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**SAVE THE DATES:**

**The Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts Presents an  
Exciting Lineup of Festivals, Exhibitions and Events for 2018**

The **Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts**, the city's non-profit arts council, events agency and film office, announces its lineup of events for 2018. Light City returns for its third year in 2018 with new and expanded programming, as well as seasoned festivals Artscape and the Baltimore Book Festival. The Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts continues to showcase visual art exhibitions at School 33 Art Center, the Bromo Seltzer Arts Tower and the Top of the World Observation Level. In addition, the Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts manages four facilities and produces programs and grants that support artists, arts programs and organizations across the city year round. All events produced by the Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts are completely free and open to the public, unless otherwise noted. A full schedule of events is listed below.

**Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Parade**

Monday, January 15, 2018, 12pm

Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard

Baltimore City honors the life of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. with regional marching bands, color guards, steppers, equestrian units, dance squads, civic organizations, and floats. The parade steps off at Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and Eutaw Street, continuing south on Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.

[www.promotionandarts.org](http://www.promotionandarts.org).

***Test Pattern at School 33 Art Center***

A group exhibition featuring the work of Tom Boram, April Camlin, Roxana Alger Geffen, LoVid, Luke Ikard, and Rives Wiley. Curated by Melissa Webb.

Friday, January 19- Saturday, February 24, 2018

Opening Reception: Friday, January 19, 6-9pm

School 33 Art Center Main Gallery, 1427 Light Street  
Gallery hours: Wednesday through Saturday from 11am to 4pm  
[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org)

***Bodies in Sounded Space at School 33 Art Center***

A sculptural exhibition and performance by Katie Shlon and Fionn Duffy  
Friday, January 19-Saturday, February 24, 2018  
Opening Reception: Friday, January 19, 6-9pm  
School 33 Art Center Members Gallery, 1427 Light Street  
Gallery hours: Wednesday through Saturday from 11am to 4pm  
[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org)

***(un)familiar territory at School 33 Art Center***

An installation by Bobby Coleman  
Friday, January 19-Wednesday, February 28, 2018  
Opening Reception: Friday, January 19, 6-9pm  
School 33 Art Center Project Space, 1427 Light Street  
Gallery hours: Wednesday through Saturday from 11am to 4pm  
[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org)

**Information Session for Artscape and the Baltimore Book Festival**

Tuesday, January 23, 2018, 6-7pm  
Creative Alliance, 3134 Eastern Avenue  
New for 2018, this information session is designed to give anyone interested in submitting a proposal or application for Artscape and/or the Baltimore Book Festival an opportunity to ask questions about the process, hear more about requirements for applying, learn more about the festivals, meet potential collaborators and hear about locations in the festival footprints that may offer inspiration for proposals/applications.  
[www.artscape.org](http://www.artscape.org), [www.baltimorebookfestival.org](http://www.baltimorebookfestival.org)

***Adventures Close to Home at the Bromo Seltzer Arts Tower***

A solo exhibition of paintings by Ryan Syrell in the Bromo Seltzer Arts Tower Gallery  
Saturday, February 3-Saturday, July 28, 2018  
Opening Reception: Saturday, February 10, 2018, 4:30-6:30pm  
Bromo Seltzer Arts Tower, 21 S. Eutaw Street  
[www.bromoseltzertower.com](http://www.bromoseltzertower.com)

**Solo Exhibitions at School 33 Art Center**

Works by Zoe Charlton and Lydia Pettit in the Main and Members galleries at School 33.  
Friday, March 9-Saturday, April 28, 2018  
School 33 Art Center, 1427 Light Street  
[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org)

**Light City**

Neighborhood Lights

Friday, April 6-Sunday, April 8, 2018 with some installations on view for longer

Baltimore has always been a city of neighborhoods, with each one offering its own history, culture, and flavor. Neighborhood Lights, Light City's immersive community artist-in-residence program kicks off April 6-8 with fourteen neighborhoods: Baybrook (Brooklyn and Curtis Bay), Belair-Edison, Bromo Arts and Entertainment District, Darley Park, Federal Hill, Hamilton Lauraville, Highlandtown, Hollins Roundhouse/Southwest Baltimore, Little Italy, Locust Point, Patterson Park, Pigtown, Remington and Waverly. Selected artists and community groups will design and develop a collaborative illuminated piece reflecting the personality of participating neighborhoods.

