www.dansezdansez.com

Imagination Stage Dance Studio
(301) 961-6060
4908 Auburn Avenue [WT]
www.imaginationstage.org

Joy of Motion Dance Center
(301) 986-0016
7315 Wisconsin Avenue, Ste. 180E [BC]
www.joyofmotion.org

Serpentine Dance Studio
(301) 654-2224
4930 St. Elmo Avenue [WT]
www.serpentine.org



Entertainment

Laugh Riot
4948 Fairmont Avenue [WT]
(301) 946-1102

Vük
4924 St. Elmo Avenue [WT]
(301) 652-8000
www.facebook.com/vukpinball



Live Theatres

Bethesda Blues & Jazz Supper Club
(240) 330-4500
7719 Wisconsin Avenue [BC]
www.bethesdabluesjazz.com

Flying V
(301) 785-3834
4805 Edgemoor Lane, Suite 101 [BC]
www.flyingvtheatre.com

Imagination Stage
(301) 280-1660
4908 Auburn Avenue [WT]
www.imaginationstage.org

Quotidian Theatre Company
(301) 816-1023
4508 Walsh Street [WS]
www.quotidiantheatre.org

Round House Theatre
(240) 644-1100
4545 East-West Highway [BC]
www.roundhousetheatre.org

Music Studios & Stores

Bach to Rock
(301) 913-5757
4819 St. Elmo Avenue [WT]
www.b2rmusic.com

Beat Refinery
(877) 434-2328
4819 Saint Elmo Avenue [WT]
www.beatrefinery.com





The Bethesda Arts & Entertainment District’s mission is to create and implement arts and entertainment projects that contribute to the artistic, cultural and economic growth of downtown Bethesda. The Board of Directors of the 501(c)3, non-profit organization fundraises and builds awareness to complete new arts and entertainment projects in downtown Bethesda.

The state of Maryland re-designated downtown Bethesda as an Arts & Entertainment District in 2012, after serving as a state A&E District for 10 years. Special tax incentives are in place that benefit artists, arts enterprises and developers that are located within the District. The Bethesda Urban Partnership manages the Bethesda Arts & Entertainment District, and the state of Maryland honored Bethesda with the “Award for Outstanding Achievement” in 2012.

For more info, visit www.bethesda.org.

Benefits

- * Artists who live in Maryland and work in the Arts & Entertainment District can receive certain income tax breaks.
- * Developers who renovate or construct new spaces for arts’ use can be exempt from paying certain property taxes on the value of the renovations for up to 10 years.
- * Arts enterprises that charge the Admissions and Amusements tax are exempt from this tax.

Map Wayfinding Districts

- [BC] Bethesda Center
- [BW] Bethesda West
- [WN] Wisconsin North
- [WS] Wisconsin South
- [WT] Woodmont Triangle



Downtown Bethesda

programs

The **Bernard Ebb Songwriting Awards** provides local aspiring songwriters and bands the chance to win \$10,000 and perform in front of a live audience.

The **Bethesda Film Fest** features the work of local and regional documentary filmmakers.

The **Bethesda Fine Arts Festival** is a two-day event held the second weekend in May featuring 140 artists along with live entertainment.

The **Bethesda Literary Festival** takes place in April and celebrates the literary arts with 30 author events, writing contests, children's events and more.

Bethesda Outdoor Movies features five nights of blockbuster hits at the corner of Norfolk and Auburn Avenues during the third week of July.

The **Bethesda Painting Awards** is a juried competition and exhibition that awards \$14,000 in prize monies to selected painters, including \$10,000 for Best in Show.

Gallery B is the non-profit art gallery managed by the Bethesda Arts & Entertainment District that is available for local artists to rent and showcase their work.

Imagination Bethesda, held the first Saturday in June, is a street festival that celebrates children and the arts.

"Paint the Town" Mural Project is an initiative to promote more public art murals in downtown Bethesda.

Play In A Day challenges playwrights, directors and actors from D.C. area theatres to create original one-act plays in just 24 hours.

Studio B is an artist workspace featuring three individual artist studios and their original artwork.

The **Summer Concert Series** is held in Veterans Park on Thursday evenings from May through July.

Taste of Bethesda, held the first Saturday in October, is a renowned food and music festival that includes more than 50 restaurants and five stages of entertainment.

The Trawick Prize: Bethesda Contemporary Art Awards is the annual juried art competition honoring regional artists across all media. \$14,000 in prize monies is awarded, including \$10,000 for Best in Show.

"Tunnel Vision: Art Under the Avenue" is a public art exhibit in the Metro pedestrian tunnel featuring the work of 12 regional artists.

Winter Wonderland, held the first weekend in December, features a professional choral concert, entertainment by local school groups and a visit from Santa Claus.



Visit www.bethesda.org to sign up for the Bethesda A&E e-mail list for updates on events, competitions and arts news. Stay connected!

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