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RECOMMENDED MUSEUMS AND GALLERIES

Link to 9 Maine Art Museums: <u>https://www.maineartmuseums.org/</u>

Museum Recommendation Highlights:

- Ogunquit Museum [1.5 hrs. HG]: Founded in 1953 to showcase Contemporary American Art, since late 1800's, in location of two of the earliest artist colonies. Exhibits of Artist Nicole Wittenberg and 19 Contemporary Artists in "Where the Real Lies" as well as "Henry Strater's Ogunquit" opened the 2025 season on 18 April.
- <u>Portland Museum of Art</u> [30 min. HG]: Four floors of American/International Art with Exhibits "Passages in American Art," "Jo Sandman: Skin Deep," which includes large-scale photograms made during experimentation at 1959 closed Black Mountain College, "Ann Craven" opening on 14 May, "Painting Energy" opening on 23 May. Reservations open 1 May for up to 12 individuals twice a day to visit The Winslow Homer Studio in a PMA van at Prout's Neck for 2.5 hours.
- <u>Bowdoin College Art Museum</u> [10 min. HG]: College's 1894 Museum of world arts with 30,000 objects from 5,000 Artists. Exhibits "Art, Ecology + the Resilience of a Maine Island: The Monhegan Wildlands" closing on 1 June, "Poetic Truths: Hawthorne, Longfellow, and American Visual Culture 1840-1880" being visited by <u>HG Art Jaunts</u> with Curator Laura Sprague on Wednesday 4 June at 10:15, "Irreplaceable You: Personhood and Dignity in Art, 1880's to Now" closing on 1 June, "Flora et Fauna: Nature in Ancient Mediterranean Art and Culture," "Reimagining Our Americas: Empathy and Activism Beyond Borders" closing on 1 June, "Hello, Stranger: Artist as Subject in Photographic Portraits since 1900," and "Currents: Art since 1875" currently on view.
- <u>Bates College Museum of Art</u> (45 min. HG]: Over 8,000 objects with Exhibits "Beth Van Hoesen: Small Wonders" and "Under The Parachute: Senior Thesis Exhibition 2025" closing on 24 May.
- <u>Colby College Museum of Art</u> [1 hr. HG]: Two Lewiston locations with over 10,000 objects of American and Contemporary Art and largest sized Art Museum in Maine. Exhibits "Stan Douglas/Hors-champs," "Some American Stories," and "Alex Katz: Repetitions" currently on view. "Radical Histories: Chicano Prints from the Smithsonian American Art Museum," and "Into the Wind: American Weathervanes" both closing on 8 June.
- Farnsworth Art Museum [1.5 hr. HG]: Numerous works of the Wyeth Family Artists including "Home Places: Andrew Wyeth in Chadds Ford." Exhibits "Re-Indigenous, Sacred Landscape: From the Wigwamat Catawamkeag," "Capturing Her Environment: Women Artists, 1870-1930," "Anne Buckwalter: Manors Momentum 2025," and "Native prospects: Indigeneity and Landscape" currently on view. "Ann Craven: Painted Time (2020-2024)" opens on 4 May, "Farnsworth Mural Project: James Prosek" opens 17 May, "Finding Maine: The Wyeth Family of Artists" opens 14 June.
- <u>Center for Maine Contemporary Art</u> [1.5 hr. HG]: 3-room 2000 sq. ft. Museum, 100 yards from Farnsworth. Exhibits "Cheek to Cheek: Nicole Wittenberg," "Leaf Litter: Elizabeth Atterbury," "The Shape of Memory: Carlie Trosclair," all open on 24 May

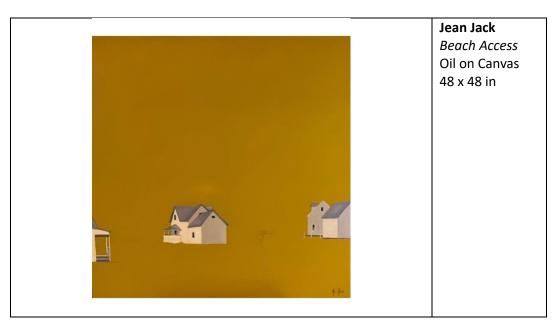
Maine Galleries:

