

THE LANCASTER DOWNTOWN DIFFERENCE



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Wheels 2009

Wheels!

Join the City of Lancaster for its 12th Annual Car and Cycle Show in Downtown Lancaster on Sunday, September 13th from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Wheels, presented by **Schwanger Bros.**, spans four blocks of North Queen Street with over 150 cars and cycles of all styles.

There will be two stages of live entertainment. The Comancheros will be playing two sets on the Binns Park stage at 12:00 noon and 1:30 p.m. Music For Everyone will be hosting live entertainment at a stage in Lebzelter's parking lot on the 300 block of North Queen Street from 11 a.m to 3 p.m.

As you peruse the beautiful wheels, enjoy snacking on soft pretzels, Italian ice, funnel cakes, and fried Oreos, plus hamburgers, hot dogs and sausage sandwiches. And don't miss the great shopping in Downtown Lancaster. Several stores will be having sidewalk sales during Wheels – a terrific time to get a great deal on one-of-a-kind items.

If you'd like to register your car or cycle for the show, call the Mayor's Office of Special Events at (717) 291-4758 or visit www.lancastercityevents.com for a registration form. The first 200 cars/cycles registered for the event receive a free goodie bag from MOOSE!

This Month's Events

Through Sept. 13th: AirPlay Exhibit at the North Museum

Air may be invisible, but it is all around us, all the time. AirPlay, the newest traveling exhibit to arrive at the North Museum (400 College Ave.), provides the tools to explore the nature of air—how it moves and influences our environment. You'll have the opportunity to paint a wall of fluttering "shimmer disks" with a spray of air, or race balls through different paths to see the effects of turbulence. Make discoveries about how objects behave in an air stream and balance objects on multiple streams of air. For more information, call (717) 291-3941 or visit www.northmuseum.org.

Through Sept. 25th: PCA&D presents "Drawing Atlas"

Pennsylvania Collage of Art & Design's (204 N. Prince St.) Main Gallery presents "Drawing Atlas." Contemporary drawings, prints, and works on paper by artists who value the "primacy and significance of drawing as a major expressive medium," selected from DrawingAtlas.com. DrawingAtlas is a project of Lohin-Geduld Gallery, NYC, and is curated by artist and gallery owner Ro Lohin. Ro Lohin will be on hand on First Friday for a reception. The PCA&D Main Gallery is free and open to the public. Main Gallery hours: Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.; First Fridays 5 p.m. – 8 p.m. Visit www.pcad.edu or call (717) 396-7833 for more information.

Sept. 3rd – 27th: The Fulton Presents Hello Dolly!

The Fulton Theatre (12 N. Prince St.) opens its 2009-10 Season with one of America's most beloved musicals. When the irrepressible matchmaker Dolly Gallagher Levi is hired to arrange a marriage for the miserly half-a-millionaire Horace Vandergelder, she finds him the perfect mate—herself! But first she must rejoin the race of life she stopped running when she was widowed and win the heart of her unsuspecting "husband to be" before he gets hitched to somebody else. Filled with elaborate turn-of-the-20th century costumes, charged with high-energy choreography and positively brimming with joyful tunes including "Put On Your Sunday Clothes," "It Only Takes a Moment" and the irresistible title song, Hello, Dolly! is a delectable treat for audiences of all ages. For ticket information visit www.thefulton.org.

Sept. 4th: First Friday

First Fridays are a great time to experience Downtown Lancaster! Join the thousands who enjoy the evening's artistic energy. Over 90 art venues and shops extend their hours to 9 p.m., some even later! For a complete listing of monthly First Friday activities, visit www.LancasterARTS.com.

Sept. 4th: In the Kitchen at the Pennsylvania Guild of Craftsmen

Join guild members and local artists at the opening reception of the Pennsylvania Guild of Craftsmen's new Guild Store (252 N. Prince St.). Over 200 pieces of unique, hand-crafted, functional artwork will be exhibited and on-sale at this First Friday event, the exhibition runs through Oct. 3rd. Opening reception from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. For more information visit www.pacrafts.org.

