Hudson: Where you’ll have a Whale of a Time

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Hudson is defined by its commitment to small businesses, art, and its unique culture because of the city’s past successes and dedication to its future endeavors.
Location
The city was established in 1783 by Quaker whalers.

- Olana State Historic Site ~ Hilltop home of Hudson River School painter, Frederic Church
- Hudson Opera House ~ features live performances that include musical artists and theatrical productions.
- Carrie Haddad Gallery ~ specializes in all types of painting, sculpture, paper work and photography
- Stageworks Hudson ~ adventurous theater productions and programs of high artistic quality
- Time and Space Limited ~ view independent films in the small 1940s-style theater.
- Hudson is also really committed to tourism as they have a very informational website and blog that tells you anything and everything you would want to know about Hudson. However, they are lacking on the social media front.
Olana was the 19th century home, studio and designed landscape of Hudson River School artist Frederic Edwin Church (1826-1900), his wife Isabel and their four children.

The main house on the Olana site was planned carefully by Church and Calvert Vaux to resemble a “unique mixture of Victorian architectural elements and Middle-Eastern decorative motifs”.

Fun Fact! The name “Olana” was created by Isabel and is a reference to a Persian fortress which the house resembles!

Be sure to check out everything we have to offer!

- Guided house tours
- Rotating exhibits in the Evelyn & Maurice Sharp Gallery
- Programs and special events for all ages
- Visitor Center offers an exhibit, film, interactive touch screen computers and museum shop
- Family activities are available regularly at the Wagon House Education Center

Sign up for our e-newsletter! Receive information about Special Events, Invitations & News from Olana!
Guide to Olana State Historic Site

Address: 5720 New York 9G, Hudson, New York 12534
Website: http://www.olana.org/
Contact Information: (518)-828-0135

Historical Description:
- Olana State Historic Site was the home of Frederic Edwin Church (1826-1900) and his wife Isabel (1836-1899)
- The estate was named after a fortress in what is now Armenia.
- Became a National Historic Landmark in 1965

About the Site:
- Guided Tours through the house Tuesday-Sunday
- Spring and Fall Art Exhibits in the Evelyn and Maurice Sharp Gallery
- Public programs
- Museum/Visitor Center

Directions: Take W and A west NY to N/Low Ave for a mile, then turn onto N York St for 0.5 miles
Itinerary for Olana State Historic Site

Time: 3.5 hours

Features: Art Museum, House Tour and Views of the Hudson River Valley

- Begin at 11 am: Olana State Historic Site has various exhibits for the whole family to enjoy. At this site you will go on a tour of the house, followed by a trip to the Visitors Center and Museum, and finish the day off with a picnic outside the house and enjoy the beautiful views, once viewed by Frederic Church.

  - Meet in the main floor/ studio wing of the house. From here you will get to go on a tour of the house and view some of the paintings made by Church himself. This tour will last between 45-60 minutes.

  - After the tour, you can visit the Museum/Visitors Center. Here you can find souvenirs based off of Church's art and view films about him to learn about his life. You will spend 45 minutes here.

  - Once you have finished your browsing in the Visitors Center, you can head outside the home for a picnic lunch. The area outside the home is free to the public. During your lunch you will get to view the Hudson River Valley just like Frederic Church did when he lived here.
Lesson for Olana State Historic Site

~Students will have learned previously about the Hudson River School painter, Frederic Church.

~Students will explore the Visitor Center which offers a film and an illustrated panel display about the life of Frederic Church and the history of Olana.

~Students will be given a worksheet based on the information from the Visitor Center and work in groups to complete. Team that gets most answers correct will receive a small prize. Discuss answers as a class once each group has finished.

http://www.123rf.com/clipart-vector/worksheet.html
Stageworks

Follow for Fun!
Stay Informed! Make sure to join our email list to keep in touch with what’s happening here at StageWorks Hudson!

Fun Fact! The original brick building housing Stageworks is over 100 years old!

Stageworks is dedicated to bringing adventurous theater productions and programs of high artistic quality to the City of Hudson.

Check out our latest features!

