

# JUNEBUG ARTFEST

DOWNTOWN METUCHEN • EVERY SATURDAY NIGHT IN JUNE

2016 Junebug Interactive Events

*25+ Unique Events*

Join us for a fantastic array of creative and engaging activities for visitors of all ages!

## Saturday, June 4

6:00 – 8:00 pm @ Borough Hall

- **Hub City Fencing** - New to Junebug this year . . . come experience the exhilarating sport of fencing! This high energy interactive demo will teach you the basic techniques and footwork . Get a coupon for 10 percent off classes when you stop by. Visit them today at [www.hubcityfencing.com](http://www.hubcityfencing.com).

6:00 - 8:00 pm @ Borough Hall

- **Metuchen Branch YMCA** - Bring your young artist to the Metuchen Y tables for some fun crafts with children's enrichment coordinator Ashley Krause. Creative adventures for the whole family!

6:00 – 8:00 pm @ 19 New Street

- **Lollipop Land** - Candy and sticker scavenger hunt! Meet some of the Junebug artists and search for candy and stickers as you explore the ArtFest. If you figure out all the clues, come back to Lollipop Land for a final prize.

6:00 – 8:00 pm @ Senior Center

- **Community Nursery School** – “CNS Doodlebugs at Junebug” – Four year old students display their paintings and collage interpretations of Pollack, Monet, Matisse, Seurat, and O’Keefe.

7:00 pm – Main Street in front of the Metuchen Savings Bank

- **Junebug Sculpture** – Witness the unveiling of the eight foot tall interactive 2016 Junebug sculpture! The vibrant and mischievous wooden masterpiece was created by humorous illustrator and designer **Chris Reed** – <http://www.chrisreedportfolio.com/> – and will engage visitors via a fun “Bug Portrait” photo opportunity.

6:00 – 10:00 pm – **Henna tattoo art** outside the Buddha’s Loft storefront – 401 Main Street

6:00 – 10:00 pm – **Chalk Walk** @ Borough Hall

## **Saturday, June 11**

6:00 - 8:00 pm @ Senior Center Parking Lot

- **Montclair Art Museum (MAM)** – Come visit the MAM Art Truck, a roaming art studio in a retro-fitted ice-cream truck. Dan Fenelon will take you on an art adventure in his unmistakable graphic style, featuring an intro to mural and media arts. *(This activity has a rain date of June 18)*

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6:00 – 8:00 pm @ 19 New Street

- **Lollipop Land - Kids' Choice Awards** – Come to Lollipop Land to receive a list of questions about the window art displays that will prompt you to look for details in the artwork and find out which you like the most. Bring your completed questionnaire back to Lollipop Land and be entered into a drawing for a candy basket.

7:00 – 8:00 pm @ Borough Hall

- **Zumba** – Master Zumba teacher Andrea Orlando will lead participants through the exhilarating dance workout that has inspired millions around the globe to get up, step up and get fit. Andrea has been a featured performer at Junebug since 2009 and her interactive workshop has inspired people from 3 to 93 to experience the powerful combination of music and movement. Andrea is also the founder of MetuchenEdisonFitness.

7:00 – 10:00 pm @ What's the Scoop

- **Open Mic Night** – Everyone's chance to be a star! The gear is supplied (two mics, a PA system, a music stand), and this event only awaits you, so bring your talent and your friends, or come and support those who do! Hosted by local impresario and bon vivant of the underpaid, Danny Adlerman.

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## **Saturday, June 18**

6:00 pm – Metuchen Library, Community Room

- **Female Artists Mini Documentary** – Girl Scout Troop 81411 has created a short video about local female artists who inspire. The artists in the film share their experiences with different artistic media and encourage girls to be involved in the arts. This Junebug event is helping the Troop to earn its "Inspire Award."

6:00 – 8:00 pm – On Main St. near the Route 27 intersection

- **Kidz and Plantz Grow Together** – The Garden Club of Metuchen presents this fun activity— learning how plants grow, planting seeds and creating a work of art to take home. Meet local artist Robyn Trimboli-Russo.

6:00 – 8:00 pm – Academy of Art of Highland Park – On Pearl Street near Pearl Cleaners (24 New Street)

- **Drawing in the Dark** – Draw with light itself while sitting at the Academy's dark drawing bench! Use "time" as your eraser and "hand speed" as your brush or blender. Make graffiti or cartoons. Try our glow-in-the-dark putty to make glowing 3-D images. Photograph your explorations with your phone. *Note:* There is no physical take-away; your work fades away as you watch!  
<http://artacademynj.com/>

6:00 - 8:00 pm – On Main Street on the North side of the NJ Transit Bridge

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6:30 - 8:30 pm in front of Lollipop Land (19 New Street)

- **Live Candy Land!**: Join us for this completely interactive “live” game of Candy Land for kids and adults of all ages. The game will run continuously from 6:30 – 8:30 pm. Free candy and chocolates to all game players!

