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The Contemporary Dayton Announces The Dayton Studio Tour and After Party October 10, 2026

DAYTON, OH — September 22, 2026 — The Contemporary Dayton is excited to announce the **Dayton Studio Tour**, taking place Saturday, October 10, from 11 am–4 pm. The community-wide event invites the public to visit artists in their studios and experience the creative spaces where artwork is made.

Studios throughout the Dayton area will participate in the self-guided tour, offering visitors an opportunity to meet artists, see works in progress, learn more about their practices, and connect directly with Dayton's vibrant arts community.

A digital map of participating studios, available on our website, will help visitors plan their day and create their own tour route. Whether exploring one studio or several, attendees can experience the breadth of artistic practices and creative communities throughout the Dayton area.

"Artists are at the heart of Dayton's creative community, and the Studio Tour offers a different way to experience their work," said Heather Jones, Interim Director and Chief Curator of The Contemporary Dayton. "Opening studio doors gives the public a chance to see where and how artists work, have conversations with them, and build connections that extend beyond the gallery."

The day will conclude with a **Dayton Studio Tour After Party at The Contemporary Dayton from 5–7 pm**. The celebration will bring participating artists and members of the community together to share their experiences from the day and continue the conversation around Dayton's creative community.

The Dayton Studio Tour is free and open to the public. Visitors are encouraged to explore the map in advance and plan their own route.

Dayton Studio Tour

Saturday, October 10, 2026

11 am–4 pm

Studios throughout the Dayton area; see digital map for details and locations

Free and open to the public

Dayton Studio Tour After Party

Saturday, October 10, 2026

5–7 pm

The Contemporary Dayton

25 W. 4th Street, Dayton, Ohio

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For the complete list of participating studios and a digital map to plan your route, visit

<https://codayton.org/events/dayton-studio-tour/>

Participating Artists:

African American Visual Artists Guild (AAVAG)

Black Palette Art Gallery (James Pate)

Michelle BonDurant

Matthew Burgy

Bill Cunningham

Darty Art/Lori Daugherty

Willis Bing Davis Art Studio

Amy Deal

Jamaal Durr

Gretchen Durst Jacobs

Elemental Studio (Jen Perkins and Brian

Mathus)

Figment Studio

Hot Glue Studio (Jess LaCava, Leslie Sells,

Nereida Trujillo, Jan Tuss)

Judith Huacuja

IMME & More (Toni Dunbar)

Hannah Kasper

Erica Keener

MADE Studio & Shop

The Mosaic Institute/Jes McMillan

Marsha Pippenger

Bob Rhoades

Hadley Rodebeck

Kate Santucci

Sarah Shanks

Bruce Soifer

Selected UD Painting Students

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GALLERY & CoSHOP HOURS

Wednesday–Saturday 11 am–6 pm

Closed Sunday–Tuesday

ALWAYS FREE & OPEN TO ALL

ABOUT THE CONTEMPORARY DAYTON

Advancing art for the community and a community for artists since 1991.

The Contemporary Dayton is the region's contemporary art center. A 501(c)(3) nonprofit, The Contemporary Dayton produces and presents ART EXHIBITIONS, ARTIST TALKS, and PUBLIC ART by local, national, and global creatives and makers, and is ALWAYS FREE & OPEN TO ALL. As a non-collecting art center, The Contemporary Dayton is one of 45 non-collecting art centers and museums across North America that specialize in presenting modern and contemporary art.

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