

DOWNTOWN WICHITA

First Friday Gallery Crawl

The First Friday gallery crawl is a unique opportunity for thousands of students, families and art lovers to engage with local art each month at unique locations in Downtown and throughout the city. This grassroots event continues to thrive because of the collective vision and collaboration of galleries and artists.

As the name implies, First Friday happens the first Friday of each month. Hours vary between galleries, but most are open during the core hours of 7pm to 9pm. Most galleries use First Friday to unveil and debut new shows or as a closing reception. All venues are free and open to the public and several galleries incorporate artist demonstrations and/or live music. Not only does this event give guests the opportunity to view creative art space, it also is an excellent time to purchase one-of-a-kind artwork directly from artists.

Transportation Options

Explore the core and gallery hop using the free Q-LINE Trolley shuttle service that runs up and down Douglas Avenue. Electric scooter and bicycle rentals are also available. [Discover additional transportation options.](#)

First Friday Events

This month's First Friday will occur on September 6, 2019. Participating venues will be listed on this website no less than a week before the event.



Art House 310

310 South Laura Street

Title of Exhibition: Tarah Lynn Clark & Lari Howard

Featured Artists: Tarah Lynn Clark & Lari Howard

Description:

Art House 310 First Friday – Tarah Lynn Clark & Lari Howard
Opening Reception | First Friday July 5th, 2024 | 6-10pm

This event is free to attend and open to the public. Show hangs through July 21st, 2024. Art House 310 is located at 310 S. Laura. Two blocks SE of Douglas & Washington in downtown Wichita.

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WELCOME TO

ARTISTS IN OLD TOWN STUDIOS



Artists in Old Town Studios

412 East Douglas Avenue

(316) 267-5915

Featured Artists: Studio Artists

Title of Exhibition: Studio Artists

Event Description: Studio artists will be open. Come see us at Artists In Old Town Studios in the back of Gallery 12, 412 East Douglas in Wichita Kansas for First Friday. July 5, 2024, 6pm to 8pm. We hope to see you.

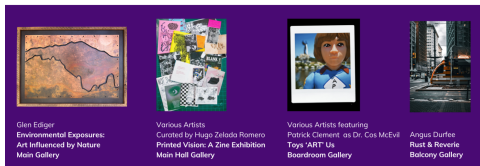
Check out all of the artworks at Gallery XII too.

Exhibition Hours: 6 to 8 p.m.



CURRENT EXHIBITIONS

JUNE 7 – JULY 21, 2024



FIRST FRIDAY RECEPTION 5-8 PM JUNE 7

CityArts

334 North Mead Street

(316) 350-3245

Featured artists: Glen Ediger, Various Artists, Patrick Clement as Dr. Cos McEvil, Angus Durfee

Featured exhibits:

Environmental Exposures: Art Influenced by Nature by Glen Ediger - Main Gallery

Printed Vision: A ZINE Exhibition by Various Artists, curated by Hugo Zelada Romero - Main Hall Gallery

Toys 'ART' Us by Various Artists, featuring Patrick Clement as Dr. Cos McEvil - Boardroom Gallery

Rust & Reverie by Angus Durfee - Balcony Gallery

Full Exhibition: On view June 7 through July 21, 2024

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Envision Arts Gallery
801 East Douglas Avenue

(316) 440-1699

Title of exhibit: American Tapestry Alliance's biennial exhibition Tiny But Mighty

Featured artists: American Tapestry Alliance

Opening reception: First Friday, June 5th, 5 to 9 p.m.

On display June 7th-28th in the Patricia A. Peer Window Gallery.

Tiny But Mighty features handwoven tapestries from over one hundred artists from around the world. Limited only by size, artists explore experimental techniques, materials, and conceptual approaches, within a 10-inch by 10-inch scale. Artists have incorporated found objects and employed other fiber techniques such as embroidery and knotting to create unique tactile experiences.

The American Tapestry Alliance, (ATA) was formed in 1982 to unite tapestry weavers to promote awareness and appreciation of tapestry. ATA provides many free educational resources online, hosts educational workshops, and sponsors lectures to expand the interchange of ideas and to help weavers of all proficiency levels improve their skill. Recognizing the need to promote the fine art of tapestry, ATA has been instrumental in creating engaging exhibitions that feature artists from around the world. The organization hosts recurring exhibitions designed to highlight artists ranging from first-time exhibitors to weavers pushing the boundaries of tapestry as it is traditionally known. The ATA continues to develop new programs to serve the needs of its members and increase the visibility of tapestry weaving as an art form.



