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Your DGB Cultural District E-News

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DGB ANNUAL MEETING: 10/6/22

REGISTER TODAY for the Downtown Great Barrington Cultural District's Annual Stakeholder Meeting via Zoom on October 6th from 9-10 am! Learn about the projects our volunteer steering committee spearheaded in FY22 and our exciting plans for FY23, for which we'd love your input as we embark on a new year of adventure.

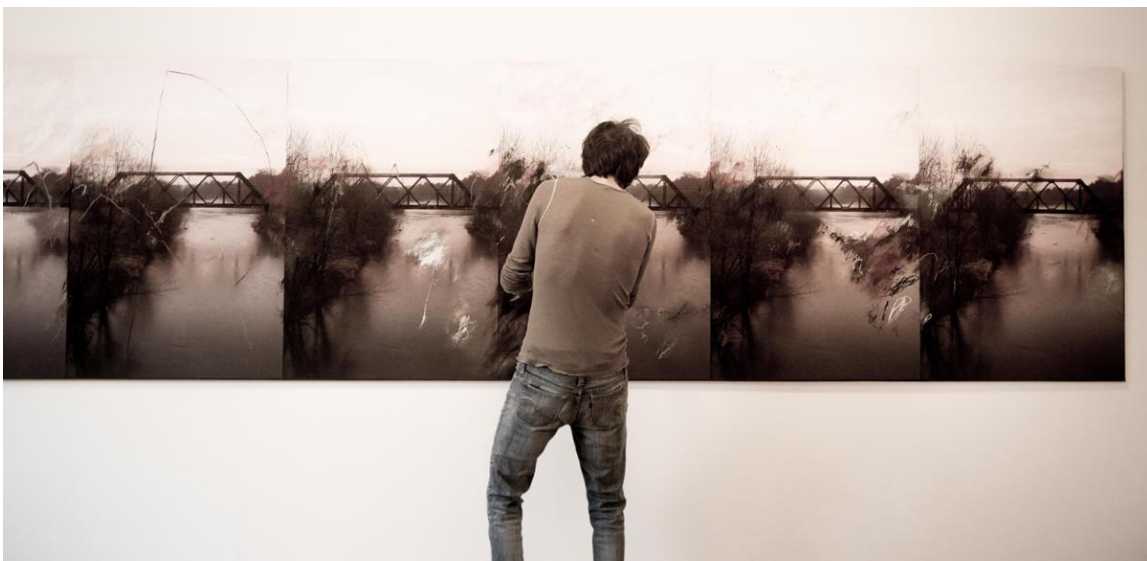
You can register in advance using the link below. After registering, you'll receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting. The Cultural District wants your feedback.

Register for the DTGB Cultural District's Annual Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/zoom/register/tZlkfuuvqTMqGtSqJeKdUSPjPEea1cnzvqqo>.

ARTWEEK IS ON

[ArtWeek Berkshires](#) started last Thursday, but the fun has only just begun. The festival runs from September 15 to 25 and there's still a LOT happening this weekend. [Visit ArtWeek Berkshires](#) to see a calendar of events or search the maps to find events based on your location. Between September 21 and September 25, there are nine events happening in Great Barrington and Housatonic from a rare glimpse into the shared open studio of visual artists [John Clarke](#) and [John Roberts](#) to a keyboard and electronics performance by [Melissa Saint Potima](#). Mark your calendar and get out and about to support the region's creative artists, potters, performers, dancers, and more.



Tell others about ARTWEEK BERKSHIRES

Post on Instagram, Facebook, Twitter, or TikTok using the text below:

#ARTWEEK BERKSHIRES is ON. Visit <https://berkshires.org/artweek-berkshires/> to discover your own and others' creativity over 10 days in The Berkshires! From open studios to hands-on workshops and performances to demonstrations, you do NOT

want to miss this festival.

#artweekberkshires #creativityliveshere #intheberkshires #liveBRK

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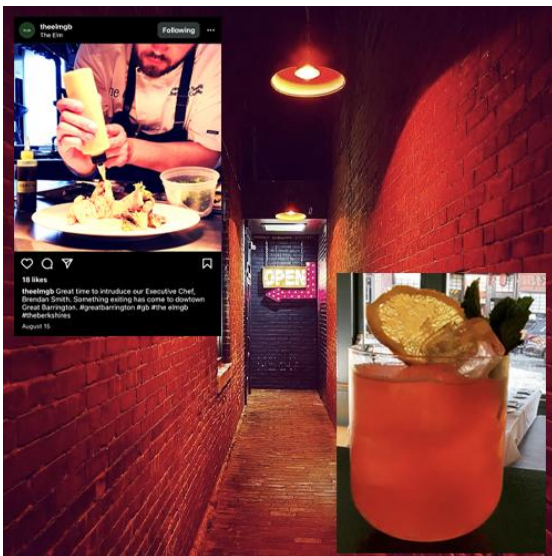
Thank You to Berkshire Busk



