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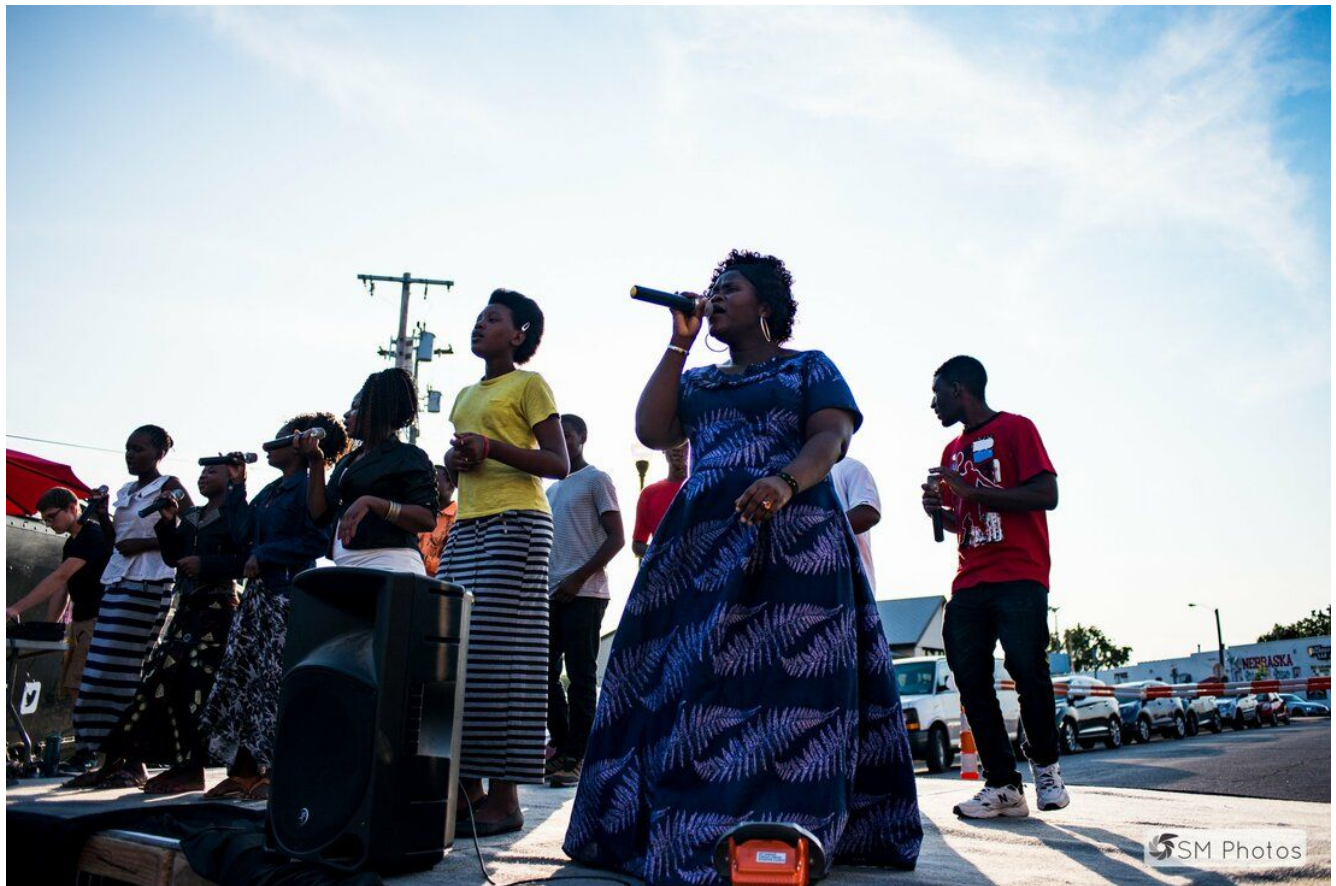
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Benson first Friday Art Walk Events, August 2nd

Art and refugees are celebrated across the Benson neighborhood on August 2nd. At Military Avenue and Maple Street, BFF hosts the fourth Artist Market of the summer from 5 - 11 p.m. This month's first Friday we are teaming up with Lutheran Family Services for the sixth annual [New American Arts Festival](#). The free, family-friendly event will highlight immigrant and refugee cultures from Iraq, Nepal, Syria, Bosnia, Burma, and more. Featured activities include amazing food from around the world, performance and visual art, cooking and crafts workshops, live music, and numerous table vendors.

