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CUSTOM HOUSE SQUARE & BEYOND

4:30-7:30pm

See New Bedford's Custom House transform into a magical holiday display through light and art, courtesy of Broken Glass Projection Mapping. The show premieres at 5:30pm, running continuously through 7:30pm.

Right before the light show, fifty 5th and 6th graders with the **Sippican Band** perform a holiday mini-concert starting at 5pm! While you're enjoying the performance, **warm up by the fire pit.**

Right nearby you'll find the **Manifest Love Food Truck from Round the Bend Farm**, serving hand pies, sausage, squash, warm beverages, and more.

And keep your eyes and ears peeled for the **Southcoast Brass Band**, a seven-piece New Orleans style brass band, that will be serenading AHA! attendees with festive holiday music at a few different spots throughout the evening, including 6:30pm at Custom House Square.

Plus, enjoy the ethereal sounds of the **Seaglass Theatre Company Carolers** as they roam downtown, bringing festive cheer everywhere they go! Kicking off at 4:45pm at the National Park Visitor Center.

2. CORK WINE & TAPAS

90 Front St., 3-8pm

Grab a quick bite at the **Cork To-Go Window!** This quick service window will be serving up some great savory and sweet delights!

3. THE BEYOND HOUSE YOUNG ADULT ACCESS CENTER (YAAC)

175 William St., 3-8pm

Enjoy some hot apple cider and popcorn while coming together to **decorate flags.** Make your flag your own and bring it home to display on a mantle, tree, or wherever your heart desires.

4. NEW BEDFORD WHALING MUSEUM

18 Johnny Cake Hill, 4-7pm

For 11 years, **David Zapatka** has been documenting **America's historic lighthouses** in a way seldom seen: in the dark of night. He will share his work during three different short lectures at 4:45, 5:30, and 6:15pm.

5. NEW BEDFORD MAIN LIBRARY

613 Pleasant St., 4-6pm

Visit Youth Services on AHA Night to **craft a handprint gnome** for the holidays! Plus, attend the Cape Verdean Association Coloring Book Launch (free while supplies last).

6. ALISON WELLS GALLERY

106 William Street, open until 8pm

Give the gift of art and shop these pop ups: handcrafted knit & crochet by Ally Paiva, ceramic sculptures by Marianne Stebenne, book of poetry "Bleeding Hearts Sunrise" by Deana Tavares, stained glass hangings by Michelle LaPointe, hand-carved & painted wooden birds by Bill White, as well as New Bedford & Caribbean-themed paintings, prints & note cards by Alison Wells.

7. DESTINATION SOUPS

149 Union Street, 4-7pm

Stop by Destination Soups for a **spot of hot cocoa!** Free while supplies last. While you are there, be sure to enjoy one of their hot yummy soups, sandwiches, or salads.



WELCOME TO AHA! NIGHT

Each AHA! Night is a celebration of art, history, architecture—and community! Use the activity listings below and the map on the back to explore all the creativity that New Bedford has to offer on this magical AHA! Night. Don't forget to stop by museums, galleries, shops, and restaurants open late!

GO EXPLORE, CREATE, & HAVE FUN FOR AHA! STARRY NIGHT!

8. NEW BEDFORD ART MUSEUM

608 Pleasant St., 4-7pm

See "**Nebulae: The Universe Unveiled**" which features six awe-inspiring NASA photographs of deep space, captured by the Webb and Hubble Telescopes.

9. NEW BEDFORD RESEARCH & ROBOTICS DOWNTOWN POP-UP

41 William St. (formerly Freestone's), 4-7pm

Explore the intersection of art and technology! Meet WATIR resident artist, **Fallon Navarro**, who will showcase cutting-edge work and **live demonstrations of ceramic 3D printing and the GoFa** (collaborative robotic arm) in action.

Our Sisters' School will also be inside Freestone's! Stop by their table to **create your own bookmarks and play with Wikki Sticks!**

10. JUDITH KLEIN ART GALLERY

127 W. Rodney French Blvd, 2nd fl. S287, 4-6pm

Join Judith Klein and 18 guest artists to celebrate the **16th Anniversary of the Judith Klein Gallery!** Artists will be exhibiting paintings, printmaking, mixed media drawings, and sculptures as well as showcasing unique jewelry, ceramics, and woodwork.

11. ROTCH-JONES-DUFF HOUSE & GARDEN MUSEUM

396 County St., 4-6pm

It's Christmas on County! See the festively decked halls and hear docents describe some of the holiday customs of the original residents. Plus, taste-test home-baked holiday cookies and vote for your favorite in the **Fifth Annual Cookie Challenge!**

12. MOBY DICK BREWING CO.

46-50 S Water St., 4-8pm

Join Moby Dick Brewing Co. for their first ever **Sip and Shop at the Launch!** Shop local artists and artisans and enjoy a beer or cocktail from the bar.

