

## ASTORIA WATERFRONT ARTS DISTRICT

INFOGUIDE & DISTRICT MAP



## INTRODUCTION

Astoria Waterfront Arts District is located at Hallet's Cove along the East River coastline

# Welcome to the Astoria Waterfront Arts District New York City's next iconic artistic & cultural phenomenon

#### **ABOUT THE DISTRICT**

Nestled along the shores of the East River, the Astoria Waterfront Arts District (AWAD) derives its roots from the established art institutions located in Old Astoria, ones which ultimately define the community in its entirety. The district is bordered by Goodwill Park to the north, 14th Street to the East, Rainey Park to the south, and the East River to the west. From Socrates Sculpture Park to the Welling Court Mural Project, artistic diversity is on full display for those individuals living within the community, as well as non-residents who come out to witness the mesmerizing pieces. The district houses hundreds of graffiti artists, abstract painters, sculptors, muralists and many more who contribute to the artistic landscape of the community.

#### **OUR CULTURAL INSTITUTIONS**

Diversity is the banner of the cultural institutions that define AWAD. Art is presented in differentiating forms by individuals who interpret the world through distinct feelings, opinions, views and perceptions. The organizations that embody the district, amongst others, are Socrates Sculpture Park, Noguchi Museum, Welling Court Mural Project, Mark Di Suvero Studio, and Paper Mache Monkey. These institutions exhibit art in divergent shapes and forms. The Socrates Sculpture Park serves as an outdoor museum and public park where artists can fabricate and exhibit sculptures, the Noguchi Museum showcases sculptures, architectural models, stage designs and

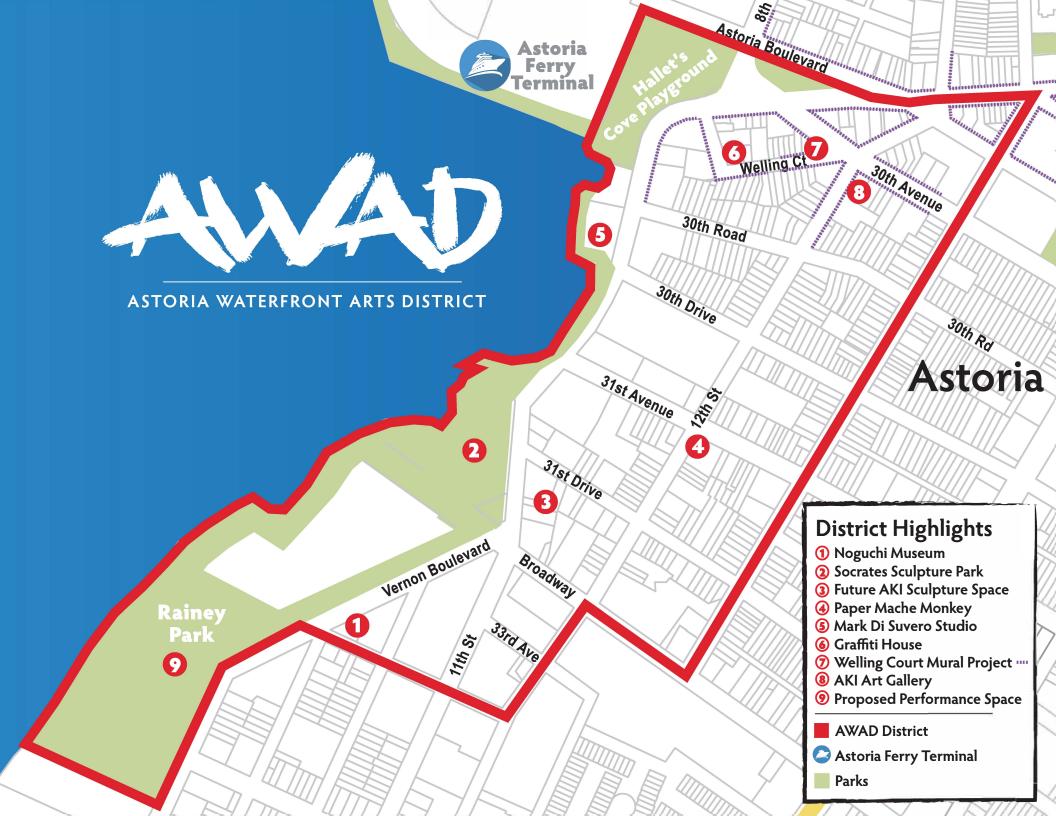
furniture designs by Isamu Noguchi and other artists, while the Welling Court Mural Project pools together spectacular crews of legendary and groundbreaking artists who transformed the physical nature of the area into a creative celebration and public art experience. In addition, the Mark Di Suvero Studio offers dynamic sculptures largely made from industrial steel, each weighing many tons, while Paper Mache Monkey is changing the face of stage design and prop fabrication within the theatre arts.

