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## Announcements



### Public Input Sought to Shape City's Comprehensive Plan

What should Roanoke look like in 20 years? (For example: Should it have more public art?) Every 20 years or so, City planners gather ideas and feedback from the community and develop a new Comprehensive Plan. This document helps guide policy. **You can participate** by attending one of six community meetings in August and by filling out an online survey. Info [here](#)

## Events and Exhibitions

### The Taubman Museum presents Spectacular Saturday: Exploring Native American Art July 21, 10 am- 5 pm

You can enjoy activities and crafts for all ages in Art Venture, the Museum's exploratory, interactive learning space for children. This week's activities are inspired by the newly opened exhibition [In Our Own Words: Native Impressions 2015-16](#). More info [here](#) \$5/person (FREE Members)



### Hollins University and Mill Mt. Theatre presents July 23 – Guest Speaker: Anne G. Morgan

Mill Mountain Theatre's Waldron Stage, 20 Church Ave., S.E., Roanoke Free  
Anne Morgan— dramaturg and literary manager—provides dramaturgical support to the American Shakespeare Center's productions and leads the Shakespeare's New Contemporaries Project, a bold new initiative to discover, develop and produce new plays inspired by and in conversation with Shakespeare's works. Prior to joining ASC, Anne was the literary manager and dramaturg at the Eugene O'Neill Theater Center providing dramaturgical support to the center's programs and managing its selection processes. She was also the resident dramaturg for the National Puppetry Conference and the Henson Puppetry Residency.



### Hollins Festival of New Works

July 20, 7 p.m.; July 21-22, 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 8 p.m., (The 8 p.m. slot on July 22 is a panel discussion with the Festival Guest Respondents)

Mill Mountain Theatre's Waldron Stage, 20 Church Ave. S.E., Roanoke

This three-day event showcases ten readings of student work from the Playwright's Lab. These readings are minimally staged for the general public and close to a dozen guest professional responders from all over the globe. Guest responders include publishers, arts administrators, playwrights, professional actors, artistic directors, and come from as far away as Los Angeles and as close as downtown Roanoke. Tickets available online: [brownpapertickets.com](http://brownpapertickets.com) (search by play title)



Alexander/Heath Contemporary is proud to announce an exhibition of the work of Ben Garst August 3rd through August 31<sup>st</sup> with an Opening Reception on Art-by-Night Friday, August 3rd, 6 to 10 pm Info [here](#)

Gallery open by appointment during the summer months:  
Contact via email: [hettig@alexander-heath.com](mailto:hettig@alexander-heath.com)  
/ 607.226.2473

The Market Gallery in downtown Roanoke featured artists for August Dan Henderson and Nan Mahone Wellborn. Exhibit dates July 27-Aug. 25 with an opening reception on Art by Night Aug. 3.

Opening Reception, *Simply Elemental* Hahn Horticulture Garden, Virginia Tech August 5 2-4 p.m. Stroll around the garden and be among the first to admire this year's art installation. Works will be displayed through September.

### Piedmont Arts presents *Bill Rutherford: Allegory of No Region*

August 11 through Oct. 13 Organized by the Taubman Museum of Art, this exhibition presents the culmination of eight years of concentrated labor producing a massive painting project by one of Southwestern Virginia's most respected artists. Eleven large-scale, colorful and densely populated paintings invite the viewer into a complex interweaving of narrative, symbol, and form. Info [here](#)

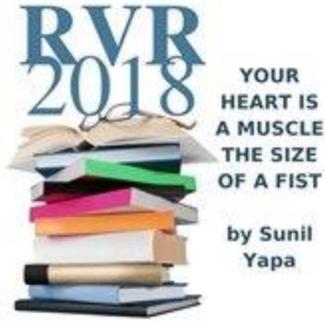
### 4th Annual Artisan Saturdays at Roanoke County's Explore Park

August 11, 2018 10:00AM- 3:00PM

Local artisans will be present to demonstrate a number of uniquely different crafts and skills. The August 11 Artisan Saturday will include some of the community's favorite artisans displaying unique creations of fused glass, beautiful paintings, instruments, pottery, jewelry, and more! There will also be opportunities for children to participate by creating art of their own. Live music by Tim Martin and food by a local vendor will add to the day's appeal.