Sept. 4th: Gallery 141 First Friday Exhibition

Gallery 141 (113 N. Water St.) presents the work of multiple artists during First Friday activities. Artists' works include Chinese brush paintings by Richard Kaufman, Photography by Rick Rotundo, as well as vintage clothing from the 1960's and music by Todd Troutman. Gallery 141 is open until 10 p.m. on First Friday. For more information visit www.gallery141.blogspot.com.

This Month's Events

Sept. 4th: First Friday Kirtan

Join First Friday Kirtan at The Yoga Path (428 N. Duke St.) and experience the uplifting energy of Kirtan, a form of group chanting from ancient India, from 7:45 p.m. to 9 p.m. Afterward enjoy a sampling of delicious Ayurvedic vegetarian foods flavored with exotic and healing Indian spices, presented by Spice of Life. The cost is \$10 at the door. For more information, call (717) 392-3992, email yogapath@voicenet.com, or visit www.yogapathlancaster.com

Sept. 4th: "Hotbed: Drawings and Paintings by Francine Fox"

Heitmann Atelier & Gallery (104 W. Chestnut St.) presents an exhibition of drawings and painting by Francine Fox. Primarily working with oil, gouache, watercolor, graphite, and ink, Fox is able to achieve incredibly detailed works that reinstate her interest in the complex layers that define personal identity. Artist's reception is from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. and the exhibition runs through Sept. 26th during the Gallery's regular business hours. For more information visit www.heitmannateliergallery.com and www.francinefox.com.

Sept. 4th – 7th: Long's Park Art & Craft Festival

In its 31st year, the Long's Park Art & Crafts Festival (1441 Harrisburg Pike at Rte 30) will showcase the country's top artists and crafts people. Named one of the top two fine art and craft shows on the East Coast, this festival features fine art and crafts along with fabulous food and entertainment. Friday - Sunday 10 a.m. – 6 p.m., Monday 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. Visit www.longspark.org for more information.

Sept. 4th: Free First Friday concert at the Pennsylvania Academy of Music

The Pennsylvania Academy of Music (42 N. Prince St.) presents guitarist Paul Morton and pianist Chris Whittaker. Morton and Whittaker will play everything from Bach to Jimi Hendrix. The event is a preview of the Academy's eclectic fall season entitled "Rococo to Rock- the Classics Unleashed." Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. For more info, call (717) 399-9733.

Sept. 4th: Artist Auction For Any & All

Annex 24 (24 W. Walnut St.) hosts a silent auction for various artists' works. Stop in and bid on your new work of art, a gift that never loses its value. Artists featured include Iraqi Painter Ayad Kalbash (Oil Paintings), Jay Dombach (Oil Paintings), Mark Kissinger (Photography), Jose Ruiz (Acrylic Paintings), Kristine Tardibuono (Photography), Weldon See (Handcrafted Wood Furniture). Live music during a First Friday reception by Reverend Windowpane Johnson and his Band of Lost Souls. Works will be exhibited through Sept. 26th. For more information visit www.annex24gallery.com.

Sept. 5th – Nov. 29th: Luigi Rist: Master Printmaker on view at the Demuth Museum

The Demuth Museum's (120 E. King St.) latest exhibition focuses on the print making of Luigi Rist (1888-1959). Trained as a traditional oil painter, Luigi Rist did not begin print making until he was in his forties. He attended an exhibit of traditional Japanese prints that inspired him to learn the traditional woodblock printmaking process. While historically Japanese printmaking was a collaborative effort between artist, block cutter, and printer, Rist performed each element himself, drawing, carving, and printing each of his own works. This exhibit explores Rist's print making techniques and painterly variations by looking at flow sheets and various stages of printing prior to the final image. Opening reception First Friday, Sept. 4th from 5 – 8 p.m. For more information visit www.demuth.org.

Sept. 5th – Oct. 4th: Weekend planetarium shows at the North Museum

Relax under the stars in Central PA's largest planetarium! The North Museum Planetarium (400 College Ave.) features four different shows on astronomy related topics for the youngest stargazer to the seasoned astronomer. Visit www.northmuseum.org for specific show times and descriptions.