[www.lightcity.org](http://www.lightcity.org)

### Light City festival

Saturday, April 14-Saturday, April 21, 2018

Weeknights: 7-11pm, Fridays & Saturdays: 7pm-midnight

Baltimore's Inner Harbor

Light City, Baltimore's free festival of light, music and innovation returns to the Inner Harbor featuring more than 20 brand new light art installations, live music, performing arts, children's activities and local food and beverage vendors along the BGE Light Art Walk.

[www.lightcity.org](http://www.lightcity.org)

### Labs@LightCity

Wednesday, April 18-Saturday, April 21, 2018

Labs@LightCity, one of the largest and most unique social innovation conferences in the country returns in 2018 to the IMET Columbus Center. New this year, Labs@LightCity is free to attend with a "Pay What You Can" registration system to allow accessibility for more attendees. A new restructured format combines the topics of Education, Green, Arts and Culture, Social, Health, Makers, Design and Food into a condensed four-day schedule. The Labs will again be shaped by a group of curators consisting of artists, activists, community leaders, executives and entrepreneurs, and will feature national leaders alongside local innovators.

[www.lightcity.org](http://www.lightcity.org)

### **Baltimore Farmers' Market & Bazaar**

Sundays, April 8-December 23, 2018, 7am-12pm

Below the Jones Falls Expressway at Holliday & Saratoga Streets

Maryland's largest producers-only market offers an assortment of produce, meats, dairy, breads, flowers and delicious made-to-order items from dozens of food vendors. The bazaar offers shoppers a variety of unique crafts and collectibles including jewelry, clothing and accessories, pottery, soaps and more. For more information, visit [www.promotionandarts.org](http://www.promotionandarts.org).

### ***Invasive Queer Kudzu at School 33 Art Center***

A solo exhibition of works by Aaron McIntosh in the School 33 Main Gallery

Friday, May 11-Saturday, June 23, 2018

School 33 Art Center, 1427 Light Street

[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org)

### **Art on the Waterfront**

Saturday, May 12-Wednesday August 11, 2018

Middle Branch Park

In partnership with Baltimore City Recreation & Parks and support from the South Baltimore Gateway Partnership, artists and groups are invited to submit proposals for temporary installations and sculptural works to be exhibited along Gwynns Falls Trail in Middle Branch Park. The deadline for proposals is Monday, January 29, 2018.  
[www.promotionandarts.org](http://www.promotionandarts.org)

### **Public Art Info Session**

May Date TBD

Location TBD

During this session, representatives from BOPA will share information about BOPA's upcoming community art grant opportunities. The purpose of this information session is to connect with artists, residents and stakeholders who wish to create or support public art projects in Baltimore City.

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### **13<sup>th</sup> Annual Janet & Walter Sondheim Artscape Prize Finalists Exhibition**

Wednesday, June 20-Sunday, August 5, 2018

Baltimore Museum of Art, 10 Art Museum Drive

View the work of the artists selected as finalists for the prestigious competition which awards a \$25,000 fellowship to a visual artist or visual artist collaborators living and working in the Baltimore region.

[www.artscape.org](http://www.artscape.org)

### **Baltimore's Fourth of July Celebration**

Wednesday, July 4, 2018, 7-10pm

Baltimore's Inner Harbor

The city of Baltimore observes Independence Day with live entertainment and a colorful fireworks display choreographed to festive music at Baltimore's Inner Harbor.

[www.promotionandarts.org](http://www.promotionandarts.org).

### **Picnic at the Top of the World**

Wednesday, July 4, 2018, 7-9:30pm

Come enjoy music, food, and a great view of the Fourth of July Celebration fireworks at Top of the World Observation Level for Picnic at the Top!

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### ***Omnibus Filing 2.0* at School 33 Art Center**

A group exhibition featuring the works of Daniel Bozhkov, Julie Nagle, Patrick Killoran, James Sham, and Brian Korgel

Friday, July 6 - Saturday, August 25, 2018

School 33 Art Center, 1427 Light Street

[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org)

### **Janet & Walter Sondheim Artscape Prize Award Ceremony**

Saturday, July 14, 2018 at 7pm, Galleries open at 6pm

Baltimore Museum of Art, 10 Art Museum Drive

The 36th annual Artscape kicks off with the announcement of the prestigious Janet & Walter Sondheim Artscape Prize winner. The \$25,000 prize winner is announced during an award ceremony and reception.

