



The City of Kingston offers many layers to explore. Founded in 1651, in the foothills of the Catskills along the Hudson River, Kingston is one of the original large, early Dutch settlements in the New World (the other two settlements became New York City and Albany). Initially called the town of Wiltwyck, it eventually merged with the neighboring port town of Rondout, and renamed 'Kingston' in honor of the British sovereign. Ironically, Kingston is where independent-minded colonists wrote the New York State Constitution in 1777, and where the state's first capital was established. It was then promptly burned to the ground by the invading British army! Luckily, many of the original stone structures remain.

Kingston's unique role in history did not stop after the eighteenth century. It became an important commercial and transportation hub, especially after the opening of the groundbreaking, 108-mile D&H (Delaware and Hudson) Canal – trade routes which were later expanded by railroad, with Kingston remaining a prime centerpiece. In the nineteenth century, Kingston was an important source of agriculture, timber, coal, bluestone slate, bricks, and cement for the growing nation. In the twentieth century, Kingston became home to technology businesses, and more recently home to many nationally recognized creative-based specialty manufacturers. Each commercial wave of history has made its mark on Kingston, evidenced today by its fascinating and diverse architecture and landscape.

Today, Kingston has a thriving creative community, featuring a diverse selection of galleries, festivals, concerts, public art displays, and more. There are several neighborhoods to explore, each with its own character – Uptown and the Stockade District, Midtown, and the Rondout Waterfront. For those who love to shop, Kingston has many charming boutiques, stores, and antique shops to explore. Gourmands of every kind can revel in Kingston's diverse range of restaurants, many retaining local graduates of the nearby world-renowned Culinary Institute of America. Being situated near some of the most productive farmland in New York State, Kingston enjoys a bountiful and fun Farmers' Market. Outdoor enthusiasts will find that Kingston is ideally situated amidst an exciting range of recreational locales, with beautiful landscapes perfect for hiking, biking, kayaking, skiing, boating and much more. And, of course, there is its rich history – Kingston has many museums to enjoy, reflecting its many layers of history and culture.

Kingston Welcomes You!

2014 Calendar

May Events

May 2 & 3 - Exhibit on Kingston: The IBM Years at Fred J. Johnston Museum, 63 Main Street. This ambitious project will include artifacts from the Kingston IBM years, oral histories from people associated with IBM in Kingston, informative essays, and a publication by Black Dome Press, 11 am to 4 pm. Ongoing every Friday and Saturday 11 am to 4 pm through October. For information (845) 339-0720.

May 2, 3, 4 - "Death by Fatal Murder" Peter Gordon's murder mystery comedy performance by Coach House Players,
12 Augusta Street. Performances at
7:30 pm; Sunday Matinee 2 pm. For ticket reservations call (845) 331-2476 or visit
www.coachhouseplayers.org

May 3 - Opening reception Matthew Zapalla Solo Member Show. Exhibit at Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) in Lounge Gallery; Members Show in Main Gallery, 5 pm to 8 pm. Exhibit runs May 3-31. For information (845) 338-0331
ask@askforarts.org or www.askforarts.org

May 3 - 14th Annual Cinco de Mayo Celebration at Casa Villa Restaurant,
395 Albany Avenue, noon to 9 pm. Food vendors, kids rides, entertainment. For more information call (845) 331-7646 or
(914) 466-8403.

May 4 - Midtown Cinco de Mayo Block Party on Broadway (Henry to Cedar Sts.). Ethnic food offerings, crafts, petting zoo, face painting, live music, dancers, singers, and more, 9 am to 8 pm. (845) 242-9772 or
davidsosaroda@gmail.com

May 7 - We're Going on a Bear Hunt. Michael Rosen's award-winning book "We're Going On A Bear Hunt" is brought vividly and noisily to the stage at UPAC, 601 Broadway, 10 am. For tickets (845) 473-5288, ext. 106.
www.upac.org

May 10 - Preparing For Another Year. Demonstrations of sheep shearing, spinning, beekeeping, planting 18thc -inspired garden, music at Senate House State Historic Site, 296 Fair Street, 11 am to 3 pm. For more information (845) 338-2786 deana.preston@parks.ny.gov
or www.nysparks.com

