

goARTkids

A guide to free art & architecture in NYC with families in mind.

Sunday, April 6, 2014

YOHO Artists Open Studio Weekend



Spring is finally here and that means that the YoHo Open Studio weekend event is around the corner! My family's favorite art studio tour will be held on Saturday May 3rd and Sunday, May 4th from noon to 6pm, each day. Make the trip to the historic Alexander A. Smith Carpet mills, an industrial complex in Yonkers that closed in the late 1980's and was slowly, reoccupied by artists who needed affordable studio spaces. The expansive work spaces flooded with natural light became reinvented as a hub of creativity. Today, YOHO Artists is comprised of more than 30 participating resident artists, artisans and digital media professionals, working in a wide variety of disciplines, who live in NYC, Westchester and New Jersey and commute to their studios. Last year, the event attracted more than 800 visitors to the studios. This is the 11th year of this event.

When my daughter was younger we appreciated that all the studios were located in one factory building complex making it easy to access them with it's large elevators and wide corridors. More importantly there were always many friendly artists eager to share their knowledge and allow visitors to watch them working up close. Over the years the collective has added arts and crafts activities and an art theme game for children to try while on the tour. One of our favorite artists to visit is Librado Romero. He is always welcoming, and often invites kids to put some brush strokes on a canvas. What an thrill that is for them and memorable experience they come away with. Their creative ideas are validated and encouraged by a wise and talented artist.

The Metro North Commuter Rail Service provides easy access to Yonkers directly from Manhattan and Grand Central Station. There is free parking on the site and elevator access. There is live music scheduled and some refreshments served.

578 Neppherhan Ave. Yonkers, NY. 10701

YoHo Artists has a Facebook page.

www.yohoartists.com

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Welcome to goARTkids, the site to check when deciding what art exhibits visit with your family in New York City. Art galleries and public are spaces are some of my favorite spots because they are free to the public and more accessible than museums. We will be looking for art shows that are compelling to our kids and hopefully yours. As a mother and image editor I am always looking for art exhibits and family art activities for my family to enjoy. I hope to share the best of what I have seen with you. This site will also feature goARCHkids posts by Rudie Hurwitz , an architectural historian and mother, who will point out interesting facts about architecture found in our city. She will inspire you and your children to find these sites and learn more about them. Take a moment to read a post and then get going. See you at the galleries.-Edna Suarez and Rudie Hurwitz

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- <http://cae-nyc.org>
- <http://www.publicartfund.org/>

- <http://www.drawingcenter.org>
- <http://www.metmuseum.org/explore/museumkids.asp>
- <http://www.saturdayoutreach.org>
- <http://www.arthoppers.com>
- <http://http://www.freeartsnyc.org/calendar>
- <http://kindependent.blogspot.com>
- Americans for the Arts
- Performing Arts Library at Lincoln Center
- Scandinavia House
- ArtInfo.com
- El Museo del Barrio New York
- Art Therapy for Children
- Wave Hill/The Kerlin Art Center
- The Metropolitan Museum of Art
- Children's Museum of the Arts
- Museum of Children's Art
- International Child Art Foundation
- <http://www.drawingcenter.org>

Ed Ruscha on The Highline, New York City



Honey, I Twisted Through More Damn Traffic Today
by Ed Ruscha, 1977/2014

Current and Upcoming shows at Museums

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**Italian Futurism, 1909–1944: Reconstructing the Universe
February 21–September 1, 2014 at The Guggenheim.**

["The Lee Family of New York Chinatown Since 1888"](#)
at The Museum of Chinese in America through July 6th, ["The Art of Rosemary Wells: Picture Book Covers and Characters,"](#) at The Katonah Museum of Art, through June 15th. ["Archeology Zone: Discovering Treasures from Playgrounds to Palaces"](#) Permanent Exhibition at The [Jewish Museum](#)

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