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Galleries
at

•WORK_SPACE•

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Coworking & Meeting Space in the ❤️ of Downtown

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WHO WE ARE



Contemporary view of the façade and alleyway at the side of the Weldon block, Downtown Manchester.

WORK_SPACE

is a welcoming and inclusive
Coworking and Meeting Center

that fosters

- positivity,
- productivity, &
- possibility.



Inspire and cultivate
entrepreneurial spirit,
showcase art,
promote artists, and
host conversations about
individuality, community,
diversity, and commonality.

WHAT WE DO

Private Offices

Community

Financial

Media Equipped
Meeting Rooms



Collaborative
Work Spaces

3 Galleries

Creative

Social

Through our private offices, collaborative work space, media equipped meeting rooms, and multiple galleries, we bring people together to share resources, ideas, and experiences in ways that grow the social, financial, and creative capital of our members and the wider Manchester community.



Geoffrey Houghton

WHAT WE BELIEVE

Art is a tool for community building and social change.

We believe that sharing ideas and supporting others within a diverse network leads to

- increased knowledge,
- expanded perspectives, and
- inspired action.



The Galleries @ WORK_SPACE Core Values: CREATE

Collaborative: we value partnerships and create strategic alliances to maximize opportunity, optimize talent, and celebrate art.

Resourceful: we leverage the unique experiences and creative energy of our community to remain fresh, exciting, and relevant.

Embracing: we intentionally create programs and foster attitudes that attract, welcome, and accommodate diversity of art and ideas.

Adaptable: we are dynamic and flexible and always ready to meet the changing needs of our community.

Transparent: we create honest and reciprocal relationships to empower artists to drive our growth and expand our impact.

Entrepreneurial: we are proud to be an innovative and dynamic contributor to the long-term social, cultural, and economic development of Downtown Manchester.

PERSPECTIVES

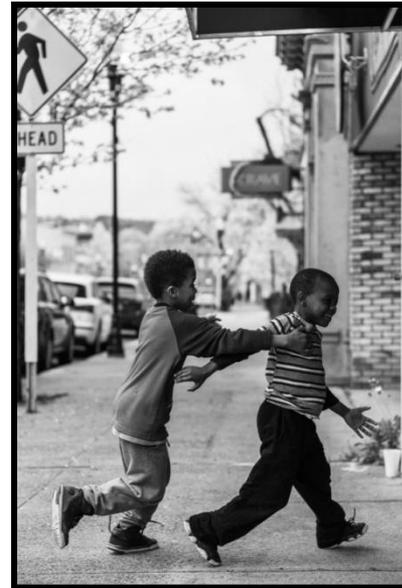
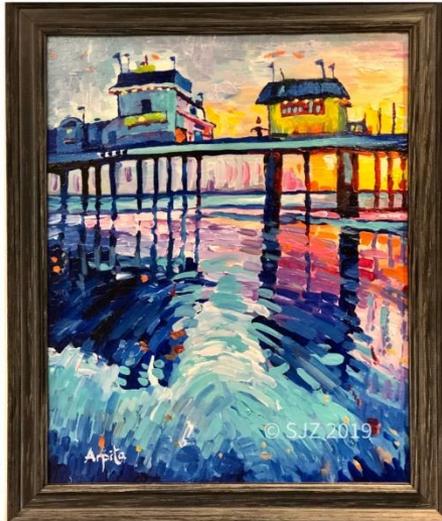
**“We are all different...
We are all one.”**