[www.artscape.org](http://www.artscape.org)

### **37<sup>th</sup> Annual Artscape**

Friday, July 20, 2018-Sunday, 22, 2018

Friday-Saturday: 11am-9pm, Sunday: 11am-7pm

Mount Royal Avenue & North Charles Street

America's largest, free arts festival features continuous musical performances by local, regional and national talent on multiple outdoor stages, indoor and outdoor visual arts exhibitions, theater, opera, dance, street theater and special activities geared towards children. For 2018, the festival is going back to the basics...ART. For "the year we didn't have a theme," artists and festival-goers are encouraged to embrace Artscape for what it is – a fully accessible, 100% FREE, world-class arts festival – right here in the heart of Baltimore City.

[www.artscape.org](http://www.artscape.org)

### **Janet & Walter Sondheim Artscape Prize Semifinalists Exhibition**

Friday, July 20-Sunday, August 5, 2018

Opening reception: Thursday, July 19, 2018 from 6 to 9pm

Artscape visitors can view the artwork of the Janet & Walter Sondheim Artscape Prize semifinalists during the festival weekend at the Decker and Meyerhoff Galleries inside the Maryland Institute College of Art.

[www.artscape.org](http://www.artscape.org)

### **Juried Exhibition #1 at School 33 Art Center**

Friday, September 7-Saturday, November 3, 2018

School 33 Art Center, 1427 Light Street

Artists and exhibition title TBA

[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org)

### **Artscape After Hours**

Friday, July 20 and Saturday, July 21, 2018 from 9pm to 11pm

Charles Street, from Preston Street to North Avenue

After the sun goes down on Artscape, the festivities continue during Artscape After Hours! Wander through the illuminated streets while experiencing comedy shows, live music & DJs, giant dance floors, and more.

[www.artscape.org](http://www.artscape.org)

### **9/11 Memorial of Maryland Exhibit**

Tuesday, September 11, 2018 from 8am to 6pm

Top of the World Observation Level, World Trade Center 27th Floor, 401 East Pratt Street

In memory of the victims of the September 11 attacks, a permanent display featuring artifacts from the Twin Towers, Pentagon and Flight 93 is open on Monday, September 11 from 8am to 6pm at the Top of the World Observation Level, located on the 27th floor of the World Trade Center Baltimore at 401 East Pratt Street. For more information, call 410-837-VIEW (8439) or visit [www.viewbaltimore.org](http://www.viewbaltimore.org) (\$)

### **23<sup>rd</sup> Annual Baltimore Book Festival**

Friday, September 28, 2018-Sunday, September 30, 2018, 11am-7pm daily

The Mid-Atlantic's premier celebration of the literary arts features more than 200 celebrity and local authors, readings, workshops, children's activities, panel discussions, cookbook demonstrations, more than 100 exhibitors and booksellers, live music, food and more.

[www.baltimorebookfestival.org](http://www.baltimorebookfestival.org).

### **13<sup>th</sup> Annual Free Fall Baltimore**

October 1-31, 2018

Citywide

Top area arts and cultural organizations provide hundreds of free events, such as concerts, theater performances and films for this citywide arts celebration during National Arts and Humanities Month.

[www.freefallbaltimore.org](http://www.freefallbaltimore.org).

### **Public Art Info Session**

October Date TBD

Location TBD

During this session, representatives from BOPA will share information about BOPA's upcoming community art grant opportunities. The purpose of this information session is to connect with artists, residents and stakeholders who wish to create or support public art projects in Baltimore City.

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### **School 33 Art Center's Open Studio Tour**

Saturday, October 6 and Sunday, October 7, 2018, 12pm-6pm

Visit the studios of more than 100 artists located throughout Baltimore City to view and purchase their original works of art, including paintings, sculptures and photographs during this self-guided tour (times vary by location).

[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org).

