

# The Buzz

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## What's "On" in February

by Kathleen Donner

Hear "Love Poems for Valentines" at noon at the Library of Congress on Tuesday, February 9. "Orchids: A Cultural Odyssey" at the U.S. Botanic Garden opens on February 6 and closes on April 11. For a look at the transition of early modern art, visit the Corcoran for the "Turner to Cezanne" exhibition. It opens at the end of January and continues until April 25.

Slavery-born Frederick Douglass never knew his real birth date, so he selected February 14. It's celebrated every year at the Frederick Douglass National Historical Site in Anacostia. Tour the house and grounds, take in some American history, and hear live music. It's great for kids. Also great for kids are the monthly family square dances at Eastern Market. February's is on Saturday the 20th from 3 to 4:30 p.m.

What's On Washington features about 500 free and inexpensive things to do every day. Visit [www.whatsoncity.net](http://www.whatsoncity.net).

## Buzz Distributors and Printer Needed

Volunteer distributors are needed for the 400 and 500 blocks of 11th St. and 1200 block of Constitution Ave. This is an excellent opportunity for a young person to earn community service hours.

We are also in need of someone who can make copies free or at a reduced cost. Call 543-3512 or email [Elizabeth\\_knits@yahoo.com](mailto:Elizabeth_knits@yahoo.com).

## C St. & North Carolina Ave. Transportation Study

DDOT has begun a transportation and environmental study of the C St. and North Carolina Ave. corridor from 21st St. to 15th St., NE. This is to be a community-driven study. Findings and recommendations of the study will be reported back to the community for review and comment.

At the January 2 meeting, participants broke into groups and made notes on scale maps of the C St. corridor. This information and other comments will be used to develop proposals to be discussed at the next Stakeholder Workshop. Issues include street-lighting preferences, roundabouts, reduction in number of traffic lanes, widening of tree boxes, and either removal or widening of the existing median. DDOT invites you to participate in the process by attending the public meetings listed below:

- Stakeholder Workshop: Feb. 20, 10 a.m., Maury ES, 1250 Constitution Ave. NE.
- Public Open House: April 8, 6 p.m. (prior to ANC 6A meeting), Miner ES, 601 15th Street, NE.

Input can also be sent directly to Bill Schultheiss, Toole Design, Project Manager, at [wschultheiss@tooledesign.com](mailto:wschultheiss@tooledesign.com).

Meeting dates and venues, including changes, will be posted on the Calendar page at [www.anc6a.org](http://www.anc6a.org). For more information, visit [www.cstreetne.blogspot.com](http://www.cstreetne.blogspot.com).

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **NLPNA meeting**, 1st Tues. (Feb. 2), 7:30 p.m., Lane Memorial CME Church, 14<sup>th</sup> and C St. NE.
- **ANC 6A meeting**, second Thurs. (Feb. 11), 7 p.m., Miner ES, 601 15<sup>th</sup> St. NE. For more info, visit [www.anc6a.org](http://www.anc6a.org).
- **Evolve Gallery Opening**, Sat. Feb. 13, 4-7 p.m., Pierce School Lofts, 1375 Maryland Ave. *See article.*
- **Preservation Café**, Wed. Feb. 17, 6:30 p.m., Ebenezer's Coffee House, 2nd & F St. NE. *See article.*
- **Maury ES Open House**, Thurs. Feb. 18, 9-10:30 a.m., 1250 Constitution Ave. NE. *See article.*
- **C St. Redesign Public Meeting**, Sat. Feb. 20, 10 a.m., Maury ES, corner of 13<sup>th</sup> St. & Constitution Ave. NE. *See article.*
- *The Buzz* is available at [www.anc6a.org/publications.html](http://www.anc6a.org/publications.html). Staff can be reached at 543-3512.

## Energy Cooperative

The Capitol Hill Energy Cooperative will meet Tuesday, February 16 at 7 p.m. at Capitol Hill United Methodist Church, 421 Seward Square SE. Speakers include representatives of DDOE, Elysian Energy, and PEG, who will speak about the Home Energy Rating Systems program, how energy audits work, and what additional programs and funding are available.

