

# Press Release

# Brooklyn Museum



First Saturday: Live at the Brooklyn Museum, August 2021. (Photo: Kolin Mendez Photography)

## The Brooklyn Museum Announces Public Programs in August for Visitors of All Ages

In-person and virtual programming welcomes community members to the Museum

The Brooklyn Museum presents a robust lineup of programming for adults and children this August, including activations of the special exhibition *Virgil Abloh: "Figures of Speech,"* the return of First Saturdays celebrating the Caribbean diaspora, jazz in the garden, and more. Other programs include talks, classes, tours, and special events that amplify the Museum's exhibitions and collection, serve the surrounding community, and support learning through the visual arts.

Masks are optional for staff and visitors in the building (except for the Auditorium, where masks are required). Certain events and programs may require proof of vaccination; please review your tickets closely for up-to-date requirements. Some programs will take place online and through the Museum's social media channels.

Museum Members enjoy complimentary or discounted tickets and early access to public programs.

The full schedule is as follows:

## **Virtual We Speak Art**

**Thursday, August 4, 6–7 pm**

Online

Free, reserve [tickets](#) in advance.

Participants join fellow English language learners to practice conversational English skills in a discussion inspired by a work of art. All levels of English proficiency are welcome.

## **Intern Convening**

**Friday, August 5, 9:30 am–5:30 pm**

Throughout the Museum

Free, reserve [tickets](#) in advance.

Interns and emerging arts professionals are invited for a full day of programming to discuss the role of museums and how those at the beginning of their careers can shape the field.

## **First Saturday: A Famalay Function**

**Saturday, August 6, 5–10 pm**

Throughout the Museum

Free, reserve [tickets](#) in advance. Admission is subject to capacity at the time of arrival.

Gather your friends and famalay for an evening of live music, movement, and readings celebrating the vibrant Caribbean diaspora. Check out the [full lineup](#).

## **Virtual Hablemos de Arte**

**Thursday, August 11, 6:30–7:30 pm**

Online

Free, reserve [tickets](#) in advance.

Spanish language speakers and learners are invited to practice exchanging ideas in Spanish with an informal conversation inspired by a work of art. All levels of Spanish proficiency are welcome.

## **Yoga on the Stoop**

**Saturday, August 13 and 20, 10–11 am**

Brooklyn Museum Plaza (rain location: Beaux-Arts Court, 3rd Floor)

[Tickets](#) are \$16 and include Museum general admission. Tickets including admission to *Virgil Abloh: "Figures of Speech"* are \$25.

Start the day on the plaza steps with yoga and meditation in a gentle flow class, which is open to all levels and led by local instructors. Please bring your own mat.

## **Second Sundays: Virgil Abloh's SOCIAL SCULPTURE**

**Sunday, August 14, 2:30–4 pm**

Iris and B. Gerald Cantor Auditorium, 3rd Floor

[Tickets](#) are \$35 and include admission to *Virgil Abloh: "Figures of Speech"* after the program. The last entry for the exhibition is at 4:30 pm.

Catch programs and performances inspired by Virgil Abloh's *SOCIAL SCULPTURE* and the late artist and designer's desire to create space for Black creatives and young people. August's program features a conversation on fashion with Shayne Oliver, creator of

Anonymous Club and founder of Hood by Air; and Jian DeLeon, Men's Fashion and Editorial Director, Nordstrom; moderated by Will Welch, Editor-in-Chief, GQ.

**Drink and Draw: Virgil Abloh: "Figures of Speech"**

**Thursday, August 18, 7–9:30 pm**

Steinberg Family Sculpture Garden, 1st Floor (rain location: Martha A. and Robert S. Rubin Pavilion, 1st Floor)

[Tickets](#) are \$35 and include after-hours admission to *Virgil Abloh: "Figures of Speech,"* a Brooklyn Museum tote, and a complimentary drink.

Sketch from live models, listen to music, and enjoy after-hours access to *Virgil Abloh: "Figures of Speech"* in this installment of our monthly series of life drawing classes.

**Black Fashion Fair Presents Museum World Tour**

**Saturday, August 27, 7–11 pm**

Martha A. and Robert S. Rubin Pavilion and Lobby and Great Hall, 1st Floor

[Tickets](#) are \$40 and include access to *Virgil Abloh: "Figures of Speech."*

Enjoy a high-energy evening celebrating Black Fashion Fair with musical performances, artist-led activations, games, a photo booth, and programming.

**Jazz in the Garden: Neil Clarke Trio Plus**

**Sunday, August 28, 2–4 pm**

Steinberg Family Sculpture Garden, 1st Floor

Free and open to the public.

In this month's installment of the Museum's backyard Sculpture Garden performance series, acclaimed percussionist Neil Clarke takes the stage with his Trio Plus project. Centering music from the Caribbean, Trio Plus draws on Clarke's decades of experience as a musician, bandleader, and educator. This program is presented in partnership with Jazz Foundation of America.