#### VALUE TO THE COMMUNITY

Art serves as the social glue within AWAD, integrating and highlighting the multi-culturalism of the community. The reverence of the art institutions is equaled only by the warmth and inviting nature of area residents. The art presented through different institutions not only unifies the local surroundings, but also attracts individuals from different parts of the world who travel to Astoria to observe and expand on the districts works.

#### COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY

Diversity is the bedrock of the AWAD community. Within its borders the neighborhood is experiencing a demographic shift towards greater multiculturalism and ethnic diversity. This shift exposes new generations and cultures to the creative inspirations of different groups, and opens up a dialogue to build the future of art in New York City.





## **DISTRICT HIGHLIGHTS**

Astoria Waterfront Arts District is home to many of New York City's most iconic & important cultural institutions



## SOCRATES SCULPTURE PARK

Socrates Sculpture Park is an outdoor museum and public park where artists can create and exhibit sculptures and multi-media installations. It is located one block from the Noguchi Museum at the intersection of Broadway and Vernon Boulevard. In addition to exhibition space, the park offers an arts education program, artist residency program, and job training. The four acre site is the largest outdoor space in New York City dedicated to exhibiting sculpture. GrowNYC runs an Astoria Farmer's Market in the park every Saturday during the summer months.

socratessculpturepark.org



# WELLING COURT MURAL PROJECT

The Welling Court Mural Project began in 2009 when Ad Hoc Art was invited by the community of Welling Court to slay some aesthetic blights in their neighborhood. The first project debuted in May 2010 with over 44 murals, fitting for the diverse and lively inhabitants. Each year since, spectacular crews of legendary and groundbreaking artists have come together to transform the neighborhood into a creative celebration and public art experience. Now featuring over 150 murals painted by artists from all corners of the globe, the Welling Court Mural Project is one of the best collections of contemporary graffiti and street art on earth.

wellingcourtmuralproject.com



## THE NOGUCHI MUSEUM

The Noguchi Museum, chartered as The Isamu Noguchi Foundation and Garden Museum, was designed and created by the Japanese-American sculptor Isamu Noguchi. Opening on a limited basis to the public in 1985 the purpose of the museum and foundation was and remains to preserve and display Noguchi's sculptures, architectural models, stage designs, drawings, and furniture designs. The two-story, 24,000 square feet (2,200 m2) museum and adjacent sculpture garden, Socrates Sculpture Park, underwent major renovations in 2004 allowing the museum to stay open year round.

noguchi.org



## MARK di SUVERO STUDIO

Abstract expressionist sculptor Mark di Suvero's New York studio occupies a complex of warehouses on a beautiful stretch of the Astoria Waterfront in Queens. Mark di Suvero often works on an architectural, monumental scale, creating spatially dynamic sculptures largely from industrial steel I-beams, each weighing many tons. His primary tools are the crane, the cherry picker, and cutting and welding torches. The studio, which opens onto the East River, and consists of maze of studios, workshops, artist lofts and galleries, is a world unto itself, and speaks to the artist's interests in artinto-life, interactivity, and community.

spacetimecc.com



## PAPER MACHE MONKEY

Paper Mache Monkey is a premier custom prop shop located in NYC. Since 2010, the PMM team has been specializing in bridging the creative gap between design and fabrication, theater and the art object, innovative ideas and artisanal craft, expanding the visual limits for their clients. They take pride in creating work alongside the impressive collaborators who continue to seek them out everyday: from top notch Broadway producers, Tony Award winning designers, Cirque du Soleil clowns and magicians, rock stars, edgy corporate agencies, as well as local businesses and educators in the New York City area.

papermachemonkey.com





CRASH
John Matos
Bronx, NY
crashone.com



**DAZE**Chris Ellis
Brooklyn, NY
dazeworld.com



**RUBIN415**Tony Sjöman
Gothenburg, Sweden
rubin415.com



**LADY PINK**Sandra Fabara
Ambato, Ecuador
ladypinknyc.com

## FEATURED ARTISTS

Astoria Waterfront Arts District features artwork by many of the world's most highly-recognized artists and sculptors



CERN
Cernesto
Queens, NY
cernesto.com



MR. PRVRT Justin Suarez Albany, NY mrprvrt.com



W3RC
Jari Werc Alvarez
Ciudad Juarez, Mexico
wercworldwide.com



**SP ONE**Greg Lamarche
New York, NY
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HELLBENT
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Montevideo, Uruguay
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MARK DI SUVERO Mark di Suvero Astoria, NY spacetimecc.com



JOE BOCHYNSKI Joe Bochynski Buffalo, NY joebochynski.com



Tanda Francis
Washington, DC
tandafrancis.com



DAVID B. SMITH
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Washington, DC
thedavidsmith.com



