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‘ARTober’ to celebrate month of arts in Bangor

BY EVAN BELANGER
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The Bangor City Council has formally declared the month of October as ‘ARTober,’ a month long celebration of arts and culture in the Queen City. Planned by the Bangor Commission on Cultural Development, the celebration will showcase more than 80 mostly free events and exhibitions, including live performances, art exhibits, lectures and workshops at more than 30 venues across the city. A complete listing of

events and a downloadable PDF is available on the city’s website at www.bangormaine.gov/artober. “It’s an opportunity for the community to endorse the inherent value of arts and culture [and] praise their contribution to society,” said Caitlin Brooke, the city’s business development specialist and downtown coordinator, and city liason to the cultural commission. In June, the cultural commission received a \$10,000 grant from the Maine Community Foundation for support and

programming related to ARTober. That doubles the commission’s annual budget appropriation from the City Council of \$10,000. Venues for ARTober events include the University of Maine Museum of Art, the Bangor Opera House, Bangor International Airport, the Bangor Mall, Bangor Public Library, galleries, public parks, churches and numerous local restaurants, bars, shops and other businesses.

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Reported by Emily Burnham

THE WEEKLY QUESTION

Reported in Downtown Bangor

“What’s your favorite game day food?”



“Hot wings. Extra hot.”
BEN METZGER AND KEVIN, BANGOR



“Pepperoni pizza.”
BILL LODHOLZ, DAVIS, CA



“Any type of chips and dip. And a frosty refreshment.”
CHRISTI ROBERTSON, BANGOR



“Nachos.”
DENISE REED, BANGOR



“Fenway Franks, for when I’m watching baseball.”
HANK GARFIELD, BANGOR



“My wife cooks very good macaroni and cheese.”
RUDY RAWCLIFFE, WINTERPORT



PHOTO COURTESY TRAER SCOTT/UMMA
“Hunting Dogs,” part of “Natural History,” an exhibit by photographer Traer Scott on display at the University of Maine Museum of Art in Bangor. Scott took candid photos of visitors to the American Music of Natural History in New York City, observing them in the animal dioramas. UMMA is one of many venues and organizations offering programming during ARTober.

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