On Labor Day weekend we bid a sad farewell to Year Two of Berkshire Busk, which was even more amazing than Year One with a pop-up night market and 15 weeks of performances. Audience attendance grew in leaps and bounds, with a survey by The Busk of 400 downtown visitors showing that 1/3 were there because they'd heard about the event. Some folks are sad that Labor Day is the Busk's seasonal denouement and wish for more outdoor dining and pared-down music options into fall. If that's you, you're in luck because [ROADSIDE BUSK at Berkshire Mountain Distillers](#), 356 South Main Street in Sheffield, continues through the end of October, featuring free complimentary tasting flights of their spirits and an outdoor bar with cocktails for purchase, including highlights from their Cultural Cocktails program for those 21 and over.

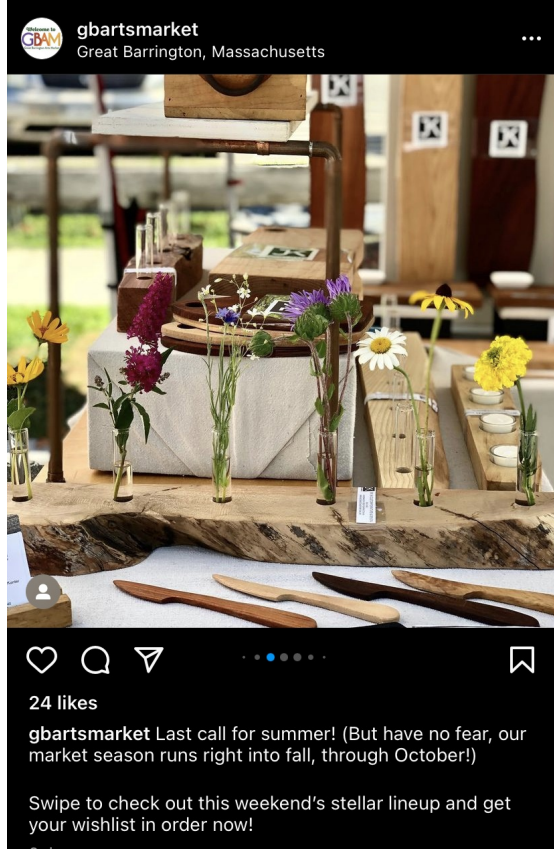
[Check Out The Busk's End-of-Season Reel on Instagram!](#)

What's in Store?



[The Elm has opened.](#) Grab dinner or a drink at this contemporary New England restaurant and cocktail bar recently opened at 20 Railroad Street. Menu items making the rounds on social media? Beets, hibiscus puree, Humboldt Fog foam, saba vinaigrette, and crispy bread tulle. Yum and yum.

[Great Barrington Arts Market](#) It may be the last call for summer, but have no fear, GB Arts Market's season runs through October. Pottery? Check. Jewelry



Check. Home goods? Check. Go in yourself to see what local artisans are crafting these days in downtown GB.

What | When | Where: The ArtWeek Edition

What: [Festival Latino of the Berkshires](#)

When: Saturday, September 24th, 12-6 pm

Where: Great Barrington Town Hall

Details: Join us for Latin American folkloric dance and music performances, language and cultural activities, artisans, and Latin cuisine vendors.

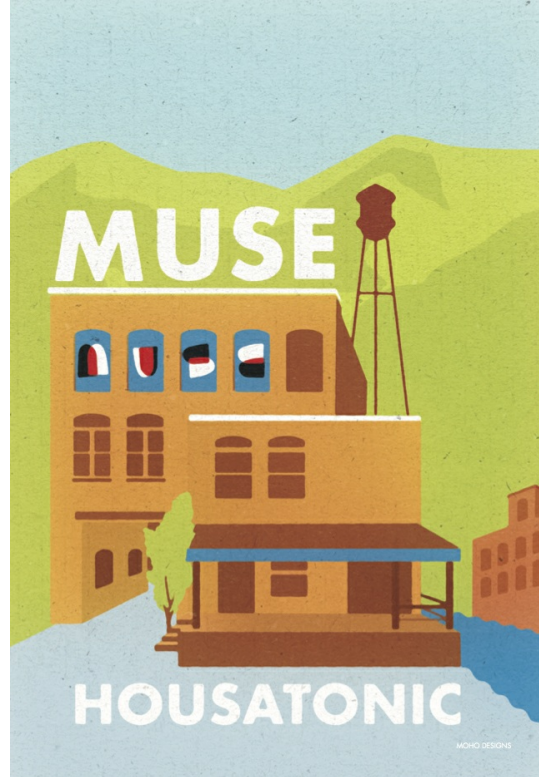


What: [Open Studios](#)

When: Saturday, September 24th, 2-6 pm

Where: Muse Housatonic, 430 Park Street

Details: Come visit Muse Housatonic for our Open Studios, and meet artists at work in the former curtain factory. This four-story mill building has about 20 studios and lots of history. Come for the art, stay for the architecture. The MUSE studios are located in a historic textile mill, nestled between the river and railroad tracks in the village of Housatonic, Massachusetts.