May 10 - "Garden Party" Group Art Show & Bridal Fashion Show/Expo at Cornell Street Studios, 168 Cornell Street, 6 pm to 10 pm. The opening reception will showcase local fashion designers and their latest creations in a bridal runway show and includes live entertainment, and complimentary hor d'oeuvres. (845) 331-0191 www.cornellstreetstudios.com

May 13 - Joe Bonamassa Show featuring his mind-blowing guitar wizardry with electrifying stage presence at UPAC,
601 Broadway, 8 pm. For tickets
(845) 339-6088 www.upac.org

May 16 - Kingston's Buried Treasures Series "Kingston's Immigration - The Bedrock of our Community" by former City Alderman Tom Hoffay at Senate House Museum, Vanderlyn Gallery 296 Fair Street, 5:30 pm.
(845) 340-3055 poneill@nycourts.gov

May 25 - Memorial Day Parade. Parade starts on Andrew Street at 4:45 pm, proceeds up Broadway and ends at Dietz Stadium. A Memorial Day service takes place in front of City Hall,
420 Broadway at 4 pm.

May 29 - An Evening with Sheryl Crow free-spirited, fearless and fierce, UPAC, 601 Broadway, 7:30 pm. (845) 339-6088 www.upac.org

May 30 - Night of the ASKars Fundraising gala. Dinner, silent auction and music
at The Steel House Restaurant, 100
Rondout Landing, from 5 pm to 9 pm.
For information (845) 338-0331
ask@askforarts.org or www.askforarts.org

June Events

June 7 - The 3rd Annual Retro Rally featuring classic cars and motorcycles, live music all day and a retro-themed art show! The event will be tied in with local vintage & handmade vendors at Cornell Street Studios
168 Cornell Street, 1 pm to
6 pm. (845) 331-0191
www.cornellstreetstudios.com

June 7 - Opening reception Melita Greenleaf, Solo Member Show at Arts Society of Kingston (ASK), 5 pm to 8 pm. Exhibit runs June 7 – 28. Members Show "Serenade" in Main Gallery. The rhythm of music and dance in our art - soft music to be played at the Opening Reception. (845) 338-0331 ask@askforarts.org

June 8 - Block Party in Celebration of Diversity. A family-centered day of music, dance, food, children's activities, historical displays and a chance for visitors to experience the rich cultural heritage of the Kingston community at TR Gallo Waterfront Park, noon to 4 pm. (845) 338-8131 info@rehercenter.org or www.rehercenter.org

June 14 - Kingston Kayak Festival. The Hudson River's Largest Kayak Festival at Kingston Point Beach, 10 am to 4 pm. (845) 481-7336 snoble@kingston-ny.gov or www.kingstonkayakfestival.info

June 20 - Kingston's Buried Treasures Series "The Early Stockade and Its Settlers-Pioneers of a Nation" by Kingston Historian and Author Ted Dietz at Senate House Museum, in Vanderlyn Gallery, 296 Fair Street, 5:30 pm. (845) 340-3055 poneill@nycourts.gov

June 21 - 9th Annual Midtown Make a Difference Day featuring vendors, informational booths, entertainment, on Franklin Street and Everette Hodge Community Center, 11 am to 3 pm. (845) 331-1110 or mweiss@fowinc.org

June 28 - Let Freedom Ring: Celebrating America's Independence. Patriotic ceremony, fife and drum music, magic show at Senate House State Historic Site, 296 Fair Street, 11 am to 3 pm. (845) 338-2786 deana.preston@parks.ny.gov or www.nysparks.com

July Events

July 3 - Natalie Merchant Concert. This show will kick off a national tour with full band and feature hits from her long career as well as new music from her first album of original songs in 13 years at UPAC, 601 Broadway, 8 pm. (845) 339-6088 www.upac.org

July 4 - City of Kingston July 4 Celebration featuring food, music, fun starting on the Rondout at 6 pm. Fireworks on the Rondout at dusk. www.kingstonwaterfront.com

July 5 - Opening reception Summer Scapes Exhibition in Main Gallery Members Show and Lounge Gallery: "Hello, Neighbor" (Phoenicia's The Arts Upstairs to showcase their work) at Arts Society of Kingston (ASK), 5 pm to 8 pm. Exhibit runs July 5 – 26. (845) 338-0331 ask@askforarts.org or www.askforarts.org

July 11 - Annual Children's Day Parade, starts on Andrew Street, proceeds up Broadway to Kingston Plaza, 6 pm. For information (845) 481-7333.