13. GALLERY X

169 William St., 5-8pm

Explore the exhibitions "**Gallery X-Mas**" and "**A Chattering of Choughs**," the art of Zachary White. Gallery X is also holding the ARTISTS UNITE Food Drive in partnership with PACE, Inc. Donate and receive 10% off a gallery purchase.

14. DEMELLO INTERNATIONAL CENTER

128 Union St., 4:30-6:30pm

Bring the whole family for **photos with Santa.** Then, enjoy cookies, cocoa, and crafts with the team from United Way!

15. PILGRIM UNITED CHURCH HOME

634 Purchase St., 5-7pm

Join Pilgrim United Church of Christ and Mercy Meals & More to **make your own gingerbread house** and enjoy some hot chocolate. Also, help fill backpacks for the unhoused.

16. SOUTH COAST SURFACE DESIGN

185 Union St., 5-8pm

Meet artist **Polly Spenner** and explore their new exhibit "**Weaving My Own Ocean**." Learn more about Polly's illustration, painting, and digital jacquard weaving.

17. THE DRAWING ROOM

22 William St., open until 8pm

5-7pm Artist mini-art swap! Participants created mini works of art to swap tonight. Additional mini works are also available for purchase.

10-8pm Stop in for all your holiday gifting needs, including art, wine, housewares, jewelry, and more.

18. NEW BEDFORD WHALING NATIONAL HISTORICAL PARK VISTOR CENTER

33 William St. 5-8pm

Explore the mighty Evergreen Tree with Mobile Adventures! Learn how to read the hidden history of tree rings, discover how to identify various evergreen trees, and get creative with pinecone crafts.

19. NEW BEDFORD FISHING HERITAGE CENTER

38 Bethel St., 5-7pm

Decorate scallop shells (perfect for holiday ornaments) and enjoy free hot chocolate. Then, do some holiday shopping at the gift shop.

20. THE CUMMINGS BUILDING ARTISTS' STUDIOS

96 William St., 5-7pm

Explore the artist studios and works of resident creators. Then listen to **live music from Aoife Clancy**, a celebrated vocalist and instrumentalist from Co Tipperary, Ireland, known for her vibrant blend of Celtic and Americana traditions.

21. SERLINGPA MEDITATION CENTER

514 Pleasant St., 5:30-7:30pm

Enjoy the sound of silence in this beautiful meditation center. **Take a shrine "tour"**, enjoy hot chocolate and treats, and browse the book collection.

22. BUSHWOOD TAILORS OPPORTUNITY SHOP

763 Purchase St., 5:30-8pm

Enjoy mulled wine and more tasty treats while you explore the upcycled work of **guest artists Sydney Hawes and Emily Rose Aaron** (Safety Pin Era).

23. PLAY ARCADE

34 Union St., 6-7:30pm

Join the Artists Index Live for their seventh AHA! Night Livestream Podcast from the Living Room at Play Arcade! You're invited to share stories of the artists, creators, and makers of the South Coast's creative community who are no longer with us.

24. ROSE ALLEY ALE HOUSE

94 Front St., 6-9pm

Singer and guitarist **Tim Clarke and friends** perform. Part of the Rose Alley Live Music Series.

25. THE VAULT

791 Purchase St., 6:30 - 8:30pm

Challenge your friends or yourself at **Musical Bingo.** Four rounds of musical brainteasers start at 6:30 and end at 8:30pm (when Karaoke begins!).

