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THE ECONOMIC IMPACT OF THE ARTS ON STAMFORD DOWNTOWN

It is essential for a community to recognize the importance of the performing and cinematic arts as economic generators. In fact, the economic life and sustainability of a vibrant downtown are often tied to the arts. And, any important city—

regardless of size—will boast a significant art scene as part of its persona. Stamford Downtown boasts a lively arts' environment. There are two live performing arts' theatre/venues (Stamford Center for the Arts) located in the heart of the downtown and another housed slightly north of the downtown (Stamford Theatre Works), three cinema complexes and a strong program of signature events produced by the DSSD and held outdoors in the downtown parks. According to the national research organization, Americans for the Arts, "a city in which arts thrive is a community which is inviting and livable." In its publication, *Arts & Economic Prosperity*, it cites that "nationally the non profit arts and culture industry generates \$166.2 billion in economic activity every year—creating 5.7 million full-time equivalent jobs, \$104.2 billion in household income and the remainder in local state and federal tax revenue." The publication also says that non profit arts' organizations leverage a significant amount of event-related spending by their audiences. Attendance at arts' events generates business for hotels, restaurants, parking garages and shops. *Arts & Economic Prosperity* estimates that "arts' patrons spend an average of \$22.87 per person, not including the price of admission."

So, how does this spending and economic activity relate to Stamford. In 2007, the SCA had 150,000 attendees—

this total includes the Stamford Symphony crowd of 2300-2500 each concert weekend. Let's do the math using the *Arts & Economic Prosperity* number of \$22.87—which is probably a very low number for Stamford—where dinner alone would be significantly higher than the \$22.87 national average. With 150,000 SCA attendees, \$3,430,500 of local commerce is generated by live theatre alone.

The movie theatres (Bowtie Cinemas and the Avon Theatre) with a combined seating capacity of 3600, also leverage significant spending into the local economy. Our best estimates show that 750,000 people attend the movies each year—spending approximately \$17,000,000+ on dinners and parking. The vitality of the restaurant community is directly tied to both the movie and theatre scene, especially when you consider the effect of 900,000 people having pre or post theatre meals. Giovanni Gentile, owner of the popular restaurant Capriccio's located on Bedford Street, directly across from the Avon Theatre, says, "When the Avon has a good movie I can tell right away because my restaurant is packed for the duration of the movie's run." Michael Marchetti, owner of Columbus Park Restaurant on Main Street corroborates Giovanni's words. He said, "When the Stamford Symphony or the Connecticut Opera are playing at the Palace, my restaurant does several seating turnovers." Todd Kosakowski, owner of Black Bear, Hula Hanks and Thirsty Turtle, concurs, especially when there is a good children's or teen age movie playing.

Event-driven entertainment pumps significant dollars into the economy as well. The Stamford Downtown Special Services District produces 7 signature events designed to create a sense of place and to generate business for Downtown retailers. The events are all free to the public and are paid for solely through grants and the incredible generosity of numerous sponsors. The economic results of the concerts speak volumes and illustrate the importance of popular events as strong stimulators of the

economy. An important case in point is Stamford's seven Alive @ Five concerts held on Thursday nights during the summer. Conservatively, upwards of 5000 people attend each of the concerts; certainly more when the headliner is a "big" name. With so many concert patrons streaming Downtown, business booms. According to Kosakowski, his business soars by 200% on concert nights. Similar gains are true for other nightclubs and restaurants, with the biggest gains garnered by the restaurants surrounding Columbus Park, but with increased business throughout the downtown. An analysis of parking fees during the seven concert nights shows that parking revenue for the city soars by 258.2% over the course of the series.

There is a flip side to maintaining a strong downtown arts' scene. While arts may leverage economic health in a community, the cost of ticket prices and corporate sponsorships do not totally cover the high cost of cultural productions. Bridging that funding gap is where state and municipal government must play a role. Stamford is fortunate to have a Mayor who recognizes the benefits of a vibrant performing arts scene. Mayor Malloy has submitted budget requests to nurture the arts, an important step in ensuring that the arts remain on a sound footing. In turn the Fiscal Boards have approved the Mayor's requests for funding to arts and cultural organizations as well as for funds to defray some of the costs of several of the Downtown's major events.