Norm Greenstein



Arpita Kurdekar



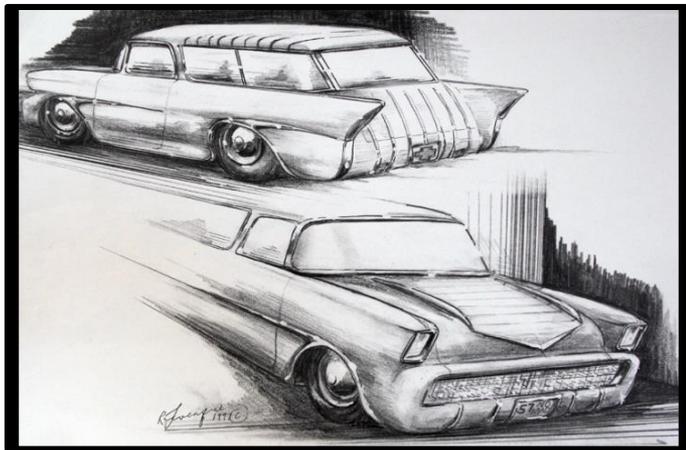
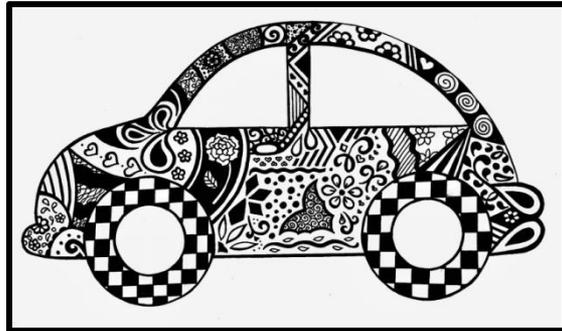
Jasmine Jones



Ann Gogh



Stacey Jill
Zackin



Ralph
Levesque





IMAGINE
MAIN STREET
Art as a catalyst for change



Mayor Jay Moran visits indoor artisan market.



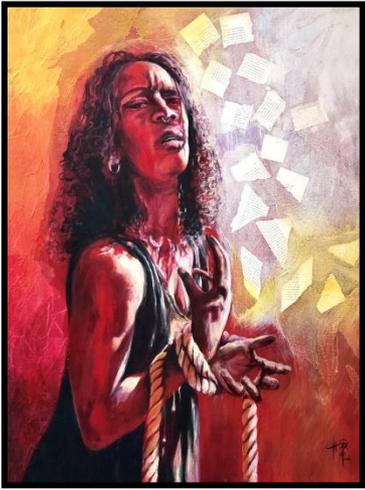
Imagine Main Street team.





THE NEW MOVEMENT OPEN MIC





Michelle Thomas



Hal Grimes

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MANCHESTER, CONNECTICUT

VISIT THE ARTS & CULTURE PAGE
OF OUR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS

<http://workspacemanchester.com/art-culture/>

CALL TO ARTISTS

ARTS & CULTURE

VETERANS ART OF ALL KINDS

AUG. 21, 2020-SEPT. 26, 2020

WEARABLE ART

SEPT. 29, 2020-NOV. 19, 2020

PERSPECTIVES OF A PANDEMIC

NOV. 27, 2020-JAN. 23, 2021

CREATIVE SPARK SERIES

5-8 MIN VIDEOS FEATURING LOCAL ARTISTS
EVERY FRIDAY @ NOON





Creative Spark



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presented by Galleries @ WORK_SPACE



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DIGITAL CONTENT & STORYTELLING LAB

Do you want to engage your audience with a video they'll actually watch, create a podcast they'll enjoy listening to, or facilitate a glitch-free webinar?

Let WORK_SPACE help you make tangible connections in an increasingly virtual world.

- Hall of Fame
- Poet Laureate
- Town Troubadour

Manchester Arts Commission Presents

State of the Arts

Public Art in Manchester



NETWORK: Encourage and generate community-wide participation in the development and appreciation of artistic and cultural activities within the Town of Manchester.

SUPPORT: To advocate for, and support the goals of the greater Manchester arts community.

CREATE: Create and enhance arts opportunities within the Town of Manchester

TED Talk Tuesday

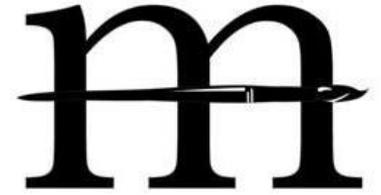
July 21, 2020 | 12:15pm | via Zoom | Free

Ryan T. Parker, Poet, Artist, Activist and Educator joins WORK_SPACE live online, to discuss the creation of his 2014 TEDx and how his topic of transforming struggle into strength is even more relevant today.



<https://bit.ly/TTTJuly-RyanParker>





Manchester Art Association



Little Free Libraries added at Manchester parks

By Elizabeth Turley
news@journalinquirer.com Jul 10, 2019 0

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Maisen Well, 5, of East Hartford, look at a book in the Little Free Library in Charter Oak Park in Manchester. The Manchester Women's Club worked with the Parks and Recreation Department to put up the libraries at several areas around town.

