



# FRANKFORD AVE ARTS CORRIDOR

## e-newsletter

### NEWS & EVENTS

#### Gallery Night

Friday April 15th 5:00-9:00  
Part of PIFA (Philadelphia International Festival of Arts), Gallery Night showcases galleries around the entire City - and we've got four participants in the neighborhood! Don't forget to vote for your favorite gallery [here!](#)

[Craft Foundry](#)

[F&N](#)

[Highwire](#)

[Leotah's Place](#)

#### Shad Week 2011 Events

Week of April 16th  
A whole week of fun events leading up to Shad Fest 2011, including a fishing derby at Penn Treaty Park!

[Click here for details!](#)

#### Volunteers needed for Shad Fest and the Kinetic Sculpture Derby

Shad Fest (Sat 4-23) and the Kinetic Sculpture Derby (Sat 5-21) both need fun and energetic volunteers to make both events a success!

[Use this link to view which jobs are available and to sign up!](#)

#### The Basement @ Milk Crate is now open

Are you a record junkie on a budget? Do you love caffeine with your vinyl? If so you've got to check out the [Milk Crate Cafe's new Basement](#) full of great deals on great vinyl (records, not ugly siding). Also, follow the link above to check out their excellent home made you-tube commercial.

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## Philadelphia Art Hotel announces 2011 Resident Artists

by Toby Altman



Last month, the [Philadelphia Art Hotel](#) announced its list of 2011 residents. The artists-curated by Krista Peel and Zac Starter, the Hotel's founders-draws from Brooklyn to Spain; from documentary film-makers to painters, all chosen with the couple's

customary eclectic, careful taste.

Founded in 2009, PAH has grown from a plucky DIY project to an East Kensington institution. Not far from the Huntingdon street El Stop, the hotel is nestled in a row of humble brick row homes. (Only the bright yellow window frames clue you into the zany world within).

But like so many other spots in Kensington (and Philadelphia too!) the humble exterior hides a vibrant interior. Peel and Starter moved to Kensington after running PAH out of their cramped West Philly apartment for a year. The space was so tight that, when a resident showed up, they had to move out couch surfing with relatives and friends.

Today, the set up is a bit more spacious. Peel and Starter live on one floor of the house; the residents live and work on a second floor. The ground floor is being converted into a space for shows and lectures. Peel and Starter renovated the home, decorating it in

## Register for the Kinetic Sculpture Derby!

I know you've been busy building your sculpture for awhile now, but don't forget to [register!](#)

## Fishtown's Usiloquy Dance Co to preform Chandroutie-A Voyage Beyond Kala Pani

As part of the Philadelphia Int'l Festival of the Arts Usiloquy Dance will preform it's newest work on Penn's Campus. Chandroutie traces the history and culture of the indentured immigrants of East Indian origin to the then British colonial Caribbean islands of Guyana, Trinidad and Suriname from 1838 to 1914, weaving their music and cultural traditions into an evening length dance and multimedia production. [Info Here.](#)

## Dog Wash for Haiti at [Groove Hound](#)

April 30th, 10a - 3p

Join Groove Hound in supporting ESF's efforts to improve the lives of Haitians, and get your dirty dog clean.

[Details here.](#)

## *Gasland* Screening

Friday April 15th @ 7PM

F&N Gallery (2009 Frankford)

Come watch and discuss this compelling and controversial documentary about Hydrological Fracturing Techniques used to extract previously unextractable natural gas (under PA, NY, WV and other states) and their side effects.

## Restart Philadelphia Confrence

Tuesday April 19th

1700 Spring Garden

A free event to give Philadelphia's aspiring entrepreneurs and motivated workforce access to valuable job readiness and business development guidance and resources.

[Info here.](#)

## Philly Broadcaster covers April First Friday on Frankford Ave.

striking colors and filling it with original pieces of artwork-donated by artists as a condition of the residency. "I want to be surrounded by art," Peel noted in a recent profile in the City Paper "I want art to be stacked in piles everywhere, too much to even hang up." With the next run of residents eager to move in and start working, she's likely to get her wish.

## For Crafty Types; A new way to First Friday

Exciting plans are under way for craft vending at the NKCDC Garden Center during First Fridays on Frankford Avenue!

Begining in May and running through September local artisans and crafters are invited to be a part of a Craft Bazaar at the corner of Berks and Frankford. Vendors are



invited to participate in all 4 evening for a flat fee of \$50, and they can depend on good foot traffic, as attendance at Frankford Ave First Fridays have been steadily growing each month, and warmer weather always brings better crowds. In the words of the City Paper it's "like old city, only fun".

The Art Shop Garden Festival is also seeking vendors for their annual two day event On the first Friday and Saturday in June. This event is held inside F&N Gallery, a [Circle of Hope](#) space, and proceeds from vendors benefit this organization. Art Shop is always well attended and features some of Philadelphia's most talented crafters. For more information [click here](#), and to sign up [click here](#).

To vend at NKCDC's craft bazaar during summer First Fridays or to learn more [click here](#).

### [Philly Broadcaster](#)

is a new news, event, arts, opinion, and everything else webpage, and [theyre givin us some virtual ink.](#)

### **Help Design I-95!**

PennDOT will be holding two community workshop meetings at the Skybox at 2424 E. York Street on May 3rd and May 17th to discuss the next phases of the I-95 Girard Avenue Interchange project. Please plan to attend both meetings, if possible, because they will build off of each other. For info email [Marian Hull](#).

### **Challenges and Strategies in Culinary Entrepreneurship**

#### [The Enterprise Center](#)

Saturday April 16th, 10a to 12:30p  
Join health department officials and successful culinary entrepreneurs to discuss how to start a successful, and approvable food business in Philadelphia! The event is free but requires an [RSVP by email](#).