On the other hand, the State has steadily decreased its funding for The Stamford Center for the Arts, which is the largest cultural center in our city. Recently, the state reduced its funding to the organization by \$500,000—in what could be a "knock out" blow. Efforts to re-instate some, if not all of the cuts are being undertaken. It's an uphill battle, but one which must be won if Stamford is to maintain its position as the region's premier performing arts venue and if the city is to continue as a strong restaurant and nightclub hub.

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2007 FALL/WINTER EVENTS – The Year of the Weather

The Fall/Winter Events in 2007 were threatened by wind, rain, snow, sleet and freezing temperatures but nothing stopped the crowds from coming Downtown to enjoy the sights and sounds!

SAC Capital Advisors Giant Balloon Inflation Party

On November 17, 2007, families flocked to the corners of Summer and Hoyt streets to watch their favorite characters come to life. The Giant Balloon Inflation Party presented by SAC Capital Advisors gave the spectators a backstage pass as twenty-five balloons were filled with helium. The first to sit up was Clifford the Big Red Dog followed by the likes of Curious George, Popeye and Bullwinkle. The air was also filled with the entertainment of Miss Babs & The Kickin' Boogie Band who kicked off three sets with a country twang and line dancing that moved the children and their parents. Sharing the crowd was the World's Tallest Cowboy, a ballooning cowgirl, six costume characters and Santa with his trusty Elf. The evening proved once again, that the night before the Parade is a family tradition loved by all.

The UBS Parade Spectacular

Weather reports early in the week called for rain and dropping temperatures on Parade day. None of that scared away the record crowds which came downtown to watch the "best Parade ever" in Stamford. Twenty-five balloons stepped off at the UBS Parade Spectacular, presented by The Advocate and Stamford Town Center, followed by ten marching bands, five floats, emcee Alan Kalter and Grand Marshall Lee Mazzilli. Clifford the Big Red Dog, sponsored by title sponsor UBS, led



the balloon parade. In total, over 550 volunteer handlers from the community flew the twenty-five balloons which included classics like Pink Panther and Garfield, and newcomers, The Clown Fish, Love-A-Lot Care Bear and Gumby. Local and regional high school and middle school bands, along with the NYPD Emerald Society Pipes and Drums entertained parade patrons. Favorite floats included the Stamford YMCA with children dancing and singing and the Looney Tunes characters waving to the children from the Stamford Town Center's float. This year thirty-eight fun loving clowns strolled up and down the Parade route leaving smiles on faces young and old. However, the Parade's highlight was not a balloon, band or float, but The

Kilgore College Rangerettes who dazzled the crowd with their high kicks and Southern belle appeal. Led by director Dana Blair and dressed in red, white and blue outfits, the sixty plus Rangerettes turned heads with kicks which reached the sky.

Stamford Downtown thanks all our sponsors and volunteers for making the 2007 UBS Parade Spectacular the best yet! Plans are already in the works for this year, so save the date – November 23, 2008!

Heights and Lights



A light freezing rain came down onto the corner of Broad and Atlantic Street as hundreds of children awaited Santa Claus making his daredevil descent from the top of the Landmark Building, the tallest building in Stamford Downtown. KT Murphy Elementary School Choir delighted the crowds with Christmas carols as Heights and Lights presented by First County Bank and Reckson Associates, A Division of SL Green got underway. As the children sang, rumors surfaced that Bah Humbug was planning to steal Santa's sack of toys, which is exactly what he did. As the thief

descended with the toys, the children booed and screamed trying to help James the Elf and Rudolph the Red-Nose Reindeer find him. Soon Rudolph caught the thief and had him arrested with the help of his Reindeer Police. Santa appeared at the top of the roof and as he made his descent, James the Elf went to rescue the bag of toys which burst with balloons filling the air.

Hundreds of families followed Santa to Latham Park to see the thousands of lights on the Christmas Tree sparkle in the darkness. Preceding the tree lighting, the legendary José Feliciano performed on stage with Santa and the KT Murphy Choir. At last the Christmas Tree was lit and 6,000 sparkling, multi-color lights brightened up the night.



**Congratulations to June Rosenthal,
2007 City of Stamford's Citizen of the Year
Reception – May 14, 2008
For information email stamfordcitizen@aol.com or call 327-0500**

Did you know Stamford Downtown has a blog?!