- CrashDaze
- Rubin415
- Lady Pink
- Cern
- Mr. Prvrt
- W3RC
- SP One
- Hellbent
- Praxis
- Mastrocola
- Gonzalo Fonseca
- SeeOne
- Isama Noguchi
- Mark Di Suvero
- Joe Bochynski
- Tanda Francis
- David B. Smith
- Royal King Bee
- Steven Cogle
- Al Diaz
- Kimyon Huggins
- Garrison Buxton
- General Howe

#### Zed1

- Sest2
- Werc
- Zeh Palito
- Onel
- Bjorgvik
- Jasper
- Intro
- Rob Sharp
- Break Uno
- Desic
- Muck Rock
- Annie O'Niell
- Smith
- Jenna Morello
- REPO
- Juan Carlos Pinto
- Chris Stain
- Billy Mode
- Caleb Neelon
- Katie Yamasaki
- Evan Cairo
- Brian Life
- Dan Witz

## **ARTIST COMMUNITY**

Astoria Waterfront Arts District showcases the work of hundreds of our community's most talented artists

- MAST
- LogikOne
- Eico Virus
- · Chris Soria
- Marc Evan
- Joel Artista
- KWUE MOLLY
- Jamie Hef
- KA
- Jermz
- Topaz
- Christopher Cardinale
- Gui
- Venk RWK
- Chris RWK
- John Breiner
- AM
- TRAP
- Icy
- Sot
- Jordan Seller
- Alison Buxton
- Pest Wollaeger
- Beau Stanton

- Free Humanity
- (X0) Lost Object
- Joe Lurato
- QA
- TooFly
- Paul Branca
- Devra Freelander
- Doreen Garner
- Gordon Hall
- Tali Keren
- Alex Strada
- Valerie Piraino
- Sreshta Rit Premnath
- Ronny Quevedo
- Amy Riter
- Moeinedin Shashaei
- Laura Swanson
- Wang Xu
- Sinned
- Ryan Seslow
- Furnero
- YesOne
- Bishop203
- Jeromy Velasco
- Art Makers
- Esteban Del Valle
- J Corp
- Raquel Echanique
- Crisis Textline
- Andy Golub

- Zombird
- Zheik 1
- Jonathan Ellis
- Fig
- MRC/JAC
- Hooker
- Cr8tive Youthink
- Mr. Nerdz
- JOSL
- Free5
- Kristopher Kanaly
- Vagabonddom
- Spraycam
- Atomik
- Miro
- Mr. June
- Plasmaslung
- N Carlos J
- CRAM
- Subtexture
- BEKIT
- Zimad
- KROne
- Panic
- Kid Law
- Matthew C Ellis
- Avisualbliss
- Marthalicia Matarrita
- Douglas Miles
- EpicUno

- WANE COD
- Col Wallnuts
- Jonathan Villoch
- Peast Wollaeger
- Clown Soldier
- D Mastrion
- L Bella
- Pyramid Oracle
- Magda Love
- Imnopi
- Kenji & Meres
- Adam Dare
- J Meloy
- E Gallagher
- Abe Lincoln Jr.
- M Makatron
- Dirt Worship
- · JC
- Stavro
- Trace NWC
- Trans
- Noir
- Foxface
- Meres
- Python
- RHAK



## **TRANSPORTATION**

Astoria Waterfront Arts District is easily accessable through a variety of different modes of transportation

The Astoria Waterfront Arts District's (AWAD) transportation network provides multiple means of conveyance throughout the New York City metropolitan area. From the heavy concentration of buses and trains in the district's vicinity to the newly opened Astoria ferry terminal, AWAD offers a variety of easy commuting options from borough to borough - and beyond.

#### **TRAINS**

Less than a 10-minute walk from AWAD, N and W trains are located at both the Broadway and 30th Avenue stations.

## **BUSES**

The Astoria Waterfront Arts District offers more than eight varying bus routes connecting patrons to different neighborhoods, train stations, and airports, including the Q18, Q19, Q102, Q103, Q104, Q69, Q100, and M60 Select Bus Service.

#### **FERRY**

Located within the district, the Astoria ferry terminal provides access to AWAD from all five boroughs, including direct stops at Roosevelt Island, Long Island City, 34th Street and Wall Street in Manhattan.

#### **ROADWAYS**

AWAD can be accessed via the Grand Central Parkway, Triborough Bridge, Roosevelt Bridge, Pulaski Bridge, Queensboro Bridge, and the Midtown Tunnel.

#### **AIRPORTS**

Visitors coming to AWAD from LaGuardia Airport and JFK Airport will have 10-minute and 30-minute commutes, respectively.

### **CITIBIKE**

AWAD enjoys eight Citibike stations in the district, and over 40 bike stations in the greater Astoria area.





