Jim Michaud / Journal Inquirer



The Manchester Sculpture Project
Sculpture of Joe McCluskey
by Michael Keropian

Manchester's Spruce Street
MARKET NIGHTS
Good Food. Good People. Grown Here.
WEDNESDAYS, JULY 1 - AUGUST 19, 4:30-7:30 PM
RAIN OR SHINE | 153 & 163 SPRUCE STREET



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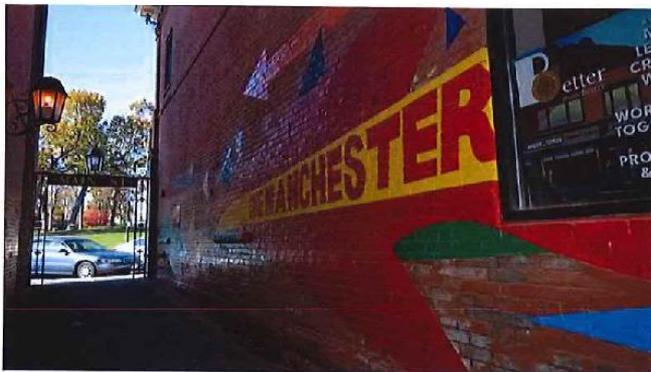
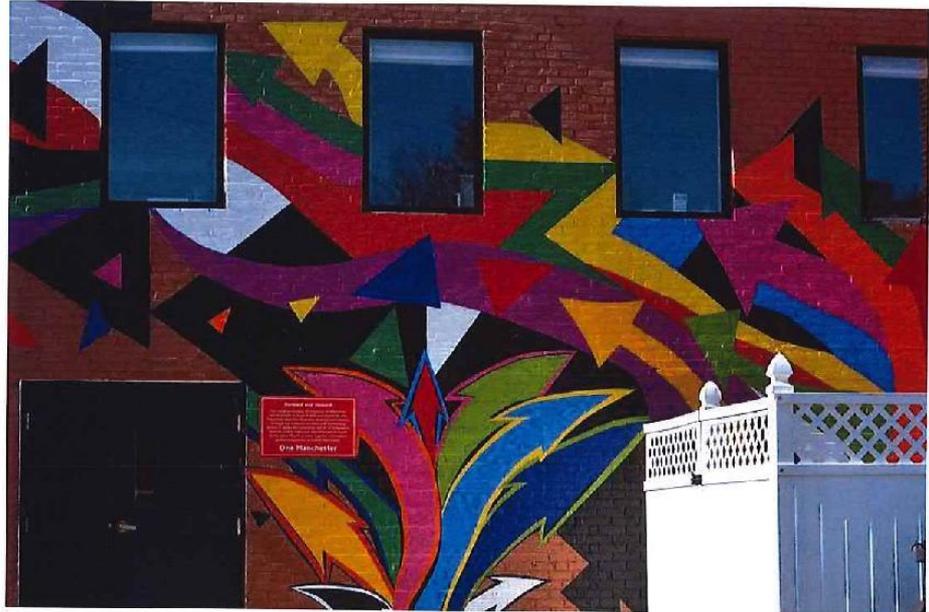
LEISURE, FAMILY & RECREATION

LOOKING BACK CROSS DIVISION COLLABORATION FY 19-20

Downtown Mural Project

The goals of the Purnell Place Mural Project included: beautifying and enhancing an area increasingly used for parking and permitted events; engaging and generating sufficient stimulation to ignite conversation, fostering interaction and evoking appreciation from the general public; and encouraging other business owners at Purnell Place to consider adding to the project.

The mural intention is to communicate and promote inclusion, equity and diversity within the character and spirit of Manchester, today and tomorrow, through the use of design, color and subject matter for public viewing of all ages.



NEIGHBORHOODS AND FAMILIES

LOOKING BACK FY 19-20

Spruce Street Market Nights

In its third year:

The market took place every Wednesday night, from June to August. It is located at 153 & 160 Spruce Street, a walkable neighborhood that provides easy access to fresh food for all individuals. The market features CT grown produce, cage free eggs, pasture raised meats, artisanal goods, live music, local art, and free gardening workshops.