The Oscars Come To Stamford Downtown



Debra and Chuck Royce – Avon Co-Founders

On Sunday, February 24 the red carpet was rolled out for Stamford and Greenwich's elite, turning Bedford Street into Hollywood and Vine. The Avon Theatre hosted its inaugural gala, The Avon. The Red Carpet. You., a glamorous pre-Oscar's Gala followed by the live telecast of the 80th Annual Academy Awards on Avon's big screen. The night began with the flashes of camera lights as celebrity guests strolled down the Red Carpet. After surviving the ballyhoo of the Red Carpet, the guests entered the beautifully decorated lobby of the Avon Theatre.



L to R - DSSD Staff - Marion Glowka, Jackie Wetenhall, Annette Einborn, Lynne Colatella, Kevin McCloskey, Sandy Goldstein, Ellen O'Neill, Cheryl Vukelic and Maryann Rockwood

Delicate piano tones filled the air, scrumptious hors d'oeuvres were passed and martinis were shaken not stirred. The conversation at cocktail hour was very much about the magnificent success of the event that Louisa Greene, the Director of Development and Marketing at the Avon Theatre and her gala committee accomplished. Master of Ceremonies Tom Bergeron Host of "Dancing With The Stars," addressed the sold out crowd and helped honor Sandy Goldstein and the DSSD for its support of the Avon Theatre and the community. Most significantly, funds were raised to help the Avon continue as one of the most important independent theaters in the region.

Have You Visited the Stamford Downtown's Blog?

Stamforddowntownevents.blogspot.com

For those not in the know, a blog is a website where one can express views using text, pictures and web links on a daily basis. A blog can really be anything a user wants and has become a valuable tool for people as diverse as CEOs, to the high school student upset about his latest homework assignment. According to the blog search engine, Technorati, there are more than 112 million blogs in the world. Even Presidential candidates have gotten into the act and are using "blogging" as a way of communicating with their supporters and friends. The DSSD developed the Stamford Downtown Blog to speak to the community and let them know what the Downtown has to offer. Cheryl Vukelic, DSSD's Operation Project Manager, shares her pleasurable visit to a Stamford Downtown retail store and Jackie Wetenhall, Director of Retail Development, tells the audience about a new shop or restaurant opening on Bedford Street. Kevin McCloskey, the Coordinator of Events and Marketing, promotes or reflects on an event and has engaged the audience in discussing types of music audiences enjoy listening to. The Stamford Downtown Blog shares unique insights on happenings in the Downtown. Visit the blog to experience firsthand the DSSD's slide show of the parade or to participate in our weekly polls.

The DSSD, in its effort to be *au courant*, has created the Alive @ Five MySpace page (myspace.com/alivefive). MySpace has changed the way people interact on the internet. This website was launched in February of 1999 when the company held contests to see who could sign-up the most users known as friends. Today there are 300 million MySpace accounts. MySpace has also expanded to include music and videos among several other useful resources. The Alive @ Five MySpace page uses this music feature to promote the series, interact with fans and better yet, reach out to an untapped audience. Our MySpace page features the schedule, links to our other websites and a list of growing friends including Stamford residents, music lovers across the country and bands from around the world. In mid-December DSSD's MySpace had 186 friends and 762 profile views. In the last couple of months, the website has received a lot of attention and now has eight hundred plus friends and four thousand profile views, averaging 150 profile views a day. The goal of the DSSD's use of MySpace for the Alive @ Five page is first to widen the talent pool of bands submitting CDs for consideration at Alive @ Five and second to keep in touch with friends so they return to Stamford Downtown again and again.

Art in Public Places Encore! The Works of J. Seward Johnson

The extraordinary collection of J. Seward Johnson's works with its whimsical and realistic life-sized characters will grace our downtown streets this summer. Sculptures will be chosen from three of his major series: "The Classics," "The Icons" and "The Great Impressionists." "The Great Impressionists" are museum quality art which will be on display in the galleries of the University of Connecticut in Stamford Downtown, June through August, 2008. Seward Johnson said of the Impressionist series,

"I find it so moving to watch people interact with these sculptures. They invite an intimacy with the paintings that the paintings themselves don't allow, simply due to the limitation of scale, depth and access."

J. Seward Johnson

For more information or a map of exhibit locations, please call the DSSD at 203-348-5285 or check our website at www.stamford-downtown.com in mid May.



