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BFF Announces July 5 Art Walk Events

BFF announces our July 5th Benson first Friday artwalk! First Friday goers can follow the maps available at participating gallery locations in Benson, at the outdoor Artist Market, or [on our website](#) to make sure they experience all that Benson has to offer! Plus hop in a Ztrip Cab Company van, located at Old Market and Benson Ted & Wally's locations, for a free ride between the two neighborhood first Fridays.

During the summer, we celebrate first Fridays by closing the streets from 5 - 11 p.m. at Military Avenue & Maple Street for the Summer Street Series and Artist Market. Over 60 local artists, makers, and vendors gather to support local artists and art while making an impact on our community! This month, live artists such as Pierre Minor and Spazzy Jazzy Hoops will keep the vibes high, while DJ Buddi3 Da Gawd keeps the music pumping. Also featured will be youth engagement activities, food vendors such as Table Grace Cafe, Hype Coffee, and a New American Food pop-up tent, community partner booths such as Big Brothers Big Sisters of the Midlands, Process, Yeti Printshop + Design, BFF Bug Club, and more!



June's first Friday youth Engagement Activity, Rock Creations for Father's Day. Photo Cred: Sarah Miller Photos

First Friday event-goers should stop by BFF's tailgate booth for event information, maps, to purchase BFF SWAG, (BFF's merchandise line designed by local artists), and to pick up a copy of BFFzz, our 'zine.

Starting at 6:00pm, on the east end of Benson, you will see pooches of all shapes and sizes strut their stuff at the first ever, 2019 Indie Pet Parade! The parade will begin in the alley behind City Lights Art Project at 6:00 p.m. Fun for the entire family.

Frogman's Gallery Crawl ([More Info](#)) will feature work by over 200 nationally and internationally recognized artists. Here are a few of the Benson venues who are participating in this great event:

The Little Gallery Benson, 5901 Maple St.
"Competition Contemplation" | 7:30 - 10:30 p.m. | [More Info](#)

CHOICE Custom Framing & Gallery, 5905 Maple St
"Woodcut Funhouse" | 6 - 9 p.m. | [More Info](#)

1912, 6201 Maple St.
"Wile Out with Woodcut" | 6 - 9 p.m. | [More Info](#)



Photo from Frogman's Print Workshop

Here are the rest of the happenings in the Benson neighborhood on July 5th:

Opening Receptions & Displays

Petshop, 2725 N. 62nd St.
"Elixir Vitae 2.0" | Rosana Ybarra | 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. | [More Info](#)
"Oma-flora" | Brandon Bullard | 7 p.m. - 10 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Lion's Mane Vintage, 6107 Maple St.
Featured artist Hilary George | 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](#)

(402) Arts Collective, 6051 Maple. St.
PromiseShip Exhibition, a Youth Art Show | 6 p.m. - 9 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Revival, 6802 Maple St.

Artist, Angie Coleman

Daisy Jones' Locker, 6003 Maple St.

Victoria Lahowetz | 6 p.m. – 9 p.m. | [More Info](#)

The HideAway, 5701 NW Radial Hwy

Oneiromancy Toy Works by Nicholas Gaddie | 5 p.m – 10 p.m | [More Info](#)

Citylights Arts Project, 5603 NW Radial Hwy

"Everything But The Roots" | Christina Liebenritt | 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.

Artist Nell Horgan | 6 p.m. - 10 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Star Deli, 6114 Military Ave.

