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AD HOC ART

WELLING COURT MURAL PROJECT

11-98 Welling Court, at 30<sup>th</sup> Avenue & 12<sup>th</sup> Street

Astoria, New York, 11102

[wellingcourtmuralproject.com](http://wellingcourtmuralproject.com)

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Public Opening: Saturday June 8, 2019, 12pm-7pm

Then viewable 24/7/365; for tours and info, contact

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**AD HOC ART CONTINUES THE ACCLAIMED WELLING COURT MURAL PROJECT WITH 100+ ARTISTS SPANNING THE HISTORY OF GRAFFITI & PUBLIC ART — A Creative Event Celebrating the Streets, Solidarity, Community, and Culture.**

It is that time of year that we bring you another outstanding rendition of this legendary annual Queens mural jam. Now celebrating its 10th year, the art and talent just keeps getting better! Join us Saturday from 12-7pm for a block party and a ton of great art, all FREE.

**The History:** The Welling Court Mural Project began after Jonathan and Josh Ellis, representing the Welling Court community, met at Ad Hoc Art's Bushwick gallery in 2009. They loved the experience and invited Ad Hoc Art to bring their expertise, appreciation, and vision to beautify their Queens neighborhood. It was a perfect fit, as there were surfaces to be painted and Ad Hoc knew people loved painting surfaces. Jonathan had already planted the seeds and acquired permission to paint, which was key. Thus, having the community support and a timely visit by Poland's wall-crushing M-City, the first mural was painted in the freezing temperatures of December 2009. Ad Hoc Art used the rest of the winter to plan the launch of the first multi-block project of over 40 murals that occurred in May 2010. After continuing to hit the pavement and meet more members of the community, the project grew one mural at a time.

Melding a spectacular crew of legendary artists together with a diverse mix of fresh talent, the annual project hosts 100+ murals by artists from around the corner and around the world, providing new arrays of visual experiences that change how people interact with their environment. Through grassroots outreach, word of mouth, and authentic appreciation, the project has had a dynamic and impactful evolution.

It is one of the best collections of contemporary street culture on earth, all within this hidden gem of NYC! It is on public streets, so it is FREE and open to the public 24/7/365.

Together, with the help of myriad others from the community and beyond, this project receives a wide range of interest and acclaim, from the likes of The New York Times, US News and World Report, Huffington Post, NBC Universal, NY1, HyperAllergic, Brooklyn Street Art, 12oz Prophet,

Sold Magazine, StreetArtNYC, Street Art NY, and and many others.

Sadly, we have lost some large commercial industrial spots as the neighborhood undergoes massive development, at least 3 in the past year alone, so we may actually decrease our total # of spots for the first time if we do not gain some new walls soon. We hope the importance the public art and the role it plays in improving communities is considered in the future development of this neighborhood and others.

**Some artists of past and/or present:** Abe Lincoln, Jr., Al Diaz, AM, AVOID, Beau Stanton, Caleb Neelon, Cekis, Cern, Cey Adams, Christopher Cardinale, Chris RWK, Chris Soria, Col Wallnuts, Cram Concepts, CRASH, Crisp, D Gale, Dan Witz, Danielle Mastrion, Daryll Peirce, Dasic Fernandez, DAZE, Depoe, Don Leicht, Elle, EpicUno, Free5, Fumero, Ghost Beard, Hellbent, Icy & Sot, JC, J Corp, Jamie Hef, Jenna Morello, Jeremy Novy, Jerms, Jeromy Velasco, Joe Iurato, John Breiner, John Fekner, Joseph Meloy, Kid Lew, Kimyon Huggins, KR One, KWUE Molly, Lady Pink, Lexi Bella, LogikOne, MagdaLove, MAST, Mastro, Meres One, MR. PRVRT, Muck Rock, Noah Xfir, Onel, PANIC, Patch Whiskey, Peat Wollaeger, Praxis, Python, Queen Andrea, Rene Gagnon, Rob Sharp, Royal Kingbee, Rubin415, Ryan Seslow, SeeOne, Sest2, Shiro, Sinned, Steven Cogle, Thundercut, TOPAZ, TooFly, Trans/Noir, Veng RWK, YesOne, Zheik, Zimad, & many more from the Ad Hoc Art family...

One mural at a time; in love and solidarity; forever we are one.

Ad Hoc Art

Thanks to R&R General Supply for their continued support.

Astoria Provisions on Astoria/14th St has food and beverages for kids and adults.

Both a Deli & Grocery and S&S Calabro Pizza (Italian, Pizza) on 14th St bet 30th Dr/Rd have tasty food and beverages.

***\* HELP AND ASSISTANCE \* If you would like to support this project, there are many ways to contribute.***

1. Fiscal support \$\$\$: very awesome (and tax deductible, if so desired).
2. Materials and tools: spray paint, bucket paint, primer, paint rollers, brushes, pans, ladders, scaffolding, etc. are always useful and appreciated.
3. VOLUNTEER! We appreciate and need your assistance to make this as amazing as possible. Some areas of interest: on-site support for artists and general public; social media/Press/PR outreach, video documentation.

**Directions – TO GET THERE:**

- 1) By Public Transit: Take the N or W train to 30th Ave. Then go west down 30th Ave to 12th St.

by a) walking 10-15 minutes or; b) taking the Q18 Bus.

2) To Socrates, 5 min south; <http://socratessculpturepark.org/visit/directions-and-hours/>

3) By Car: Here is a link to the street map: <https://goo.gl/thVS9W>

Thank you for your interest and support, we look forward to seeing you soon! Your attendance is invited and highly encouraged.

**Help spread the word:**

**>> *With many arms, our reach is wide.* <<**

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