July 11, 12, 13, 18, 19, 20 - "The Second Time Around" performance by Coach House Players, 12 Augusta Street. Performances at 7:30 pm; Sunday Matinee at 2 pm. For ticket information (845) 331-2476 or visit www.coachhouseplayers.org

July 18 - Kingston Buried Treasures Series "Our Buried Past-The Archeological Treasures of Kingston" by Archeologist and Professor Joseph Diamond at Senate House Museum, in Vanderlyn Gallery, 296 Fair Street, 5:30 pm. (845) 340-3055

July 19 - Hudson River Day annual event celebrating the history and bounty of the Hudson River Valley. Learn about historical industries, visit heritage vessels, entertainment, vendors and children's activities at Hudson River Maritime Museum, 50 Rondout Landing, 11 am to 6 pm.

For information (845) 338-0071 or
lchassman@hrmm.org

August Events

August 2 - 18th Annual Drum and Bugle Corps Competition at Dietz Stadium,
7 pm. (845) 331-1448 or
marchofchamps@gmail.com

August 2 - Opening reception for Abstracted Exhibit at ASK, 5 pm to
8 pm. Focus is on the abstract, non-representational, composition. Distinguished Artist Series, featuring
Carol Pepper-Cooper. Exhibit runs August 2 - 30. For information (845) 338-0331
ask@askforarts.org or www.askforarts.org

August 5 to 7 - History Camp for children ages 8-12 featuring variety of hands-on activities at Senate House
State Historic Site, 296 Fair Street, 10 am to 2 pm. Registration fee required. (845) 338-2786
deana.preston@parks.ny.gov or
www.nysparks.com

August 14 to 17 - Kingston Film Festival featuring screenings and associated events. The festival aims to
present a wide spectrum of filmmaking - feature films, documentaries, animation, short films, experimental,
big budget, micro-budget at BSP, 323 Wall Street. For information (802) 558-7077
trevor@kingstonfilmfestival.org or
www.kingstonfilmfestival.org

August 15 - Kingston Buried Treasures Lecture Series "From Dutch to English-The Conquest of Kingston" by
Ulster County Historian Anne Gordon, Senate House Museum, Vanderlyn Gallery, 296 Fair Street, 5:30 pm.
(845) 340-3055
poneill@nycourts.gov

August 16 & 17 - 30th Annual Antique and Classic Boat Show featuring a colorful array of antique, historic
and classic boats at Hudson River Maritime Museum, 50 Rondout Landing. Saturday 10 am to 5 pm and
Sunday 10 am to 3 pm. For information (845) 338-0071 lchassman@hrmm.org or
www.hrmm.org

August 16 - 2nd Annual Car Show at Fair Street Reformed Church, 209 Fair Street. View hundreds of entries
for trophy prizes, vendors, refreshments. For information
(845) 706-6258

August 16 - 2nd Annual Chronogram Block Party. An old fashioned street festival with music, dancing, food,
vendors, games, children's activities, and more on Wall Street between North Front and John Streets, 4 pm
to 11 pm. Rain

or shine. For information (845) 334-8600,
ext. 114 Shenkin@chronogram.com or
www.chronogram.com

August 21 to 31 - Kingston Festival of the Arts featuring a multi-genre arts festival, including 'A Taste of
Kingston' culinary event located at multiple venues throughout the City. For tickets and information
www.KingstonFestival.org

August 22, 23, 24 - "The Variety Show" performance by Coach House Players,
12 Augusta Street. Shows at 7:30 pm;
Sunday Matinee at 2 pm. Ticket reservations (845) 331-2476 or visit
www.coachhouseplayers.org

