

STAMFORD DOWNTOWN

MONTHLY E-NEWSLETTER



STAMFORD DOWNTOWN PAINTS THE TOWN PINK

Join us for an all-day kick-off event on September 30 to celebrate Breast Cancer Awareness month. Last year, Bedford Street merchants united and raised over \$3,000 from their daily sales proceeds for this important cause!

This year, all of Stamford Downtown will *Paint the Town Pink* as we again partner with the Stamford Hospital Foundation, to help raise funds. All proceeds from *Paint the Town Pink* events provide services such as free mammograms, breast ultrasound, MRI's and biopsies for uninsured, underinsured, and low-income women who otherwise could not afford breast care. In addition, breast programs at the Bennett Cancer Center are funded through the *Paint the Town Pink* initiative. *Stamford Downtown Paints the Town Pink* will feature over 45 retailers, restaurants, service, and entertainment venues, for this one-day event offering special promotions.

Please dress in pink and come Downtown to be a part of the fundraising efforts by frequenting your favorite Downtown spots. Visit stamford-downtown.com for a complete list of Stamford Downtown businesses who have created pink themed offerings and promotions. For a complete calendar of October events for Breast Cancer Awareness month, see paintthetownpinkstamford.org.

LOOKING FOR A HEALTHY LUNCH OR DINNER ALTERNATIVE?



Garden of Eat'n, the newly opened eatery at 300 Main Street, relies on the freshest ingredients to create a build-your-own healthy sandwich, wrap, or salad. Open from 11 AM to 10 PM, its convenient Columbus Park location fronts the outdoor garden of Old Town Hall. For menu and pick-up orders, visit gardenofeatnct.com.

MEET AUTHOR ADI MEMETI

Blackstones Steakhouse (101 Broad St.) is hosting a book signing for Adi Memeti, the internationally renowned Albanian writer on Saturday, September 16 at 2 pm.

Adi Memeti
Leave the Door Open
 Selected Poems

BOOK SIGNING

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 16, 2023
 AT 2:00 PM

Bring Friends!

MORE INFORMATION
 203-280-2211
 adilufkin@yahoo.com

BLACKSTONES Steakhouse
 101 BROAD ST. STAMFORD, CT
 203-595-5415

Adi Memeti graduated from the University of Prishtina (Kosovo) with a degree in Philology before moving to Switzerland and becoming a Professor of Literature in Switzerland & Lichtenstein. After Switzerland, he moved to the United States in 1995, for new beginnings. He was born with two passions in life - to write and to travel. The stories in *Leave the Door Open* are a compilation of travels from all over the world. Memeti's book takes you to quaint towns in the Balkans, moves you through the southern United States, settles in New York, and travels through Western Europe. He reflects upon his grandmother's hands, his mother's smile, the streets and roads soaked in rain, and photographs of relatives. Through the process of missing his homeland, Memeti's poetry adjusts to living in the United States from the Albanian viewpoint. Everyone in attendance will receive a discount on dinner and happy hour prices at book signing.



CTTRANSIT AND CTFASTRAK 31-DAY BUS PASSES AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE ON SMARTPHONES

The Connecticut Department of Transportation (CTDOT) announced that *CTtransit* and *CTfastrak* customers can now purchase their 31-day pass on their smartphones through [Token Transit](#).

“The ability to purchase bus fares through Token Transit improves the customer experience by giving our customers more freedom in paying for their fares and improving boarding times at stops,” said Connecticut Department of Transportation Bureau Chief of Public Transportation Benjamin Limmer.

To use Token Transit, customers can download the Token Transit mobile app or use Transit App, Moovit, Agile Mile, or Google Maps, which are all integrated with Token Transit. Here’s how it works:

- As buses approach, customers who purchased passes via Token Transit will be able to open their app and tap on the pass to activate it.
- The applicable period (two hours or 31 days) for which the ticket is available begins once the pass is activated.
- Once on the bus, customers should follow the instructions in the app to validate the ticket and show the bus operator.

All *CTfastrak* and *CTtransit* local buses will accept Token Transit, including the Hartford, New Haven, and Stamford Divisions, as well as *CTtransit* in Bristol, Meriden, New Britain, Wallingford, and Waterbury. *Please note CTtransit Express buses are not currently included as part of this program.* For more information, visit [Token Transit](#) or [CTtransit.com](#).

