

March 2024 Newsletter

The NEON District and Norfolk Tour Company are proud to announce a new season of monthly walking tours of the district's public art collection. The tours begin Saturday, April 27 at 11am and run through the end of the year. Leaving from The Plot, each tour explores the dozens of public artworks that make the neighborhood unique. This year, Norfolk Tour Company will be expanding the tour repertoire with local artists and creatives playing tour guide, adding in featured content on new artworks and curating specialty tours on Black and women artists. The best part is, it's totally free! Wear comfortable shoes and bring a friend (furry ones welcome too!). Click here for more information and a full schedule.



Call for Art

The NEON District will once again refresh its unique neighborhood signage system with new vinyl prints featuring local art. This spring, Hampton Roads artists may submit original digital art, photography or graphic designs in print ready files for the double-sided signs. Artists may submit up to eight designs for an honorarium of up to \$400 and a two-year display period. Apply here by Sunday, April 28 at 11:59pm.



Plot Volunteer Day

Let's bust out of that winter hibernation and get out in the sunshine at the Plot Volunteer Day. Get your hands back in the dirt or grab a paintbrush to help us refresh The Plot's landscaping, planters and the rainbow fence. We could use a bigger crew than usual this spring – projects also include painting a large planter at Cofer lot and replanting a few tree wells on Olney Road. Please register here for a volunteer shift on Saturday, April 13 from 10am to 1pm. Don't forget to bring your gardening gloves and bring a friend!



Neighborhood News

The Neon House recently announced that they will be expanding into a third building in NEON, taking the former Hummingbird Macaron location next door to their current location at 819 Granby Street. The Neon House will use the space's commercial kitchen for expanded catering operations for Chef by Design and add offices and back of house space for their growing team. Congrats to Marcy, Chef John and the whole venue team at Neon House for planting a seed in the district and making it grow!

Programs and Events

- AJR, Scope Arena, April 2
- Casting Crowns, Chrysler Hall, April 4
- First Thursdays: Venetian Glass, Italian Wine, and Wild Stories, Chrysler Museum of Art, April 4
- First Friday with Linda Rogers, Zeke's NFK, April 5
- Tamia & Joe, Chrysler Hall, April 5
- To Whitney with Love, Chrysler Hall, April 6
- Black Violin The Experience Tour, Chrysler Hall, April 7
- Well-Being Workshop: Emotional Intelligence, Push Comedy Theater, April 10
- April Mindful Art Class, GypSea Roots Collective, April 13
- Second Saturdays Art Pop-Up, Chrysler Museum of Art, April 13
- Streams of Consciousness & Reiki Workshop, GypSea Roots Collective, April 13
- Sweeney Todd, Chrysler Hall, April 13
- The Unusual Suspects, Push Comedy Theater, April 13
- Spring Macrame Wreath Workshop, GypSea Roots Collective, April 14
- Step Afrika!, Chrysler Hall, April 14
- Super Freak: The Rick James Story, Chrysler Hall, April 17
- Glass After Dark, Chrysler Museum Glass Studio, April 18
- Virginia International Tattoo, Scope Arena, April 18-21
- Phil Rosenthal, Harrison Opera House, April 20
- John Mellencamp, Chrysler Hall, April 21
- The Piano Guys, Chrysler Hall, April 25
- Flourish Opening Reception, d'Art Center, April 26

- JOURNEY, Scope Arena, April 26
- Tchaikovsky Violin Concerto, Chrysler Hall, April 26
- NEON Public Art Tour, The Plot, April 27

See all upcoming events in and around the NEON District here!

Recently in NEON

Exhibitions & Performances

Fantastic Creatures of the Venetian Lagoon: Glass 1875-1915, Chrysler Museum of Art

Peers: Mixed Media Work and the Tenth Annual Wearable Arts Exhibition, Chrysler Museum of Art

Nature Homage: A National Juried Exhibition Featuring Animals and Insects, d'Art Center

Christopher B. Fowler: The Shapes Arise, d'Art Center

Press

An inside look at Virginia Opera's "Madama Butterfly" on Coast Live, WTKR

Review of 'Madama Butterfly' by Virginia Opera, The Virginian-Pilot

Preview: "Matilda Jr., The Musical" from the Hurrah Players on Coast Live, WTKR

Collage Dance Collective Brings Diverse Repertoire to Norfolk, VEER Magazine

Norfolk's Chrysler Hall to show 'Hadestown', The Virginian-Pilot

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