- <u>Bayview Gallery</u> [Brunswick] Traditional land and sea Artists of Maine.
- <u>Caldbeck Gallery</u> [Rockland]: Showing contemporary art. Exhibits "A Spring Celebration-A Group Show" closing 11 May, "Elizabeth Awalt-Natural Selections" and "Out There-Janice Kasper, Todd Watts, Susan Williams" both open 17 May
- <u>Corey Daniels Gallery</u> [Wells]: Colonial home/barn with eclectic Contemporary and Emerging Artists.
- <u>Courthouse Gallery</u> [Ellsworth]: Two building Gallery with outside sculptures of Maine connected Artists. "Alison Rector: Silkscreen Season on a Maine Farm" and "Spring Show 2025" closing on 28 May. "Richard Keen: Recent Work," "John Neville and Andre Benoit," "Philip Frey," and "Rick Fox: New Work" opening on 2 June.
- <u>Cove Street Arts</u> [Portland]: Four separate exhibits of Artists connected to Maine rotating in large industrial 8,000 sq. ft. building. Some of the most original Artists showing in Maine. "Emergent: Alice Spencer" closing on 10 May, "Infinite Light" closing on 24 May, "Variations: numerous

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Photographers" closing on 7 June, "Out of My Mind: Richard Wilson" closing on 14 June, "Adventure of the Unknown: Grant Drumheller" closing on 14 June. Exhibits "Liminality" with four Artists, and "Frayed edges: Jeff Bye" both open 29 May. "Phenomena: Adam Ekberg and Sarah Szwajkos" opens 19 June

- <u>Dowling Walsh Gallery</u> [Rockland]: Premier large 5 room Gallery directly across from the Farnsworth showing numerous high-end Maine connected Artists. "The Collective Perspective: A Group Show" during June.
- <u>Greenhut Galleries</u> [Portland]: Exhibit "Jim Flahaven-The Through Line" closing 31 May. "Matt Blackwell Solo Exhibition" opens 5 June.
- <u>Moss Galleries</u> [Portland and Falmouth] High end gallery with multiple Artists. Exhibits "Frances Hynes: Playing Notes" and "John Hultberg: Angels Above Fear" both at Falmouth closing 31 May. "Keepers" at Portland closing 21 June.
- <u>Portland Art Gallery</u> [Portland]: 60 Contemporary Maine Artists. <u>HG Artist Resident Jean Jack</u> shows at this Gallery. Exhibition "Jean Jack," "Ann Trainor Domingue," "Carlos Gamez de Francisco," and "Greg Day" closing 31 May. Exhibition "Rick Hamilton," "Sarah Ingraham," "Sam Chappell," and "Joyce Grasso" open on 5 June.



- <u>River Arts</u> [Damariscotta]: Exhibit "New Works" closing 24 May and "John Otterbein" closing 14 May. Exhibit "Member's Show" opens 31 May.
- <u>Sarah Bouchard Gallery</u> [Woolwich, 15 min HG]: High end and unique gallery close to HG. Exhibit "tomorrow, the world answers everything: Andrew Hayes + Tom Phillips" closing 18 May. Exhibit "Nora Sturges" opens 24 May.
- <u>Spindleworks Arts Center</u> [Brunswick &Gardiner]: Founded in 1976 with 40 Artists with intellectual and dev. disabilities creating amazing works of art.
- <u>Unitarian Universalist Church Brunswick</u> Changing painting shows in entrance area of Church.
- Numerous Galleries in Gardiner [30 min. HG]: Circling the Press Gallery where <u>HG Artist Caroline</u> <u>Loose</u> works and shows her prints.

<u>Arts Organizations: Union of Maine Visual Artists</u> Advocates with art exhibits. Associated with Maine Masters PBS New England Emmy Award nominated film series profiling currently 20 Maine Artists. <u>www.kanelewis.org</u>

HG Art Club meets every Friday at 9:30 a.m. for about two hours with beginners to advance makers in arts and crafts at the HG Community Center.

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MAINE FESTIVALS

May 3	Kennebunk's Annual May Day Festival
June	
12	The Claw Down – Lobster Bite Competition, Boothbay Harbor
14	Maine Whoopie Pie Festival, Dover Foxcroft
19	La Kermesse Franco-Americaine Festival, Biddeford
28-29	Maine Oyster Festival, Freeport

THEATER/MUSIC EVENTS

Cadenza - Freeport

Live Music venue May 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30, 31 June 7, 14, 20, 21, 22, 27

The Chocolate Church - Bath

- 5/2 Ifrah Mansour "How To Have Fun In A Civil War"
- 5/10 Bomba & Argentine Music
- 5/15 Steve Poltz with Opener Dan Blakeslee
- 5/17 Denny Breau, Carole Wise & Bruce Marshall
- 5/23 Squeezebox Stompers
- 5/24 Burst & Bloom Variety Show
- 5/31 Arabic Music Community Ensemble
- 6/5 Espiral 7
- 6/7 Bach, Bath, and Beyond
- 6/13 Julia Gagnon & Nate Haven
- 6/14 Avner The Eccentric & Al Getler
- 6/21 Cultural Crossroads

Community Little Theatre - Lewiston

5/9-18 The Little Prince

Franco Center - Lewiston

5/3 Maine's Got Talent

5/10-11 Maine Music Society

5/17 Midcoast Symphony Orch.