August 23 - Keegan Ales Frisbee Dog Challenge. This is a national competition and official qualifying
tournament which will also benefit local seeing-eye dogs and Kingston's Dog Park, Keegan Ales,
20 St. James Street, 1 pm to 5 pm.
(845) 331-2739 or (845) 853-4889
www.keeganales.com

August 23rd 11th Annual Antique Fire Engine Muster and Open House featuring display of antique & vintage emergency & fire engines, Volunteer Firemen's Hall and Museum of Kingston, 265 Fair Street, 10 am to 3 pm. Parade of fire engines at 3 pm. For information (845) 443-3905 vmuseumofkingston@gmail.com

August 24 - Kingston Artist Soap Box Derby includes parade of artist-designed wheeled sculptures that roll down lower Broadway to the Rondout. Prizes, street performers, music and food add to the fun for the entire family. (845) 380-1887 luciachat@gmail.com

August 29 & 30 - The Wall Street Jazz Festival. For more information www.wallstreetjazzfestival.com

August 31 - Annual Hooley on the Hudson. A Celtic Festival with music, dancing and great food. For more information www.ulsteraoh.com

September Events

September 6 - Opening reception of Stewart Dean Exhibit (Solo Member Show) in Lounge Gallery and "Off the Wall" (Members Show) Free at Last! Free-standing and Bas-Relief sculptures in Main Gallery at ASK, 5 pm to 8 pm. Exhibit runs September 6 to 27. (845) 338-0331 ask@askforarts.org or www.askforarts.org

Sept 14 - Mexico and Central America Independence Day Block Party featuring ethnic food vendors, crafts, petting zoo, face painting, live music, dancers, singers, car show and more on Broadway between Henry and Cedar Streets, 9 am to 8 pm. For information (845) 242-9772 or davidosaroda@gmail.com

September 19 - Kingston Buried Treasures Lecture Series "Christopher Tappen-Kingston's Unsung Hero" by Ulster County City Clerk Nina Postupack at Senate House Museum, Vanderlyn Gallery, 296 Fair Street, 5:30 pm. (845) 340-3055 poneill@nycourts.gov

September 27 and 28 - Kingston Plaza Extravaganza: A 2-day Car Show featuring 400+ entries with entertainment, vendors, raffles, trophies. Saturday 8 am to 4 pm; Sunday 8 am to 3 pm. (845) 389-1888 or (845) 706-6258

October Events

October 4 - Autumn Festival featuring demonstrations of meat smoking, making apple cider, candles, cornhusk dolls and music at Senate House State Historic Site, 296 Fair Street, 11 am to 3 pm. (845) 338-2786 deana.preston@parks.ny.gov

October 4 - Opening reception of Phyllis McCabe Exhibit (Solo Member Show) in Lounge Gallery and "My Town" Outdoor landscape, architecture, Ulster Co (Members Show) in Main Gallery at ASK, 5 pm to 8 pm. Exhibit runs October 4 to 25. (845) 338-0331 ask@askforarts.org or www.askforarts.org

October 12 - Annual Italian Day Festival includes food, music, vendors, family fun at the Rondout/downtown waterfront. www.kingstonwaterfront.com

October 10, 11, & 12 - Annual O+ Festival, a three day, community-run celebration of music, art and wellness. O+ participating artists exchange their contributions for health care services from art-loving doctors, dentists, and other wellness providers at the O+ Clinic. Locations at various venues throughout Kingston. For more information visit www.kingston.positivefestival.org

October 12 - Annual Fall Festival, a family- friendly event, benefits the Forsyth Nature Center includes vendors, food booths, demonstrations, silent auction, corn maze and much more at Forsyth Nature Center, Lucas Avenue, 10 am to 4 pm. For information (845) 339-3053 www.forsythnaturecenter.org

October 17 - Kingston Buried Treasures Lecture Series "The Burning of Kingston- The Phoenix Rises" by Hank Yost, member of First Ulster Militia re-enactors at Senate House Museum, Vanderlyn Gallery, 296 Fair Street, 5:30 pm. (845) 340-3055 poneill@nycourts.gov

