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Now Open in Old Town: Amelie's...A French Bakery

Amelie's...A French Bakery has opened its first South Carolina location in Old Town Rock Hill. Described online as "a Parisian shabby chic bakery and café serving French inspired fare," Amelie's is known for its wide variety of homemade French pastries and desserts. It also serves locally-roasted coffee by Magnolia Coffee, loose leaf teas by Harney & Sons,



hot chocolate made with real chocolate ganache, homemade soups, sandwiches, and salads.

Pastry and dessert cases at Amelie's Rock Hill. The flagship

location is in the historic NoDa Arts District of Charlotte, North Carolina. It has become a destination for people of all ages. Amelie's opened its second location in Uptown Charlotte. The Rock Hill location at 157 E. Main Street is its third. The Amelie's team chose this specific location because of the beautiful downtown area, and because of the City of Rock Hill's recruitment efforts.

Amelie's Rock Hill features eclectic French-themed décor. It offers seating on the main level, as well as upstairs by the fireplace. It is also available for private events.

Amelie's Rock Hill is open every Monday through Wednesday from 7am to 7pm, and every Thursday through Sunday, 24 hours. Free WiFi. For more information, call 803-403-9409 or visit the website: ameliesfrenchbakery.com

Arcade Mill Historic Markers and Cotton Mill Village Dedication

The City of Rock Hill has unveiled three historic markers which depict and commemorate the former Arcade Mill. The markers are placed along the Winston Searles Memorial Trail in Old Town's Hagins-Fewell Neighborhood.

Arcade Mill opened in 1887 to produce cotton broadcloth and garbardine. In 1996, it was destroyed by fire. The mill site has since been cleaned up, and historic markers have been erected to serve as a reminder of the mill's contributions to the community.

In conjunction with the unveiling of the last historic marker, Connelly Development dedicated their most

recent project, Cotton Mill Village. This project included the rehabilitation and conversion of the Rock Hill Body Company's building and property on Hardin and W. Main Streets into affordable housing: 21 apartments and 18 rental homes.



Unveiling of the last ArcadeMill Historic Marker.

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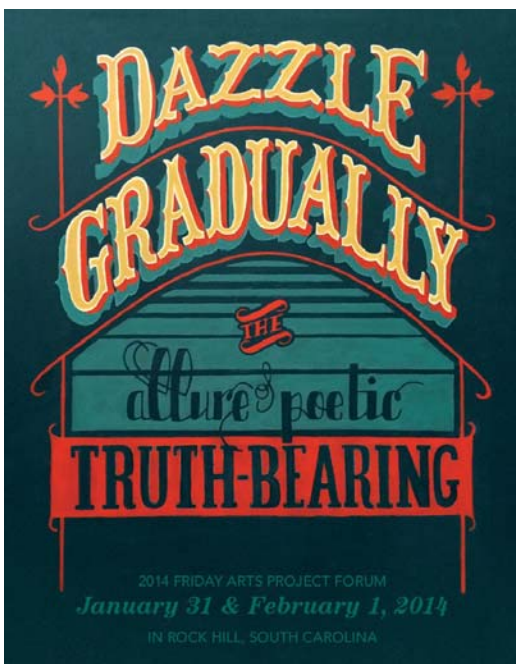


Dazzle Gradually: The Allure of Poetic Truth-Bearing

As a follow up to its 2013 event, A Place at the Table, Friday Arts Project presents this year's two-day forum, Dazzle Gradually: The Allure of Poetic Truth-Bearing. This forum will celebrate the action of invitation and challenge in poetry, narrative, music, visual art, and feasting.

Featured guests will include Maurice Manning, poet and Pulitzer finalist; Paul Matheny, SC State Museum Curator of Art; Sandra McCracken, Nashville singer-songwriter; Dori Sanders, local author and farmer; Tommy Tomlinson, columnist and Pulitzer finalist; and Dan Huntley, Southern food provocateur.

Forum activities will include "The Search for Truth," a gallery exhibition and artist talk by Paul Matheny; a concert by Sandra McCracken; story and poetry readings; guest lectures; performance art; panel and audience discussions; and artisanal food, including a Jubilatory Carolina Perloo Feast by Dan Huntley, with paired wine and live music. There will also be a curated silent art auction to benefit local literacy efforts.



