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# Mayor's Neighborhood Leadership Training Program Seeks Applicants

## City of Rochester



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Lovely A. Warren, Mayor

### News Release

#### City Seeks Applicants for Mayor's Neighborhood Leadership Training Program

(Monday, Aug. 24, 2020) – Mayor Lovely A. Warren announced today that the City is seeking applicants for the Mayor's Neighborhood Leadership Training program to help residents learn how to advocate for themselves and their neighborhoods as the City implements the Rochester 2034 Comprehensive Plan.

"Public participation is a critical element of the Rochester 2034 Comprehensive Plan and we must give residents the tools they need to help us fully realize the vision of this plan and transform our city in a way that benefits everybody," said Mayor Warren. "The Mayor's Neighborhood Leadership Training program will bring more voices to the table as we manage our city's growth to create more jobs, safer and more vibrant neighborhoods and provides all of our children with a quality education."

The Mayor's Neighborhood Leadership Training program will help interested residents learn how to take part in the City's efforts to collaborate with other governments, residents, businesses, neighborhood groups and development partners to direct investments and build community as outlined in Rochester 2034.

Administered by the Neighborhood Service Centers (NSC) in partnership with the Bureau of Planning, the Mayor's Neighborhood Leadership Training program will give participants an opportunity to develop and refine civic-engagement skills. Topic areas will include: Tools and Techniques for Neighborhood Leadership; Learning about City Hall; Creating Opportunity in My Neighborhood; Effective Neighborhood Outreach; Housing in my Neighborhood; and Reaching our Neighborhood Young People.

The program runs from Oct. 1 to Nov. 19 and consists of eight sessions totaling 22 hours. All sessions are from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. and will be conducted on a virtual platform. A physical satellite site to be provided for residents without Internet access.

Applications can be found at [cityofrochester.gov/nsc](http://cityofrochester.gov/nsc) or at one of the four Neighborhood Service Center locations. The deadline to apply is 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 11.



## Goes Virtual, Shows and Ticket Reservations now Online

<https://rochesterfringe.com/>

**September 15 to 26, 170 plus productions**

The KeyBank Rochester Fringe Festival goes virtual this year. With over 170 shows to choose from, expect the diversity of shows you have come to love—from theatre, to ballet, to cirque, to musical performances and church bell concerts and more. New this year—performances will be either livestreamed or on demand. While you would expect some politically themed performances during an election year, this year's Fringe also includes entries that showcase diversity and address issues of racial justice.

<https://www.democratandchronicle.com/story/news/2020/08/25/rochester-fringe-festival-goes-virtual-lineup-announced/5632095002/>

Missing the New York State Fair? Check out the American Dairy Association North East's online display of **butter** sculptures, including the Tuesday Sept. 1 unveiling of this year's!!

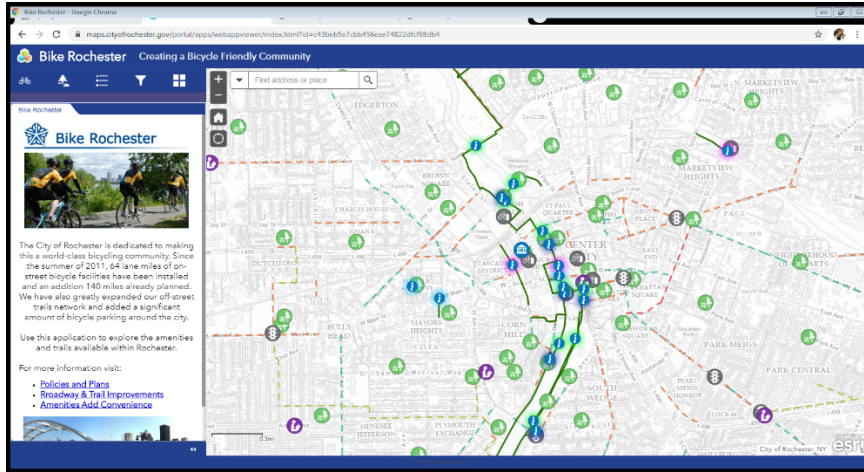


**[Butter Sculptures Through the Years](https://www.facebook.com/events/1628720227301196/--reveal-of-the-2020-sculpture)**