6:30 – 8:00 pm – Corner of Hillside and Main

- **Christopher Agostino's StoryFaces** — *Tales of Transformation and Wonder* – Stories come to life on the faces of the audience in this innovative performance, an inspiring fusion of theatre and visual arts for adults and children alike. In this exciting and unusual show, volunteers are brought on stage and face painted to illustrate stories as Christopher tells them, captivating the audience with folktales and his uniquely animated original stories, ranging from the comic adventure of The Amazing Face Story to the heroic tale of Punia and the King of the Sharks. (*rain location = What's the Scoop*)

7:00 – 8:00 pm – Parking lot behind Metuchen Savings & Loan (corner of Main and New)

- **Richard Reiter Drum Circle** - Crowd favorite Richard Reiter and his Drum Circle will return for the fourth year in a row. <http://www.richardreiter.com/> (*rain location = Senior Center*)

8:00 pm – Main Stage, Corner of Main and New Streets

- **Window Gallery Awards Ceremony** – Come join us to see which Window Gallery artists win the following titles: “People’s Choice” *selected by visitors to the ArtFest*) and “Best in Show” (*selected by professional museum curators*). Remember to vote for your favorite window-exhibited art work starting Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup>. Once again this year, voting is digital thanks to our tech-savvy high school student volunteer. Voting closes, midnight, Friday, June 17.

6:00 – 10:00 pm – **Henna tattoo art** outside the Buddha’s Loft storefront – 401 Main Street

6:00 – 10:00 pm – **Chalk Walk** under the train tressel, near the train station

2:00 - 4:00 pm – Metuchen Library, Community Room

6:00 – 10:00 pm – 9Round / Bounce Back Fitness, 457 Main Street

- **CoderDojo Metuchen** - Ready to check out the artistic side of coding? Join CoderDojo Metuchen for their monthly meetup at the library. This session will focus on using code to create generative works of art. Finished projects will be displayed later that night on Main Street. Visit <http://coderdojometuchen.com> to find out how your young coder can participate.

## **Saturday, June 25**

6:00 – 8:00 pm @ Borough Hall

- **Ed Wetzel Studios** – Come take part in a live studio drawing session. You’ll be shown how to simplify the human form to just a few lines that mimic the gesture of the pose. If you have ever drawn a stick figure, you’re halfway there! Be a spectator or participate as a model. There’s something for everyone!

6:00 – 8:00 pm @ Borough Hall

- **Dancing with Bubbles** – Closing Junebug with an iridescent flair, children and adults are invited to assist in the creation of giant bubbles...bubbles large enough to embrace an entire family! Using simple materials and non-toxic bubble-making solution, this is a great opportunity for one final Junebug photo op!

6:00 – 8:00 pm @ 19 New Street

- **Lollipop Land – Selfie Saturday:** Junebug visitors are invited to take part in this fun photo challenge: come into the store to receive an index card with a word or clue and then take a creative selfie somewhere that evening with that item in your picture. Come back to Lollipop Land to share your pic and receive a treat!

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**Every Friday Evening**

**Metuchen Public Library – Junebug Art Gallery:** A first for Junebug, the Metuchen Public Library is hosting an exhibit of the works from one dozen local artists and crafters throughout June. Located in the Community Room on the 2nd floor, the Library Gallery features a beautiful collection of paintings, photographs and pottery.

- A Junebug related photo-op can be found at the main entrance to the library (Middlesex Avenue), where visitors can snap a photo and look like a colorful winged creature.
- The Metuchen Public Library is located at 480 Middlesex Avenue, just past Borough Hall.

**Junebug Window Galleries** Hosted by downtown Metuchen businesses, these window displays showcase the work of established artists throughout the month of June. Specific locations are noted in the program and on the digital ballot. Everyone is invited to get involved and vote for the artwork they like the most.

- The **“People’s Choice Award”** ballot can be accessed from any digital device, computer, tablet or mobile via the QR Code printed in the **WEEKLY** program, on the T-shirts, the [web site](#) and [Facebook page](#) for the Junebug Artfest. Voting will begin with the opening of the Artfest and close at midnight, Friday, June 17.
- **“Best in Show”** will be awarded by two museum curators, 8pm on the Main Stage, Main & New Streets, Saturday, June 18

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***Additional handicapped parking will be made available each night of the ArtFest in the parking lot behind Main Street (behind Metuchen News / Antonio’s Pizza)***