

BENSON FIRST FRIDAY 7.7.2023

AN ART WALK IN THE BENSON CREATIVE DISTRICT!

ON STREET

1. 2023 Benson Banner Guided Tour ♥ Take a guided tour of the new Benson art banners and hear from some of the artists.

- Tour will depart from the BFF gallery (5091 Maple St.) at 7:30
- Featured Artists: Anthony T. Pena, Bart Vargas, Bekah Jerde, Brooke Carpenter, C+C Mini Factory, Danielle Easdale, Eduardo Gardea, Jared Spence + Bill Sitzmann, Jenna Jaffery, Kaitlin Kratky, Kendra Limon, Lx, Maggie Costello, Nash Bellows, Reagan D Pufall, and Tim Guthrie

2. Artist Markets ♥ Maple St. @ Military Ave & 62nd St. (6-10)

- 50+ Artist Vendors and featured vendors in center aisle
- Street DJs : Be-ezii Uggo Dj, J Benson + DJ ROAM
- Performances by Babygirl, Trade, Azalea Spanx, MJ Johnson, Dior Carter + Ziggy Quinn
- Live Artists: Leah Bevington

3. Nebraska AIDS Project Community Partner Village

4. Ted & Wally's ♥ All Ages ART CLUB (6-8pm) To Go Kits + In-Person Activities - ALL MATERIALS PROVIDED!

- Live Music by: Free From Failure, Alex Jacobsen + Rike
- Clothing Swap with Swap Omaha

5. Pedicabs ♥ Rides are FREE but please tip your pedalists!

6. On-Street Projections ♥ (After Dark)

- Projections by Joe.Video
- digital animations by Kim Darling

OPENINGS AND EVENTS (7-10pm)

7. Petshop ♥ Opening Reception: Fist Fulla Toys feat. Nofunctiontoys, ZWIAN, & Stephen Kavanaugh

- A Clean Sheet of Paper // work by Sovia e Bossemeyer

8. Studio 62 ♥ Art Lounge Open Hours 7:00 - 10:00

- Opening Reception: Other Voices / a group exhibition featuring Lando Bando Art Factory, Maggie Costello, and Alex Aguilar Silva

9. MaMO Gallery It Will Always Never Be Again: works by Sydney Schilling

10. Lover Luxuries FREE GIFTS & The Tunnel of Love

11. Eleven Eleven ♥ featured artist: Tammy Muecke

12. Hardy Coffee ♥ Originals Only: Local Music Showcase hosted by Mad Darling (7:00 - 9:30pm)

13. Sundee Event Venue ♥ Sundee Open House 5 - 9

14. Trudy's ♥ To Go Kits + In-Person Activities - DIY Zine Making

TEENLINE featured artists: Maisy Wasenius

- Open Studios ft. Aksarben Creative, Dark Marbles, + VSmith Healing Art and Design

15. Choice Gallery ♥ VARMITS new work by Kim Darling

16. BFF Gallery ♥ Sorgin Argibide Ortazar Maiteminduta // work by Amanda Caillau

17. Maple St. Construct En Silencio | Andrés Cortes

18. The Sydney Featured Artist: April Taylor

Friend of BFF Happy Hour w/ Babygirl (6:00 - 7:00)

19. Benson Theatre ♥ Cary Morin and Ghost Dog (8:00 PM)

20. Virtuoso ♥ Get a slice & thank them for sponsoring BFFzz #17!

21. Ming Toy Gallery ♥ Don't Let the Name Deceive You / work by Amy Haney (6 - 9)

22. Edge of the Universe ♥ feat artist: Lando Bando Art Factory

23. Star Deli ♥ Satony: exhibiiton feat Arianna McGullough and Santi Mora-Amaral

24. Jake's Cigars Featured Artist: January Kristine

25. Dungeon Crate ♥ In store scavenger hunt (5 - 9)

26. Nebraska AIDS Project NAP Gallery presents work by Emma Skow, Michelle Reese, Jonah Ripley, Savanah Savick, Abigail Neddo, + the authors of Vaginas and Periods 101, Kristen Lilla and Christian Hoeger.

27. Benson Little League ♥ Sandlot Fun Days (5 - 6:30)

WINDOW DISPLAYS

28. Burke's Pub ♥ featured artist: Laura Simpson

29. Five Nine ♥

30. Edward Jones ♥

31. Benson Brewery ♥ featured artist: Jae Mayer

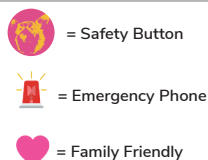
LATE NIGHT (After 9pm)

32. Shakedown St. CTRL + ALT + DEL w/ Grazy, Jack 2.0 Daniel Allen & Johnny Invisible

33. The Sydney Benson Soul Society

34. The Waiting Room potions & Player Dave 8PM

35. Reverb Lounge Animals on LSD w/ Dose and Contend



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FIRST FRIDAY OUTDOORS

Life in the age of Covid is complicated.
Now you can enjoy First Fridays ... from a distance.

Pick up a brochure at any Artist Market HQ or scan the QR below!

WINDOW DISPLAYS

Rotating artists each month, these on-street window displays can be found at 1912, Burke's, Five Nine, Benson Brewery, & CHOICE Custom Framing, among others.

TO-GO ART KITS

Pick up a FREE to-go art kit and take it to your at-home artist studio. These kits are ALL AGES & available while they last.

AFTER DARK PROJECTIONS

The sun goes down and the projections go up! Keep an eye out for digital art projections at various locations.

LIVE ARTISTS

Catch a glimpse of a live artist working in their natural element.

STREET DJs

Put some pep in yer step as you stroll the streets of Benson.

PERFORMERS

It's standing room only at this on-street music venue featuring various performers (May-Sept only).

ON-STREET GALLERY

Look for the "Rainbow Gallery" on-street outside of Petshop.

PUBLIC ART SCAVENGER HUNT

Wander the neighborhood ALL SUMMER LONG and collect selfies with public art works to WIN PRIZES. (May-Sept only).

COVID-19 RESOURCES



MORE INFO & VIRTUAL EVENT



SCAVENGER HUNT



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...and to ALL our Business Members
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Ming Toy Gallery, Nebraska AIDS Project,
Omaha Roller Derby, Saint Paul Benson, Star Deli,
Sundee Event Center, Taco Co., The Sydney

Tonight's Member Perks**
(only redeemable as a Friends of BFF member)

@ Benson Brewery Half off draft beer 3-6pm
@ Beercade \$1 off all drinks!
@ Burke's Pub Buy one Apple Pie Shot, get another for a PENNY (3-6pm)
@ Chingon Buy one get one TACOS
@ Edge of the Universe Free cookie with drink purchase
@ Infusion Brewing \$1 off all drafts
@ Jake's Half off Sangria on tap!
@ Kai Tei Buy one get one SAKÉ
@ St. Andrews \$1 off Tap Beers & Sangria until 7
@ Star Deli 10% off your purchase
@ Ted & Wally's FREE scoop of ice cream
@ The Sydney \$1.00 off all drinks!

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