A Little to the Right



A Turn of the Century



La Promenade



Forever Marilyn



Unconditional Surrender

Stamford Town Center's New Look

This year the Stamford Town Center has a new look with an expanded, inviting entranceway featuring Barnes & Noble and H&M, and six new free standing national restaurants including P.F. Chang's China Bistro, Mitchell's Fish Market, Kona Grill, Cosi, California Pizza Kitchen and The Capital Grille. Here's what to expect when you dine at the "new" Town Center:

The **P.F. Chang's** experience is a unique combination of Chinese cuisine, attentive service, wine and tempting desserts all served in a stylish, high-energy bistro. The great variety of fish, chicken and meat makes for mouth-watering entrees.

Mitchell's Fish Market prides itself on the freshness of its fish and assures this freshness by modifying the menu daily. Mitchell's famous Chesapeake Bay "jumbo lump crab cakes" make it a signature dish which demands to be ordered.

Kona Grill offers diners freshly prepared food, personalized service, and a warm contemporary ambiance creating an exceptional, yet affordable, dining experience. The highlight of a visit to the Grill includes the famous "Seared Sesame Ahi Salad" and a view of the humongous fish tank behind the sushi bar.

Cosi offers salads, sandwiches and pizza in a warm inviting environment where patrons can grab a quick bite or enjoy coffee with a friend. Every visit must end with ordering one of Cosi's S'mores desserts.

California Pizza Kitchen or "CPK" is a leader in authentic California-style cuisine. The Original BBQ Chicken Pizza is a classic, although the restaurant also offers delicious salads and other entrees for the non-pizza lovers.

The Capital Grille is the last of the restaurants to open in the Stamford Town Center. The food and the ambiance envelop you when you savor the "Porcini Rubbed Delmonico" with the 8-year aged balsamic.

The Looney Tunes™ Play Area located in the center of the new food court has all the lovable characters – Bugs Bunny and his 17-foot carrot, Tasmanian Devil, Daffy Duck, Sylvester the Cat and Tweety Bird. The 2000-square feet play area is the perfect place to rest your feet and watch the children play.

For more information on these exciting new restaurants call 203-356-9700 or visit shopstamfordtowncenter.com



Fin II

A native of Fairfield, CT, Michael Shi, was pleased to find an excellent location at 219 Main Street, in the heart of Columbus Park, where he opened his second Japanese Restaurant, **Fin II**. Several of Michael's Fairfield customers suggested that he look at Stamford Downtown when he expressed an interest in opening a **Fin II** in lower Fairfield County.



"The name stands for the fin of a shark," says Michael who has been pleased by the warm reception he has received from his customers and the downtown restaurant community. "I am looking forward to experiencing and participating in Alive @ Five this summer," explains Michael, a noted sushi chef in his own right. **Fin II** specializes in fresh, imaginative sushi and authentic Japanese cuisine at amazingly moderate prices. The sushi, sashimi and hand rolls are presented with flair. For Japanese food lovers there is Dim Sum (Dynasty Duck & Crazy Summer are two all time favorites) as well as the traditional Japanese main courses. For those in a rush, Michael suggests the "Lunch box specials" which include a fresh salad or Miso soup, rice, a three piece California roll, a fried Japanese shrimp spring roll, all with your choice of entrees such as Beef Teriyaki or Chicken Katsu. A private party room called the "Tatami Room" which seats 8-15 people is also available directly adjacent to the sushi bar. Call **Fin II** at 359-6688 for more information.



John Phang, Jason Chen and Chef San Ye (left to right)

Republic Grill

Jason Chen, owner of Fairfield County's highly successful *Tengda* restaurants located in Westport, Darien, Greenwich and Katonah, New York, now comes to Stamford Downtown with a new Asian bistro called . . . **Republic Grill** located across from the Avon Theatre at 235 Bedford Street.

This friendly Asian bistro is decorated in soothing earth tones with interesting stained glass wall panels. As with all of Jason's eateries, **Republic Grill** offers a wide variety of dishes from Thailand to China for lunch or dinner, as well as a full service Sushi bar. Affordable lunch specials – such as Japanese lunch boxes and small, lunch sized sushi platters are especially tailored to patrons looking for a quick delicious and affordable lunch. Mr. Chen is not, however, a newcomer to Stamford. In 1999, he opened *Kampe* located at 49 High Ridge Road, Stamford, which is also highly acclaimed. Jason's interest in Stamford Downtown was sparked when he first noticed the available space on Bedford Street last spring and was inspired to bring his love of Pan-Asian cuisine to the vibrant restaurant scene in Stamford Downtown. For reservations or Take-Out call 353-8005.

Breakfast in Stamford Downtown Breakfast is Served!

