

# Dutchess County Contemporary Arts Trail

Explore museums, theaters and cultural events in Dutchess and beyond.



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# Experience Dutchess County's Thriving Contemporary Arts Scene

**T**HE HUDSON VALLEY may be known in the art world for The Hudson River School of Painters but did you know it's also home to world-class contemporary art museums? From a 500-acre sculpture park to one of the largest indoor exhibition spaces in the country for modern and contemporary art (160,000 sq. ft.), a trip to experience the incredible works here is a must.

Not only are the collections contained by these museums innovative, the buildings that house them range from a converted Nabisco box-printing factory overlooking the Hudson River to a converted 7-story former wood crib grain elevator in the Harlem Valley – both an easy walk from Metro-North Train Stations. Enjoy exploring each and every one of these diverse collections and spaces in the heart of the Hudson Valley with the Dutchess County Contemporary Arts Trail brochure.

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**DutchessTourism.com**

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Back Cover Photo: Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center at Vassar College





Richard Serra, *Double Torqued Ellipse*, 1997  
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## < Dia Beacon

3 Beekman Street, Beacon  
(845) 440-0100 | diaart.org

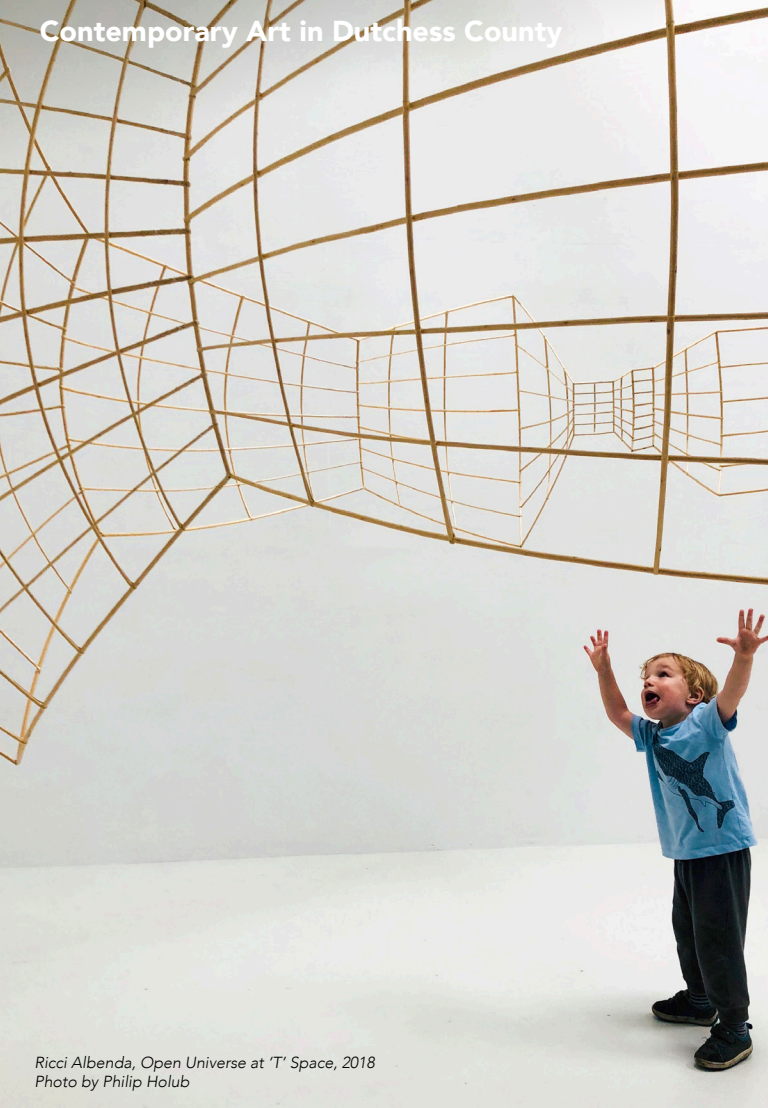
Occupying a former Nabisco box printing factory on the banks of the Hudson River, Dia Beacon presents Dia's collection of art from the 1960s to the present as well as special exhibitions, new commissions, and public and educational programs. Since its opening in May 2003, Dia Beacon has helped transform the city of Beacon into a vibrant arts destination for visitors from the region, New York City, and beyond.