What: [Outer Space Alien Mask-Making 2-day Workshop](#)

When: Must attend both Fridays in order to complete project: September 23rd & 30th, 4:15-5:15 pm

Where: Great Barrington Libraries, 231 Main Street

Details: Inspired by September's theme of NASA's Artemis Missions, we will examine and discuss creatures from the worlds of science fiction and mythology to inform our creative direction as we make original masks. We will turn ourselves into imagined creatures that might just live in outer space. We will have so much fun as we cut, tape, *papier-mâché* and paint!



Local Creative Economy Jobs

Find jobs in Berkshire County's Creative Economy on [1Berkshire](#).
Current openings include:

[IT and Business Systems Manager, Shakespeare & Co.](#)
[Program Associate, Community Access to the Arts](#)
[Northeast Regional Tour and Professional Development Manager, Shakespeare & Co.](#)

Arts Funding and Resources

Curated information about funding and financial assistance for those working in the creative economy.

[SUBSCRIBE TO THE MASS CULTURAL COUNCIL NEWSLETTER](#)

Monthly newsletter with grant opportunities, action alerts, community highlights, opportunities, and resources. Find the latest about fellowships, explore Massachusetts artists' galleries, discover traditional arts apprenticeships, and identify art spaces and other resources.

[ARTIST RESOURCES AND OPPORTUNITIES](#)

[ArtsHub](#): Something special is growing in Western Mass. Together, artists and arts sector workers are building something new from the ground up: a central online resource to help the region's creatives in business thrive and connect with each other — and with patrons, audiences, and cultural leaders across all fields. This is ArtsHub. Visit the website to find events, funding, job openings, and crucial resources for local artists, all in one convenient location. Submissions are welcome and encouraged for opportunities across Western Massachusetts and beyond. Together, the ArtsHub community can help you spend more time utilizing resources and less time trying to find them. [Find current opportunities here](#).

[NEW ENGLAND FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS](#)

Find grant resources updated regularly. [Find a grant here](#).

[CREATIVE CAPITAL ARTIST OPPORTUNITIES: SEPT + OCT 2022](#)

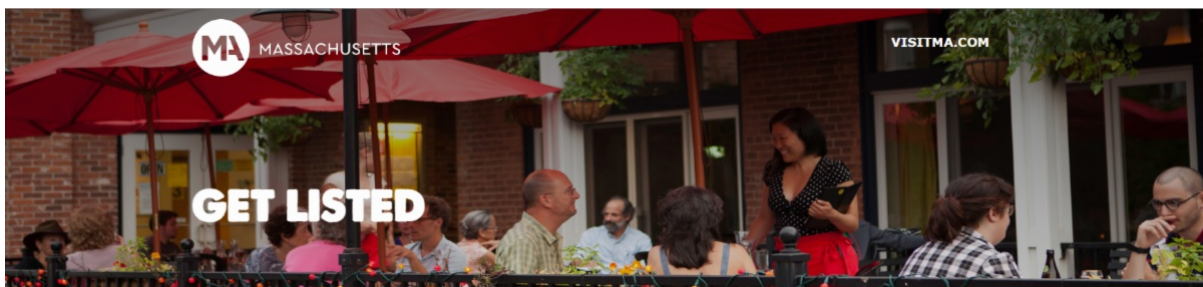
Each month, Creative Capital compiles events, residencies, grants, and open calls for artists in all disciplines. [See the list here](#).

[MASSCREATIVE POLICY & ACTION UPDATE](#)

Join us every other Friday morning 9:45-10 AM to learn about COVID-19 Virtual Policy & Action Updates. These 15-minute updates provide creative economy and artist supporters with what they need to know about COVID-19 policy, advocacy, and actions they can take.

[AN ARTS FIELD GUIDE TO FEDERAL DISASTER RELIEF](#)

Published July 2021, this guide by the National Coalition for Arts' Preparedness and Emergency Response is meant to demystify federal disaster relief for the arts and culture sector by helping artists and arts organizations see what's available, understand what isn't available, and decide if pursuing federal aid is a good use of time. La traducción en español de Una Guía en el Campo de las Artes está disponible en [el sitio web de NCAPER](#). Traducida por Sandra Marulanda.



Mass Office of Travel and Tourism

VisitMA.com, Massachusetts Official Travel and Tourism (MOTT) website, includes a FREE business database where you can list your Great Barrington business! It's easy to get started, just visit <https://business.visitma.com/>, where you can sign on as a new business or update your information if you are already registered.

Are you making the most of the #mylocalMA campaign? [Submit Your Story](#) for a chance to be featured on social media and in MOTT's My Local MA e-newsletter. You can find

more information and resources at Lovemylocalma.com.

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