

Willimantic Downtown

SEPTEMBER STROLL MAP & GUIDE

Sales, specials, music, kids' activities & more.

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stroll participants

Map on back. Please refer to individual store/eatery/attraction for hours of operation.

- 1. A CUPCAKE FOR LATER**
– buy 5 cupcakes, get 1 free
- 2. BENCH SHOP** – 1/2 price selected items; Buy 1 Get 1 on Manic Panic hair dye; T-shirts \$8 & \$10; \$2 posters; Halloween selected items up to 75% off
- 3. BLISS** – sidewalk sale with refreshments (Froggie cupcakes and treats as well as “Frog juice.”)
- 4. CAFÉMANTIC** – brunch and music by Ashlee Paradis from 11am to 1pm.
- 5. CORLEONE’S** – \$1 off drinks until 9pm
- 6. EDIBLE ARRANGEMENTS**
– fruit cutting interactive demo for kids
- 7. EMINENCE INK**
– temporary tattoo’s, face painting and discount on piercings
- 8. JEWELS VERNE JEWELERS**
– 20% off until closing
- 9. KERRI ART STUDIO & GALLERY**
– taste of color uncorked, 10am-2pm
- 10. LEFTY’S LANDING** – offering a September Stroll Lunch or Dinner Special - Buy 1 entree and get 2nd entree at 1/2 price (of lesser or equal value)
- 11. THE LILY PAD ARTS & FRAMING**
– check with merchant
- 12. LUCKY FROG**
– evening drink special
- 13. MI RINCONCITO**
– check with merchant
- 14. OUR PLACE RESTAURANT**
– lunch or dine with us for September Stroll Specials
- 15. RAJEAN’S**
– 25% off anything over \$10
- 16. SCHILLER’S SEWING CIRCLE**
– check with merchant
- 17. SCOTT’S CYCLERY**
– 10% off everything (excludes bikes). Sale on mini bikes.
- 18. SWIFT WATERS ARTISANS CO-OP**
– artist and artisan sidewalk tag sale and red dot sale inside the store (art supplies, jewelry, frames and more!)
- 19. THE SHOE SMITH** - 9-2
- 20. WILLIMANTIC BREWING COMPANY** – 20% retail items until 4:30pm, Late Night Happy Hour from 10pm - 12:30am.
- 21. WILLIMANTIC FOOD CO-OP**
– Cider samples, loads of mums, apples and the first of the Autumn Harvest - all out in front of the Co-op!
- 22. WILLIMANTIC PUBLIC LIBRARY** – simple kids’ crafts
- 23. WILLIMANTIC RECORDS** –
1:45pm - Jazz legends Paul Flaherty and Randall Colbourne
3pm - Gene Moore from the band Prana-Bindu and his brother Thurston Moore of Sonic Youth
- 24. WINDHAM TEXTILE AND HISTORY MUSEUM** – Andy Wyeth signed watercolor display and sale. \$45-\$50. Anyone purchasing a print will also receive a FREE copy of *Mills and Meadows* by Bruce Stave and Michele Palmer (a \$20 value) or *Willimantic Industry and Community: The Rise and Decline of a Connecticut Textile City* by Tom Beardsley (a \$15 value).
- 25. YELLOW ROSE BBQ**
– free side with purchase of sandwich
- 26. ZOK’S HOMEBREWING AND WINEMAKING SUPPLIES**
– Discount on beer and wine beginner’s classes if patrons register the day of the stroll.
- 27. JEAN HENDERSON PHOTOGRAPHY**
- 28. WINDHAM THEATRE GUILD**
– presenting *No Sex Please, We’re British*, 8pm, tickets \$12-\$18

*specials subject to change. see participants for details.

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STROLL MAP KEY

- CHALK STATION
- FROG PHOTO STAND
- P PARKING
- # STROLL PARTICIPANT
- A HISTORIC BRIDGE

Please refer to other side for participant list & corresponding number. Map not to scale.

WILLIMANTIC'S BRIDGES

A. GARDEN ON THE BRIDGE

The narrow stone arch bridge was built in 1857 by Lyman Jordan and Nathaniel Olin. In 1857 the new stone arch cost \$3,200 to build and was paid for by the Willimantic Linen Co. (Willimantic Thread) and an eight percent tax hike on the town's richest citizens. The Bridge's beautiful public gardens are maintained by volunteers of the Windham Garden Club and Public Works employees.

B. THREAD CITY CROSSING

Also known as the The Frog Bridge, Thread City Crossing spans the Willimantic River. The nearly 500-foot bridge connects routes 66 and 32, and is adorned with eleven foot high bronze frogs atop concrete thread spools, designed by Leo Jensen. The spools on the bridge represent Willimantic's

prominence in cotton thread and silk manufacturing. The frogs represent the legendary Windham Frog Fight of 1754.

C. WILLIMANTIC FOOTBRIDGE

On the National Register of Historical Places, the Willimantic Footbridge was erected in 1906. It cost \$12,000.00 to build, a lot of money in 1906. The 635 foot long bridge is the only structure east of the Mississippi River to span a highway, railroad tracks and a river (the Willimantic River).

