

Friday for the Arts! 8 December 2017 Summary of Events

December Friday for the Arts! Features Great New Displays of Art, Fifteen Music Venues, Holiday Opening at Appomattox Tile Art, and Children's Theatre

Petersburg's December 2017 *Friday for the Arts!* brings us music, art, a holiday opening at **Appomattox Tile Art**, entertainment, fun activities, food, new beers, and spirits. There will be music in at least fifteen performing arts venues, and there will be great exhibits at **the Library**, **The Ward Center for Contemporary Art**, **Old Towne Studio 7**, the **Morena Bohemia Art Gallery**, and the **Petersburg Area Art League**.

The Library is showing the work of **Charles Hartwell**. **The Ward** is featuring an exhibit of large new work by **Rod Givens**, and continues a new exhibit of work by **Freedom Wilson**, entitled *Just Enough Grace for You*, as well as new work by one of the most respected of Petersburg-area artists, **Eugene Vango**, in addition to a continuing exhibits by **Carol Anna Meese**, entitled *Brand New Day*, and a newly hung show by **Sheila Maitland Holland** entitled *Rising*, as well as new work by **Bonnie Koenig**, by **Risegun Olomidun**, and by **Steve Gay**, and continues no fewer than ten other gallery exhibits, including work by **Rosamond Casey**, **Bobby English, Jr.**, **Mary Montague Sikes**, **James Timberlake**, **Clifton Dickens**, **Dolly Holmes**, **Mark Pehanich**, **Aimee Joyaux**, **Omni Waters**, and **Terry Ammons**, as well as at least twenty-five resident studio artists. The **Art League** will continue *PAAL through the Years: 1932 to the Present*, featuring images of the Art League and its exhibits over the years, and *the 38th Annual Trees of Christmas*. **Old Towne Studio 7** will display the photography of **Michelle Colo Burdiss** and the work of **Lisa Mistry**. **Jennifer Schold-Fore**, jeweler, will be featured at the **Morena Bohemia Art Gallery**, along with work by **Dan & Kathi Blackmon**, **Jasmin Mills**, **Betty Jo Bain**, and **Joey Northrop**. A retrospective exhibit of work by **Ken Graves** will be shown at **Abigail's Antiques**. **Appomattox Tile Art** will present exhibits of paintings by **Elizabeth Thacker**, jewelry by **Kelly Moody**, hand-knitted hats and scarves by **Tamara Carter**, as well as mosaic coasters, trivets, and marble ornaments.

Appomattox Tile Art will present a **Holiday Open House** from noon to eight, featuring art and a **factory tour** at six. **Old Towne Studio 7** will present spoken word poetry by **Chris Bernstorf** of Michigan. The **Art League** will stage a silent auction of work contributed by member artists. The **Art League** will also present two performances of *A Dickens of a Christmas*, performed by the **Theatre with Children for Children**, at six and again at 7:15 pm. **Tantrum Tattoos** will be offering free henna tattoos. **Apothic Hair** will stage its **Grand Opening & Ribbon Cutting**.

Iris Schwartz will be playing holiday flute music at the **Art League**. **Nick Faulconer** will perform at **Trapezium Brewing**. **Shelly Bonet** will be performing with **Scott Harriton** early on the patio at **DJ's Rajun Cajun**, and the **Triple B Band** later. No fewer than three bands will be performing at **Old Towne Studio 7**: **Weathered**, from Minnesota, and **Paperback** and **Downhaul**, both from North Carolina. **Karyssa Busching** and **No 2 Snow Flakes** (acoustic) will perform at **Local Vibe Cafe**. **Courtney Fleming** will be singing at the **Morena Bohemia Art Gallery**. **The Ward Center** will present the hot DJ **Dwayne Johnson**. **Matt Via & the Dirty Runaways**, featuring **Keith Horne**, will be at **Old Towne's Alibi**, **Bobby Horne** at **Abigails**, **Rudy Faulkner & Friends** at **Croaker's Spot**, the Sinatra-style crooner **Joe LaLuna** at **Maria's**, **Steve Brooks & Casey Bowman Miles** (keys & vocals) in the **Martini Lounge** at **Wabi Sabi**, and **Sayre McShane** in the **Music Room** at **Wabi**. And the Scottish singers of **Clan Haggis** will be performing in at **Tramonto Ristorante**. **Music this month from six to one!**

Images:

1. Rod Givens, at The Ward
2. Holiday Open House, Appomattox Tile Art
3. Jennifer Schold-Fore, at Morena Bohemia Art Gallery
4. Keith Horne, at Old Towne's Alibi
5. Nick Faulconer, at Trapezium Brewing
6. Karyssa Busching at Local Vibe Cafe
7. 38th Annual Trees of Christmas, PAAL