## Hessel Museum of Art, CCS Bard College >

33 Garden Road, Annandale-on-Hudson  
(845) 758-7598 | bard.edu/ccs

Presenting exhibitions of contemporary art year-round on Bard's Hudson River campus. The permanent collection includes more than 3,000 works by Janine Antoni, Sol LeWitt, Robert Mapplethorpe, Cindy Sherman, and others. Permanent installations include work by Cosima von Bonin, Martin Creed, Olafur Eliasson, Robert Gober, and Lawrence Weiner. All talks and exhibitions are free and open to the public.





Ricci Albenda, *Open Universe* at 'T' Space, 2018  
Photo by Philip Holub



## 'T' Space ^

'T' Space Gallery - 137 Round Lake Road, Rhinebeck  
'T' Space Nature Preserve - 60 Round Lake Road, Rhinebeck  
(212) 629-7262 ext. 3 | [tspacerhinebeck.org](http://tspacerhinebeck.org)

'T' Space, a cultural project of the Steven Myron Holl Foundation, articulates its mission through exhibitions and events synthesizing art, architecture, music and poetry. A 30-acre woodland reserve, 'T' Space is home to permanent installations of artworks visible along a 1.5 mile nature trail, a new architecture archive and research library.

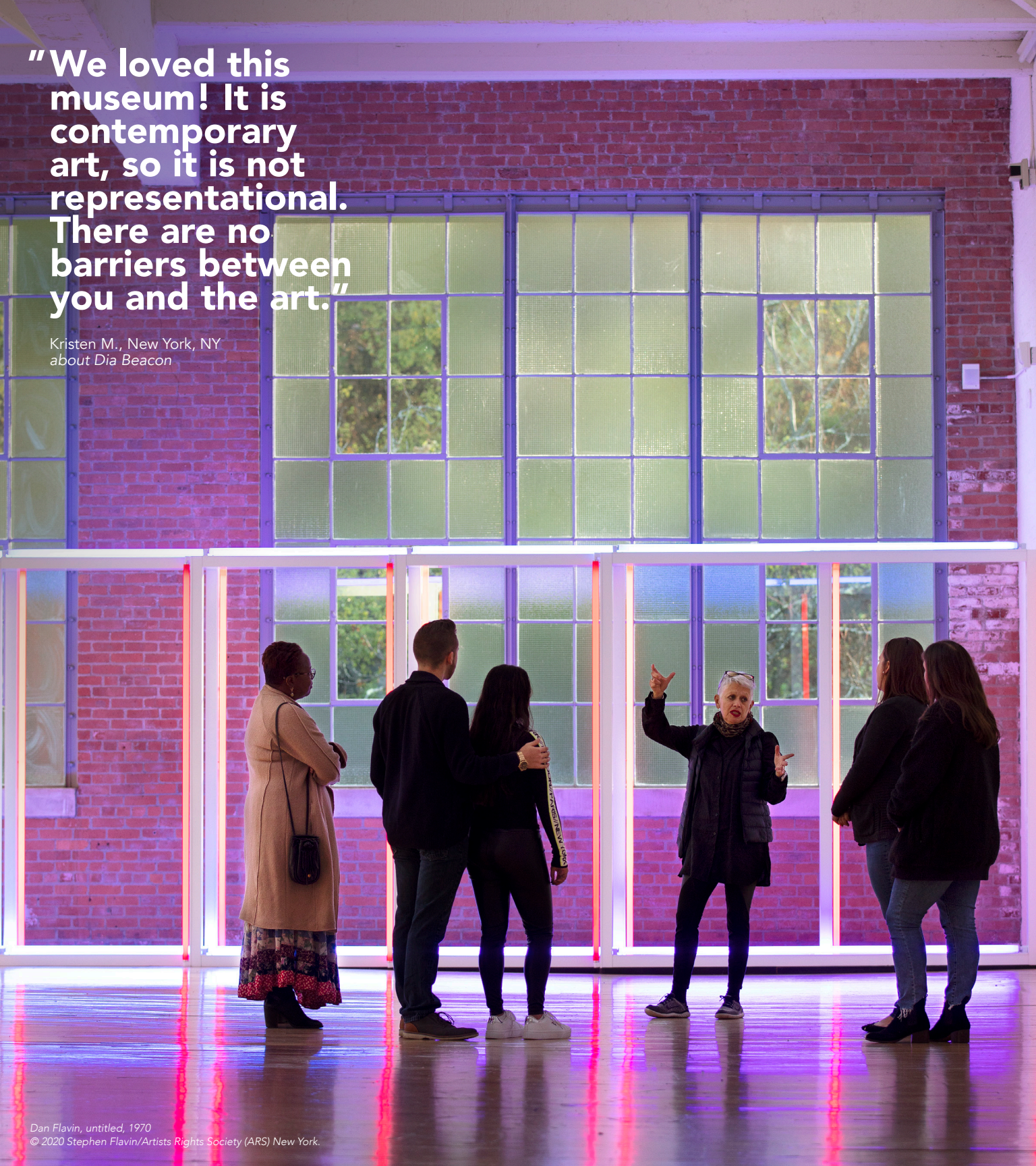
## Wassaic Project ^

37 Furnace Bank Road, Wassaic  
(347) 815-0783 | [wassaicproject.org](http://wassaicproject.org)

The Wassaic Project presents contemporary art inside historic buildings with unique architecture and throughout the Wassaic community. Art programs and events are held year-round, check website for details.

**"We loved this museum! It is contemporary art, so it is not representational. There are no barriers between you and the art."**

Kristen M., New York, NY  
about Dia Beacon





*Olaf Breuning, Clouds*  
Photo by Bryan Zimmerman



*Mark di Suvero, all South Fields works*

Columbia County

## Art Omi <sup>^</sup>

1405 County Route 22, Ghent  
(518) 392-4747 | [artomi.org](http://artomi.org)

The work of contemporary artists and architects are featured in a beautiful outdoor setting. Plus, an indoor gallery hosts rotating exhibitions, workshops, and a cafe. International residency programs serve visual artists, writers, musicians, and dancers with events showcasing their work and creative processes. Open daily year-round.