### **2011 NKCDC Business Directory Now Available**

If you would like copies of the 2011 Neighborhood Business Directory & Resource Guide to display in your business or community group email [hpyatt@nkcnc.org](mailto:hpyatt@nkcnc.org) to arraigne to pick some up, or have them dropped off if you can't make it to 2515 Frankford Ave.

### **RFO - Mural Arts Project in Manayunk**

Mural Arts is seeking a few good artists for a big project in Manayunk. Proposals are due April 22nd. [Details here](#), click on "RFO - Manayunk Canal..."

### **Philla2035 Plain Talk/Plan Talk: Round Table Discussions**

Put your two cents into the Phila2035 Plan, 2 sessions left. [Click here for details.](#)

### **Free Acting Workshop by B.**

## ★ FEATURED BUSINESS

# Elite Training North



Robin and Wayne have lived on Frankford Avenue for awhile now, so they know the business

s and merchants on Frankford Avenue. They're customers, art appreciators, and good neighbors, and now they too have a business on Frankford.

About a month ago Elite Training North opened it's doors at 2223 Frankford. Its a multi-purpose fitness center where you can take yoga and kettleball classes, work with a personal trainer, or have group workouts. They're constanly expanding their available equiptment list, and they're accomplished and friendly staff can teach you how to find harmony and health through yoga, or help you train to be Mr. Universe.

Stop in and say hi, or you can check out they're class offerings at [their website](#).

## **Commercial Space For Rent**

### **2472 Frankford Ave.**

Price: \$1500/mo

Square Footage: 3000 sq ft

14ft ceilings - Large open space - frontage on Frankford Ave. Ground floor - 3000 sq ft. 1.5 bath w/darkroom sink. HEATED. Full Kitchen.

**Contact Greg S. (267) 258-5847 or [olivest416@yahoo.com](mailto:olivest416@yahoo.com)**

**2576 FRANKFORD AVE**

## Someday

Monday April 18th, 10a to 11:30a  
The Penn Home (1401 E Susquehanna)  
Join B. Someday productions and the folks at the Penn Home for a free acting workshop based on the upcoming play *Mistaken Charity*. [Details here.](#)

## Clean Up & Get Down

Saturday April 16th  
Help Clean Up Schissler Rec and Celebrate Sustainable Business Network's 10th anniversary!  
[Full Details here.](#)

## Local Arts Center!

**Portside Arts Center**  
**2531 E. Lehigh Avenue**  
**215-427-1514**

Your local source for all-ages artistic courses. Check out their website for class listings and sign up today. Visit [www.portsideartscenter.com](http://www.portsideartscenter.com) or email [portsideartscenter@verizon.net](mailto:portsideartscenter@verizon.net) for more details.

## Frankford Avenue Arts Corridor Plan

The Frankford Avenue Arts Corridor Plan, completed in 2004 with the help of Market Knowledge, Group G, NKCDC, and a series of community meetings, is available online at [nkcdc.org](http://nkcdc.org) under Neighborhood Plans. Posted bi-monthly, the goal of this newsletter is to keep people informed about arts-related development on Frankford Avenue and in the Fishtown and Kensington neighborhoods. If you know someone who would like to subscribe to this newsletter, please have them send an email to [info@nkcdc.org](mailto:info@nkcdc.org).

### Quick Links

[Frankford Avenue Arts Website](#)  
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Price: \$1600.00/Month  
STORE IS 800 SF. WITH REAR ATTACHED GARAGE  
800SF TO REAR STREET RENTAL PRICE 1600.00  
MONTH FREE HEAT .  
**Joe Bodnik (215) 704-5549**

## Commercial Space For Sale

### 1308 FRANKFORD AVE

Price: \$399,900.  
Zoned: L4. One of four new commercial spaces. Glass storefront with 1, 500 +/- SF 1st-floor level plus 500 SF mezzanine. Suitable for large variety of commercial uses all the way up to light industrial. Will build to suit. Offered as plain vanilla build-out with ADA bathroom, new high-efficiency gas HVAC, new 200 amp electric. Available approximately February 2011. Available for rent at \$3, 000/month NNN. On fast-developing "Frankford Avenue Arts Corridor" -- galleries, coffee shops, galleries -- in the commercial heart of Fishtown. Easy access to major highways and Center City. Owners include PA Licensed Real Estate Broker and Salesperson.

**Courtesy of MGM Development**  
**Commercial Industrial**

### Industrial

### 957-63 FRANKFORD AVE

Price: \$999,500.  
Square Feet: 7000  
Zoning: G2

Conveniently located near Center City. This property consist of 4 parcels totaling approx 7000 sq.ft. with heavy duty Phase 2 & Phase 3 electrical system. 957-959 Frankford Avenue and 961-963 Frankford Avenue. 957 Frankford Avenue (15x62')& 959 Frankford Avenue (15x100') consist of a one story building with a powder room, gas infrared heat, cinder block construction, cement floor, fire proof ceiling with 21'height, extends into new 2400'addition constructed in 2005 with 16'ceiling height, (no heat). Drive through 12x14 electric roll down steel garage door, exit onto Sarah Street thru 8' roll down garage door. 961 Frankford Avenue (16x100), 9' roll down garage door leads into rear addition also. 963 Frankford Avenue was a 2.5 story home, (18x100) presently an office, powder room and lunch room, 2nd and 3rd floors are in shell condition. Basement with mechanicals.

Possible Owner Financing!!  
**Courtesy of MGM Development  
Commercial**

**For a full listing of properties available in  
the 19125 and 19134 zip codes visit  
[www.nkcdc.org](http://www.nkcdc.org) and click on business.**

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