Dazzle Gradually: The Allure of Poetic Truth-Bearing will be held in Old Town and is sponsored by MailChimp.

For more details, including ticket prices and registration information, call 803-554-1826 or visit: fridayartsproject.org

Wine Dinner at Erin's

The next wine dinner at Erin's Restaurant will be held on **January 15th** at 7pm. It will include tastes of wine paired with different courses of a delicious meal. The cost is \$48 per person, with limited seating available. Call 803-493-9428 for reservations.

Erin's Restaurant is located in Old Town at 129 Caldwell Street. For more information, visit the website: erinsrockhill.com

Arts Events

Center for the Arts
121 E. Main Street
803-328-2787

Community Performance Center
249 E. Main Street
www.yorkcountyarts.org

Prohibition Party

January 11th, 7:30pm

Gents, don your favorite bowtie and cufflinks. Ladies, get dolled up in feathers and pearls. It's time to step out, prohibition-style! The Arts Council of York County is hosting a Prohibition Party in high style at the Courtroom at the Gettys Art Center, 201 E. Main Street. The party will include samples of the finest wine, scotch, and beer; a gourmet cheese buffet; light hors d'oeuvres, and desserts. Dance the night away with music by jazz trio, Take Three. Tickets: \$50 per person, available by calling 803-328-2787 or online: yorkcountyarts.org

Jessy Carolina & the Hot Mess

January 18th, 7:30pm

Jessy Carolina & the Hot Mess is a New York City-based ensemble specializing in early American roots and jazz music from the late 1800s to the 1930s. Members are from California, Florida, North Dakota, Japan, and South Carolina. Community Performance Center, 249 E. Main Street. Tickets: \$25 advance; \$30 at the door. For more information, call 803-328-2787 or visit the website: yorkcountyarts.org

Four: A Performance Installation by The Trust Exhibition: Now through January 17th

The Trust is an interdisciplinary group of creators — Bridget Elmer, R. Brooke Priddy, Matt Schnable, and Nathanael Roney—who meld their talents in printmaking, textiles, graphic design, and sound into a collective engagement. Their installation piece, entitled Four, is currently on display in the Elizabeth Dunlap Patrick Gallery of Winthrop University's Rutledge Building, 1898 Alumni Drive.

Library Events

138 E. Black Street * 803-981-5830
www.yclibrary.org * 803-981-5888

What's Cookin' at the Library—Soup's On!

January 7th, 2pm to 3pm

Enjoy a demonstration on making delicious soup for cold winter days. Taste them all and choose a favorite. Recipes will be available. Call to register.

Setting Financial Goals and Managing Income

January 16th, 6:30pm to 8pm

Start the new year by setting financial goals and developing a budget. Class will be taught by Marc Morris, a retired financial professional. Workbooks and handouts will be given to participants at no charge. Call to register.

Affordable Care Act: Questions and Answers

January 16th, 1pm

A Certified Application Counselor will explain the Affordable Care Act, including qualifications and how to use the Health Insurance Marketplace to find coverage that meets your needs. Those who already have insurance and just want to learn more are also welcome to attend. Call to register.

Friends of the York County Library Book Sale

Thousands of books for all ages will be sold at bargain prices at the Pope John Center at the Oratory, 434 Charlotte Avenue. Sale dates:

- ♦ **January 23rd**, 5pm to 8pm. Opening night for Friends members only. Memberships may be purchased/renewed at the door.
- ♦ **January 24th**, 9am to 7pm. Public sale.
- ♦ **January 25th**, 9am to 3pm. Public sale. Half-price day.

Wee Wednesdays

On Wee Wednesdays, kids ages three and younger, with their caregivers, can enjoy music, movement, and crafts at the Main Street Children's Museum. Free with paid museum admission. Schedule for January:

- ♦ **January 15th**, 10:30am to 11am
- ♦ **January 22nd**, 10:30am to 11am
- ♦ **January 29th**, 10:30am to 11am

Main Street Children's Museum is located at 133 E. Main Street. For more details, call 803-327-6400 or visit: mainstreetchildrensmuseum.org

Game Nights at Erin's

Erin's Restaurant now has Game Nights **every Tuesday and Wednesday** from 5pm to 9pm. Play the board or card games available in the restaurant, or bring some from home. On Game Nights, beer is 50¢ off, wine is \$1 off, and guests can enjoy a bottomless cup of soup for \$8, adding a salad for \$1.50. The regular menu is available as well.