Sept. 6th: Family Science Sunday at the North Museum

Mark your calendars for the first Sunday of each month at the North Museum (400 College Ave.). Family Science Sunday is truly science fun for everyone! This month, we'll bring out some of our visitors favorite activities from Family Science Sundays past. Family Science Sunday are included with Museum admission and sponsored by the Dart Foundation in memory of Brian Hess. This event is from 1 p.m. – 4 p.m. For more information, visit www.northmuseum.org.

Sept. 10th, 17th & 24th: Read, Touch & Discover at the North Museum

Using a different book each week, Read, Touch, & Discover encourages young children to explore their world at the North Museum (400 College Ave.). Do you get that itchy, creepy, and crawly feeling when you think of ticks, leeches, fleas and mosquitoes? We'll discover the important role of these parasites in the ecosystem, learn about how they eat and what you can do to keep them from biting you! Event begins at 10:30 a.m. For more information, visit www.northmuseum.org.

Sept. 12th: CommUNITY Fest 2009 @ Binns Park

Come together with members of your community and first responders for a day of family fun, food, music and understanding at this years CommUNITY Fest at Binns Park (100 Block of N. Queen St.) in Downtown Lancaster. CommUNITY Fest 2009 is from 12 noon – 4 p.m.

Sept. 12th: Grands are Grand! at the North Museum

Grandparents are invited to bring their pre-school aged grandchildren to the North Museum (400 College Ave.) on the second Saturday of each month at 10:30 to share a story, science activity and craft. This month, we'll listen to The Story of Ferdinand, by Munro Leaf, and then learn about animal hooves, horns and bones. Grands are Grand! is free with admission, but reservations for each class are required. To register or call for more information, call (717) 291-4371.

Sept. 12th, 19th & 26th: Cinderella at The Fulton

The world's most beloved fairy tale comes to life with this all new adaptation at the Fulton Theatre (12 N. Prince St.). Forced to spend her days waiting on her cruel stepsisters and stepmother, Cinderella almost forgets that she too has once been a fine young lady with handsome clothes and a soft bed to sleep in. But when Cinderella is left at home on the night of the Prince's ball, her very hip fairy godmother steps in to fulfill her dreams. This musical classic will enchant, delight and inspire. A dream come true fairy tale. For more information and tickets visit www.thefulton.org.

For a complete listing of all Downtown events please visit [Community Calendar](#)



This Month's Events

Sept. 12th: PCA&D Open House

Visit and learn about PCA&D (204 N. Prince St.) during its Open House from 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. Learn about B.F.A. programs in the fine arts, illustration, graphic design, and photography. The open house is a solid opportunity to have your portfolio reviewed, meet faculty and students, tour newly-expanded buildings, and view work by current PCA&D students. Learn about financial aid, housing options, and pre-college offerings for high school and non-traditional students preparing for college level art education. Application fee waived if you apply during the Open House! Register online at www.pcad.edu or (717) 396-7833.

Sept. 13th: Wheels

Join Downtown Lancaster as we celebrate everything Wheels! The City's annual car and cycle show comes to N. Queen St. along with sidewalk sales and concerts. 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. Visit www.lancastercityevents.com for more information.

Sept. 17th: Coffee and Conversation at the North Museum

The North Museum (400 College Ave.) provides the coffee, you provide the conversation! Participate in intellectual talks with local scientists during our free discussion series. This month, Dr. Joseph Thompson, associate biology professor at Franklin & Marshall College will be at the North Museum to discuss his work with squid and other cephalopods. The North Museum's Coffee & Conversation program is open to all, free of charge. Event begins at 3:30 p.m.

Sept. 18th: WXPN Welcomes Music Fridays!

The third Friday of every month, from 6 p.m. – 9 p.m., Downtown Lancaster and WXPN host Music Friday. Performances abound at over 20 public spaces, restaurants and stores throughout Downtown. Performances include jazz, solo acoustic, rock, and Americana groups. Each month brings new performers to Music Friday. For a list of participating merchants, visit www.DowntownLancaster.com.

Sept. 18th: Gallery 141's Listening Room

Gallery 141 (113 N. Water St.) creates a "listening room" environment each Music Friday for at least two bands from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. hosted by Jason Mundock. Local bands and some from the Philly area are featured. Check www.Gallery141.Blogspot.com for band listings, myspsaces and videos of performances.