[https://www.facebook.com/events/1628720227301196/--reveal of the 2020 sculpture](https://www.facebook.com/events/1628720227301196/--reveal-of-the-2020-sculpture)

<https://www.facebook.com/nysfair/>

# Planning to Cycle over Labor Day Weekend?? Check out the City of Rochester's Bike Map App



<https://maps.cityofrochester.gov/portal/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=c43beb5e7cbb456eae74822dfcf98db4>

## Check Out the South Wedge's Victory Garden's Generosity In the August/September Edition of The Wedge

Don't miss the story about **South Wedge Victory Garden's** gardening for those in need. Plots left empty this season are now growing vegetables for the South Wedge Food Program. You can read all about it in the Aug/Sept. WEDGE at [www.swpc.org](http://www.swpc.org).

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### South Wedge Victory Garden Bucket Brigade Fights Hunger

Cassandra Kelly

If you're looking for a way to help your community, there's no better place than the South Wedge Victory Garden. This year, the garden's bucket brigade has been busy harvesting vegetables for the South Wedge Food Program. The garden's volunteers have been working hard to grow fresh produce for those in need. The garden's success is a testament to the generosity and hard work of its members.

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Back and forth, gardeners moved buckets of good soil from SWPC office to Hamilton St.

Gardeners from both Cypre and Hamilton streets worked together in the hot June sun.

Photos by Cassandra Kelly



Classical 91.5 FM and WXXI Present  
Harbor from the Holocaust Virtual Sneak Preview and Discussion



Thu, 09/03/2020 - 6:30pm - 8:00pm

Join Classical 91.5 and WXXI for a special 20-minute sneak preview of the hour-long documentary, *Harbor from the Holocaust*, followed by a discussion at the Virtual Little Theatre.

***Harbor from the Holocaust* screens September 3 at 6:30 p.m. via the [Little Theatre's Facebook page](#).** The film shares the story of 20,000 Jewish refugees who fled Nazi-occupied Europe during World War II to the city of Shanghai. It explores the extraordinary relationship the refugees, known as “Shanghailanders,” had with their adopted city, through the bitter years of Japanese occupation 1937-1945 and the Chinese civil war that followed.

The screening will be followed by a discussion on the film and how the music in the film evokes the time, the fear, the pain and the joy of the “Shanghailanders.” WXXI Classical 91.5 host Mona Seghatoleslami will introduce the film and moderate the discussion with a guest panel that includes: **Michael N. Dobkowski**, Professor of Religious Studies at Hobart and William Smith Colleges; **Sheila Gissin Weinbach**, family member and friend of Holocaust survivors who escaped to China; and **Renée Jolles**, Wegman Family Professor of Violin, Eastman School of Music; Concertmaster, Orpheus Chamber Orchestra; founder of the Holocaust Remembrance Concert series at the Eastman School of Music.

**This screening is made possible with support from:**



## Writers & Books Presents Online Reading by Poet Lauren Camp



**September 3 @ 7:30 pm - 8:00 pm**

**Free via Zoom, registration required.**

**The day of the event you will receive a Zoom link email by 5 pm**

<https://wab.org/event/poet-lauren-camp-book-launch/>

Join award-winning author Lauren Camp in celebrating the launch of her recently released book of poems, *Took House* (Tupelo Press, 2020), called a “stirring, original collection” by *Publishers Weekly* and “an astonishing, enchanted world of nature and cityscape, interior terrains, art-making and witnessing all at once” by award-winning poet Hala Alyan.

In her *Psaltery & Lyre* review, Rebecca Beardsall observes, “Opening with hunger and appetite, *Took House*, an alluringly haunting poetry collection, invites the reader to the table to dip in and out of love, obsession, and what remains hidden.” Poet Jenny Molber writes, “Lauren Camp is a singular, probing, precise poet, and I celebrate this book’s arrival.”

