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BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Art Studio Opens in Downtown Manassas



Haven Arts, a private, minority-owned art gallery is set to open in Historic

Downtown Manassas. Located in the U.S. Post Office building at 9108 Church Street, the studio will feature a variety of pop and modern artwork, fashion, and other goods from local talents.

Owner Paul Dallas says, "Haven Arts is a safe place for artists to create and express themselves through art, music, and other forms of creative expression. Community outreach, small business merchandise sales, arts-based programs for underserved locals, music, and creative events are some ways we look to engage our surrounding community while expanding upon the cultural and recreational opportunities available in the Manassas area." Haven Arts will celebrate their opening on Saturday, September 3rd from 4-10 p.m.



In addition to Haven Arts joining the growing cultural and arts scene in Manassas, the City also recently broke on a major renovation and expansion of the Manassas Museum. The <u>Museum project</u> will add new galleries, event space, and outdoor areas that will further enhance Downtown's attraction for visitors, residents, and event goers.

PARTNER SPOTLIGHT

Manassas Photo Contest

The City wants to know: what do you love about Manassas?

To discover and capture the best of our growing City, we've launched the "What Do You Love About Manassas?" Photo Contest for residents, businesses, and visitors to share their favorite Manassas imagery. Whether it's an event in the Historic Downtown, a local park, or even your Manassas workplace - we want to see it!



Submit your photos of Manassas by September 30th for a chance to win the \$250 grand prize. Once the contest is complete, all photos will be available for the public to use (at no cost) on the City's online picture catalogue at https://www.flickr.com/photos/cityofmanassas/albums.

Submit your photos here and help tell the story of a City on the rise!

Submit Photo

PROPERTY SPOTLIGHT

Rare Downtown Retail Available / Business for Sale

Locate your business in the Historic Heart of Manassas. Popcorn Monkey, located at 9407 Main Street, is one of only a handful of corner retail storefronts on heavily trafficked Center Street. This property has the



added advantage of being located at the only signalized intersection through that stretch of Downtown Manassas.

The tenant business Popcorn Monkey, a much loved candy and gourmet

popcorn shop, is available for sale. The retail space is also available (850 square feet) for rent. For leasing, contact David Balboni at Ashby Jewelers and for information about acquiring the business, contact Deltone Moore at Popcorn Monkey. For more information, <u>contact the Department of Economic Development</u>.

View Property Flyer

For more information on available property in Manassas, visit <u>https://choosemanassas.org/available-property/</u>.

At the **Department of Economic Development**, our team is driven by a commitment to help businesses like yours thrive and grow. Please consider us as your personal concierge for any business-related needs. From permitting and licensing assistance, to access to capital or finding solutions to workforce demands, we are here for you.



We understand that location is one of the most significant factors in whether a business succeeds and we thank you for choosing Manassas.

We also encourage your feedback. Please share ideas and information directly with us about anything that would be helpful to our local businesses. Also, don't forget to follow us on <u>Facebook</u>, <u>Instagram</u>, and <u>LinkedIn</u> for updates on Manassas happenings.

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Learn more about our business climate here in Manassas, access our annual report, read our blog and more!



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