

Sweet Art's presents their first Summer Festival and Art Bar Crawl



Pigeon by Patricia Shrigley

Sweet 'Art, a non-profit arts organisation based in London, are hosting their first Summer Arts Festival in collaboration with curator Shannon Rose, including an Art Bar Crawl.

Sweet 'Art's Summer Festival will be an exciting week of art, music, installations and activities, free to all and supporting the charity Papyrus.

On 18 August, three Shoreditch venues will open their doors to showcase a celebration of culture in the city; The Espacio Gallery on Bethnal Green Road will be hosting 'Punch', The Looking Glass Bar with its quirky Alice in Wonderland vibe will be hosting the 'Queen of Arts' exhibition and Juno on Shoreditch High Street will be hosting the 'Salad Days' event. The exhibitions will include the work of talented artists working in the media of painting, sculpture, photography and print.

As part of the event, Sweet 'Art will host a program of free workshops for adults and children at the spacious Espacio gallery. Everyone will be invited to interact with our beach-ball ball-park installation, snack on themed edibles and drinks, and enjoy a night of live music, live painting and DJ's at our arty party.

Sweet 'Art will also be hosting London's first ever Art Bar Crawl. Visitors will be welcomed with drinks at each venue, with talks and Q&A by our talented artists, before heading to the next venue with aid of our Festival Map and Art Tour Guide.

Other highlights include:

- 'Draw your own narrative' workshop with artist and CSM tutor Joanna Layla
- Children's 'Summer Memories' printmaking workshop with artist Joseph Kopiel
- Live music from Big Sixes, Jim Caesar and Paige Dawkins
- DJ set by KRALCLIFE
- 'Open and Live' live painting event, where 4 artists collaborate on large scale canvasses
- Art Bar Crawl with artist talks and Q&A

Notes to Editor

Sweet 'Art Summer Festival

Tuesday 18 August – Sunday 13 September 2015

Free

Supporting Papyrus

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Festival Programme:

Punch Exhibition

Espacio Gallery

159 Bethnal Green Rd, London, E2 7DG

18 -23 August 11.00-19.00 daily

'Punch Exhibition' Opening Party

20 August 17.00 -20.30 (Afterparty at Juno Bar 7pm – late)

Drawing Workshop

19 August 17.00-19.00

Draw your own narrative from the exhibition. Through mark-making and drawing participants will explore narrative, illustration and composition - creating a concertina book inspired by the exhibits. Literally tracing their own pencil line across the landscape of the show, participants will be encouraged through line and mark to use the exhibition as a starting point for new imaginings. Led by illustrator and CSM tutor Joanna Layla, participants will each create their own concertina book drawing inspiration from the show to delve into brave new drawn worlds.

Printmaking Workshop

23 August 11.00-13.00

This is a fun workshop all about screen printmaking. Children will be able to create bold images, exploring colour, shape and texture.

We will be exploring the theme 'Memories of Summer' using a range of materials, tools and colours. Children can take away any prints they create! The workshop is open to children from 8 to 12 years old and we ask adults to come along and join the fun too. Our printing workshop will be run by practicing artist Joseph Kopiel.

'Salad Days' Exhibition and Live Arts Event.

Juno Bar and Gallery

134 - 135 Shoreditch High St, London E1 6JE

18 August – 13 September 12.00-22.00 daily

Salad Days Opening Party

20 August 19.00 –Late

Arts event with live painting, performers and DJs including music from Big Sixes, KRALLCLIFE, Jim Caesar and Paige Dawkins. Sweet 'Art's take-over of 'Open and Live' with live painting starting at 20.00.

'Queen of Arts' Exhibition

Looking Glass Cocktail Bar

49 Hackney Road, London. E2 7NX

18 August – 30 August

Queen of Arts Opening Party

21 August 18.00 –Late

Viewing of the exhibition with 'Queen of Arts' themed cocktails and edibles

Art Bar Crawl

All three venues

22 August 16.30-23.00

Starting at 16.30 at the Espacio Gallery the crawl will start with drinks and artist talks in the space before we head off to our next venue The Looking Glass Cocktail Bar for an early evening 'Queen of Arts' signature cocktail and some more artists talking about their work and practice. Final stop will be Juno Bar for some more artist Q&A before a few more drinks and some music to finish off the festival!

About Sweet 'Art:

Founded in 2012, Sweet 'Art's mission is dedicated to the promotion of artists at all levels of their career through the delivery of thought provoking, engaging and fun site specific exhibitions and live art events with a difference.

Sweet 'Art is dedicated to the promotion of art that is thought provoking, intelligent and challenging in its consideration of both aesthetic and concept.

Sweet 'Art embraces all disciplines of work and encourages artists in a process of exploration, challenge and debate when considering their own practice and that of others.

Sweet 'Art is dedicated to ethical practice and prides itself on an intersectional and inclusive approach.

About Papyrus:

PAPYRUS is the national UK charity dedicated to the prevention of young suicide.

PAPYRUS exists to give young people hope and to prevent young suicide.

They draw from the experience of many who have been touched personally by young suicide across the UK and speak on their behalf in our campaigns and in their endeavours to save young lives.

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