- 6/7 Prom Night 21+
- 6/24 St Jean Baptiste Day celebration (dinner & dance)

Good Theater - Portland

4/30-5/4 I'll Drink to That 6/5-8 The High Road 6/20-21. The Skivvies

Lemont Block - Brunswick

6/8 4th Annual Casco Bay Seafood Festival

Lincoln Theater - Damariscotta

- 5/17 Met: Salome by Strauss
- 5/25 Adam Ezra Group
- 5/31. Met: Il Barbiere di Siviglia by Rossini

Meetinghouse Arts - Freeport

- 5/8 Discussion: Working Waterfront Neighbors
- 5/15 Stories: Time & Tide-Voices shaped by Sea
- 5/18 Portland String Quartet
- 5/22 Becoming Seagrass
- 5/24 Paul Sullivan
- 6/7 Fodhla

Ogunquit Playhouse

5/15-6/14 Come From Away 6/19-7-19 Guys and Dolls

Orion Performing Arts Center - Topsham

- 5/3 Moving Company Dance performance
- 5/9-10 Ampersand Dance Performance
- 5/18 Midcoast Symphony Orch.
- 6/7 Ballet School Dance Performance

One Longfellow Square - Portland: Live Music

May 1, 3, 7, 8, 9, 10, 16, 17, 18, 22, 23, 29, 30, 31 June 4, 12, 13, 14, 21, 28

Portland Stage

4/2 – 5/4	Not Quite Almost by J. Cariani
5/14 – 6/1	Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf by Albee

The Public Theatre - Lewiston

5/2-11 Now and Then5/18 The Dragon King by Tanglewood Marionettes6/13-14 The Everly Brothers Rockumentary

The Strand - Rockland

- 5/2 Matt Andersen
- 5/18 Lime City (film with string quartet)
- 6/13 The Weight Band

Theater at Monmouth

AREA CHORUSES:

ChoralArt Masterworks :

Classical Uprising:

5/4 HOME with Horizon Voices, Freeport5/17 Growing Up Maine – Brunswick6/5-15 Portland Bach Exp. June Festival

Midcoast Symphony (5/17 Franco ctr; 5/18 Orion)

St. Mary Schola (5/17 First Parish, Portland)

Una Voce Chamber (6/13-15 UUChurch, Brunswick)

Women in Harmony 5/16-17Love & Justice, Falmouth Congr. Church

EVENTS BOOKED THROUGH PORTTIX.COM https://porttix.com/ May/June 2025

Nathalie Joachim Thursday, May 1, 2025, 7PM AURA – Portland

Portland Symphony Orchestra presents Star Wars: a new hope May 3 – 4, 2025 Merrill Auditorium

Lawrence & Meyer duo Saturday, May 3, 2025, 7:30 PM PCM

Whose live anyway? Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 7:30PM Merrill Auditorium

The Legendary Count Basie Orchestra Thursday, May 8, 2025, 7PM Merrill Auditorium

North Star Baroque: Bach's Coffee Cantata Friday, May 9, 2025, 7PM Woodfords Church

Portland Ballet presents YEAR END SHOWCASE Saturday, May 10, 2025, 11AM Westbrook PAC

Portland Cons. of Music: Spring Benefit Saturday, May 10, 2025, 6PM PCM

YES&Co. IMPROV COMEDY Saturday, May 10, 2025, 7PM Portland Media Center

Portland Symphony Orch.: Sleeping Beauty Sunday, May 11, 2025, 2:30PM Merrill Auditorium

Portland Symphony Orch.:Classic Romance Tuesday, May 13, 2025, 7PM Merrill Auditorium Portland Conservatory of Music presents Guts Baroque Thursday, May 15, 2025, 12:15PM PPL

Magic of Motown Friday, May 16, 2025, 7:30PM Merrill Auditorium

Velvet Harmonies: afternoon with Chausson Sunday, May 18, 2025, 3PM PCM

Broadway National Tour: Ain't Too Proud May 27 – 28, 2025 Merrill Auditorium

Portland Conservatory of Music presents Clifford Cameron Trio Saturday, June 14, 2025, 7:30PM PCM

Portland Symphony Orchestra presents Dvořák's New World Symphony Tuesday, June 17, 2025, 7PM Merrill Auditorium

Portland Conservatory of Music presents Robert Gans Thursday, June 26, 2025, 12:15PM PCM

Maine Public:Wait, Wait... Don't tell me! June 26 – 27, 2025 Merrill Auditorium

Portland Symphony Orchestra:Piano Men Saturday, June 28, 2025, 7PM Seaside Pavilion

SARAH MILLICAN: LATE BLOOMER Saturday, June 28, 2025, 8PM Merrill Auditorium

Demetri Martin Sunday, June 29, 2025, 7PM Merrill Auditorium

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