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**Brunswick Downtown Association celebrates the
10th ANNUAL Brunswick Outdoor Art Festival**

Brunswick, ME 7.19.16 - The 10th Annual Brunswick Outdoor Arts Festival will be held Saturday, August 20th from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in Downtown Brunswick. This event, hosted by the Brunswick Downtown Association, is designed to celebrate and foster an appreciation of the arts.

This juried, fine arts show includes more than 100 artists and artisans who will be displaying and selling their work along the sidewalks of Maine Street and on the beautiful Town Mall (Green) in downtown Brunswick. This free event features recognized artists, as well as emerging creators; working in an array of mediums from jewelry, fiber, ceramics, photography, painting and mixed media.

Art festival organizer and BDA Board member, Keith Garovoy, has been involved in the event since its inception. "The first year of the festival, we had only 35 artists now we have 100 juried artists. Quite a few of the originals return each year", he explained. "The reason that our festival is such a success is that it was designed by artists."

The Brunswick Downtown Association welcomes back award-winning black ash splint basketmaker and teacher, [JoAnn Catsos](#). JoAnn's designs are influenced by traditional Shaker and New England splint basketry. She has been teaching basketry full time for almost 30 years.

The Brunswick Outdoor Arts Festival includes live music performed on two stages and a variety of roving musicians playing Bluegrass, Folk, Old Timey and Quebecois music. A performance stage will be set up in front of the Bank of America building on Maine Street and will feature: [JimmyJo & the Jumbol'Ayuhs](#) (Cajun & Zydeco), [Hilton Park](#) (Americana, Folk & Blues) and [Big Fat Cadillac](#) (Swingin' original boogie woogie, Tex Mex & Americana). A second stage is located on the Town Mall in front of the Gazebo from noon to 4 pm. Dave Bullard will perform with Soundwavz (Rock, Blues & Reggae) and the Pirates of Paradise band, playing songs of the sea and calypso styles.

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For kids, the Brunswick Outdoor Arts Festival offers many children's activities such as face painting, hula hooping, [Lowe's Build & Grow](#) projects and crafts. Art demonstrations will include woodworking, basket weaving, jewelry making and quilting, stone sculpting and much more - perfect for all ages.

New this year - the Shelter Institute will be demonstrating some of their building techniques and traditional tools on the Town Mall. The Shelter Institute has been an industry leader in evolving durable, adaptable, energy-conscious building techniques since 1974.

For more information on the Brunswick Outdoor Arts Festival, call (207) 729-4439 or visit www.brunswickdowntown.org for a complete list of artists, entertainers, stage schedules, interactive arts activities and more.

Come and enjoy the Brunswick Outdoor Arts Festival, sponsored by:

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