First Friday Pop Up Markets at Hopping Gnome Brewing Company
1719 East Victor Street

(316) 771-2110

Title: First Friday Pop Up Markets at Hopping Gnome Brewing Company

Welcome to our First Friday Series of Pop Up Markets at the all new Hopping Gnome Brewing! Hopping Gnome Brews, a delish food truck favorite, local artisans & small businesses — you name it, its there!

From 5 to 8 p.m. at 1719 East Victor Street Wichita, Ks.

Reoccurring monthly event: June 7th, July 5th, August 2nd, September 6th, October 4th

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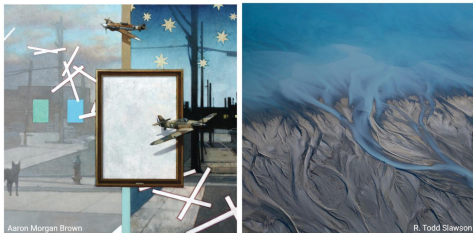
Hopping Gnome Brewing Company

1719 Victor Street

(316) 771-2110

Featured Artist: Kamilla Sims

Grab a beer and support local art!



Reuben Saunders Gallery

3215 East Douglas Avenue

(316) 682-1481

Exhibition Title: "SPECIAL DELIVERY" // "JOURNEY"

Featured Artist: Aaron Morgan Brown // R. Todd Slawson

Event: First Friday, July 5th from 5:30 to 9 p.m.!

Our main gallery will be featuring contemporary oil paintings in a new exhibition titled "SPECIAL DELIVERY" by Aaron Morgan Brown!

Additionally, our east alcove gallery will be featuring a photography exhibition titled "JOURNEY" by R. Todd Slawson!

We hope you will join us for these two opening receptions on First Friday, July 5th from 5:30pm to 9:00pm!

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FIRST FRIDAY ARTISAN MARKET

FEATURED ARTIST
PAULINA VALENCIA

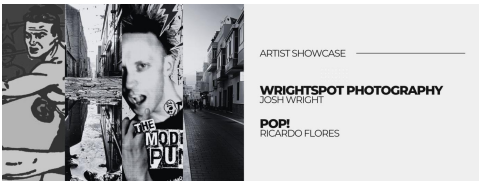
The Enchanted Mermaid at Muse Meridian
301 S Meridian Ave

(316) 796-5383

Featured artist: Paulina Valencia

Event Hours: 6-10 p.m.

The Enchanted Mermaid brings you First Friday Sunflower District Artisan Pop-Up Market @ Muse Meridian. Come shop from a variety of local artists and artisan handmade crafters! We'll also have face painting and henna tattoos by The Enchanted Mermaid, food trucks, live performances by Flow Foundry, and live bands & entertainment! 4th of July Weekend only Kids get Free Glow Necklaces and Popsicles. Fun for the whole family!



ARTIST SHOWCASE

WRIGHTSPOT PHOTOGRAPHY
JOSH WRIGHT

POP!
RICARDO FLORES

White Crow Cider Company
1236 East Waterman Street

Featured Artist: Ricardo Flores and Josh Wright

Title of Exhibition: POP! And Wrightspot Photography

Exhibition Hours: Thus 3-9, Fri. 3-10, Sat 12-10, Sun 12-5

Event Description: Join us for some hard cider and 2 local artists!

[First Friday Interactive Map](#)

Future Dates

The majority of the galleries that currently participate in Final Friday have announced plans to shift their monthly event to First Friday, beginning in September. Since there is no "governing body" that oversees Final Friday, Downtown Wichita generally takes direction from what the majority of the local galleries wish to do. As of now, Downtown Wichita plans to transition the Final Friday calendar to First Friday beginning in September as well. In order to make this transition as seamless as possible, the usual listing and interactive map for both the August Final Friday (August 30) and September First Friday (September 6) will be created.

Mark your calendars for the following 2019 First Friday dates to never miss an event:

- September 6
- October 4
- November 1



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● December 6

Submit Your Event

Are you an artist or gallery owner interested in being included on the First Friday list? [Contact us for more information](#). Since there is no designated organizing body for First Friday, all participating venues are required to do their own marketing and advertising. Downtown Wichita does provide a listing on our website of all venues that are participating for the general public and visitors to use.

Submit your Final Friday exhibit info no less than one week prior to the event in the following format to be listed on the Downtown Wichita website. Fill-out the form below or email your submission to megan@downtownwichita.org.

Please provide a horizontal image that represents the gallery via email.
[Click here for more information on how to promote your event.](#)