October 24 - Boo at the Zoo includes Halloween Parade, haunted stories and other fun activities at Forsyth Nature Center. Lucas Avenue, 5:30 pm to 7 pm. (845) 339-3053 forsythnature@aol.com or www.forsythnaturecenter.org

November Events

November 1 - Opening Reception of Solo Member Show (TBA) in Lounge Gallery and "Table Top" Food and Still Lifes (Members Show) in Main Gallery at ASK, 5 pm to 8 pm. Exhibit runs November 1 to 29. For information (845) 338-0331 ask@askforarts.org or www.askforarts.org

November 1, 2, 8, 9, 15, 16, 22, 23, 29, 30 - Kingston Model Railroad 77th Anniversary Open House for train enthusiast, Susan Street off Pinegrove Avenue, noon to 5 pm. For more information (845) 334-8233

November 20 - Wreaths, Sweets and Dutch Treats Fundraiser for Sinterklaas at Old Dutch Church, 5:30 pm - 8:30 pm.

For information (845) 339-4290

susielinn@verizon.net or

www.sinterklaashudsonvalley.com

November 21 - Kingston Buried Treasures Lecture Series "The Senate House-Cradle of Democracy" by Thomas Kernan, Senate House Museum, Vanderlyn Gallery, 296 Fair Street, 5:30 pm. (845) 340-3055 poneill@nycourts.gov

November 28 - Annual Kingston Tree Lighting Ceremony hosted by Kingston Professional Firefighters Association, Academy Green at Clinton and Albany Avenues, 6 pm to 8:30 pm. Tree lighting at 7 pm, refreshments, local entertainment and Santa and Friends will be present for photo opportunities with children.

(845) 331-1216.

November 29 - Annual Sinterklaas Parade with performances, workshops at various locations throughout the City of Kingston, 10:30 am to 7 pm. For information (845) 339-4290 susielinn@verizon.net or

www.sinterklaashudsonvalley.com

December Events

December 5 - Annual Snowflake Parade and Festival in uptown Kingston. Parade starts at Dietz Stadium, 5 pm. Special performances, horse and buggy rides and holiday treats from 5 pm to 8 pm.

www.kingstonuptown.org

December 5, 6, 7 - The 20th performance of "A Christmas Carol" by Ulster Ballet. An interpretation in ballet of the well-known Charles Dickens novel, at UPAC, 601 Broadway. Friday and Saturday performance 7:30 pm; Sunday at 2 pm. For tickets call (845) 339-6088; for info call (845) 246-4316. ulsterballet@gmail.com or www.ulsterballet.org

December 6 - Opening reception Eye Candy Exhibit Michael Citron (Solo Member Show) in Lounge Gallery and "Eye Candy" Main Gallery (Members Show), at ASK, 5 pm to 8 pm. Exhibit runs December 6 to 27. (845) 338-0331

ask@askforarts.org or www.askforarts.org

December 12 - Kingston Buried Treasures Lecture Series "Educating Kingston-The Spark That Ignited a Future" by Kingston Educator Anna Brett, Senate House Museum, Vanderlyn Gallery, 296 Fair Street, 5:30 pm.

(845) 340-3055
poneill@nycourts.gov

December 31 - Uptown Kingston New Year's Eve Celebration! A vaudevillian style event happening throughout the neighborhood, featuring jazz, swing, prohibition-style drinks, burlesque and more! The evening culminates with an old fashion ball-drop at the corner of Wall and North Front Streets at midnight.
info@outputagency.com or
mike@bsplounge.com

Seasonal Events

The Kingston Farmers' Market

Come explore the beauty of the region and sample the bounty of the Hudson Valley harvest in our grower/producer market. Saturdays (rain or shine), 9 am to 2 pm, Memorial Day Weekend thru November. Located on Wall Street between John and Main Street.

lori@kingstonfarmersmarket.org or
www.kingstonfarmersmarket.org

The Kingston Winter Market

Up to 20 vendors offer items such as bread & baked goods, fresh fish, meat & eggs, fruits & vegetables, gourmet peanut butter, local wine, honey, and so much more. 1st & 3rd Saturdays of each month from 10 am to 2 pm, December thru April. Located in Bethany Hall, Old Dutch Church, at 272 Wall Street.