The author of five books of poetry, including *One Hundred Hungers* (Tupelo Press, 2016), selected for the Dorset Prize by David Wojahn and a finalist for the Arab American Book Award, Camp works in the confluence of sound, psychology and language. Her poems have appeared in *The Los Angeles Review*, *Pleiades*, the Academy of American Poets *Poem-a-Day* series, *Poet Lore*, and elsewhere. Her work has been translated into Mandarin, Turkish, Spanish, and Arabic. In 2020, Camp was selected to be one of 100 artists and storytellers for 100 Offerings of Peace. She lives in New Mexico, where she teaches creative writing to people of all ages.

This event is free, but registration is required.

The Housing Council at PathStone's Landlord Resources  
Lunch and Learn



**Wednesday September 2 12 to 1 pm**  
**Hosted by The Housing Council at PathStone**

Online Event

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/resources-for-landlords-tickets-116755417597>

Learn about a variety of programs and resources available to help grow and maintain your business.

Private owners of private small- and medium-sized buildings can discover tools to improve and maintain physical, operational, and financial stability of their properties while ensuring long-term affordability. The speakers will include experts from the NY Forward Loan program, City of Rochester, NY State Landlord Ambassador program and the NYSERDA program.

This event is FREE.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/615410005811376/>

Rochester Contemporary Reopens In-Person with Trust, But Verify



**SEPTEMBER 4, 2020 - NOVEMBER 14, 2020**

Opening Reception: **September 4, 6-9pm**

To reserve a viewing time: <https://trustbutverify.rsvpify.com/>

*Trust, but verify* presents three monumental projects that address our society's current grappling with notions of truth, veracity and fact. The exhibition's triad is structured around past, present, and future. Octavio Abundez's "A Fake History of Humanity" uses wrong dates, quantities and names to offer the viewer/reader a minimalistic timeline where colonial history, geopolitics, religion, scientific and social progress have been up-ended. Eric Kunsman's "Fake News" is the artist's personal approach to documenting our tumultuous political moment through news headlines and screen shots, while creating an archive of the Presidency of Donald J. Trump. Finally, with 'Big Dada' Bill Posters and Daniel Howe offer a glimpse of an impending but not so distant time where we are controlled and corrupted by 'deep fake' technology, artificial intelligence, and the all important currency of personal data.

*Trust, but verify* takes its name from the rhyming Russian proverb: Doveryáy, no proveryáy. The saying became internationally known in English when it was used by President Ronald Reagan on several occasions in geopolitical negotiations and discussions with the Soviet Union.

<http://www.rochestercontemporary.org/exhibitions/trust-but-verify/>



UPCOMING EXHIBIT...



# ATTN ARTISTS

## PARAMETERS:

- OPEN TO ALL ARTISTS AND ARTIST TEAMS
- OPEN TO MEDIUM/MEDIA OF THEIR CHOICE
- BASED ON QUALIFICATIONS AND EXPERIENCE
- CULTURAL COMPETENCY REQUIRED
- \$5,000 COMMISSION
- ARTISTS FROM THE ROCHESTER REGION'S HISTORICALLY UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS ENCOURAGED TO SUBMIT (HAUDENOSAUNEE, AFRICAN AMERICAN, LATINX, REFUGEES)

**THE  
CHANGE  
MAKERS**  
ROCHESTER WOMEN  
WHO CHANGED  
THE WORLD

## REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS

- Submit qualifications + experience rather than proposal
- Experience may be formal/informal, individual/group or community-based
- Medium can be visual, performance-based, mixed media, literary, cultural or craft, etc.; *-all media/mediums welcome-*
- Responses should show how artist(s) qualifications reflect Diversity and Inclusion values and exhibit themes
- Demonstrate cultural competency relevant to featured groups (see RFQ for details)

**Selected artists will work collaboratively with RMSC staff and Diversity and Inclusion consultants to develop original artwork(s) for the exhibit opening in Nov. 2020.**

RFQ + ADDITIONAL DETAILS: [RMSC.org/RFQ](https://www.rmssc.org/RFQ)  
SUBMISSIONS DUE SEPTEMBER 14, 2020

## Missing the Fun of the New York State Fair's Midway? Check out The Strong Museum's Pop-Up Midway



Come one, come all! Celebrate the summer season and rack up points in *Pop-Up Midway*. Step up to more than a dozen coin-op games and journey through an area reminiscent of seasonal fairs, carnivals, and boardwalks. Collect your tickets from each game to earn special prizes, including stuffed animals, stickers, and more.