No longer known only for its "classic" burgers . . . *Lucky's* now serves breakfast from 8am to noon, seven days a week. This 1950's style "malt shop" is now a popular spot to enjoy breakfast classics such as *fresh Belgian Waffles, French Toast and the old short stack pancakes* all served with powdered sugar and plenty of syrup. For the more health conscious eater *Egg Whites only or Spinach & Feta Cheese* omelets are available.

Stamford Downtown actually offers quite a few wonderful breakfast venues. So venture out one of these cold winter mornings and enjoy a warm breakfast at one of the following breakfast hot spots: Sundance Café, Blue Rooster Café, napa & co., Starbucks Coffee, Cosi, Curley's Diner, Katie's Gourmet, Sandwich Maestro, Dunkin Donuts, McDonald's, Landmark Square Café, Twenty of Stamford and Jenna Marie's Deli.

2008 Stamford Downtown Spring/Summer Events

STAMFORD DOWNTOWN WINTER RESTAURANT WEEKS

Sunday, March 2 through Thursday, March 6
and
Sun., March 9 through Thurs., March 13
A Winter Restaurant Celebration in Stamford Downtown. Please visit www.stamford-downtown.com for participating restaurants. Experience dinner in Stamford Downtown and enjoy prix-fixe daily specials

ART IN PUBLIC PLACES – Encore!

Encore! The Works of J. Seward Johnson Sculpture Exhibit in Stamford Downtown
June-August, 2007
Each year Stamford Downtown hosts a distinguished outdoor sculpture exhibit designed to attract both local and regional audiences. The works of art will be placed on the sidewalks and parks of Stamford Downtown as well as the Stamford Town Center.

Opening party June 9th.

FRENCH MARKET

June through November, 2007
Bedford at Forest Street-Saturdays
Our expanded Farmers' Market brings a taste of Paris to Stamford Downtown with vendors offering the freshest fruits, vegetables, flowers, baked goods and more!

ALIVE @ FIVE OUTDOOR SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Thursday Evenings, June 19 through August 7, 2007
(no concert July 3)
5:00 pm, Columbus Park

For seven Thursday evenings this summer, Stamford Downtown is the happening place to be with live music from national and regional headliners to regional and local entertainers. Restaurants and nightclubs surrounding the park come out onto the streets and serve patrons on their expanded patios. What a perfect after work place to party and listen to music!

POPS IN THE PARK Wednesday Evenings, July 16, 23, 30, 2007 6:30 pm, Columbus Park

Join us in Columbus Park three Wednesdays in July for a spectacular Pops in Park Series. Please visit www.stamford-downtown.com after May 15 for more information

STAMFORD TABLES RESTAURANT WEEKS August, 2008

Please visit www.stamford-downtown.com for dates and participating restaurants. Stamford Restaurant Weeks is a great way to celebrate the summer of 2008 with specially priced menus.

A GRAND SUMMER NIGHT, DINE AROUND

Wednesday, August 13, 2008
Organized by the "Friends of Stamford Downtown" this annual fund-raiser salutes fine dining in Stamford Downtown. Money raised supports acquisition of permanent outdoor sculpture in the Downtown. Call 203-348-5285 for an invitation.

ARTS, CRAFTS & BLUES ON BEDFORD

September, 13&14, 2008
Shop at over 85 craft and artisan boutiques on Bedford Street, which is closed to traffic for the weekend. Dine at our outdoor cafés and restaurants while you listen to the best blues this country has to offer.

Stamford Downtown Winter Restaurant Weeks

During the first two weeks in March, prepare to partake in "A Winter Restaurant Celebration in Stamford Downtown!" Eighteen of our finest Stamford Tables' restaurants have put their top chefs to the test by designing creative wintertime menus to warm your palate. To entice your family and friends to join you in the "Winter Restaurant Celebration" simply log onto DSSD's website www.stamford-downtown.com and view the *prix fixe* lunch & dinner menus (offered Sunday through Thursdays during the first two weeks of March).

Participating restaurants include newcomers: Duo, Fin II Japanese Restaurant and Republic Grill Asian Bistro. Back by popular demand are: Columbus Park, Bennett's, Ferrante, *gtr/aln/d*, Emme of Capri, Il Falco Ristorante, Dragonfly Restaurant & Lounge, 122 Pizza Bistro, Capriccio Café (serving dinner only), Black Bear, Plateau, Zody's Café, Tigin Irish Pub, Remo's and Kujaku Sushi & Hibachi.