Uniting the Bed–Stuy Community

@Bed-Stuy STooPS

SATURDAY & SUNDAY
AUGUST 5-6, 2017

STooPSBedStuy.org

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STooPS incubates art at home by sharing resources and re-imagining spaces for public engagement. Bed-Stuy grown and artist-instigated, STooPS is a conduit for community building and intentional artistic experimentation. STooPS fosters meaningful interactions in (un)conventional venues that mutually benefit both artists and neighbors.

Now in our fifth year, the STooPS Art Crawl has expanded to host a weekend full of arts installations, live music, poetry, dance and more from some of Brooklyn’s finest artists. Each year, STooPS connects with homeowners and businesses throughout the historic Bed-Stuy neighborhood to transform stoops, sidewalks and storefronts into artistic spaces for the community. The innovative event has gained momentum over the past four years, attracting nearly 1,000 attendees and helping to promote artists and build stronger communities.

Bed-Stuy has a historically unique identity and strong sense of community. Over the past three to five years, changes in demographics and economics have evolved the fabric of this neighborhood. As new residents move into the community, gentrification is a large concern for those who have a family history and long term investment in this neighborhood. A balancing act has occurred between embracing change while sustaining the energy and traditions of Bed-Stuy.

STooPS builds on the unmistakable Bed-Stuy identity, and bridges the gap between Bed-Stuy “then” and “now”. The event is an opportunity for neighbors to discover and share resources, while building partnerships to fortify the entire community.

Thanks so much for your support and enjoy the day!

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**About STooPS**

Be Sure to Visit our

**KIDDIE CORNER**

with

**Success Academy Bed-Stuy**

Saturday, August 5th, 1:00pm-4:00pm

@ Richard Beavers Gallery

(408 Marcus Garvey Blvd)

**1:00 – 2:30pm**

Making Dream Catchers

**2:30 – 4:00pm**

Creating Collages

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1157 Bedford Avenue, Suite 1, Brooklyn, NY 11216

Call Today to Schedule your Visit:

646-338-2748
Join us at the Garden of Hope (392 Hancock St) for a culminating celebration at 5:00pm featuring performances by our own Kendra J. Ross, Timothy Prolific Veit Jones, Danielle Vasquez, and Ish.

#STooPS EXPERIENCE!

And Mention Us

@STooPSBedStuy & #STooPS2017
Daddy Green's Pizza
352 Malcolm X Blvd

Join us at Therapy Wine Bar
(364 Lewis Ave) for a culminating celebration at 6:30pm featuring performances by our own Kendra J. Ross, Timothy Prolific Veit Jones, Danielle Vasquez, and Ish.

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FAMILY ARTS MOVEMENT
Sunday, August 6th, 3:00pm-5:00pm
@ Macon Library
(361 Lewis Ave)

3:00 – 5:00pm

Stop by our super fun - super hero station. We’ll be bringing our powers to the streets with mask making, break dancing battle grounds, and crafts for thanksgiving - honoring the many heroes from the stoops of Bed-Stuy.

2017 STooP Artists

SEE ALEIJUAN AFURAKA at 352 MALCOLM X BLVD at 2:45pm, 4:00pm, & 5:30pm.

Allegra Jane melds classical training with deep Hip-Hop inspiration to create a Neo-Soul/R&B sound. She will share her creations with the Bed-Stuy community with live musicians including a pianist, bassist, pad player and vocalist.
SEE ALLEGRA JANE at 392 HANCOCK ST at 1:50pm, 2:40pm, 3:25pm, & 4:20pm.

Art Of Legohn® Visual Artists is a multimedia arts and entertainment company specializing in dance, music, and visual arts. The audience will create their own piece with music and choreographed movement while painting how they feel with that experience.
SEE ART OF LEGOHN at 373 LEWIS AVE at 2:30pm, 3:15pm, 4:35pm, & 5:50pm.

Babay L. Angles is a Brooklyn, NY-based choreographer, dancer, interdisciplinary performance artist, educator, healer, and activist. her “Dreaming in BedStuy” uses movement and sound that honors the loss, resistance, and hope of its residents.
SEE BABAY L. ANGLES at 309 HALSEY ST at 1:15pm, 2:00pm, 2:30pm, & 4:00pm.

The Brooklyn Music School’s Summer Vocal Arts Program (SVA) accommodates both highly promising student performers and accomplished adults. The program is honored to preview excerpts from this year’s concerts at STooPS.
SEE THE BROOKLYN MUSIC SCHOOL’S SVA PROGRAM at 450A MACON ST. at 2:45pm, 3:30pm, & 3:55pm

Cat Del Buono As a photographer and filmmaker, Del Buono creates video installations and public happenings that focus on social issues. She will “examine” each visitor and point out all that is beautiful about them, focusing on unique positive qualities.
SEE CAT DEL BUONO at 450A MACON ST at 2:45pm, 3:35pm, 4:05pm, & 4:55pm.

Christine Stoddard is a Salvadoran-Scottish-American writer and artist who lives in Brooklyn. She will do an interactive video art performance. In between performances, she will screen a slideshow of her photo collages.
SEE CHRISTINE STODDARD at 390 HANCOCK ST at 1:40pm, 2:30pm, 3:35pm, & 4:00pm.