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Guide to Stageworks Hudson

Address: 41 Cross Street, Hudson, New York 12534
Website: http://www.stageworkshudson.org/
Contact Information: (518)-828-7843

Historical Description:
- Stageworks on the Hudson is a not-for-profit corporation that has been producing live Equity theater since its conception in 1996.
- The Max and Lillian Katzman Theater
- They work to engage both traditional and regular theatergoers as well as new audiences.

About the Site:
- Examples of past productions: Tomorrow in the Battle, The Amish Project, Forbidden Broadway, Car Talk, Nowhere on the Border, Wedding Story

Directions: Take the New York State Thruway (I-87) north about 120 miles to exit 21 (Rip Van Winkle Bridge / Route 23 / Hudson) Cross the river and follow Route 23 east about a half mile to Route 9G (Hudson). Turn left on Route 9G and proceed north about three miles to Hudson. (Route 9G becomes “Third Street” in Hudson.) At the third light, turn left on Warren Street and proceed in. Parking is locating in the back of the building where the main theater entrance is located. Handicap parking is located on Cross Street.
Day 1: Stageworks on the Hudson
Time: 2 hours
Features: Plays
- Arrive at Stageworks by 2:30 pm
  - Proceed to the theater at 2:45 to watch the play, "Play By Play Rendezvous", directed by Laura Margolis. This is part of Stageworks "Annual Festival of One Act Plays".
Lesson for Stageworks Hudson

~ Students will watch a theatrical performance.

~ After the performance, the students will work in groups to complete a worksheet regarding the play.

~ After they complete the worksheet, they will discuss the answers as a class.

http://www.clipartpanda.com/categories/theatre-clip-art
Fun fact: The Hudson Opera House is New York’s oldest surviving theatre!

Many famous personalities of the Hudson River Valley have made appearances at the Hudson Opera House including:
- Theodore Roosevelt
- Frederic Church
- Susan B. Anthony
- Sanford Gifford

What Do We Offer?
- concerts
- readings
- lectures,
- exhibitions
- theatre and dance
- after-school programs
- workshops
- classes
- community arts events

Inquire about renting out the Hudson Opera House for your next function!

Built in 1855, the building was designed by local architect Peter Avery. Prior to becoming the Hudson Opera House, it housed various civic offices, including the Post Office and Police Station, and was home to the Franklin Library and the First National Bank of Hudson.

Call (518) 822-1438 or email info@hudsonoperahouse.org to inquire about our current programs and exhibitions.
Guide to the Hudson Opera House

Address: 327 Warren Street, Hudson, New York 12534
Website: http://hudsonoperahouse.org
Contact Information: (518)-822-1438 and info@hudsonoperahouse.org

Historical Description:

- Built in 1855 and designed by local architect Peter Avery.
- Most known for its beautiful auditorium which has been used for everything from theater performances to cotillions.
- Famous people
- Unfortunately, for a period of about 30 years, the building was vacant, but has recently been restored, upgraded, and revamped into the culturally magnificent theater it once was.

About the Site:

- Year round schedule of arts and cultural programs for education and pleasure.
- After-school programs and classes

Directions: Take the Taconic Parkway, Columbia County Exit at Rte. 82
Day 1, Afternoon: Hudson Opera House

Time: 1.5 hours

Features: Shows and activities

- Begin at 2:30 pm, check in to the Hudson Opera House and will receive a guide of what the Opera House has to offer. The goal of the Hudson Opera House is, "To inspire and promote the arts and to play a pivotal role in the cultural and economic advancement of the region" (Hudson Opera House).

- Upon entering the Opera House, you will receive tickets for the shows "Spring Ring", "Fidelity", and "Joakim Laracey". You will be given a brief description of each of the shows and you will have a choice of which one you see.

- While waiting for the show, you can explore the different activities the Opera house has to offer to keep the kids busy. These range from painting, to music, and to reading.

http://gossipsofrivertown.blogspot.com/2015_02_01_archive.html
Lesson for Hudson Opera House

~Students will participate in workshops that include how to draw, paint, and dance.

~After all workshops are completed, students will come together as a class and have a “show and tell” period where they will share with each other what they did in each workshop and what they learned.

http://www.clipartpanda.com/categories/art-supplies-clipart
Linda Mussmann founded TSL in 1973 in New York City and Claudia Bruce joined as co-director in 1976.

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Fun Fact: Members and visitors used to have to bring their own cushions to soften the hard wooden pews in the theatres!