Orange County

## Storm King Art Center <sup>^</sup>

1 Museum Road, New Windsor  
(845) 534-3115 | [stormking.org](http://stormking.org)

A 500-acre outdoor museum, where visitors experience large-scale sculpture and site-specific commissions under an open sky. Changing exhibitions, programming, and seasons offer discoveries with every visit. Winter Weekends, Jan-March. Regular season, April-December.



Photo by Javier Callejas

Putnam County

### < **Magazzino Italian Art**

2700 Route 9, Cold Spring  
(845) 666-7202 | [magazzino.art](http://magazzino.art)

This 20,000-square-foot museum is devoted to Italian post-war and contemporary art. Magazzino, meaning warehouse in Italian, was co-founded by Nancy Olnick and Giorgio Spanu and designed by award-winning Spanish architect Miguel Quismondo. Coming soon is a new 13,000-square-foot pavilion featuring special exhibitions, a café and reading lounge.

Ulster County

### **Opus 40** >

50 Fite Road, Saugerties  
(845) 246 3400 | [opus40.org](http://opus40.org)

This 55-acre sculpture park and arts center features an in-earth bluestone sculpture covering six acres as well as hiking trails, a quarrying museum, an art gallery, and gift shop. Opus 40 also offers live performance of all kinds, as well as workshops, nature walks, and other events. April – November (exact dates weather-dependent).





Vassar & New York Stage and Film's Powerhouse Theater  
Poughkeepsie | [Powerhouse.vassar.edu](http://Powerhouse.vassar.edu)

## Performing Arts in Dutchess County

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Dance, drama, film and music—all have a home here. Our stages host professional performances and summer residencies, community theater, and children's troupes. Performing art spaces run the gamut from the historic opera house atmosphere at the oldest theater in New York, to a bold architectural performance space designed by Frank Gehry.