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Clarivel Ruiz is the daughter from the land called Ayiti Kiskeya Bohio (known as Hispaniola or the Dominican Republic and Haiti). She will perform Bochines (Gossip) a woman who tells it all about the world we are living in and doesn't hold back. See Clarivel Ruiz at 324 Hancock St at 1:00pm, 1:45pm, 2:45pm, & 4:15pm.

Fulton Art Fair, Inc. is a not-for-profit art organization and Brooklyn’s oldest Black visual arts event. They will present art work about Women in Black History. The focus centers on women in history, famous entertainers and others. See Fulton Art Fair at 324 Malcolm X Blvd at 2:30pm, 3:45pm, 5:15pm, & 5:45pm.

Fulton Arts Foundation is a non-profit organization that supports the performing arts aspirations of adults who later in life hope to learn and practice any number of performance arts. They will present one scene from three different plays. See Fulton Arts Foundation at 398 Hancock St at 2:00pm, 2:50pm, 3:15pm, & 4:10pm.

Ilona Bito is a dance artist and educator living in NYC. She will facilitate 5-10 audience members playing on a 5x5 alphabet puzzle mat. The invitation to play is open to your own curiosity and fun accompanied by live percussion and vocals. See Ilona Bito at 328 Stuyvesant Ave at 3:00pm, 3:45pm, 4:15pm, & 5:30pm.

Jordie Vásquez is an architect by training and an urbanist by heart with a passion for public space design and community development. She will create street mosaics that speak about the culture around it and the hands that made it. See Jordie Vásquez at 376 MacDonough St at 2:45pm, 3:15pm, 4:00pm, & 5:15pm.

Lisa Sikorski creates intimately produced public projects that use food and other mediators to encourage inter/intrapersonal dialog. She invites you to break bread with a stranger and learn more about them through the mediator of food. See Lisa Sikorski at 156 Bainbridge St at 3:00pm, 4:15pm, 4:40pm, & 5:15pm.

Maria Elizabeth is a New York based artist, working in the mediums of printmaking and installation art. She will share an interactive mural created from stamping and invite everyone to contribute to this mural using stamps. See Maria Elizabeth at 410 Marcus Garvey Blvd at 1:30pm, 2:30pm, 3:15pm, & 4:00pm.

Museum of Impact is the world’s first mobile social justice museum. Write, draw, decorate and express your creativity, as we build a community time capsule to document social justice here and now! See Museum of Impact at 146 Bainbridge St at 2:55pm, 3:30pm, 4:20pm, & 4:45pm.

Najee Omar is a Brooklyn-based writer, performer, and educator, who uses the arts to engage and cultivate community. He will present a poetry-music hybrid, a mosaic of performance poems in conversation with a musician or two. See Najee Omar at 147 Bainbridge St at 3:10pm, 3:45pm, 4:30pm, & 5:00pm.

Phantazia String Players consists of Noel Pointer Foundation’s most advanced violin, viola, bass and cello students. Many of the students excel both academically and personally because of their participation in the ensemble. See Phantazia String Players at 361 Lewis Ave at 1:15pm, 2:45pm, 3:30pm, & 4:15pm.

SHOW:UP! was created when William Bryant Miles, Nickolas Vaughan and Chef Shellie Porter collaborated to create the Best Dinner Party Ever. Show:UP! will create a unique party atmosphere that blurs the line between performance & reality. See SHOW:UP! at 349 Stuyvesant Ave at 3:25pm, 3:50pm, 4:15pm, & 5:05pm.

Straw, Beach & Prana Rising Straw’s music comes up out of her own visions, dreams, life experience. Strong wailer-oriented melody lines, on top of soulful music are brought alive by Beach’s buttery strings and the powerful and exploratory percussive container provided by Prana Rising. See Straw, Beach & Prana Rising at 425 Hancock St at 1:45pm, 2:15pm.

Your Queens is the first is the first African Royalty Character and Costume Entertainment Company. Each Queen and King will share their dynamic history with the audience, while bringing joy, building self-esteem and confidence. See Your Queens at 388 Hancock St at 13:00pm, 2:15pm, 3:45pm, & 4:20pm.

Meet the Performing STooPS Organizers

Danielle Vasquez is an NYC born and raised artist. When she isn’t dancing or teaching, she can be found sketching, painting and creating digital art. On her free time she enjoys writing poetry and short stories.

Kendra Ross is a dancer, teaching artist, facilitator and community worker from Detroit, MI who now calls BedStuy home. As a performer, Kendra has traveled the world dancing for Urban Bush Women, DJ Kid Koala, and more.

Ish Islam raps, writes and makes records. Through music, the Bed-Stuy, Brooklyn native explores the nuances of blackness and manhood. Ish is preparing an EP, “aisles” for the fall of 2017, and first full-length album Store Run to follow.

Timothy Prolific Veit Jones a poet, educator, organizer, and marketer whose creative work operates in the continuum of the Black Arts Movement. His storytelling is rooted in the experiences of his ancestors, the ways cultures and traditions in the African Diaspora intersect, and Hip-Hop culture.
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