For more information, contact [info@capitolhillenergycoop.org](mailto:info@capitolhillenergycoop.org).

## Library Programs

The Northeast Branch Library's programs include:

- ♦ Toddler Times, Tuesdays & Thursdays, 11:15 a.m. Ages 2-5.
- ♦ Storytimes for ages 3-7, Mon. Feb. 1, 8 & 22, 4 p.m.
- ♦ Book Club, Wed. Feb. 4, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Ages 8-12.
- ♦ Music & Movement, Sat. Feb. 6, 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Tween Club, Sat. Feb. 6, 4-4:45 p.m. Ages 8-12.
- ♦ Chess Club, Mon. Feb. 8, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Teen Movie Night, Wed. Feb. 10, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Valentine's Day Craft & Story, Sat. Feb. 13, 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Teen Gaming Night, Wed. Feb. 17, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Origami Club, Wed. Feb. 18, 4-5 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Storytime & Craft, Sat. Feb. 20, 10:30 a.m.
- ♦ Crafty Teens, Mon. Feb. 22, 5:30-6:30 p.m. Ages 12-19.
- ♦ Sign Language Storytime, Sat. Feb. 27, 10:30 a.m.

The library is at 7th St. and Maryland Ave. NE, 698-3320. It will be closed February 15.

## The Capitol Hill Restoration Society Presents...

the Preservation Café series, a free forum with topics of interest to the greater Capitol Hill community. The next presentation will be Wednesday, February 17, 6:30-7:15 p.m., at Ebenezer's Coffee House, 2nd and F St. NE. Jim Conlon from Elysian Energy will talk about Home Energy Audits.

The event is free and handicapped accessible, and the public is encouraged to attend. No reservations needed. For more information about the Capitol Hill Restoration Society, visit [www.chrs.org](http://www.chrs.org).

## Evolve Urban Arts

Evolve Property Management presents "Orchestrated Misbehavior" featuring works by Erica Riccardelli at the Evolve Urban Arts Gallery @ Pierce School Lofts, 1375 Maryland Ave. NE.

The genesis of *Orchestrated Misbehavior* stems from Ms. Riccardelli's penchant for carefully arranging her pictorial components into fanciful tableaux vivants. Her childhood fantasies provide her adult mind with opportunities to bring disjointed memories, fantasies, and hair-brained ideas to a fruition captured on film. With a self-described "fondness for the absurd," Ms. Riccardelli inserts herself into engaging juxtapositions that simultaneously reflect her dark humor and romantic aesthetic.

An opening reception will be held from 4-7 p.m. on Saturday, February 13. Hours at the gallery are 1-4 p.m., Monday through Friday, and the show will continue through March 27. The exhibit is free and the public is welcome.

The Evolve Urban Arts Project enriches the lives of residents and neighbors by providing free exhibition space to artists based in the metropolitan area. For further information, please visit their website at [www.evolvedc.com](http://www.evolvedc.com).



Target Practice by Erica Riccardelli

## Carjacking Alert

There has been a rash of armed carjackings in the immediate neighborhood. In December, DC Police Chief Lanier accepted responsibility for resolution of the problem. She will make a progress report on Thursday, February 4, 6:30-7:30 p.m. at Options Public Charter School, 1375 E St. NE. Attend if you can, and please be alert to your surroundings.

## Maury at the Market

by Heather Schoell, PTA vice-president  
The Maury PTA announces an exciting event in support of Maury Elementary School, a DC Public School. "Maury at the Market," a silent auction and reception, will be held Saturday, March 20 from 7 - 9:30 p.m. at the historic Eastern Market North Hall. All proceeds will go for PTA programs to enrich the educational experience of Maury's students, ranging from pre-school through 5th grade.

Funds are put to good use. For example, we have hired part-time educational aides for the teachers in grades three to five. We've provided the school's growing music program with new instruments and have supported educational outings, special assemblies, and workshops for our students, as well as other important supplemental educational programming.

We hope that you will join us at this fun event!

## Maury Open House

Maury Elementary will hold an open house for families of prospective students at the school, 13th St. and Constitution Ave. NE, February 18, from 9 - 10:30 a.m.

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