### Other Major Dutchess County Arts Venues to Visit



Bardavon 1869 Opera House  
Poughkeepsie | [Bardavon.org](http://Bardavon.org)



Fisher Center at Bard  
Annandale-on-Hudson | [Fishercenter.bard.edu](http://Fishercenter.bard.edu)



Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center at Vassar College  
Poughkeepsie | [Fllac.vassar.edu](http://Fllac.vassar.edu)





**"I can confirm the outstanding artistic impact that their programs have on the professional lives of the dance community."**

Mikhail Baryshnikov about Kaatsbaan Cultural Park  
Tivoli | Kaatsbaan.org

Dancer Yanick Lebrun  
Photo by Quinn Wharton for Kaatsbaan Summer Festival 2020

# Contemporary Arts Trail Map & More

## Dutchess Contemporary Art Venues

1. Dia Beacon
2. Hessel Museum of Art, CCS Bard
3. 'T' Space
4. Wassaic Project

## Other Major Dutchess Arts Venues

5. Bardavon 1869 Opera House
  - Frances Lehman Loeb Art Center
  - Skinner Hall of Music
  - Vassar and NY Stage & Film's Powerhouse Theater
9. Waryas Park

## Beyond Dutchess

10. Art Omi (Columbia County)
11. Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival (Putnam County)
12. Magazzino Italian Art (Putnam County)
13. Opus 40 (Ulster County)
14. Storm King Art Center (Orange County)



← 13. OPUS 40

↑ 10. ART OMI



6. FISHER CENTER

2. HESSEL MUSEUM



3. 'T' SPACE



4. WASSAIC PROJECT



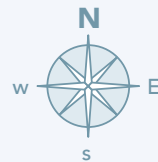
5. BARDAVON



8. VASSAR COLLEGE

9. WARYAS PARK

# Dutchess County



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SCALE IN MILES

## MAP KEY

- Highways
- Rail Lines
- Trailways
- Metro-North Railroad Stations
- Amtrak Stations



1. DIA BEACON

↙ 14. STORM KING ART CENTER

↓ 11. HUDSON VALLEY SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

↓ 12. MAGAZZINO ITALIAN ART



**Jazz in the Valley at Waryas Park**  
Poughkeepsie | [Jazzinthevalleyny.org](http://Jazzinthevalleyny.org)

## Selection of Annual Performing Arts Events

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Check [DutchessTourism.com/events](http://DutchessTourism.com/events) for details and a comprehensive event calendar.

### **Modfest**

Skinner Hall of Music at Vassar College, Poughkeepsie  
[music.vassar.edu/concerts](http://music.vassar.edu/concerts)  
February

### **Vassar & New York Stage and Film's Powerhouse Theater**

Vassar College, Poughkeepsie | [powerhouse.vassar.edu](http://powerhouse.vassar.edu)  
June & July

### **Bard SummerScape**

Fisher Center at Bard, Annandale-on-Hudson  
[fishercenter.bard.edu/summerscape](http://fishercenter.bard.edu/summerscape)  
June - August

### **Hudson Valley Shakespeare Festival**

Garrison | [hvshakespeare.org](http://hvshakespeare.org)  
June - August

### **Bard Music Festival**

Fisher Center at Bard, Annandale-on-Hudson  
[fishercenter.bard.edu/bmf](http://fishercenter.bard.edu/bmf)  
August

### **Jazz in the Valley**

Waryas Park, Poughkeepsie  
[jazzinthevalleyny.org](http://jazzinthevalleyny.org)  
August

### **La Guelaguetza**

Waryas Park, Poughkeepsie  
[facebook.com/pokguelaguetza](http://facebook.com/pokguelaguetza)  
August

### **Kaatsbaan Summer Festival**

Kaatsbaan Cultural Park, Tivoli | [kaatsbaan.org](http://kaatsbaan.org)  
August-September



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