26. CO+ CREATIVE CENTER

137 Union St., 7-9pm

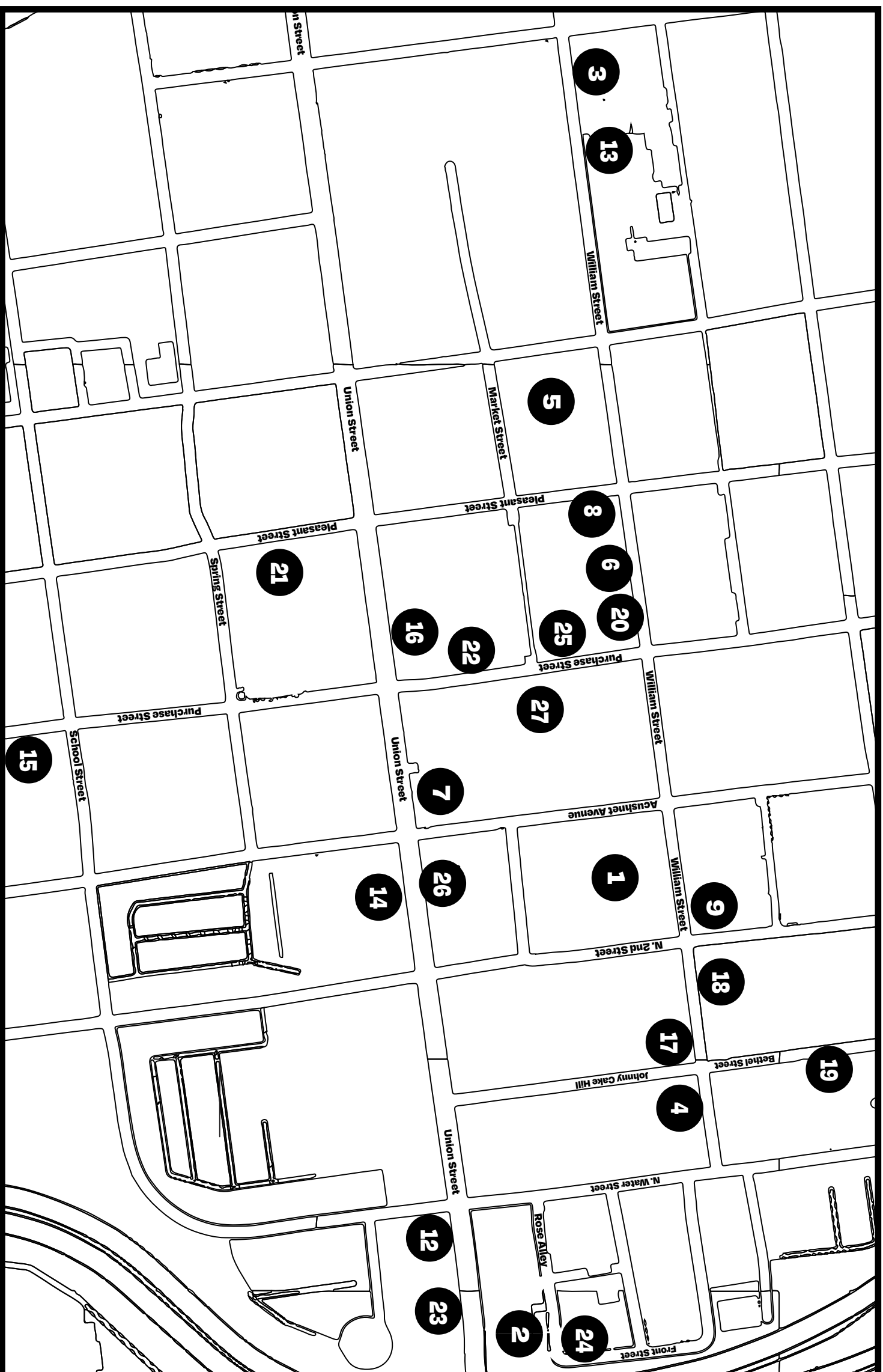
Step up to the mic and share your poetry during **Open Mic Night** hosted by **Anomaly.** Bring your new work, an old gem, or something in between to share with the crowd. Or just take a seat and listen to the creative flow!

27. POUR FARM TAVERN

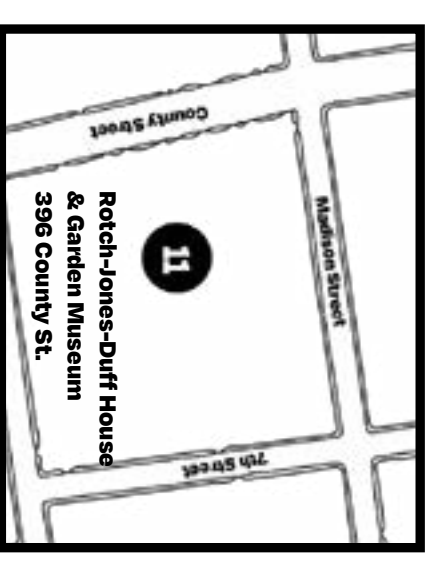
780 Purchase St., beginning at 8pm

Grab a bite or a pint and listen to the **Electric Blues Jam** with **Neal McCarthy Trio.**

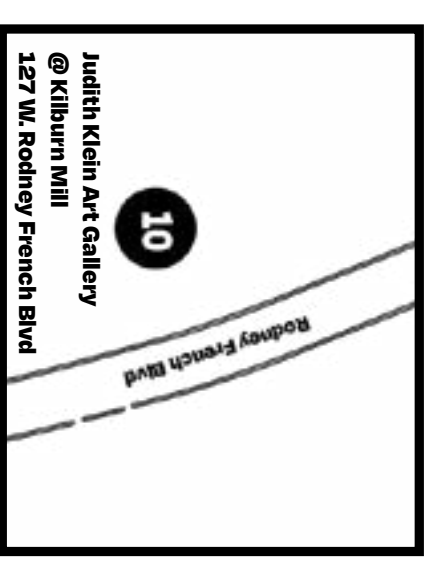
AHAI! DOWNTOWN



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**Rotch-Jones-Duff House
 & Garden Museum**
 396 County St.



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**Judith Klein Art Gallery
 @ Kilburn Mill**
 127 W. Rodney French Blvd

Make a night of it by dining with friends and family at one of the many unique offerings downtown, including:

- Brick Pizzeria
- Cork Wine & Tapas
- Cultivator Shoals
- Destination Soups
- dNB Craft Kitchen
- Moby Dick Brewing Co.
- New Beige
- No Problemo
- PLAY Arcade
- Rose Alley Ale House
- Round the Bend Farms Manifest
- Love Food truck