Benson First Friday goers can follow the maps available at participating gallery locations in Benson, at the outdoor Artist Market, or [on our website](#).



Umoja Choir at 2018 New American Arts Festival. Photo Cred: Sarah Miller Photos

Opening Receptions & Displays

Petshop, 2725 N. 62nd St.

"The Grass is Always Greener" | Rob Walters | 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. | [More Info](#)

"Elixir Vitae 2.0" | Rosana Ybarra | 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. | [More Info](#)

The Sanctuary 2725 N. 62nd St.

Exhibition by Will Anderson | 7 p.m. - 10 p.m.

Lion's Mane Vintage, 6107 Maple St.

Joslyn Fashion Arts Mentor Program |
BFF Items for sale: BFF swag and
issues of BFFzz

YOGA NOW, 6105 Maple St

Open Meditation for Peace | 5 - 7 p.m. |
[More Info](#)

Hardy Coffee Co., 6051 Maple. St.

Ameer Kadim (Iraqi Artist) | 6 p.m. - 9
p.m. | [More Info](#)

Yoshitomo Gallery, 6009 Maple St.

Kimberly Salas & Sha Htoo (Karen
Student Visual Artist) | [More Info](#)

Revival, 6802 Maple St.

Expo 10 by Megan Zuerlein

Daisy Jones' Locker, 6003 Maple St.

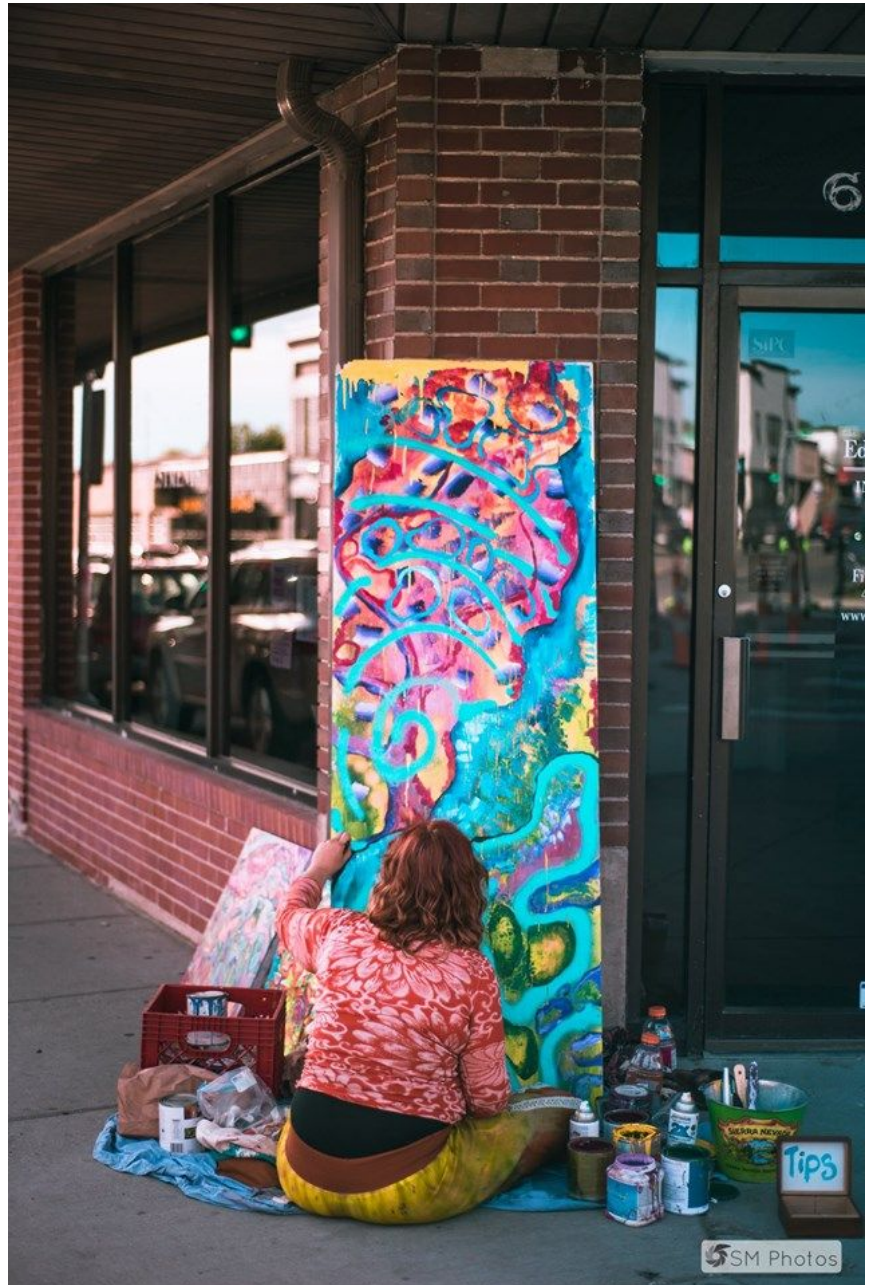
Cheyenne Kavan | 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. |
[More Info](#)

