

Meet The Neighbors: Dream Spaces

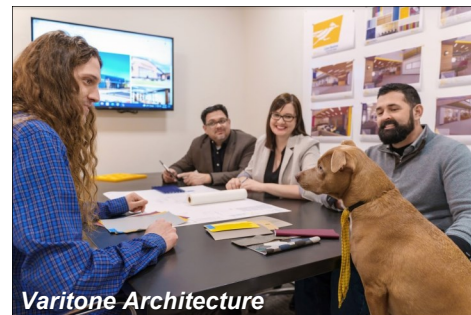
Spaces are important to our quality of life at work and home. Revitalization of the Downtown is a key mission of ADA. Downtown has professionals with the expertise to develop your dream project. From project design to finishing touches, check out these Downtown businesses that can make it happen.

Varitone Architecture

231 2nd Ave. SW (541) 497-2954

If you're ready to redesign your space, reveal the façade on your historic building or construct from the ground up, Christina Larson and the professionals at Varitone Architecture can take your project from concept to design.

"Our team of architects and interior designers treats every client and every project with the same high level of attention and respect, says Christina. "Our strong relationship with the local community is expressed at every layer of our practice, from our friendly approach to new business, to designing well-loved spaces, to serving as leaders in local civic forums."



Varitone Architecture

AK Carpet & More

140 1st Ave E (541) 928-0755

New flooring and countertops make a world of difference to a home or office space. From the warmth of carpet and hardwood to the ease of granite, tile and laminates Rex Rozmus and the team at AK Carpet have you covered.

"At AK Carpet & More, we take pride in exceeding your expectations," says Rex. "Our professional and courteous sales staff will provide you with the information you need to make the right choices for your home."



AK Carpet & More

Budget Blinds

133 Broadalbin St SW (541) 738-2806

Budget Blinds of Albany and Corvallis offers convenient shop-at-home service for window coverings and home décor accessories.

"Since its founding, we have proudly served the local community by offering high quality and stylish window coverings



The Corvallis Contractor

for any occasion," shared owner Kathryn Kniefel. "Our goal is simple: to provide you with the best products and services in order to enrich your home environment."

The Corvallis Contractor

243 3rd Ave. SW (541) 979-9755

Your one-stop shop for all your home maintenance needs, The Corvallis Contractor offers quality, professional repairs, renovations and remodels. Their Disaster Restorations division offers emergency mitigation services for any unexpected damage or loss of use of your home due to water or fire damage.

"We offer 24/7 Mitigation and take pride in the quality work we provide," said Nick Gaitaud, owner.



N.O.W Builders

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230 Washington St SW (541) 926-2858

Established in 1990, N.O.W. Builders is a general contractor specializing in new home construction, remodels and general maintenance.

The N.O.W. team offers a range of services that include custom home builds, remodeling, additions, commercial, decks, patio covers and fencing.

Downtown Events - July

Saturdays - Albany Farmers' Market

Each week head to the Albany Farmers' Market for fresh local produce, meats, baked goods, seafood, plants, flowers and more. Hours: 9 am-1 pm in the Albany City Hall parking lot (corner of 4th & Ellsworth). www.locallygrown.org

Thru Aug 19 - 2023 Albany Summer Passport Program

Discover new places, visit some of your favorite locations, learn about Albany and enter raffles to win prizes in the 2023 Albany Summer Passport Program! The program is geared toward elementary-aged children, but their siblings, parents and grandparents are welcome to come along. The program is free and offered through a partnership with Albany Downtown Association, Albany Regional Museum, Albany Visitors Association, Historic Carousel & Museum and Monteith Historical Society. For more information, stop in at the AVA at 110 3rd Ave SE or visit, www.albanyvisitors.com.

Thurs.-Sun., July 6-9 - Crazy Daze

Merchants will set out their merchandise on the sidewalks throughout Downtown, offering them at crazy reduced prices! Shoppers come back all four days for crazy deals and crazy delicious food at our Downtown eateries! See story page 1.

Friday, July 7 - 1st Friday in Historic Downtown Albany

Bring your friends Downtown for some 1st Friday fun! Look for sales, tasting, music, a special event at the Carousel and other fun. For more info, visit the ADA website www.albanydowntown.com/events or the 1st Friday Facebook page.

Sunday, July 16 - MDA 1 Disc Throwdown

You are invited to a 9-hole round of disc golf for a great cause. A chance to learn and play a round of disc golf while supporting the Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA). We will be setting up a temporary short course at Bryant Park. Tee times will be every 10 minutes between 10 am and 4 pm. Register in advance to get the time you want! Day of registrations will be accepted. Your \$25 entry fee will get you one tournament stamp disc to use and take home with you. Everyone is welcome, regardless of age or experience! Presented by National Association of Letter Carriers Branch 959 and Disc Golf Club of Albany. For more information visit, www.facebook.com/events/980414239906367.

Saturday, July 29 - ACT Summer Pride Showcase

Two one-act shows featuring the talents of Daniel Borson (aka Pippin) and Peter Almeida. Confessions of an Aging Twink is a gay musical one-man show about coming out. Through humorous Broadway parody songs and poignant stories from his life, actor, writer and comedian Pippin shares his lifelong process of exploring his sexual identity. The Education of X is a musical odyssey about a boy who is raised Catholic trying to make sense of his world. Between being an altar boy, 12 years of Catholic education, and even entertaining the idea of becoming a priest, he can't admit he is gay because he believes it's wrong. He faces nuns, priests, and the devil on his journey of denial. Content may contain some sexual themes and mild profanity-suitable for older teens and adults FREE to Public. Show starts at 7:30 pm. Ticket required for entry. For more information and tickets, visit www.albanycivic.org.