Sept. 18th: Newstead Trio

Fresh from their sold-out concert tour in China, Newstead Trio performs a program of chamber music at the Pennsylvania Academy of Music (42 N. Prince St.). Concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets \$18 for adults, students with ID \$5, Academy students and children 5 and under are free. For more information or tickets call (717) 399-9733.

Sept. 19th: The Chromatics perform at the North Museum

Prepare to rock the day away in the North Museum Planetarium (400 College Ave.) as the a capella group, the Chromatics, will perform science themed songs under the stars. The Chromatics are a high-energy vocal group, delighting audiences with a combination of outrageous originals and crazy cover songs. In addition to their musical talent, four of the six band members are also scientists! On September 19, the Chromatics will perform at 11:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the North Museum planetarium. At 1:00, Padi Boyd, the group's musical director and NASA astrophysicist, will give a talk on NASA's search for Earth-sized planets. Tickets for all programs are free with museum admission, and will be available on a first come, first serve basis the day of the performance. For more information, visit www.northmuseum.org.

Sept. 19th: Puerto Rican Parade

25th Annual Puerto Rican Parade rides through Downtown Lancaster ending at Binns Park (100 Block of N. Queen St.). This celebration brings together our Puerto Rican community as they celebrate and share their heritage with Lancaster. Following the parade, a Latino Festival hosts entertainment and food into the afternoon at Binns Park. For more information contact the Puerto Rican Committee, (717) 397-8597.

Sept. 25th: LEADS Annual Party & Auction

LEADS hosts an evening of good food, music, dancing, raffles and exciting auctions at the new Lancaster County Convention Center in Lancaster (Penn Square). Help support LEADS programs for flower baskets and holiday decorations on downtown lampposts. This event is from 5:30 to 10 p.m. Tickets \$35, cash bar. call (717) 397-3300 for tickets or pay at the door.

Sept. 26th: Lancaster City Fire Foundation Day

Shop Downtown Lancaster to support the Lancaster City Fire Foundation. Select retailers will be donating proceeds from their sales on September 26th to the Lancaster City Fire Foundation. The day also includes a smoke trailer, car extraction demonstration, antique fire truck display and more. Activities are from 10 a.m. – 1 p.m. For more information visit www.lancastercityfirefoundation.com.

Sept. 26th: Smithsonian Magazine's 5th Annual Museum Day at the Quilt & Textile Museum

Join the Quilt & Textile Museum (37 N. Market St.) for a celebration of culture, learning and the dissemination of knowledge, Smithsonian's Museum Day reflects the spirit of the magazine, and emulates the free-admission policy of the Smithsonian Institution's Washington, DC-based properties. Doors will be open free of charge to Smithsonian magazine readers and Smithsonian.com visitors at museums and cultural institutions nationwide. This event is a great chance to see the Navajo Weavings & the Esprit Quilt Collection. Visit www.smithsonian.com/museumday to download your Museum Day Admission Card.

Sept. 26th: Attack of the Bloodsuckers at the North Museum

This kid-friendly exhibition examines the science of what's biting you - mosquitoes, ticks, leeches and other parasites at the North Museum (400 College Ave.). You will get an up close view of some bloodsuckers you normally avoid, like a head louse, flea and tick. You can also examine live mosquitoes and leeches, without the fear of being bitten! And what bloodsucking exhibit would be complete without the weird bloodsuckers around the world: a vampire bat, a sea lamprey, a vampire moth, a vampire fish, and a tag-team of blood-sucking bird species from the Galapagos. Don't miss this fun, educational, and blood-thirsty experience! For more information, visit www.northmuseum.org.



Welcome New Businesses

MacHeads

Computer Store specializing in Apple Products
Recently opened at College Row.

Vintage Young

Vintage books, toys and collectibles recently
opened in the Art Market @ Building Character.
342 N. Queen Street



Title & Store Front photos
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Photo Contest

Win five Downtown Dollars by being the first to identify the location of this issue's Downtown Lancaster Photo Trivia Contest.