The Little Gallery Benson, 5901 Maple St.

"Remixing: An Experimental Portrait
Series" | Shawnequa Linder | 6 p.m. -
9 p.m. | [More Info](#)

The HideAway, 5701 NW Radial Hwy

Bizarre Bazaar: An Arts and Crafts
Marketplace | 2 p.m - 10 p.m | [More
Info](#)



Featured Live Artist: Kelsey Kowalski during July's first Friday. Photo Cred: Sarah Miller Photos

Citylights Arts Project, 5603 NW Radial Hwy

Pratik Raymajhi (Nepali Artist) & Asad Komi (Sudanese Artist) | 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. | [More Info](#)

The B Side of Benson Theatre, 6058 Maple St.

“BREAK” | Jan Schiltmeijer | 6 p.m. – 11 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Jake’s Cigars & Spirits, 6206 Maple St.

"Return Home" | Alajia McKizia | 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Star Deli, 6114 Military Ave.

“Conrad Hinz” | 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Warlock Gallery, 6802 Maple St.

Opening reception for Kitty Brougham & Kris Rosa | 8 p.m. – 10 p.m. | [More Info](#)
Poetry Reading with Haley Wood and Jeremy Johnson at 9 p.m.

Parlour 1887, 6068 Maple St,

Pemba Tamang (Nepali Artist) | 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Music, Concerts & Food

Envy Tequila Bar, 6111 Maple St.

Live Music, craft cocktails, tochos & more!| open ‘til 12 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Mercer Masonic Lodge, 5903 Maple St.

BFF Pancake Breakfast Night, \$5 per plate + kids 10 & under free! | 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. | [More Info](#)

The Sydney, 5919 Maple St.

August BFF w/Dross, Foxburrows (OKC) & Tyrone Storm | 10 p.m. - 2 a.m. | [More Info](#)

The Waiting Room Lounge, 6212 Maple St.

Jamestown Revival with Ian Noe | 9 p.m. - 12 a.m. | [More Info](#)

The Barley Street Tavern, 2735, N. 62nd St.

Soul Ghost // Two Drag Club // The Last Draft | 9 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Fullhouse Bar, 6135 Military Ave.

Karaoke

Reverb Lounge, 6121 Military Ave.

Elevate Dance Party #37

About BFF BFF is dedicated to supporting the region’s emerging and established artists by creating opportunity, exposure, and experiences that help them move forward while enriching the cultural competency of the Greater Omaha Area. www.bffomaha.org