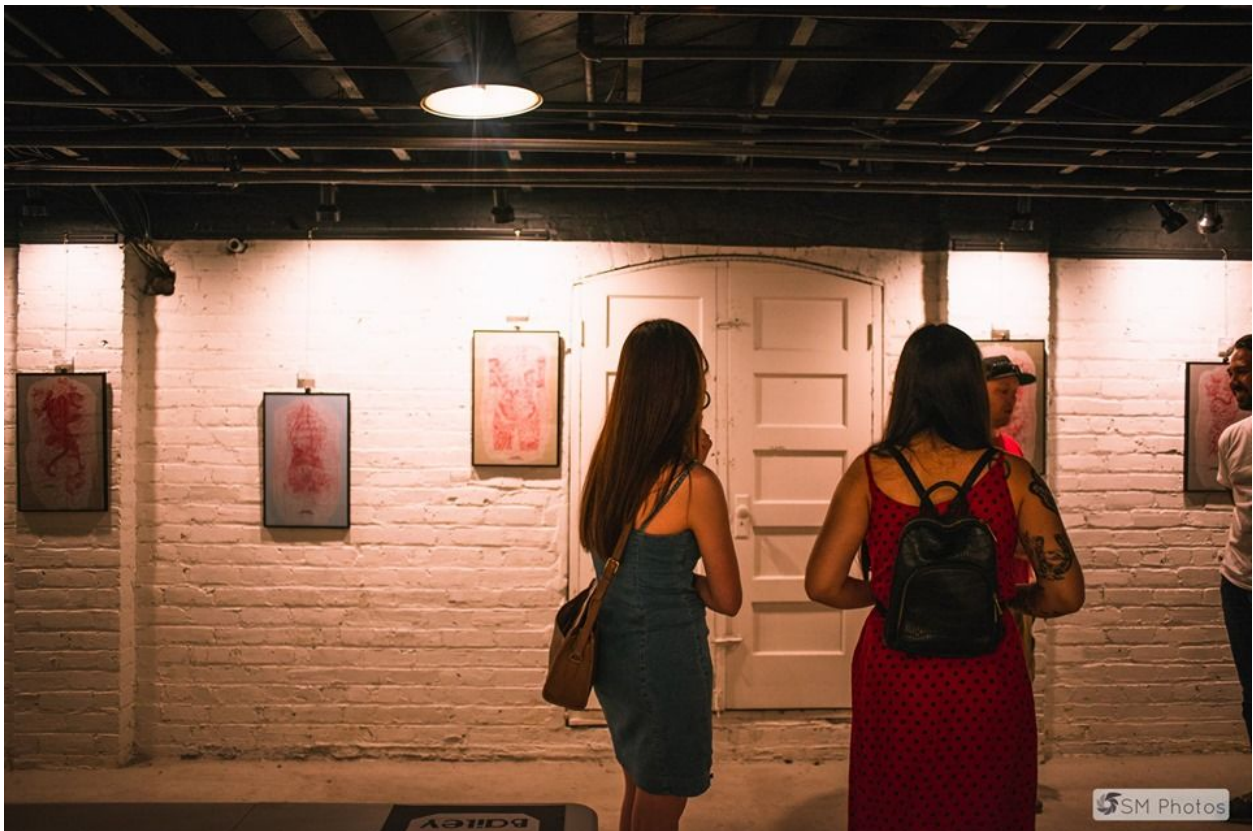
"Jam Packed 2019" | 6 p.m. – 8 p.m. | [More Info](#)

Warlock Gallery, 6802 Maple St.

Erica & Dan Bailey Closing Show | 8 p.m. – 10 p.m. | [More Info](#)

BFF Street Projections, on 60th Avenue

Project Name: With Frequency, Work Title: Aleph 001



Erica & Dan Bailey Exhibition at Warlock Gallery. Photo Cred: Sarah Miller Photos

Music & Concerts

Envy Tequila Bar, 6111 Maple St.

Live Music | Charlie Alley | open 'til 12 p.m. | [More Info](#)

The Sydney, 5919 Maple St.

Heart Bones with Good **** at The Sydney | 9 p.m. | [More Info](#)

The Waiting Room Lounge, 6212 Maple St.

PWP WrestleRama: Pat Powers' Patriotic Palooza! | 7 - 11 p.m. | [More Info](#)

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

Sebastian Lane's Barley Street Blues Jam | Sebastian Lane | 9 p.m., no cover | [More Info](#)

Fullhouse Bar, 6135 Military Ave.

Karaoke

Reverb Lounge, 6121 Military Ave.

Elevate Dance Party #36

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.