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FEATURE STORY



The New WickerParkBucktown.com Launches This Friday!

This Friday, January 6th, be sure to check out the brand new www.wickerparkbucktown.com! We created this website to serve as a resource for the community and as a tool for local businesses and organizations to promote themselves, their events and their deals. If your

Wicker Park Bucktown business hasn't yet signed into the site and started adding events or deals or filled out your business listing, email info@wickerparkbucktown.com to find out how!

CHAMBER EVENTS



Website Tutorial & Mixer at the Map Room

When: Thurs., Jan. 19th, 10am

Where: The Map Room, 1949 N. Hoyne

Enjoy coffee and complimentary pastries while learning all about our new website and what your business, organization or community group can get out of it. RSVP to

info@wickerparkbucktown.com to reserve your spot today!

BUSINESS RESOURCES



City of Chicago: Business Education Workshops

What: The ABC's of Starting a Business

When: Fri., Jan. 6th, 9:30-11am

Where: City Hall, 121 N. LaSalle St. Room 805

This workshop will give you information on how to start and run a successful business.

What: On-Line Business License Renewal Tutorial

When: Wed., Jan. 11th, 3-4:30pm

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STAY IN TOUCH

Where: City Hall, 121 N. LaSalle St. Room 805

As of January 1, 2012, all City of Chicago business license renewals must be processed online. The workshop will demonstrate how to use the Online Business License Renewal System.

For information on Business Affairs and Consumer Protection (BACP) or to register for an event, please call (312) 744-5344 or [click here](#).

Customer Service for Small Business Teleseminar

When: Tues., Jan. 10th, 12-1pm

Where: Participate by phone

Cost: FREE!

Learn how to provide excellent customer service for your small business. Led by Steve Bernas, President of the Better Business Bureau. Phone-in details given upon [registration](#).



Starting a Business in Illinois

When: Wed., Jan. 11th, 6:30-8:30pm

Where: Uptown Center Hull House, 4520 N. Beacon

Cost: FREE!

The Illinois Small Business Development Center at Hull House presents a FREE workshop for those who want to start a small business, including advice for checking the feasibility of your business idea, the basics of writing a business plan, and other business start-up procedures and resources. For more information and to register, please [click here](#).

Jewish B2B Networking Event

When: Thurs., Jan. 12th, 5:30pm

Where: Illinois Holocaust Museum, 9603 Woods Drive, Skokie, IL

Cost: FREE!

Enjoy a tour of the museum, making connections with other business people, and a presentation on memory improvement. To register, [click here](#).



Small Business On-Line Marketing Contest

The City Treasurer's Office and Constant Contact want to recognize the best email and social media promotions from Chicagoland small businesses. If you've got a recent email or social media campaign you're proud of, you can win cash and prizes! For more information, please [click here](#).

NEWS FOR ALL



Free Trial Dance Classes for 2-4 Year Olds

When: Fri., Jan. 6th

Where: Little Beans Cafe, 1809 W. Webster

Cost: FREE!

EvOLvE Dance is offering free trial classes at Little Beans Cafe this Friday for kids ages 2-3 at 9:45am and ages 4-5 at 10:35am. To RSVP and for more information, [click here](#), call (773) 770-5327, or email laura@danceto evolve.com.



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MEMBER HIGHLIGHTS



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GoBrag, LLC

A smart phone application that encourages users to promote local businesses through their social networks.



Artist Talk: Karen Reimer

When: Thurs., Jan. 12th, 6pm

Where: moniquemeloche, 2154 W. Division
Reimer and threewalls director Shannon
Stratton speak about the conceptual

embroideries in the artist's ongoing exhibition "The Domestic Partnership of Heaven and Hell." For more information, please visit their [website](#).



ANGELICIES: The Modern Day Angel

When: Through Jan. 15th

Where: Jackson Junge Gallery, 1389 N.
Milwaukee

Jackson Junge Gallery challenged Chicago artists to bring forth the image of the modern day angel in a group exhibit titled "Angelicies". This exhibition, featuring 20 Chicago visual artists, explores the modern day angel with works of many different media and variations on the theme of angels. For

more information, please [click here](#).

[Click here](#) to see more of this week's featured events and deals from local businesses on our website!

SSA UPDATE



Get involved in Wicker Park Bucktown!

The Commission of the WPB SSA #33 meets the third Wednesday of each month at 6pm. The meetings are open to the public. Everyone is encouraged to attend and participate. All

meetings will be held at the Bucktown- Wicker Park Branch of the Chicago Public Library, 1701 N. Milwaukee Ave. Meeting dates are January 18, February 15, March 21, April 18, May 16, June 20, July 18, September 19, October 17, November 21, December 19. For more information on WPB, [click here](#).

COMMUNITY EVENTS



WPB First Fridays

When: Fri., Jan. 6th, 6-10pm

Where: Flat Iron Building, 1579 N. Milwaukee

Cost: FREE! (donations gratefully accepted)

Presented by the [Flat Iron Artists Association](#), come explore two floors of art displayed in artists' studios and living spaces. **This is a WPB sponsored event- we hope to see you there!**



Wicker Park Garden Club Lecture

When: Mon., Jan. 9th, 7-8:30pm

Where: Wicker Park Field House, 1425 N.
Damen

Cost: \$8

As a part of the Garden Club Lecture Series, Gary W. Lehman, owner of www.gstudiodesign.net, lectures on

inspiration, design process and completed designs. RSVP

to wpgarden@aol.com.

7 Week Home Landscape Design Workshop

When: Saturdays, Jan. 14th-Feb 25th, 10am-1pm

Where: Wicker Park Field House, 1425 N. Damen

Cost: \$80

Create landscape designs for your home, community garden, or business. For more information, please click [here](#). Reservations required! RSVP to wpgarden@aol.com or call (773) 278-9075.



Holiday Tree Recycling

When: Sat., Jan. 7th-Fri., Jan. 20th

Where: Humboldt Park Boathouse, 1369 N. Sacramento

The City of Chicago is collecting trees for recycling this holiday season. WPB residents can bring their holiday tree to the Humboldt Park Boathouse. The trees will be chipped and made into mulch, which will be available for pick-up starting Friday January 13 at those same sites. Be sure to remove all ornaments, lights, and stands before dropping off your tree. For a complete listing of drop-off locations and details, [click here](#).



dark play or stories for boys directed by Anthony Mosely

When: Jan. 12th-Feb. 26th

Where: Collaboraction at the Flat Iron Arts Building, 1575 N. Milwaukee

dark play or stories for boys follows a teenage boy's foray into the virtual world. His fictional internet identity begins as a harmless game, but the game takes on a frightening reality when real emotion overtakes his online relationship. For more information and to purchase tickets, please visit Collaboraction's [website](#). **This is a WPB sponsored show - We hope to see you there!**

Axon Gathering: Soup Showing and Sharing

When: Sat., Jan. 21st, 2pm

Where: Wicker Park Art Center, 2215 W North
NeuroKitchen Arts Collective will be showing a preview of their new production, *First-Rate Soup*, which "rocks Maslow's theories of human potential." *First-Rate Soup* will be in

RhinoFest from Jan. 28-Feb. 11 at Prop Thtr. Enjoy some soup and share your feedback on the new NeuroKitchen show at the latest Axon Gathering. Please RSVP [here](#). **This is a WPB sponsored show - We hope to see you there!**



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