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**STAMFORD DOWNTOWN
ART IN PUBLIC PLACES**

26 Pigs on a Whimsical Walkabout!

**A Stamford Downtown
Outdoor Sculpture Exhibit**

Dear Friends and Neighbors:

Art in Public Places returns to Stamford Downtown for its 32nd year, continuing a tradition that has made it one of the City's premier cultural events. Since its launch, the exhibit has grown significantly, showcasing major works of outdoor sculpture and attracting visitors from across the region.

This summer's exhibit, *OINK! in Stamford Downtown*, produced by Stamford Downtown Special Services District, features 26 whimsical fiberglass pig sculptures, each painted or embellished by 24 talented local and regional artists. It's a celebration of creativity that reflects Stamford's vibrant commitment to the arts

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Visitors are also invited to enhance their experience with *Otocast*, a free audio tour featuring an interactive map, artist narratives, and photos. Download the *Otocast* app from the Apple App or Google Play Store and select Stamford, CT to get started.

Take a stroll, snap some photos, and enjoy an exhibit designed to spark smiles for visitors of all ages. Don't miss this summer's most colorful adventure — right here in Stamford Downtown!

Sincerely,



Caroline Simmons
Mayor,
City of Stamford



Greg Caggainello
Chairman,
Stamford Downtown



Michael Moore
President,
Stamford Downtown



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Artist Biographies

Artist: Joshua Arouni • Design: Inferno Oink Sauce

Hey! My name is Joshua Arouni and I'm an artist from Stamford, CT, currently in my senior year of high school. My main medium is acrylic paint, and I love to paint food inspired pieces.

Artist: Shelita Birchett Benash • Design: Sun-Swine

Shelita is an interdisciplinary artist, social worker, mindfulness educator, and Ph.D. student, passionate about spreading joy and gratitude through integrating arts-based initiatives to expand self-awareness, improve health literacy, and generate more loving and compassionate action across diverse communities. Shelita is honored to be a Stamford Downtown artist! **Website:** radicalsocalwork.com

Artist: Aubrey Booska • Design: Daisy Mae

Aubrey has been teaching art in Stratford Public Schools for 24 years and shares the importance of community arts projects with her students. She has participated in multiple Stamford Downtown Art in Public Places exhibitions and is thrilled to add her ideas to this year's pig sculpture.

Artist: Tina Fino • Design: Oink

Graphic Designer, Art Director and Sign Painter. A lover of typography, painting, gold gilding and design layout, Tina found Sign Painting to be the perfect platform for her art. What she loves even more are the small imperfections, personality, and character in sign painting that you will never find in computer-generated graphics and vinyl. Tina's work ranges from storefronts, interior and exterior murals, framed glass and mirrors, wood cut signs, motorcycle helmets, trucks and more.

Instagram: [@tina_fino](https://www.instagram.com/tina_fino)

Artist: Mark Greenbaum • Designs: El Porko and Pack O'Pigs

Mark is a freelance graphic designer based in Boston. He dabbles in toy design, game invention, character design, animation and now...pig painting! The Connecticut Museum of Science has two of his UFOs on permanent display. He has an unsurmountable dislike for the color burgundy and loves to play soccer.

Website: greenbombdesign.com **Instagram:** [@greenbomb](https://www.instagram.com/greenbomb)

Artist: Laurie A. Guzda • Design: Piogliacci

Laurie is a Stamford native, co-founder of Curtain Call, Inc., and Editor of Stamford City Lifestyle Magazine. She is the Creative Director of LAGuzda, Creative Arts & Services which specializes in marketing, branding, PR, and more. Laurie is an avid photographer, artist, and writer. Laurie has participated in ALL (except the first) Stamford Downtown Sculpture events.

Artist: Bill Hernandez • Design: Elvis Piggsley

Bill is a full-time artist for Graphics Interactive LLC and Partycartoons.com. He specializes in caricatures, cartooning, and illustration. He also works at parties and events drawing fun caricatures for people as entertainment. **Websites:** Partycartoons.com and Graphics-Interactive.com **Instagram:** [@toonmandraws](https://www.instagram.com/toonmandraws)

Artist: Lisa Hernandez • Design: Piggie Stardust

Lisa specializes in illustration and photography. Her artwork has been featured in multiple public art exhibitions, including NY Cow Parade (2000) and Stamford's Duck, Duck, Goose (2023). Lisa's product "Greetings from Weird Connecticut" is in multiple retail locations throughout CT. **Website:** Graphics-Interactive.com **Instagram:** [@lisahctart](https://www.instagram.com/@lisahctart)

Artist: Siobhan Kiernan • Design: Tiger Piggy

Originally from Dublin, Siobhan now lives in Stamford. A lifelong creative, she blends intricate design and detail in her paintings and jewelry. This year, she is joined by a new muse – Tiger Piggy – as she returns to the outdoor exhibit for a second time. **Website:** siobhankiernan.com **Instagram:** [@siobhankiernandesigns](https://www.instagram.com/@siobhankiernandesigns)

Artist: Allison Luci • Design: Love and Kindness are Never Wasted

I'm a joy-driven artist who celebrates animals and color through vibrant, feel-good art. As a two-time cancer survivor, I believe in the power of positivity and live by my motto: "Make your own happy!" My work aims to uplift, inspire, and spark smiles with every brushstroke. **Website:** allisonluciat.com **Instagram:** [@allieforthesoul](https://www.instagram.com/@allieforthesoul) **Facebook:** [@allieforthesoul](https://www.facebook.com/@allieforthesoul)

Artist: Abigail Lupoff • Design: Pig in a Blanket

Abigail is a graphic designer and illustrator currently residing in the greater New Haven area of Connecticut. With over a decade of experience in the design industry, she has collaborated with various agencies and brands, working on textiles, environmental design, and branding. **Website:** abigailuploff.com