### **Sound Off Live!**

Hard Rock Café Baltimore, 601 E. Pratt Street

October 17-18, 2018, 5-10pm

Sound Off Live! is a live audition where up-and-coming bands and musicians from the Maryland, Delaware and Virginia region compete for a chance to perform at either Artscape, Light City or the Baltimore Book Festival. A part of Free Fall Baltimore, the free event features musicians performing three songs live in front of an audience and a panel of judges.

[www.promotionandarts.org](http://www.promotionandarts.org)

### **Juried Exhibition #2 at School 33 Art Center**

Friday, November 16, 2018 - Saturday, January 12, 2019

School 33 Art Center, 1427 Light Street

Artists and exhibition title TBA

[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org)

### **Baltimore's New Year's Eve Spectacular**

Monday, December 31, 2018, 9pm-12:30am

Baltimore's Inner Harbor

Ring in the New Year with friends and family, live music from area bands and a grand fireworks display over the Inner Harbor.

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## **ONGOING**

### **Artscape Gallery Network**

Art galleries from Baltimore City and Baltimore County celebrate the talents of area artists with exhibitions openings and special events taking place before, during and after the Artscape festival weekend, dates and locations TBA. For more information, visit [www.artscape.org](http://www.artscape.org).

### **School 33 Art Center**

Gallery Hours: Wednesday through Saturday, 11am-4pm

1427 Light Street

School 33 hosts solo and group visual arts exhibitions and special events featuring the works of resident and guest artists, as well as workshops and classes for beginner and/or advance adults and children during the year.

[www.school33.org](http://www.school33.org).

### **Bromo Seltzer Arts Tower Open House**

Saturdays, 11am-4pm

21 S. Eutaw Street

Each week, guests are invited to visit artists' studios, view gallery exhibitions and artwork throughout the building and learn about the history of the building and Bromo Seltzer by visiting the museum on the 15<sup>th</sup> floor, free of charge. For \$8, guests can take a tour of the awe-inspiring clock room and learn about the history behind one of Baltimore's most iconic landmarks. A schedule of exhibitions is listed below. For more information, call 443-874-3596 or visit [www.bromoseltzerartstower.com](http://www.bromoseltzerartstower.com).

**The Cloisters Open House**—Throughout the year, the medieval-inspired attraction and rental facility hosts open houses with local caterers, photographers, florists, DJs and bridal shops. The Cloisters is located at 10440 Falls Road, Lutherville, Maryland, 21093.

[www.cloisterscastle.com](http://www.cloisterscastle.com)

### 2018 Open House Schedule:

Saturday, January 13, 11am to 3pm\*

Saturday, February 10, 11am to 3pm\*

Wednesday, April 18, 5pm to 8pm

Wednesday, June 20, 5pm to 8pm

Wednesday, August 15, 5pm to 8pm

Wednesday, October 17, 5pm to 8pm

Wednesday, December 5, 5pm to 8pm

\*= Open House Plus

Saturday, January 27, 11am to 3pm\*

Saturday, March 10, 11am to 3pm\*

Wednesday, May 16, 5pm to 8pm

Wednesday, July 18, 5pm to 8pm

Wednesday, September 12, 5pm to 8pm

Wednesday, November 14, 5pm to 8pm

### **Top of the World Observation Level**

World Trade Center, 27<sup>th</sup> Floor, 401 East Pratt Street

Located 27 floors above the Inner Harbor, Top of the World offers a spectacular 360-degree panoramic view. Guests can discover the history and culture of Baltimore through permanent exhibitions and rotating visual art installations. For hours and more information, call 410-837-VIEW (8439) or visit [www.viewbaltimore.org](http://www.viewbaltimore.org). (\$)

### 2018 Exhibition Schedule

Through September 30, 2018

- Invisible Cities: A solo exhibition of photographic works by Adam Davies

Additional exhibitions & details will be announced at a later date.

The Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts is a 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization which serves as Baltimore City's arts council, film office, and events agency. By producing large-scale events such as Light City, Artscape and the Baltimore Book Festival, and providing funding and support to artists, arts programs and organizations across the city, BOPA's goal is to make Baltimore a more vibrant and creative city.

For more information on the **Baltimore Office of Promotion & The Arts**, call 410-752-8632 or visit [www.promotionandarts.org](http://www.promotionandarts.org).

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