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## THE NEW DESTINATION FOR INSIDER & OUTSIDER ART THE HARLEM OPEN ARTIST STUDIO TOUR 2025:

**Saturday, October 18th, 12 - 6 pm**

**Sunday, October 19th, 12 - 6 pm**

**[Download our app: Harlem Open Artist Tour](#)**

NEW YORK CITY – Harlem once again shines as a beacon of art in New York City.

The annual Harlem Open Artist Studio Tour (H.O.A.S.T.) celebrates the neighborhood's artistic vitality with a two-day, self-guided tour of studios, galleries, and cultural spaces across historic Harlem.

Free and open to the public, H.O.A.S.T. invites visitors to explore Harlem's thriving arts scene on Saturday, October 18, and Sunday, October 19, 12–6 PM.

Maps and artist details will be available at four HOAST information centers:

**Floor4Art (256 W 116th St.),  
Rokmil (274 Lenox Ave, between 123rd and 124th Sts.),  
Art Studios @ 180 East 118th St.  
HOAST Pop-Up Gallery (304 West 133th St.)**

Guests can also download the HOAST app for a digital map, artist profiles, and event highlights.

### Event Details:

- **What:** Harlem Open Artist Studio Tour
- **When:** October 18 & 19, 2025, 12-6pm
- **Where:** Artist studios and cultural spaces throughout Harlem.
- **How:** Use the HOAST App or pick up a map at one of our several locations: Floor4Art, Rokmil, Art Studios 2 180 E. 118th St, and HOAST pop-up gallery.
- **Free** and open to all
- **Over 50 participating artists** representing a wide range of styles and mediums. Artist information on instagram [#artHARLEM](#).
- **Access** to studios, galleries, and cultural spaces across Harlem. Maps and artist

information will be available online at [artHARLEM.org](http://artHARLEM.org)

- **Opportunities to purchase original artwork** directly from artists.
- A chance to **experience Harlem's historic streets** and cultural legacy through the lens of its contemporary creative community.

H.O.A.S.T. features emerging and internationally recognized visual artists as well as authors and poets reading from their work. Artwork is on view at studios, traditional loft spaces, and converted bedrooms, and the art ranges from cutting-edge new media and outsider art to more traditional styles of representation and abstraction. Highlights include –

- Artist Shawn Batey's documentary on the Black Lives Matter movement told through the stories of five outspoken leaders of the movement. Her documentary will be followed by a Q&A with the artist.
- Longtime Harlem resident Laura Gadson opens her private home to share her exquisite quilts, which narrate the Black stories and history we are being made to forget. Her quilt 'The Water Brought Us' pays homage to the lives lost at sea during the Trans Atlantic Slave Trade.
- Catie Hernandez combines her background in anthropology and art history to create piercing collages about our culture.
- Multidisciplinary artist West Forest presents his prints commemorating the history of enslaved people of African descent with a spoken-word performance.
- Multimedia artist Noreen Dean Dresser's work summons the 'aftermath of global climate change and human enterprise' with 'spiritual and ethical questions.'
- The intimate yet expansive work of Alice Momm stems from a need to integrate nature, 'the more than human living world,' into (her) life. Autumn leaves she found dancing on her country walks, scraps of bark that reveal faces, and branches are used to connect to the quiet and fragile, 'blurring the line between what is perceived as precious and what is not.'

For additional information and a complete map & listing of events visit [artHARLEM.org](http://artHARLEM.org)

#### ABOUT HOAST:

Since its inception HOAST events have attracted over 2,000 attendees annually from as far away as Sweden and as close as 125th Street. "HOAST examines Harlem's gentrification through its artists, some of whom are generational residents, while others are returning residents and newcomers. Together they contribute their creative energy to this eclectic neighborhood...The tour provides an intimate view of art that cannot be found at a museum or gallery.

Reuben Sinha, Director, artHARLEM.

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*ABOUT artHARLEM:*

*Founded in 2004, artHARLEM is a community arts organization dedicated to uniting and promoting the arts of Harlem and strengthening the community through awareness of the contemporary arts movement.*