This year we had over:

- 35 vendors
- 2,250 customers
- \$248 SNAP Reimbursements

The Spruce Street Market is a recipient of the USDA's Gus Schumacher Nutrition Incentive Program. These funds were awarded to us through Wholesome Wave. We work closely with End Hunger CT and Farm Fresh Rhode Island to manage these funds. This program doubles SNAP incentives for market customer. If a customer uses \$10.00 on their EBT card they will get \$20.00 worth of Connecticut Grown produce.



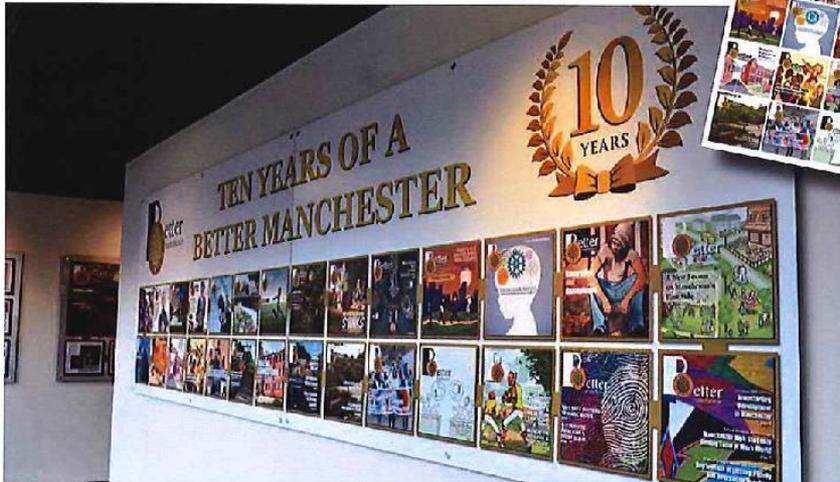
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10 Years of a Better Manchester Art Exhibit

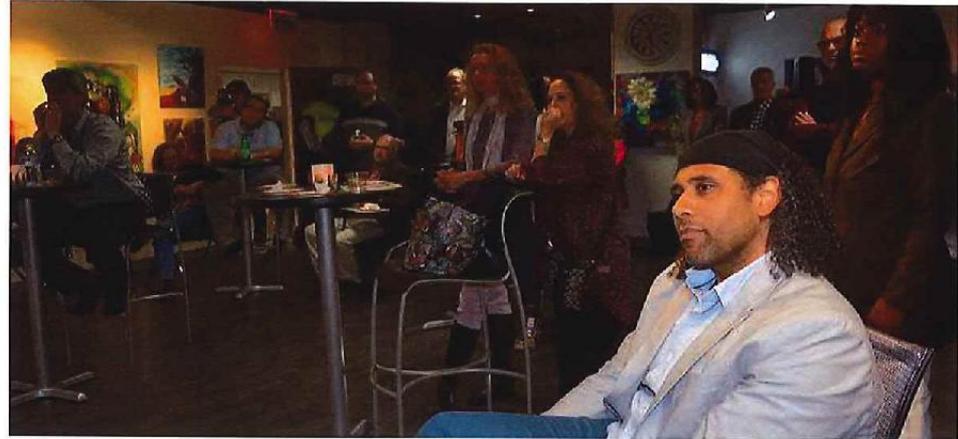
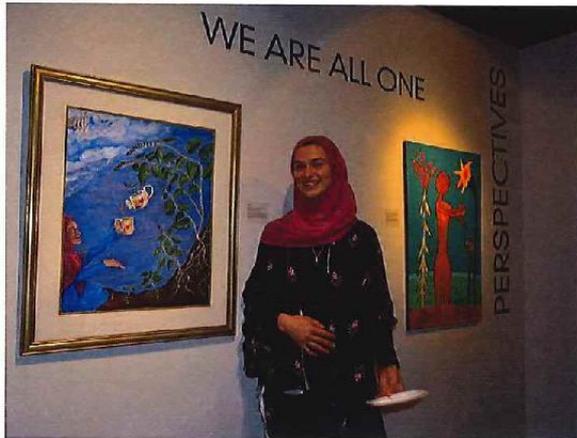
Better Manchester Magazine, the Town of Manchester's community magazine, rang in the New Year with an anniversary celebration on Thursday January 2nd at 6:00 PM at the galleries at WORK_SPACE, 903 Main Street, downtown Manchester. This celebration was marked by an art exhibit to celebrating 10 Years of Better Manchester Magazine.

