

ValleyCAST Community Events: April – June 2026

Spaulding R. Aldrich Heritage Gallery

Alternatives' Whitin Mill, 50 Douglas Road, Whitinsville, MA

Regular Gallery Hours M–F, 9:00 AM–4:00 PM. Evenings and weekends by appointment. For info: 508-234-6232 or David.Wolfe@openskycs.org

13th Annual Art Palette Contest

A community favorite!



Artists of all ages and abilities have transformed wooden art palettes into unique and beautiful works of art. Entries are on display until April 17.

Come to the gallery and vote for your favorites! Cash prizes are awarded for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners in three age categories.

Sponsored by Open Sky and Jerry's Artarama
Voting ends April 3. Exhibit ends April 17, 2026.

More info: openskycs.org/events

Student Art Exhibit

Whitinsville Christian School

Opening Reception

Friday, May 2, 5:00-7:00 PM

Whitinsville Christian School students in grades K-12 exhibit a variety of 2-D & 3-D art work. This exhibit is in conjunction with the school's *Annual Student Art Walk*.

Exhibit comes down on May 23, 2026.

More info: openskycs.org/events



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Artists' Reception during the *Kick-Off Concert* for our Free Summer Concert Series on Thursday, June 25, 5:00-8:00 PM

Join us in the gallery for this exploration two painters, a father and son, *Michael Bourque* and *Nathan Bourque*, a metal sculptor, *Madeleine Lord*, and a wood sculptor, *Derrick Te Paske*.

They have exhibited their distinct works together in the past, and in doing so discovered how they share varied degrees of the same intent, rigor, and influence. Though completely different results for each, when exhibited together they appear to be related.

Exhibit ends August 20, 2026.

More info: openskycs.org/news-events

Uxbridge Community Gallery

5 South Main Street, Uxbridge, MA

Regular Community Gallery Hours M-F, 9:00 AM - 3:30 PM
For info: 508-278-6791 or Samuel.Ankrah@openskycs.org

CALL FOR ARTISTS!

Spectacular Spring Art Show

Blackstone Valley Art Association's 68th Year!

Opening Reception on Friday, April 10, 5:00-7:00 PM

This open-themed extravaganza features the very best artwork from the diverse membership of the Blackstone Valley Art Association (BVAA).

Exhibit ends June 6. More info: BVAA.org

8th Annual Series Art Show

Blackstone Valley Art Association Member Exhibit

Opening Reception Friday, June 12, 5:00-7:00 PM

The Blackstone Valley Art Association is sponsoring its fifth annual Series Show! This fun, creative art show celebrates the magic of creating artwork in a series.

Exhibit ends July 10. More info: BVAA.org

Learn more and become a member!

Join BVAA and submit your own artwork to one or all three of these fantastic exhibits!

The Blackstone Valley Art Association has been encouraging artists in the Blackstone Valley since 1957. We hold art openings, workshops, classes, art shows, field trips, outings, plein air sessions and other events regularly throughout the year. We also welcome the public to the Uxbridge Community gallery nearly every Saturday from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM for a free Open Paint session.

We welcome all levels and abilities to become members for only \$25 a year. Join us at: BVAA.org/membership



BVAA & ValleyCAST at the Worcester Center for Crafts

Community Gallery

June 30 to July 26, 2026

Worcester Center for Crafts (WCC), in collaboration with ValleyCAST, has invited BVAA members to exhibit in the WCC's Community Gallery, 25 Sagamore Road, Worcester, MA again this summer. This exhibit will be open during regular business hours and during WCC's Hot Night in the City event on Friday, July 17.

Exhibit ends July 26. More info: BVAA.org



Alternatives' Whitin Mill, 30–70 Douglas Road, Whitinsville, MA 01588

The Alternatives' Whitin Mill utilizes Green technology and is handicap-accessible
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GB & Lexi Singh Performance Center - Alternatives' Whitin Mill, 60 Douglas Road, Whitinsville, MA

Take Down the Wall Presents: Open Mic Nights

2nd Saturdays, 6:00-8:30 PM

April 11, May 9 & June 13

Featured Artist on June 13:

Nathaniel Paine and the Time Travelers

Come share your talents or just come to socialize and enjoy performances from this growing, creative community! Open Mic Nights have monthly themes and, periodically, featured artists. Open for people of all abilities to share their talents! Sign-ups begin at 5:30 PM. Doors open at 6:00 PM. Admission is free with a suggested donation of \$5.00. Presented by Open Sky's Community Membership Department.

If you are interested in helping with set design or behind the scenes, please contact Michelle Benjamin at: michelle.benjamin@openskycs.org | 508-318-7518

More info: openskycs.org/openmic



FREE Summer Concert Series Kick-Off! Kick-off your Independence Day Celebration!

Join us for an evening of art & music on
Thursday, June 25th from 5:00-8:00 PM

Ash & Eric

Blackstone Valley Community Concert Band



Concert Series then continues every Thursday evening from 6:00-8:00 PM from July 2 - September 3, 2026

Bring a lawnchair. Refreshments available for purchase.

Rain or Shine! In case of inclement weather, the concert moves indoors at the same location.

More info and the band line-up: openskycs.org/news-events

Thank you to our generous sponsors (as of this printing 03/20/2026):



Printing Revolution with Living Historian Andy Volpe

Sunday, April 12, 1:00-2:00 PM

This program focuses on the lead-up to the American Revolution and the printing of the Declaration of Independence. Volpe

will talk about the legal battles fought between the colonial printers and England over the ideas of Free Press and Freedom of Speech. Volpe will also share a display of several replica prints including the Declaration. This program is free and all are welcome to attend. Appropriate for grades 5+, adults, and seniors.

More info: openskycs.org/news-events

Arts in the Valley

Blackstone Valley Education Foundation

Friday, Saturday, Sunday, April 24-26

ValleyCAST is proud to host the Blackstone Valley Education Foundation's *Arts in the Valley* in our Singh Performance Center.

Arts in the Valley is Massachusetts' largest K-12 student art show, connecting students, educators, and creative professionals in a celebration of creativity, community, and the critical role of arts in education.

More info and to RSVP for the opening night event: bveducationfoundation.org/aiw



Join Open Sky on Saturday, June 6, 2026 41st Annual Valley Friendship Tour



Please join us as we walk, bike or run in the beautiful and historic Blackstone Valley. Perfect for serious athletes, weekend warriors, or those new to exercise.

Good food, great music, yoga on the Plaza, kid-friendly activities and terrific raffle prizes.

More info & to register: openskycs.org/VFT

"A Fun Day for a GREAT Cause!"

Check out our many art workshops & other activities at: openskycs.org/events

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ValleyCAST's mission is to foster a creative and engaged community in the Historic Blackstone Valley that is inclusive and supportive of people with and without disabilities. ValleyCAST is the arts & culture arm of Open Sky Community Services.

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