- Earn a high score in arcade versions of popular mobile games, including *Temple Run*, *Angry Birds*, *Fruit Ninja*, and *Jetpack Joyride*.
- Test your strength and skill in *Whack 'N Win* to earn a jackpot filled with tickets.
- Challenge someone to a race in *Hot Wheels* or a larger-than-life round of *Space Invaders Frenzy*.
- Aim for the target to earn points on *Quick & Crash*.
- Dunk on the competition with *Hot Shots* and *Hoop it Up*.
- Play through pinball games such as *Super Mario Bros. Mushroom World*, *Ticket Tac Toe*, and *Flintstones Pinball*.
- View a strength tester from the early 20th century and a fortune teller game from the 1950s.
- Discover the important role carnivals, amusement parks, fairs, and boardwalks had on the history of American play.

The exhibit is produced by The Strong's [International Center for the History of Electronic Games](#). Exhibit included in general museum admission fees. Playable machines in *Pop-Up Midway* require purchased tokens. Money collected from the sale of tokens helps maintain these original artifacts.

[To purchase timed tickets to The Strong](#)

As SEAC's September 12, 2020 virtual City Bites Gala nears, we would like to present a #SEACxclusive! ROAM Cafe will be offering an exclusive Wine & Chocolate Pairing package. Tune in and allow your palate to be guided through a dance of rich flavor combinations choreographed by Drew Nye. Come solo, or bring a plus-one! You can pre-order your pairing package starting NOW until September 10th!

Packages should be picked up on Saturday, September 12th between 1-3pm at ROAM Cafe (262 Park Ave)

## Packages

Solo: <https://py.pl/1ld5hmwG0UE>

Plus-one: <https://py.pl/5kXELleGs2W>

The graphic features a dark red background with a white square logo on the left. The logo contains the text 'ROAM.' at the top, a central illustration of a wine glass, a fork, and a knife, and the tagline 'eat . drink . roam' below. At the bottom of the logo, it says '262 Park Ave. Rochester, NY'. To the right of the logo, the text 'Wine & Chocolate Pairing' is written in a large, bold, serif font. Below this, in a smaller font, it says 'Provided by ROAM Cafe'. Two overlapping circles are positioned to the right of the logo; the larger one is labeled '\$25 Solo Package' and the smaller one is labeled '\$45 Plus-One Package'. At the bottom right, the text 'Pick up Saturday, September 12th 1-3pm 262 Park Ave' is displayed.

**Wine & Chocolate Pairing**  
*Provided by ROAM Cafe*

Pre-order this #SEACxclusive by September 10th!  
Treat yourself, or bring a friend to indulge in flavors untold

**\$25 Solo Package**

**\$45 Plus-One Package**

Pick up  
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[For information on SEAC's September 12 gala](#)

To check out some of the neighborhood organizations and projects the South East Area Coalition sponsors with money raised from the gala, click here:

<https://www.facebook.com/rocSEAC/>



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After School  
Program for  
High School  
Youth

**Information  
Zoom Meeting**  
Sept. 3 & 4  
4-5pm



If you know of students who respond better to project based learning, WellVentions youth learn how to develop products, sell them, and manage their teen-run business at our permanent shop inside the new building at the Rochester Public Market.

Please share this Eventbrite link for registration and more details about the program.

1ST SESSION: Thursday 9/3 (tomorrow) 2ND SESSION: This Friday 9/4 4:00pm – 5:00 pm

[To register](#)