STAMFORD DOWNTOWN MOVES TO ELECTRIFY ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE EQUIPMENT

Stamford Downtown continues to foster efforts to mitigate climate change and reduce carbon emissions. Stamford Downtown is working with its vendor, Block-By-Block, to convert the Ambassador Team’s gas-powered Environmental Maintenance equipment to more environmentally conscious rechargeable battery power. The new battery-powered equipment includes multiple leaf blowers, and a hedge trimmer.

In the future, Stamford Downtown and Block-By-Block hope to convert the balance of equipment inventory – including its weedwackers, chain saw, light-duty snow blower, and handheld scrubber for graffiti removal – to battery power. In addition to reducing carbon emissions, Stamford Downtown’s investment in battery-powered equipment will reduce noise pollution and gaseous odors. Stamford Downtown’s use of electric equipment, as well as its urban forestry efforts and advocacy for a pedestrian-friendly setting, position the organization as a leader in promoting environmentally sustainable practices.


RECKSON Presents

Duck, Duck, Goose!

in Stamford Downtown • Art in Public Places • Summer 2023

Auction for Duck, Duck Goose in Stamford Downtown

This is your opportunity to bid on the Goose and Ducks that have been on display throughout Stamford Downtown this summer. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the Stamford Museum and Nature Center.



Online Auction September 1 - October 2

For more information, please visit stamford-downtown.com/events

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STAMFORD DOWNTOWN ENVIRONMENTAL MAINTENANCE & AMBASSADOR SERVICES AUGUST STATISTICS



1,320
TRASH (LBS)
REMOVED



42x
GRAFFITI WAS
REMOVED



161
PUBLIC
ENGAGEMENTS



5x
DOG WASTE
REMOVED



559
HOURS CLEANING
SIDEWALKS



29
WEEDING
HOURS



**20+ Wineries
Live Music
Lawn Games**

ON BEDFORD

**October 14, 2023
3:00 - 5:30 PM**

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DOWNTOWN**
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Latham Park, Stamford Downtown

TICKETS: STAMFORD-DOWNTOWN.COM/EVENTS

Stamford Downtown Presents

2023

ARTS & CRAFTS ON BEDFORD

**SATURDAY,
OCTOBER 14
10am-6:30pm**

Shop handcrafted jewelry,
ceramics, woodwork and more.
PLUS Enjoy extended outdoor dining.

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Click here to support Stamford's Off-Main Experience Family Art Festival!

Stamford OFF-MAIN EXPERIENCE

FREE ENTRY!

FEATURES
 LIVE MURAL COMPETITION
 ART WORKSHOPS
 COMMUNITY PAINTING
 MUSIC & PERFORMANCES
 VENDOR MARKET
 FOOD TRUCKS
 GAMES & GIVEAWAYS
 AND MORE!

**MILL RIVER PARK
 CAROUSEL PAVILLION
 SAT | SEP 23
 12 - 5 PM**

PARTNERS:
 wellbuilt company
 MATILDA REALTY
 Studio
 CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
 20th Anniversary
 Mill River Park
 RISEUP
 CONNECTING CT CREATIVES

POWERED BY **Stamford MURALS**



**DEADLINE
 SEPT 23**

FABER BIRREN

NATIONAL COLOR AWARD SHOW
 39 Franklin Street
 Stamford, CT 06901
 Phone: 203.325.1139
 Email: stamfordartassn@optonline.net
www.stamfordartassociation.org

Scan to enter

via Entrythingy



Visit the **CHARLES FAZZINO** Art Studio

Part of the New Rochelle ArtsFest

Friday - Sunday, October 20-22
 Friday 6pm - 9pm
 Saturday 11am - 6pm
 Sunday 11am - 5pm
 (FREE and Open to Public)



Get a Closer Look

Gain Access to Fazzino's Studio & Learn the Artistic Process.

See the latest creations from the Official Artist of the Super Bowl, GRAMMY Awards, Olympic Games, and more!

Visit the Fazzino Gift Shop!



Heather Fazzino will be present showing her latest works!



Meet Charles Fazzino in person!

32 Relyea Place
 New Rochelle, NY 10801
 RSVP & Information at 914-654-9370
www.fazzino.com/artsfest or gbulfamante@fazzino.com

Fazzino Artwork will be Available for Purchase!

The ArtsFest is an annual festival with art exhibits, live music, great food, a trolley tour, and more. Join us!