Congratulations

to Fran Haldeman of Fulton Financial Corp for correctly guessing Dog Star Books as last month's photo. Correctly identify this Downtown shop and win! Clue: Pictured is one of the few things that fixed to this N. Queen St. shop where inventory is always changing. **Send your guess** to ckieffer@teamlanc.org.

DID You Know?

Bethel AME Church's participation as a station on the Underground Railroad dates back to the church's construction in 1821, when it was called St. James African Methodist Church.

—Bethel AME Church

Have an Event?

Have an Event? Submit to us by the 10th day of each month prior to the publication month. Oct. events are due by Sept. 10th. Submit Events to: publications@goodproductions.us

Have A Photo?

Have A Photo? Submit your favorite photo of Downtown Lancaster for a chance to see it featured in a future issue of The Lancaster Downtown Difference. Submit Photo to: publications@goodproductions.us

Downtown Highlights

Art Attack



Julia Swartz Gallery

Julia Swartz is one of the most well known and most prolific artists in Downtown Lancaster. Her gallery, aptly named Julia Swartz Gallery (17 N. Prince St.), doubles as her studio where Swartz can be found creating new works with precision and skill and exhibiting them every month during First Fridays art events. Swartz effortlessly moves from landscapes to figures to portraits. Through building layers of color over time and applying rhythmic brushstrokes, the viewer feels more rewarded the longer they study each piece. Mostly self-taught, Swartz is undoubtedly a natural student of art. She creates depth through color and texture, building layers of paint she applies through rhythmic brushstrokes.

These techniques are rewarding in each completed painting. Rich skin tones of her figures make her portraits breath, and the fields and structures of her landscapes reveal the origins of their subjects. Julia Swartz Gallery, 17 N. Prince St. (717) 397-8020, Gallery hours: Tue-Fri, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.; Sat, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m., www.juliaswartz.com.

Local Appetite



John J. Jeffries

Located in the Lancaster Arts Hotel (300 Harrisburg Ave.), John J. Jeffries restaurant is a celebration of local culture and agriculture. The accents of the hotel continue into the restaurant, with exposed beams dating back to this converted tobacco warehouse's origins and a name taken from one of the Tobacco Inspectors in the late 1800's. Work by local artists decorate the dining room, and the integrity and artistry of the restaurant's chefs and local farmers decorate the tables. The staff at John J. Jeffries have designed their entire restaurant around Lancaster's sustainable farming community. Meats are provided by local farmers who raise their livestock in natural, organic environments and the produce is

grown under the same strict local standards. When John J. Jeffries chefs do rely on outside sources, they adhere to a mantra of freshness and honesty. Seafood from sustainable fisheries, coffee from fair trade organic sources roasted here in Lancaster. Offering a new menu every season, John J. Jeffries offers an eclectic mix of dishes with truly local roots. Every dining experience at John J. Jeffries is a fresh reflection of what Lancaster has to offer. John J. Jeffries, 300 Harrisburg Ave. (717) 431-2207, www.johnjjeffries.com.

Store Front



TMB

Autumn is just around the corner, and with Autumn comes cooler weather and new fashions. TMB (36 & 40 N. Queen St.) has almost 40 years of experience with casual and formal attire, as well as custom tailoring for all seasons. Since 1969, TMB has seen fashions come and go, through experience the staff at TMB have learned that selection, style, and quality outlast every trend. TMB offers two connected stores - one dedicated to Men (36 N. Queen St.) and the other to Women (40 N. Queen St.). TMB's men's store has twice been recognized by Esquire as one of America's 100 Finest Menswear Specialty Stores. Their impressive men's sportswear collection is complimented by a complete