lori@kingstonfarmersmarket.org or
www.kingstonfarmersmarket.org

The Upstate Flea Summer Festival Series Saturdays, May 24 thru September 27, Wall Street between North Front and John Streets, 10 am to 3 pm. Rain or Shine. The Upstate Flea is a curated artisanal market every Saturday this summer in Uptown next to the Farmers' Market. Featuring everything from hand-made artisanal goods like jewelry and woodworking to vintage items and antiques right on the street. (845) 334-8600, ext. 114

Shenkin@chronogram.com or
www.upstateflea.com

Kingston Kayak Tours

Weekly guided kayaking tours on the Hudson River and Rondout Creek May 23 thru September 6, weekly on Friday evenings and Saturdays. For information (845) 481-7336 snoble@kingston-ny.gov or www.kingstonparksandrec.org

Movies Under the Stars

Movies Under the Stars are free, family friendly movies offered throughout the summer. All movies start at dusk. For information (845) 481-7333

DATE	LOCATION	MOVIE
June 20 (Friday)	Loughran Park	Field of Dreams
June 28 (Saturday)	Wall Street	A Streetcar Named Desire
July 12 (Saturday)	Academy Green Park	Annie
July 18 (Friday)	King's Inn Site	Space Jam
July 25 (Friday)	Forsyth Park	Happy Feet
August 1 (Friday)	Academy Green Park	Karate Kid
August 8 (Friday)	Dietz Stadium	Friday Night Lights
August 15 (Friday)	Kingston Point Beach	Beach Blanket Bingo
August 22 (Friday)	Barmann Park	Beetlejuice
August 29 (Friday)	TR Gallo Park	Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

Music in the Parks

All concerts are free and take place on Wednesdays starting at 6 pm. For information www.kingston-ny.gov

May 28 TR Gallo Park
June 11, 18 TR Gallo Park
July 2, 9, 16, 23 TR Gallo Park

August 6, 13, 27 TR Gallo Park
June 4, 25 Academy Green Park
July 30 Academy Green Park
August 20 Academy Green Park

Night Market

Third Fridays May thru October. Enjoy a Parisian-style antique market, special food, an outdoor crafts fair, a pop-up art show, a photo booth, live music, & more, Broadway between Spring and West Union Streets, 6 pm to 10 pm. For information (845) 331-3902 or (845) 338-8473 milneantiques@gmail.com

First Saturday Opening Night Gallery Receptions

May thru December. Events throughout the year include live music, open studio tours, theatrical performances, historical reenactments, arts & cultural activities and so much more. For information and complete listing of events visit:

www.KingstonHappenings.org

Year Round Events

Arts Society of Kingston (ASK) located at 97 Broadway presents visual art exhibitions, performances, workshops, classes and other arts-related events year-round. ASK Gallery and Offices are open Tuesday-Saturday 1 pm-6 pm.

(845) 338-0331. ask@askforarts.org or www.askforarts.org

Cornell Street Studios located on 168 Cornell Street is a multi-media studio complex that offers Art Shows, Craft Fairs, Fashion Shows, Fitness Classes, Photography Workshops, Car Shows & more! (845) 331-0191

www.cornellstreetstudios.com

Kingston Library located at 55 Franklin Street is more than just books. Ongoing workshops, classes, lectures and discussions for all ages are scheduled. Not to be missed is the monthly Super Saturday performance series for children and the Library's annual Chalk Walk (scheduled for May 10). For further information on these events call

(845) 331-0507 www.kingstonlibrary.org

The Uptown Gallery located at 296 Wall Street features art exhibitions, classical piano and song recitals, dance classes and culinary salons. For further information on special events scheduled for Uptown Gallery, Kingston Festival of the Arts (a week-long city-wide celebration of the arts and culture in Kingston) and Opera Theatre of Kingston call (845) 331-3206.

info@kingstonfestival.org or

www.uptowngallerykingstonny.com