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EVENT

**SOMERVILLE OPEN STUDIOS** | April 30 + May 1 2011 | 12 – 6 PM

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Albert Einstein once said, “**Creativity is contagious. Pass it on.**” On **April 30 & May 1**, that is exactly what the Somerville art community plans to do. It’s a weekend of epic proportions where artists open their doors to the art-loving public. **Breaking our own record this year with 391 participants, Somerville Open Studios has become the largest one weekend open studios event in the nation.** From home studios to commercial buildings such as Joy Street, Central Street, Vernon Street, Mad Oyster, Brickbottom, Miller Street, and Mudflat Studios, this FREE citywide event showcases both the established and emerging artists working across a broad spectrum of fine art styles and craft – painting, sculpture, photography, fiber, jewelry, clay, glass and furniture – anything you might want to explore is here in the ‘Ville.

This abundant array of artists both educates the public and raises awareness of the vast cultural diversity within the city. Examples of skill sharing can be found through a variety of workshops and classes (welding to kayak-making) available at the Artisan’s Asylum and private studios. With the help of participating SOS members, students at the Winter Hill School learn to express themselves through art and understand what it means to be a professional artist. Parts and Crafts has started a new program based on Community Supported Education very similar to a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) providing art and science projects to children during school vacations.

**FAQs**

- Map books are available at artist-made stands through-out the city
- Orange Balloons mark artist sites • Some sites and one trolley will be handicap accessible
- Free Trolleys will transport visitors from one neighborhood to the next on 15 minute schedule
- Resident Parking is suspended for this event but meters are in effect.  
Obey all other parking signs. DO NOT block hydrants.

**SOS 2010 HIGHLIGHTS**

**ARTIST’S CHOICE EXHIBIT** | SOMERVILLE MUSEUM | 1 WESTWOOD ROAD | SOS HOURS 11AM - 6PM  
Group Exhibit of many SOS participants to help art-lovers plan their studio visits.

**VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION EXHIBIT** | BLOC 11 CAFÉ | 11 BOW STREET | UNION SQ.  
Art by SOS volunteers who have contributed time and effort in organizing Somerville Open Studios in the past and present. [bloc11.com](http://bloc11.com)

**PLASTIC + FILM** | NAVE GALLERY | 155 POWDERHOUSE BLVD  
An group exhibition of Toy Camera Photography.

**IN THE SANCTUARY: THE SOS MUSIC FEST** - After visiting the NAVE, stop by the Sanctuary and enjoy FREE music by local performers. Hosted and organized by Somerville Favorites Dan Blakeslee and Audrey Ryan  
[www.navegallery.org](http://www.navegallery.org)

**PARTS and CRAFTS** | 155 POWDERHOUSE BLVD  
Science and Art activities for children throughout the SOS weekend. [partsandcrafts.org/](http://partsandcrafts.org/)