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Laudholm crafts festival turns 36

WELLS — A popular tradition continues the weekend after Labor Day, as the Laudholm Nature Crafts Festival returns to the Wells Reserve at Laudholm for the 36th year. Artwork and fine crafts by many of New England’s finest artisans will be on display September 7 and 8 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day. For tickets, details, and a list of participating artisans, visit wellsreserve.org/crafts.

The Laudholm festival features a selection of 140+ juried artisans, showcasing fine art, ceramics, jewelry, fiber crafts, mixed media work, and more. An array of local food and beverage offerings, including cider donuts and oysters, will round out the lineup to make for a fun and festive weekend in this historic seaside setting. Over 100 dedicated volunteers help to make the show a success, and nearly 5,000 attendees are expected. While on site, visitors will enjoy a stop at the reserve’s Coastal Ecology Center gallery to view “Consider the Lobster,” an exhibition of lobster-inspired works of art.

“In this 40th anniversary year of the Wells Reserve, we’re looking forward to welcoming a record number of artists and thousands of attendees to the best little crafts show in Maine,” said Nik Charov, president of Laudholm Trust, the nonprofit that has organized the festival since 1988. “Food, drinks, and more make the show our most popular event and our largest fundraiser of the year for this center for science, education, and conservation.”

Funds raised from the event support the Wells Reserve’s ongoing research, education, and conservation initiatives.



This year’s event is sponsored by Kennebunk Savings, The Fabulous Find, Evergreen Home Performance, Maine Community Bank, and Sevigney-Lyons Insurance Agency.

Tickets for the Laudholm Nature Crafts Festival are available in advance online or at the gate with cash or card. \$10 per person, \$5 for Laudholm Trust members. Visit wellsreserve.org/crafts for details.



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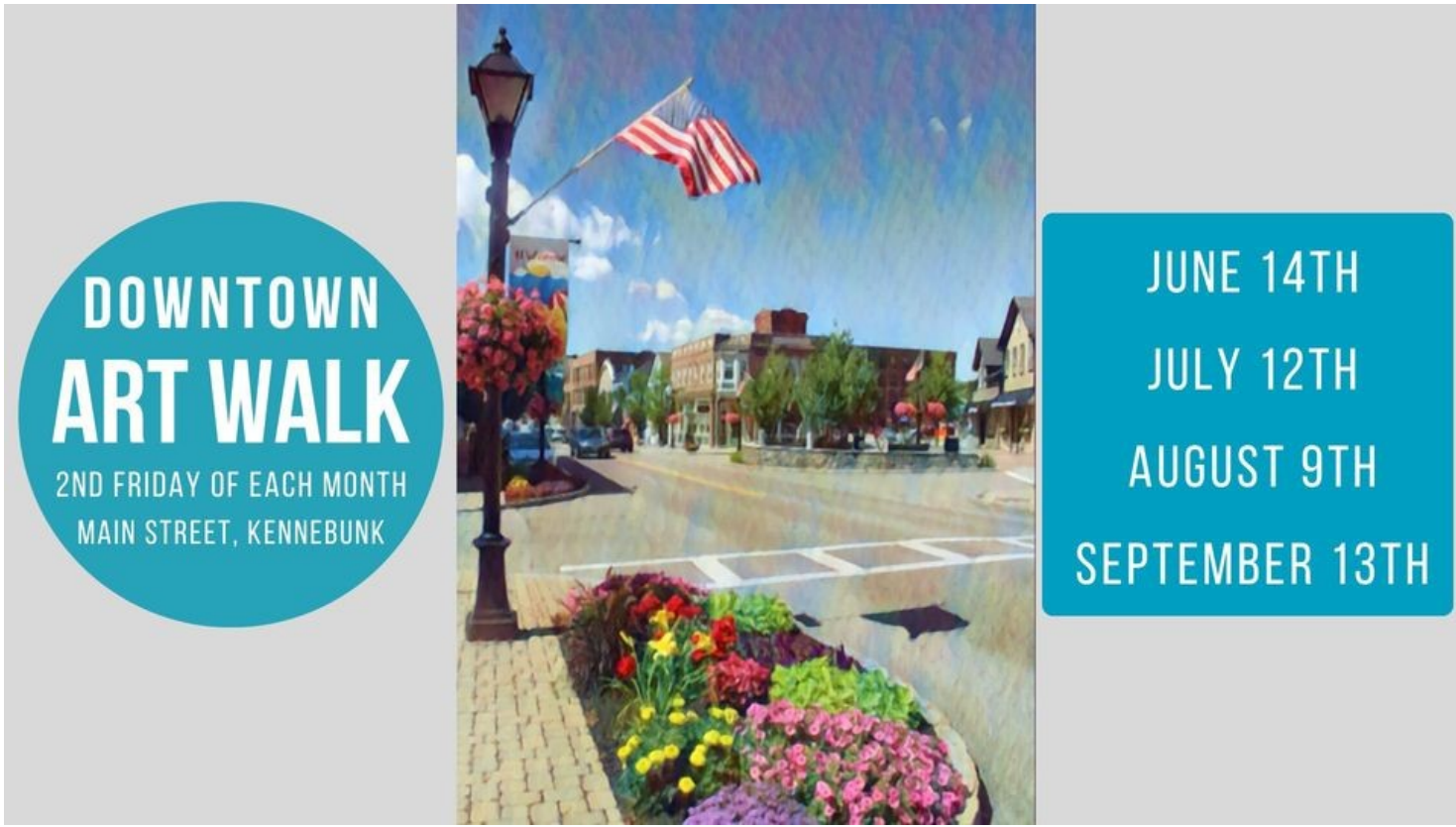
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