When Claudia and Linda first walked into what would become the new TSL building on Columbia Street, they knew it was a dream come true – finding an art space that could be ever evolving.

TSL is fun for the whole family! We offer:

- Live Broadcasts of Met Operas, the National Theater of London’s NT Live, and the Bolshoi Ballet
- Movies
- Art Exhibitions
- Youth Programs
Guide to Time and Space Limited

Address: 434 Columbia Street, Hudson, New York 12534
Website: www.timeandspace.org
Contact Information: (518)-822-8100 and FYI@timeandspace.org

Historical Description:
Moved to Hudson location in 1991 and renovated the building into a unique space for art.

About the Site:
❖ Unique movies are shows often followed by filmmaker discussions
❖ Live Broadcasts of Met Operas, the National Theater of London’s NT Live, and the Bolshoi Ballet.
❖ Youth Programs
❖ Art exhibitions

Directions: Follow NY-115 N to Taconic State Parkway in Clinton Corners. Take the Taconic State Pkwy N exit from NY-115 N. Follow Taconic State Pkwy to Ny-82 N in Taghkanic. Take the NY-82 exit from Taconic State Pkwy. Turn right onto NY-82 N. Follow U.S. 9 N to Columbia Street in Hudson.
Itinerary for Time and Space Limited

Time: 2 hours

Features: Plays, movies, live readings, and art exhibits

Once you arrive at the destination, you will go to the theater and watch the movie, "THE CASE OF THE THREE-SIDED DREAM: Rashaan Roland Kirk", directed by Adam Kahan. The movie is approximately 1 hour and 28 minutes.
Lesson for Time and Space Limited

~Students will view a documentary film that reflects the local and global concerns of Hudson River Valley residents.

~After the movie the students will engage in a discussion hosted by the filmmaker, discussing the content of the film.

~Students will write a reflection of the experience in journals and share their opinions with the class.

http://www.clipartpanda.com/categories/movie-film-clip-art
The gallery was established in 1991 as the first fine art gallery in Hudson, New York.

At the time, it was called Warren Street Gallery and was cooperatively run for the first year.

Our gallery represents professional artists as well as emerging talent specializing in all types of painting, large and small sculpture, works on paper and a variety of techniques in photography.

Want to experience more art? We’re only two hours north of Manhattan! Inquire at the front for more information.

"Artists are our modern-day soothsayers. To be able to look at the world and be able to interpret it with their art is magical." - Carrie Haddad

Are you an artist? Contact carrie.haddad@carriehaddadgallery.com to find out if we are accepting new artists!
Guide to the Carrie Haddad Gallery

Address: 622 Warren Street, Hudson, New York 12534
Website: http://carriehaddadgallery.com/index.cfm
Contact Information: (518)-828-1915 and carrie.haddad@carriehaddadgallery.com

Historical Description:
- The gallery was established in 1991 as the first fine art gallery in Hudson, New York.
- Represents a group of professionally committed artists as well as emerging talents.
- Specializes in all types of painting, sculptures, works on paper, and a variety of techniques in photography.
- Carrie Haddad is a Bard College alumni and has had a lot of experience in the arts world.

About the Site:
- Paintings
- Sculptures
- Mixed Media
- Photography
- Specialty exhibits

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Pictures from www.carriehaddadgallery.com and clipart
Itinerary for Carrie Haddad Gallery

Day 1, Evening: Carrie Haddad Gallery
Time: 1 Hour
Features: Paintings and Photography

- Here you will tour the Carrie Haddad Gallery which houses a collection of local artwork. You can view paintings on one floor and photography on the other.

  - You will start on the bottom floor which holds the main exhibits chosen by the Gallery.

  - Next you will proceed upstairs to view the photographs taken by local photographers.
~Students will visit the eight exhibits on the main floor.

~Students will explore the gallery and learn about the different paintings and styles.

~After touring each exhibit the students will draw their favorite painting in a sketchbook and write down three things the artist was trying to portray. This will get them to make interpretations and be creative.

http://www.fotosearch.com/illustration/sketchbook.html
CONCLUSION

It is clear that Hudson is committed to its small businesses as well as theater, art, and other cultural aspects. These things are what make the city so unique. It is definitely a place you will want to stop in and explore.