

Calendar of Events and Programs

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Now-November 15, Contemporary Arts Center: Innovative new housing designs being built in the 9th Ward by the Make it Right Foundation, and rain garden. www.cacno.org

Now through January 2010, Exhibition, Louisiana ArtWorks: Who Loves a Garden Still His Eden Keeps: Group Exhibition with Kenneth Baskin, Stephen Collier, Ben Diller, Kathryn Hunter, Kelli Scott Kelly and Deborah Masters. www.louisianaartworks.org

October 10, second Saturdays, on St. Claude Avenue: 20+ new galleries open the fall season with an art walk, affordable art works, great young crowds. www.scadnola.com

Now-November: Longue Vue House and Garden food and wine tastings, childrens programs such as "Little Masters at Longue Vue", and lectures. www.longuevue.com

Now – January 2, "African Cultural Connections", The New Orleans African American Museum: African art, including pieces from SUNO restored from floodwaters; "Charles Simms: Visions of New Orleans," large acrylic on canvass works painted en plein air of vernacular New Orleans culture and architecture. 1418 Gov. Nicholls St. www.noaam.info

October 10, second Saturdays, Sankofa Marketplace: Lower 9th Ward: Crafts, artists' demonstrations, music, fresh produce, wild caught Louisiana shrimp and rebuilding agencies. www.sankofamarketplace.org

October 10 & 11, Gentilly Fest: Live music, food from local restaurants, fine arts and crafts, children's activities, services. www.gentillyfest.org

October 11, "HEART OF THE GARDENS" Bon Voyage Launch: The New Orleans Botanical Garden launches a campaign to celebrate the city's unique gardens, with a **Bon Voyage Brunch** and Tours of the Botanical Garden, City Park, the Bayou St. John, Esplanade Ridge and Treme neighborhoods, and Longue Vue House and Gardens with Gray Line Tours. www.neworleanscitypark.com

October 14 & Wednesdays: Harrison Avenue Market: A family event with 75+ food and crafts vendors, across from Starbucks, 5:00 pm.

October 17 & 18, Fall Garden Show at the New Orleans Botanical Garden in City Park, featuring Funky and Fabulous Scarecrows made by artists, school children, and community groups, many for sale. Special harvest culinary treats. www.neworleanscitypark.com

October 17 – February 28 Exhibition of William Woodward's Louisiana landscapes at New Orleans Museum of Art: Paintings from the NOMA and Historic New Orleans collections that recall our natural heritage. www.noma.org

October 17 & November 21 Third Saturdays, Bywater Art Market. Highly juried, original works of art at affordable prices.

October 17 & 18: Crescent City Blues and BBQ Festival in Lafayette Square with crafts bazaar: Presented by the New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Foundation. www.jazzandheritage.org

October 24, Louisiana ArtWorks: ArtStar Party with Open Studios, 8–11pm. www.louisianaartworks.org

October 30-November 1, Voo Doo Festival in City Park, The weekend of Halloween features multi-stage live music and a unique public art sculpture show presented by KK Projects/Life is Art. www.thevoodooexperience.com and www.kkprojects.org

October 31 & November 28–29 Last Saturdays, Arts Market of New Orleans Presented by the Arts Council of New Orleans: Palmer Park, 10:00am to 4:00pm with handmade, affordable art by over 100 artists, live music and more. www.artscouncilofneworleans.org

All of October, Oktoberfest: Regional harvest feasts with new boutique beers. With over a thousand restaurants, many opened since Katrina, and more per head than any other city in America, New Orleans is the perfect food and party destination. www.nolafunguide.com

November 1, All Saints Day: New Orleanians visit cemeteries with arms full of flowers to honor their ancestors and our cultural heritage. www.saveourcemeteries.org

November 7 – November 31: Southern Landscapes from the Permanent Collection at the Ogden Museum of Southern Art. Work from 1890 to present exhibits the diversity, and vitality of landscape painting, including Elmore Morgan Jr., Lulu King Saxon, Julian Onderdonk, Clarence Millet, and others. www.ogdenmuseum.org

November 12, 6–9pm Opening party at the Botanical Garden for the exhibition of holiday sculptures exhibition curated by KK Projects/Life is Art: Contemporary art spin on holiday spirit and color. www.neworleanscitypark.com and www.kkprojects.org

November 14, Education Series-New Orleans Botanical Garden Trial and Display Gardens: New varieties of annual plants and in-house trials, also including a display of many Salvias from the Herb Society of America. Tour of new varieties of petunias for 2010 release. www.neworleanscitypark.com

November 28, Celebration in the Oaks: The annual holiday lighting exhibit and festival returns with old favorites and new attractions. www.neworleanscitypark.com

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