



# West Chelsea Artists

Open Studios™ May 20 -22, 2022

FRIEZE NEW YORK 2022 Edition

## Pressroom

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### **9th Annual West Chelsea Artists Open Studios 2022**

**Friday, May 20th, Saturday, May 21st, and Sunday, May 22nd  
May 20-22, 2022, 12-6 p.m.**

**Self-Guided Tour Starts at the West Chelsea Building  
526 West 26<sup>th</sup> Street, Lobby Info Center - Tour Maps**

**This Spring add some art & cultural to your entertainment calendar and get exclusive access to private West Chelsea Artists' studios during the WEST CHELSEA ARTISTS OPEN STUDIOS EVENT on May 20-22, 2022.**

**The self-guided artists' open studios tour is presented in conjunction with the Frieze, New York 2022 art fair, May 18-22, 2022 at the Shed in Hudson Yards.**

April 14, 2022, New York, NY, The West Chelsea Artists Open Studios presents its 9th Annual Artists' Open Studios to kick-off the spring New York art season just a few blocks from the Frieze New York 2022 at the Shed. On Friday, May 20th, Saturday, May 21st, and Sunday, May 22nd, the artists of West Chelsea will re-open their studios to the public for a free, self-guided art tour from 12 to 6 p.m. each day.

After an especially difficult two years for all artists during the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, the West Chelsea Artists Open Studios seeks to remind the public that our West Chelsea-based artists are: Still here. Still creating. As visitors walk from artist studio to studio, they will witness a changed neighborhood of numerous gallery (and studio) closures or relocations due to the financial

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hardships many have experienced during this global pandemic. Although we typically do not rally behind an event theme, this year we felt compelled to focus on the tenacity and resilience of the foundation of the art world — the artist. As an artist organized event, we wanted to share a joint statement from our participants:

*"Like many artists in this city, we adjusted and adapted to the state of the pandemic with resilience. We've done our best to keep pushing forward and continued to do the only thing that was within our control — we kept creating. For us, it was the act of art-making that helped us cope during these chaotic times."*

We invite the public, to experience the artworks and studio spaces that helped us persevere, and provided direction in moments of uncertainty. We welcome the community of New York City, and travelers from beyond as our critical support structure to visit our historic neighborhood during this unprecedented moment in time.

## **About**

The West Chelsea Artists Open Studios provides a rare opportunity for the community and tourists to meet our local contemporary artists who keep this historic art neighborhood vibrant. Over sixty artists will be on-hand to show their most recent artworks and discuss their artistic practice. Artworks will be available in a wide range of media including — but not limited to— painting, sculpture, photography, mixed-media, textiles, prints, collage, street art, and much more!

While typically only accessible by appointment, visitors will be granted access “behind the scenes” to explore each artist’s creative space. The intimate setting gives collectors the rare opportunity to purchase artworks directly from the artists’ inventory without the gallery markup. It’s also a fantastic way to discover new emerging talent while their work is still affordable.

The three-day event attracts art enthusiasts, collectors, curators, artists, and tourists to the neighborhood making it a community-wide celebration. Self-Guided Tour Maps will be available to pick-up in the lobby of 526 West 26th Street or downloadable from our website.

The West Chelsea Artists Open Studios is organized and presented by West Chelsea artist, Scotto Mycklebust, artist/executive producer and the Public Art Squad Project.

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