Info [here](#)





**This fall, Roanoke Valley Reads** will promote a community reading of the adult novel *Your Heart is a Muscle the Size of a Fist* by Sunil Yapa. Set during one day of the 1999 World Trade Organization (WTO) protests, the story weaves through multiple perspectives exploring the question of what we stand up for and how. The author will read and speak on campus at Hollins and in Roanoke in early October. Info [here](#)

## Performing Artists Opportunities

**Roanoke Children's Theatre presents *CIRQUE DU RCT!!!* August 6-10, 2018**

**Time: 8:30AM-5:00PM Showcase: Friday August 10th, 5:30PM** Do you have a passion for performance with a special kind of flair? It isn't an ordinary camp: Cirque du RCT will be jam packed with juggling, acrobatics, magic tricks, and stand-up comedy. Guaranteed to end your summer on a high note! For: All Ages  
Sign up [here](#)

**USArtists International (USAI)** has announced its three program deadlines for the 2018-2019 grants cycle:

**September 7, 2018 by 11:59 PM Eastern** For projects taking place between December 15, 2018 and December 14, 2019.

**November 30, 2018 by 11:59 PM Eastern**

For projects taking place between March 15, 2019 and March 14, 2020.

**April 3, 2019 by 11:59 PM Eastern**

For projects taking place between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.

Info [here](#)

**[Levitt AMP \[Your City\] Grant Awards](#)**, a program of the Levitt Foundation, gives grants of up to \$25,000 to present a free outdoor concert series in the grantee's city. **Deadline: September 25, 2018.** <http://concerts.levittamp.org/>

## Visual Artist Opportunities

***Paint Parties at The Artful Lawyer***, A Fine Gallery, Inc.,

318 N. Main Street, Blacksburg • **7-9:30 p.m. July 25 and August 15**

Participants will paint Jackson Pollock style on July 25, using all manner of paint and objects for a messy good time. The August 15 party will feature the style of Wassily Kandinsky. The cost is \$30 per person per session and includes all supplies (wine extra). Register [here](#) or call 540-443-9350, ext. 707.

**The Taubman Museum presents *Portraits: An Intro to Capturing Someone's Likeness***  
**Sat. & Sun. July 21-22, 1-4 pm each day**

We will spend this weekend series learning how to look, working from live models to help us trust what we see, not what we think we know. All experiences welcome and all materials provided. You can take the full series or sign up for each class individually!

[Register Here](#)

**CALL TO ARTISTS - REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS**

**Town Square Public Art Project** for the new City of Boynton Beach Police facility that reflects the department's beliefs: Preserve the sanctity of public trust and build strong community relationships. **DL Wednesday, August 1, 2018 at 3pm** Info [here](#)

**Breckenridge, CO Call to Artists Deadline: *Tuesday, July 31, 2018 - 12:25pm***

Breckenridge Grand Vacations, in partnership with Breckenridge Creative Arts, is issuing a Request for Qualifications and Proposals (hereinafter "RFQ&P") from individual artists or artist teams to design and implement a monumental figurative sculpture in a site-specific, outdoor location at the base of Peak 8 of the Ten Mile Range in Breckenridge, Colorado. The subject of this commissioned work will be an artistic interpretation of Ullr, the Norse god of snow. Info [here](#)

**Orange County, Fla. presents the fourth annual *Sculpture on the Lawn* exhibition**, an outdoor display featured at the entrance to the Orange County Administration Center (201 S. Rosalind Ave.) in the heart of downtown Orlando, Florida, where the works are visible to approximately 10,000 people daily.

*Sculpture on the Lawn* is open to experienced professional sculptors as well as students and emerging artists who specialize in the design, construction and installation of outdoor sculptures. Up to four sculptures will be selected for display from October 2018 to September 2019. The theme of "Diversitastic!" has been added to this year's exhibition. We welcome large-scale sculptures that celebrate diversity in our communities and the interweaving of different backgrounds, cultures and religions. The "Diversitastic!" theme supports the inaugural [FusionFest](http://fusionfest.org) (fusionfest.org), November 24 and 25, 2018, a free, two-day celebration in downtown Orlando, supported by Orange County Government. <https://www.callforentry.org/>

**Deadline: Applications, resumes, images and other materials must be submitted electronically by midnight, Sunday, August 5, 2018 to [www.callforentry.org](http://www.callforentry.org). Email questions to: [Terry.Olson@ocfl.net](mailto:Terry.Olson@ocfl.net). Or call 407-836-5540.**