This special art exhibit served as documentation of Manchester's progress over the past decade, and an expression of gratitude to all those who have contributed to both Better Manchester and a better Manchester.





NEIGHBORHOODS AND FAMILIES LOOKING BACK FY 19-20



Perspectives Art Show

In collaboration with WORK_SPACE, the Manchester Art Association, and partners from the highly pluralistic Greater Hartford community, we joined the effort to create positive Social Change In and Through the Arts by producing an art experience dedicated to all peoples together, as one.

The Perspectives "We Are All Different, We are All One" Art Show was exhibited at WORK_SPACE from November 1st through December 26th, 2019.

The show also offered over 14 education and creative workshops focused on the show's theme.





NEIGHBORHOODS AND FAMILIES

LOOKING BACK FY 18-19

Write Out Loud

The Write Out Loud program is a space within which young artists can freely express themselves by gathering to celebrate creativity, vulnerability, and artistry through performance arts such as dancing, poetry, and DJing. The program meets one Friday per month during the school year at the Eastside Neighborhood Resource Center.

In its fourth year, the Write Out Loud program has and will continue to make confident artists out of young Manchester residents.





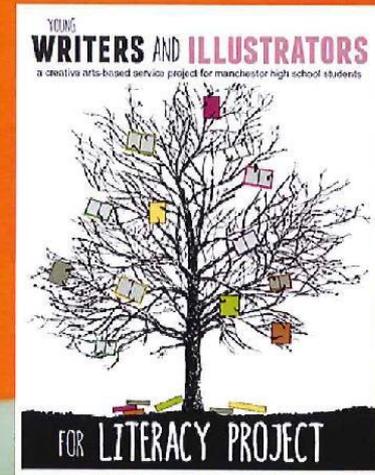
NEIGHBORHOODS AND FAMILIES

LOOKING AHEAD FY 19-20

Community Youth Art Initiative

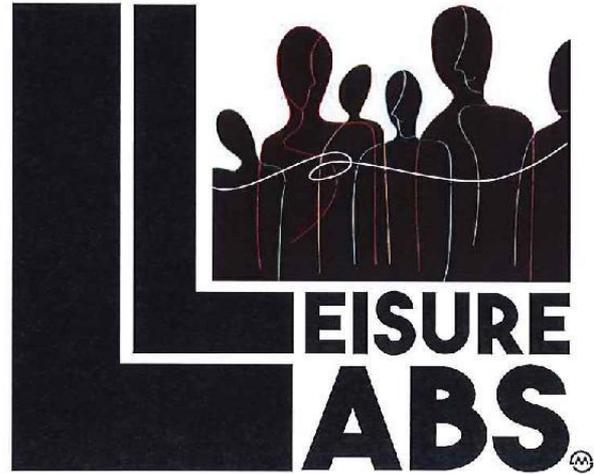
“Things in a Park” Art and Book Release

This year in collaboration with Manchester High School, the “Things” book series will release “Things in a Park” children’s book and art exhibit at Gallery153 located in the Eastside Neighborhood Resource Center. The book which will be released in May will also be distributed to all incoming kindergarten students for the 2019-20 school year and will also be distributed through the new little libraries installed this summer throughout Town.



LEISURE, FAMILY & RECREATION

LOOKING AHEAD CROSS DIVISION COLLABORATION FY 20-21



Exercise. Create. Organize.

Leisure Labs Program Concept Mahoney Rec Center

In collaboration with the Youth Services, Neighborhoods and Families, and Recreation Divisions, along with active community members a program concept is in development for the next generation of the center.

- 3 floors (Gallery Levels)
 - Health and Wellness Lab
 - Creative Arts Lab
 - Culture Lab





RECREATION DIVISION

LOOKING AHEAD FY 19-20

REC ON THE RUN

Rec on the Run, our mobile pop-up creative arts, sports and games vehicle will offer recreation programs and activities across Manchester beginning July 1st, 2019. Rec on the Run will increase the access to and knowledge of the many healthy, educational and fun activities that our division provides; will promote visits to our parks; and will provide information about other leisure-time alternatives available to them in our community. Rec on the Run embodies the departments' commitment to youth in all its neighborhoods.

