



Bayside Historical Society

February 2026 Newsletter

Celebrating the Arts in Queens for a Quarter of a Century

The Bayside Historical Society's **Winter Art Show**, now celebrating its 25th year, highlights the vibrant work of contemporary artists from across Queens, representing a wide range of styles, perspectives, and media. This long-running annual event reflects our commitment to supporting local creativity and fostering a strong connection between artists and the community. The exhibition features both [online galleries hosted on our website](#) and a live exhibition at The Bay Terrace Shopping Center, making the art accessible to a broad audience.

**This year's show will run from
Wednesday, February 4, through
Sunday, March 1, 2026.**

Come discover and celebrate the remarkable talent of our local artists!



Virtual Art Show:

Access the entire main art show gallery and the student exhibition gallery at baysidehistorical.org/bhs-winter-art-show



Live Exhibition:

Swing by The Bay Terrace Shopping Center to view selections from the art show in the store windows at [211-21 26th Avenue](#), the former Express store, near Ben's Deli and Monster Crab.

[Learn More](#)

Happening This February



Second Sunday Castle Tour

Sun, Feb 8th | 1 PM & 2 PM
BHS Castle

Reserve your spot for the February guided tour of The Castle and its exhibitions, conducted by the Bayside Historical Society staff and volunteers. There will be two tours offered; each tour lasts 45 minutes, with the first starting at 1pm and the second at 2pm. Cost is free; reservations are required.

[Learn More](#)



Open Sew at The Castle

Sun, Feb 8th | 1-3 PM
BHS Castle

Do you sew, quilt, or enjoy handwork like embroidery or knitting? Join fellow sewing enthusiasts for an afternoon of creativity and conversation. Bring a project you're currently working on and enjoy a relaxed, creative environment with others who share your interest.

[Learn More](#)



Sunday Jazz Brunch at the BHS Castle

Feb 15, 2026, 11:00 AM – 2:00 PM

The romance continues after Valentine's Day at the BHS Castle! The Bayside Historical Society is excited to welcome back the **Carl Bartlett, Jr. Quartet** for our annual Sunday Jazz Brunch at the Castle. Join us for a memorable afternoon of smooth jazz, captivating rhythms, and beautiful melodies, paired with a delicious Valentine brunch in our Castle ballroom.

See what's on the [menu](#), and be sure to join in on our raffle drawings for a chance to win!

Reservations are required.
Please RSVP by February 10, 2026.

Coming Up in March 2026



2026 marks the 250th anniversary of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, and BHS is preparing to celebrate our nation's founding with several special events. The celebration begins with [the American Revolution Experience at The Castle](#), running from **March 17–24, 2026**. This innovative pop-up exhibition, presented by the Increase Carpenter Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the American Battlefield Trust, features display panels and interactive digital kiosks that use storytelling, illustration, and technology to connect modern audiences with the people and places that shaped the birth of our nation.

On **March 24, 2026, at 7:30 p.m.**, Dr. Joanne Grasso will present her book, [The American Revolution on Long Island](#), offering a compelling exploration of Long Island's role in the struggle for independence at The Castle. Stay tuned for more exciting event announcements!

Take a Look Back...

Clark Terry (December 14, 1920 – February 21, 2015) was an influential American jazz trumpeter and flugelhornist whose career spanned more than seven decades, playing with giants like Count Basie and Duke Ellington and becoming one of the most recorded musicians in jazz history. A pioneer in jazz education and performance, he also made history as one of the first Black staff musicians on network television with NBC's Tonight Show band. Beyond his musical achievements, Terry was deeply connected to New York: he was a longtime resident of Bayside and Corona in Queens, where he lived, worked with local musicians, and mentored aspiring players, before later moving to New Jersey and Arkansas. His legacy includes not only groundbreaking recordings and performances but a lasting impact on the jazz community in Queens and beyond.



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