Erin's Restaurant is located at 129 Caldwell Street. It is open for lunch Monday—Friday, 11am to 2:30pm; for dinner Tuesday—Thursday, 5pm to 9pm and Friday—Saturday, 5pm to 10pm; and for Sunday brunch from 10:30am to 2pm. Reservations are welcome but not required. To make a reservation, call 803-493-9428. For more information, visit the website: erinsrockhill.com

Upcoming Performance

Rock Hill Community Theatre will present *She Loves Me*, a romantic comedy set in the 1930s. The play is about two feuding clerks in a European parfumerie who secretly find solace in their anonymous romantic pen pals. Little do they know, their respective correspondents are none other than each other.

Shows will be held at the Community Performance Center, 249 E. Main Street, according to the following schedule:

- ♦ **February 7th**, 8pm
- ♦ **February 8th**, 8pm
- ♦ **February 9th**, 3pm*
- ♦ **February 14th**, 8pm
- ♦ **February 15th**, 8pm
- ♦ **February 16th**, 3pm*

Cost: \$15 adults, \$12 students/seniors.

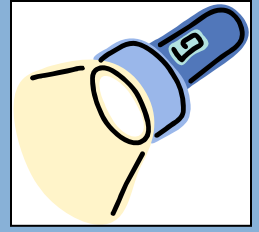
* \$2 off matinee.

To purchase tickets, call 803-326-7428 or visit the website: carolinatix.org. For more information about the show, visit the website: rockhilltheatre.org



Business Spotlight:

East Main Guest House



East Main Guest House is a charming Bed & Breakfast in Old Town. It was built in 1916 and purchased by Jerry and Melba Peterson in 1990. The Petersons fully renovated the property, earning them a Historic Rock Hill Renovation Award. Melba, a graduate of Winthrop University's School of Interior Design, decorated the entire home herself.

East Main Guest House features three beautifully appointed bedrooms, each with a television and a private bathroom. Two of the rooms also have a fireplace, and one overlooks the garden. In addition, there is a sitting room for all guests with games, a television, and a fridge full of drinks. The home has WiFi as well, and there is ample parking in the back. A full hot gourmet breakfast is served to guests each morning. At times, it is enjoyed outside on the brick terrace or underneath the pergola in the garden. East Main Guest House is also available for bridal showers and other small gatherings. It can accommodate up to 30 people, either indoors or outdoors.

The Petersons opened East Main Guest House to the public in 1991, nearly 23 years ago. Today, it continues to be a family owned and operated business. Melba, along with her son and daughter-in-law, Scott and Donna Peterson, offer friendly hospitality to guests year-round. They are active members of Historic Rock Hill and the East Town Neighborhood Association; they are charter members of the South Carolina Bed & Breakfast Association; and their home is a stop on ChristmasVille's Historic Homes Tour.

East Main Guest House is located at 600 E. Main Street, within walking distance of downtown shops, art venues, and restaurants. To make a reservation, call 803-366-1161. For more information, visit the website: bbonline.com/sc/east main

Upcoming Events

Big Ray & the Kool Kats

March 14th, 7:30pm

Big Ray & the Kool Kats is comprised of a crisp four-piece rhythm section, four sizzling horn players, and a variety of vocalists. Community Performance Center, 249 E. Main Street. Tickets: \$35 advance; \$40 at the door. For more information, call 803-328-2787 or visit the website: yorkcountyarts.org

Alan Black & the Tryon Street Quartet

April 26th, 7:30pm

The four principal players from the Charlotte Symphony Orchestra have formed Alan Black & the Tryon Street Quartet. Community Performance Center, 249 E. Main Street. Tickets: \$25 advance; \$30 at the door. For more information, call 803-328-2787 or visit the website: yorkcountyarts.org