Artist: David Macharelli • Design: Porkcelain Vase

David is thrilled to share his art once again in Stamford Downtown. His cobalt blue and white Porkcelain Vase playfully nods to Ming Dynasty pottery and echoes his first project there, *The Cat's Amphora*, 15 years ago—a transformative experience that helped him overcome creative fears. Based in Waterbury with his wife Shannon and their three cats, David also works as a media producer, yoga teacher, actor, and scenic artist. **Instagram:** [@davidmacharelli](https://www.instagram.com/@davidmacharelli)

Artist: Amrita Majumder • Design: Just like an Indian Elephant

Amrita is a management graduate who followed her passion to become a full-time artist, working primarily in oil, acrylic, and pencil. Amrita's artwork has been featured in numerous juried exhibitions, and she has been a recurring contributor to Art in Public Places. In addition to creating commissioned pieces, Amrita shares her skills and love for art by teaching aspiring artists in her community. **Website:** artamrita.com **Instagram:** [@amritamajumder.art](https://www.instagram.com/@amritamajumder.art)

Artist: Heatherlyn Heath Martin • Design: Opaline

Heatherlyn is an interdisciplinary artist based in Columbia County, New York. Blending storytelling and fine detail, she creates vibrant multimedia works through her studio, Martin Arts. She has participated in numerous fiberglass street art projects across the Hudson Valley. **Website:** heatherlynmartin.com **Instagram:** [@heatherlynmartinarts](https://www.instagram.com/@heatherlynmartinarts)

Artist: Flavia Moraes Lodato • Designs: Pig.casso and Piggy Bank

A mixed-media artist that finds inspiration and passion in everyday life, nature, and travels. When creating either a piece or a series her goal is to connect with the viewer's perspective and interpretation transporting them in a visual journey. When contemplating her work, let the colors, forms and lines guide your imagination. www.flavia.studio. **Instagram:** [@flaviamoraeslodato](https://www.instagram.com/@flaviamoraeslodato) / [@portraitsodiversity.us](https://www.instagram.com/@portraitsodiversity.us)

Artist: Aldo Morales • Design: Blue Sky

I am an artist and painter who graduated from the School of Fine Art in Peru, showing my artwork in different exhibits around the USA. I have collaborated with several art groups and collectives in art projects and contests around Connecticut. Nowadays, I'm working in the tattoo industry. **Instagram** at [@aldofantasma](https://www.instagram.com/aldofantasma)

Artist: Eddie Nino • Design: When Pigs Fly

A professional artist and lead teacher at his own art school in Norwalk, CT. He studied at The Grand Central Atelier, The Art Students League of New York, and privately with noted teachers in NYC. Eddie's honors and accomplishments include private commissions, solo and group shows, numerous exhibition awards, and published artwork in the book: *Classical Life Drawing Studio*. **Website:** eddieninoart.com

Artist: Eileen O'Connell • Design: This Piggy Went to Market

Eileen O'Connell is a New York-based representational artist with roots in illustration. She balances a career in product design with a studio practice in drawing and oil painting, exploring color, form, and the quiet beauty in people and the natural world. **Website:** eileenconnellart.com **Instagram:** [@eileenconnellart](https://www.instagram.com/@eileenconnellart)

Artist: Taryn Pelli • Design: Pork Chop

Taryn Pelli has always had two loves: art and animals. After completing her art degree, she excitedly started accepting private commissions for pet portraits. She has illustrated three children's books and participated in multiple Stamford Downtown Art in Public Places Exhibitions. **Instagram:** [@pellis_palette](https://www.instagram.com/@pellis_palette)

Artist: Pat Piscopo • Design: Hedge Hog

Pat's work has a whimsical style. Her preferred medium is acrylic, but she dabbles in pastel, watercolor, graphite, and mixed media. She is the founder of the Ten-2-One Artists. Her passion for art is shared in open studio sessions every week. **Website:** Ten-2-OneArtists.com

Artist: Weverson Ponte • Design: Kevin Bacon

Weverson Ponte is a Brazilian multi-disciplinary artist based in Norwalk, Connecticut. Originally trained as an architect, he discovered his passion for art after earning his master's degree in 2015. His bold use of color and imaginative themes draw from pop culture, interior design, and child-like wonder, encouraging viewers to explore their own creativity. He now divides his time between creating art, designing architecture, and producing content for his YouTube channel. **Website:** douboboo.com **Instagram:** [@Weverp](https://www.instagram.com/@Weverp) **TikTok:** [@Weverp](https://www.tiktok.com/@Weverp) **YouTube:** [Weverson Ponte](https://www.youtube.com/WeversonPonte)

Artist: April Quast • Design: On Borrowed Wings

April Quast is a fine artist based in Glastonbury, Connecticut. Her bold, expressive paintings capture energy in motion and celebrate transformation. Through movement, color, and texture, her work invites you to feel deeply, believe boldly, and remember your worth. **Website:** AprilQuast.com

Artist: René Soto • Design: Golden Pig

René Soto, born in Guatemala in 1986, is a multidisciplinary artist based in Connecticut. His vibrant work reflects Latin culture and universal themes. Founder of René Soto Gallery, he's exhibited internationally and led community art projects. René also teaches, volunteers, and promotes inclusion through art, murals, and educational programs. **Instagram:** [@renesotoartgallery](https://www.instagram.com/@renesotoartgallery)

Artist: Madison Wilkes • Design: Honey Ham

According to all known laws of aviation, there is no way that a "bee-pig" should be able to fly. Its wings are too small to get its fat little body off the ground.

Instagram: [@madiwikyway](https://www.instagram.com/@madiwikyway)

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