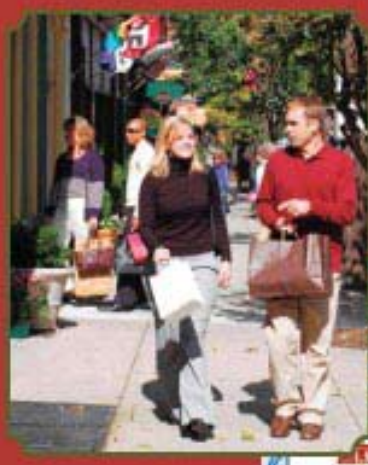
line of business and formal attire, including custom tailored suits and shirts as well as outerwear. TMB's men's store also carries a complete selection of accessories including ties, jewelry, and shoes by Allen Edmonds. TMB's women's store offers a large selection of designer jewelry and clothing for any occasion. The women's store carries a variety of sportswear, casual wear, and formal attire, including suits, skirts, tops, pants, outerwear, shoes, and accessories. All of the clothing at TMB can be custom fitted by any one of their on-site master tailors. From your first suit to an impulsive accessory the TMB team is always happy to help those still defining their look. TMB 36 & 40 N. Queen St., (717) 394-8842, www.tmbclothing.com.



Now & Later



Alley Kat
 Alley Kat (30 W. Lemon St.) is everything you want from a neighborhood bar & grill. The scene is always lively and friendly, from busy lunches (including pizza buffets on Wednesdays) to lively late-nights. Alley Kat's "U" shaped bar adds to the neighborhood feel and the bartenders are attentive and friendly. They can mix just about any drink you know. But don't think this Downtown spot is all about the bar. Alley Kat has an excellent menu featuring your favorite sandwiches, salads, and select entrees. Two signature dishes keep regulars coming back, the pizza and mini-burgers. Alley Kat's thin crust pizza is always crisp and delicious, and it's a favorite special on Monday nights with Capt. & Coke pitchers and served AYCE (All-You-Care-to-Eat) style during lunch on Wednesdays. Alley Kat also serves a lot of Mini-Burgers, available as 3-pack and 6-pack. These not quite bite-sized burgers are a great snack or full meal. Alley Kat is a great brunch spot with their build-your-own Bloody Mary bar on Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. Alley Kat is open daily. Alley Kat 30 W. Lemon St. (717) 509-8686.



Downtown Dollars are still available

Downtown Dollars make great gifts and benefit Downtown Lancaster retailers. The dollars come in denominations of five and ten dollars and can be purchased at the Downtown Investment District office, 44 North Queen Street, in the Central Market Mall. For more information contact Cheryl Kieffer at 717-399-7977.



Upcoming Events

- Oct. 2nd: Opening Reception "Mosaic: Mary Borgman and Rudy Gutierrez"**
 Pennsylvania College of Art & Design (204 N. Prince St.) is pleased to present the opening reception to meet the artists of "Mosaic: Mary Borgman and Rudy Gutierrez" in PCA&D's Main Gallery. The Mosaic Project features evocative large-scale portraits drawn with charcoal on mylar by Borgman, and dynamic paintings by Gutierrez. This multicultural exhibition and educational program for students and families in Lancaster County, and is made possible through a grant from the Lancaster County Community Foundation.
- Oct. 2nd & 3rd: Top Barbershop Quartets and Choruses compete at the Lancaster Convention Center**
 Top Quartets and Choruses from the entire Mid Atlantic region will all be competing for the right to go to the Barbershop Harmony Society's international competition in Philadelphia in 2010 at the Lancaster County Convention Center (Penn Square). In these two days of competition, there will be a Quartet Finalist Competition and a Show of Champions on Saturday night, a spectacular event that is open to the public. Always a fun time!! Tickets \$20 (General Admission). For more information email questions@madregistration.org.
- Oct. 11th: Tailwagger's Trot**
 Join the Humane League for the 20th annual Tailwagger's Trot. Registration for the walk will take place at Clipper Magazine Stadium at 11:00 and the walk will end at Buchanan Park where there will be activities for all ages from noon until 4:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.humaneleague.com.
- Oct. 17th & 18th: Fall Artwalk**
 A weekend of exceptional art! The doors to Lancaster's burgeoning arts scene open for special hours during Fall ArtWalk. Spend two days visiting 50 studios, galleries, museums and other arts venues. Follow the suggested walking routes or create your own. Take advantage of the exclusive opportunity to visit artist studios not normally open to the public. Talk with artists and become engaged with the creative process. Be surprised by exciting new additions to the event. Take home a fine art treasure. Fall ArtWalk is a great time to buy art. Visit www.lancasterarts.com for more information.

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