

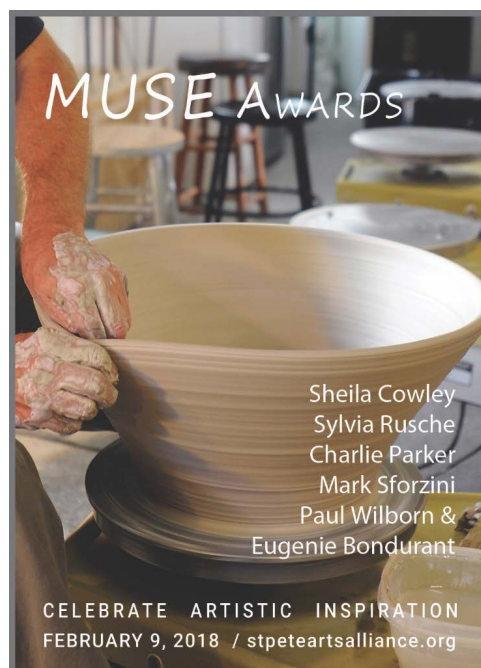
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MUSE Award Gala [Tickets](#) Now on SALE

MUSE will celebrate artistic inspiration on Friday, February 9 at 7 p.m. at the Museum of Fine Arts

St. Petersburg's 5th annual fundraising benefit celebrates the breadth and beauty of art and culture in our City of the Arts, and pays tribute to those who inspire and guide St. Petersburg as an international arts destination. MUSE honors those who held build our foundation as a City of the Arts and shine a spotlight on our arts and cultural community. See their names in the image below.

MUSE is an unforgettable event you get to share with energizing company. No stiff tuxes, no rubber chicken dinner, and no boring speeches – this is the art community's night to celebrate the hard-working locals who provide St. Petersburg our artistic

inspiration.

Creative pARTy attire suggested – this is a night to revel in our creative spirits! Evening includes pop-up performances, artful by-the-bite dinner courses, a Special Effect Make Up Exhibition and of course our city's Muse Awards.

MUSE sponsorship helps us help our arts groups. We facilitate the monthly St. Petersburg Second Saturday ArtWalk; publish ArtBeat, our e-newsletter with jobs and calls for artists and cultural news; provide grants for at-risk students in after school arts programs, help launch city-wide arts festivals and incubate new arts organizations; support arts education in Pinellas County schools; as well as present business educational programs for working artists. **For Award**

Reception Sponsor info click [HERE](#). For ticket information, please go [HERE](#).



SECOND SATURDAY ARTWALK IS DECEMBER 9!

The arts community presents unusual collaborations you do not want to miss.

A once a year time for discovering great holiday gifts, and exploring literature, dance, music, and photography!

The Waterfront Arts District, Central Arts District, EDGE District, Grand Central District, and the Warehouse Arts District become one arts destination for the Second Saturday ArtWalk. Now's the time to enjoy an evening of artful holiday cheer. Open the door of a gallery you've never visited before, or try our free trolleys and discover a whole new arts district.

There will be some very unusual surprises on December 9th as fine artists and performing artists collaborate. Here's just a few examples.

- ***Our Trail***, Dance Performances on the Pinellas Trail's last performance will be at 5 p.m. at Software Studios.
- Woodfield Art Gallery is premiering works by 21 emerging artists from the Kenwood Arts Enclave.
- Leslie Curran Gallery presents *Into The Fold*, an exhibition of the contemporary field of book art, with a focus on collaborative editions produced in the state of Florida.
- Creative Clay presents a new exhibit, Freezing Hot: Winter in the Tropics along with a holiday market of artisan handmade gifts, and the music of singer-songwriter Ellie McCoy.
- The Studio@620 presents a wonderful annual student exhibition *Midtown and Beyond* as shown through the eyes of K-12 students immersed in multimedia journalism training.

Visit [ArtWalk](#) to read about all the studio and gallery offerings, and download the map and list of participants!

ARTFUL WINE PAIRINGS DINNER SUPPORTED ARTWALK

The Birchwood hosted the St. Petersburg Arts Alliance fund raiser November 1st for almost 100 incredulous diners. The artful five-course dinner featured specially selected estate wines from around the world. Chef Luke Decker introduced the dishes that were inspired by local artists from various genres representing visual, literary, glass, dance and music arts. Proceeds netted \$9,955, with 100% going to the Second Saturday ArtWalk budget.



NON-PROFIT OPPORTUNITIES

Working And Co-working Space For Nonprofits

Creative Pinellas, our countywide arts collaborator, moved their operations to the beautiful grounds of the former Gulf Coast Museum in Largo. They are now able to offer affordable office space to arts and culture nonprofits in Pinellas County, and are currently accepting applications for Private Offices and Co-working space. Details and an online application are here:

<http://Creativepinellas.Org/Incubator/>

CALL TO ARTISTS

Creative Loafing is hosting an open call for local artists and performers for our annual GASP! - a performing arts event like no other!

APPLICATION DEADLINE: JANUARY 30

The Fringe Fest will bring a smorgasbord of live theater, dance, comedy, performance art, music and more to the Tampa Museum of Art on March 16, 2018 from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m., and we're looking for both emerging and established artists to apply. They are interested in acts that break new ground, that merge disciplines in unusual ways, or that resonate with the special

exhibitions (artists to be announced) on view at the [Tampa Museum Of Art](#) during GASP! 2018. More information about the event and the performer application is available at Bit.ly/Gasp2018app

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Positions Open at the New James Museum

The James Museum of Western & Wildlife Art has the following positions open:

- IT Manager
- Preparator
- Director of Finance and Administration
- Education Manager

The museum is scheduled to open in early 2018. For more information please email info@thejamesmuseum.org

Visit our Website for jobs and opportunities!

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