



September 7, 2018 • Ask an Artist & Working for a Living

FIRST FRIDAYS

In Downtown Bloomington • 5-8 pm • Every First Friday of Every Month



CENTER STREET

Kelly's Bakery and Café – 113 N. CENTER - Will be open until 8 p.m.

Satio– 306 N. CENTER - Open until midnight. Join them for a wine tasting.

MONROE STREET

Vogel's Tailor Shop - 103 W. MONROE— Celebrate the life of Sandy Vogel with her family. Discounts on shawls and jewelry within the store.

Illinois Tattoo Company - 109 W. MONROE - Open until 11 p.m.

Refine 309 – 200 W. MONROE Suite 101 - Open until 8 p.m. with the latest fall fashion accessories, clothing and bags.

MAIN STREET

McLean County Museum of History - 200 N. MAIN - The Museum is kicking off a two-day celebration of the opening of their newest permanent exhibit, Challenges, Choices, and Change: Working for a Living. To celebrate, they will be hosting ISU's Fix It Friday for basic clothing mending and repair, hosting live demos of several kinds of "work," and build your own ice cream sundaes and lemonade. Live Demonstrations will begin at 5:15 p.m.

Red Raccoon Games – 309 N. MAIN - Open until 11 p.m. Showcasing artwork inspired by geek culture.

The Bistro - 316 N. MAIN— Will open at 5.

Von Champs— 402 N. MAIN - Von Champs will play host to Kelly from Decorator's Grocery as she brings us her favorite sprinkle mixes and baking materials. Items will be available to purchase and there's a rumor that samples will be available! Come by the shop and pick up goodies for your next celebration!

Neighborhood Thrift—406 N. MAIN ST. - Open until 8

Ivy Lane Bakery—405 N. MAIN— Will be open until 8

Bobzby– 419 N. MAIN - Open until 8 p.m. Celebrating their 9th Birthday Bash that night and celebrating with discounts, treats and surprises.

Crossroads - 428 N. MAIN - Get the inside scoop on their beautiful Kisii stone sculptures, sari throws, and quilled cards. Luke from Gobena Coffee will be on hand to show us how his company in nearby Gridley roasts fair trade coffee beans purchased from around the world.

Cracked up Pottery—616 N. MAIN - Brian will be demonstrating his pottery skills at the Museum. Follow him back to the shop and try out making your own pottery!

EAST STREET

Bloomington Center for the Performing Arts—600 N. EAST— Will be offering mini-tours of the BCPA every 15 minutes from 5-7 p.m.

ARTISTS CENTER STREET

Eaton Gallery—411 N. CENTER— invites you in to ask an artist or an artist's wife about creating art, exhibiting art, selling art, and running a gallery .

MONROE STREET

Art Vortex – 101 W. MONROE Suite 210— featuring collages, photography, poetry and Q&A with artist, Janean M. Baird, "I'm an Artist — Ask Me Anything. Light refreshments.

Angel Ambrose Fine Art Studio – 101 W. MONROE Suite 201 - Open until 8 p.m. with new work and light refreshments. Participating in "Ask an Artist".

Three Square Studio - 104 W. MONROE - Open until 8 p.m. Participating in "Ask an Artist".

Inside out Artist Co-op – 200 W. MONROE - Meet David Zaring, their Featured Artist! Dave had amazing photographs and he will explain how many of his shots were created. They will also have several artists on hand working in their classroom for an "open studio." Artists will be available to answer questions about their current creations and techniques. They will also be celebrating their 5th birthday with cake.

MAIN STREET

Harold Gregor Gallery—311 N. MAIN— Open until 8 p.m.
Joann Goetzinger Studio—313 N. Main A— Will be open from 5-8 pm for the "Ask the Artist" and then 9-4 on Saturday.

Main Gallery 404—404 N. MAIN— Open until 8 p.m. Participating in "Ask an Artist".

EAST STREET

McLean County Arts Center - 601 N. EAST - Will be open from 5-7 featuring 3 opening exhibits: "A Practice in Permanence" Living artworks by Chris Cohoon, Christopher Hagen, Claudia Husband, Whitney Johnson, Kira Santiago, Melanie Scott-Dockery & Chris Wille. Artwork by MCAC adult student artists will be on display in the Sales Gallery.

WASHINGTON STREET

Ring of fire hot glass - 405 West Washington St - Will feature glass sculpture and vessels by John Miller.

GROVE STREET

Ramp-Arts - 300 E. GROVE ST. - Featuring a new exhibit by Megan Kathol Berset.

Upcoming FIRST FRIDAYS

October 5

Artist Scavenger Hunt

October 26

Downtown Bloomington Trick or Treat

October 27

Howl at the Market—last outdoor Farmers' Market

November 2

Autumn Art Walk

November 17

Thanksgiving Farmers' Market

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The McLean County Museum of History will be open its latest permanent exhibit Challenges, Choices and Change: Working for a Living at 1 p.m. on Saturday. As part of this celebration, they will be doing a special kids activity in the Kids' Zone at the Farmers' Market on Saturday and will have a Labor and Work Street Fair have people demonstrating their craft after the market from 1:30 p.m. to 4 p.m. around the Square.

All these activities are free and open to the public.