What does Rec on the Run offer?

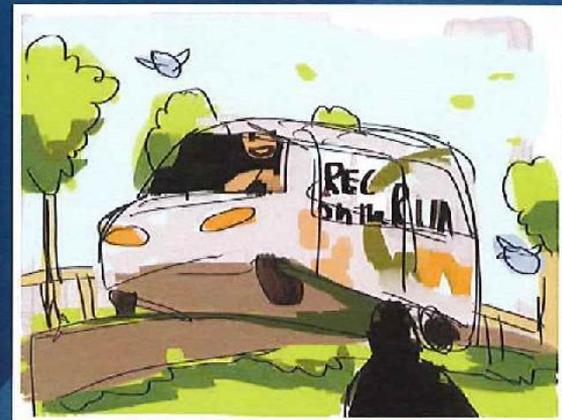
The Rec on the Run vehicle and its engaging staff bring recreation and much more to under-served neighborhoods:

- Sports and group games;
- Read-aloud program & free book giveaways;
- Health and wellness;
- Arts, music, and creative fun and activities;
- Environmental projects and games;
- and information about our youth programs, facilities and services.

TOWN OF MANCHESTER

REC ON THE RUN

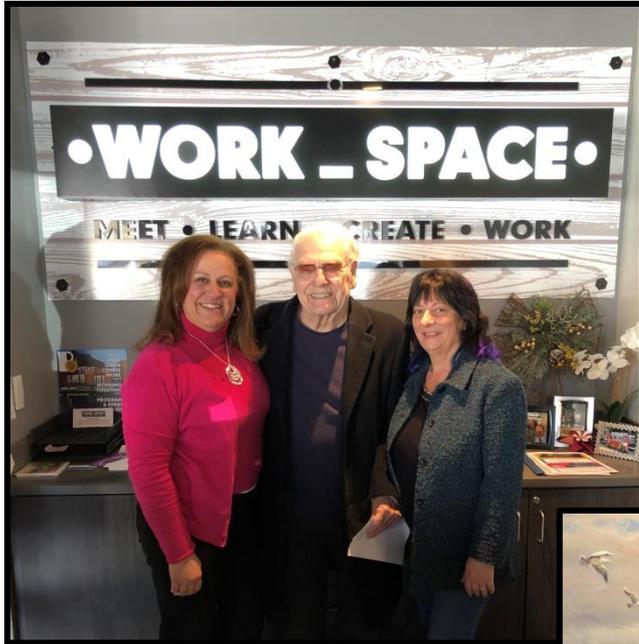
POP-UP CREATIVE ARTS, SPORTS & GAMES





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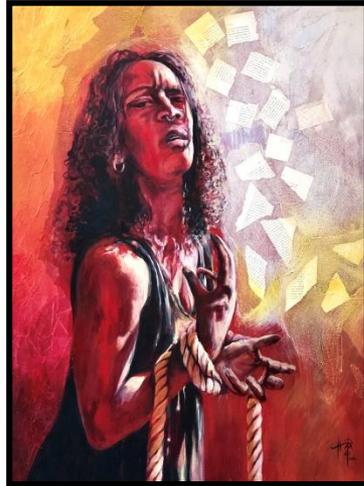


HANS WEISS: RETROSPECTIVE

FRIDAY APRIL 5, 2019 | OPENING RECEPTION 6 - 8PM
WORK_SPACE | 903 MAIN ST., MANCHESTER, CT 06040
ARTIST TALK AT 7 PM | WORKSPACEMANCHESTER.COM



Professional Artist: The work of Michelle Thomas – 21 year Veteran of the Airforce with a Masters in Art Education.



Amateur Photographer: Hal Grimes, member of the CT Healing and Recovery Program (HRP) founded at the VA in Newington.

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VETERANS

Art

of all kinds

For Veterans & Family Members of Veterans
<http://workspacemanchester.com/art-culture/>

Submissions Due: Aug. 6, 2020
Opening Weekend: Aug. 21-22