Monday, July 31 - Downtown Connections: City Partners

Learn where to start for upcoming projects. Hosted by ADA's Economic Vitality Committee. 5:30-7 pm, City Council Chambers. FREE. See story page 1.

For info on these and other events, visit AlbanyDowntown.com



Each month ParkWise awards a month of free parking to a leased space or employee permit holder.

Our July parking winner is...

Adrienne Irwin

Country Financial

Downtown Newsletter Subscriptions

Want to hear about all of the fun happening Downtown? Keep informed of new businesses and important news? Subscribe to the Downtown Albany newsletter to learn about activities, events, sales, businesses, volunteer opportunities, grants, parking and more.

Email subscriptions are FREE. Just send your name and email address to director@albanydowntown.com Mailed subscriptions are \$6/year to help cover postage. Payment can be made by phone or at our office.



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Monteith House Sets Summer Hours, Fun

Summer is here which means an expanded schedule and fun events at the Monteith House.

Extended Summer Hours

It's Summer, and The Monteith House is currently open from 11 am to 3 pm Wednesday-Saturday. Tours during open hours are free with a suggested donation of \$3.

If you would like to schedule a private tour or come by another day or time, please contact the Monteith House at info@monteithhouse.org or (541) 220-0421 for an appointment.

Private tours: Up to 10 guests \$20, 11-20 guests \$40, 21-30 guests \$60. There is no fee for educational groups.



Summer Special Events

This summer, they are offering two special events at the Monteith House.

- Saturday, July 8 - Annual Tea in the Backyard.
- Mon.-Wed., August 7-9 - Pioneer Day Camp for Kids.

For more information and tickets, visit monteithhouse.ticketleap.com

Living History Saturday

Step into 1850 on the second Saturday of each month, from 12 to 2 pm, at the Historic Monteith House. Exciting activities like woodworking, pioneer doll making, baking biscuits, making butter, and so many other family-friendly activities! Each time will be something new, and attendees will learn a little more about this important piece of Albany's history.

Registering in advance is important so they know how many kits to prepare before you arrive.

For info visit, www.monteithhouse.org.



The 19 founding Members of Gallery Calapooia on opening day, 2013

Gallery Calapooia Celebrates 10th Anniversary

How do you make a dream into reality? That question was on the minds of a group of artists from the Albany area 10 years ago.

The talent level and creative drive that existed in the artist community greatly exceeded the opportunities to display artwork in an ongoing gallery setting. So, these 19 artists got together and pooled their time, funds, ideas and determination and created their own cooperative art gallery in 2013. Taking advantage of a newly refurbished space in one of the loveliest buildings in the city's historic downtown, The Flinn Block, the artists settled on a name that was rooted in Albany's history: Gallery Calapooia.

Historic Home Tours Set For Saturday, July 29

The 44th Summer Interior Tour of Historic Homes will be held 11 am to 5 pm Saturday, July 29. Six lovely historic homes will be open for touring, as well as the Monteith House, Albany Regional Museum and other historic buildings.

An added bonus this time around will be a chance to tour the St. Mary's Church Museum, as well as get a look inside the Cumberland Church to check on the progress of its renovation, including new paint colors.

Admission is \$15 per person. Tickets can be purchased online at monteithhouse.org from July 1 to July 28. To receive your copy of the tour map and wristband, bring your e-ticket to the Albany Visitors Association office, 110 3rd Ave. SE, on tour day, from 10 am to 4 pm. Limited in-person sales will be available on tour day at the AVA, for cash or check only. Well-behaved children under 12 are admitted free with a paid adult.

pooia. (An important historical note: The name "Calapooia" is an alternate phonetic spelling of Kalapuya, one of many tribes of Indigenous peoples who have called this land home for thousands of years.)

Join members for the 10th Anniversary celebration on Friday, July 7 from 6-8 pm.

Gallery Calapooia is ADA accessible and welcomes all visitors. Hours: Tues-Fri, 11 am to 6 pm, Saturday 10 am to 5 pm, and by appointment: (541) 971-5701.

Find them at 222 1st Ave West, at www.gallerycalapooia.com, or on Instagram/Facebook: @gallerycalapooia.

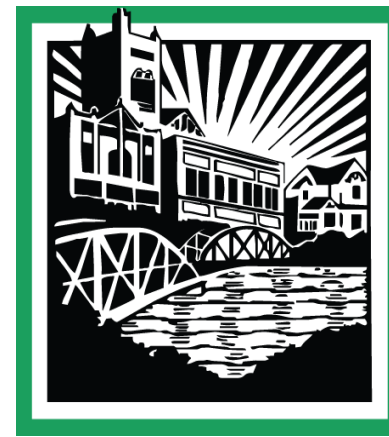


"Home Tour 2" by Oliver J. Anderson

Refreshments will be served at the Albany Regional Museum. The Albany Vintage Trolley and a horse-drawn wagon also will be available for visitors to ride.

Proceeds from Albany's Interior Tour of Historic Homes benefit the Monteith House Museum.

For more information, visit albanyvisitors.com, or call 541-928-0911.



DOWNTOWN ALBANY

July 2023

125th Crazy Daze Sales and Fun is July 6-9

Crazy Daze, Downtown Albany's oldest event, has been held for 125 years. Originally called Bargain Days in 1898, the name was changed to Crazy Daze after WWII. It's been a crazy fun sidewalk sale and event ever since.

This year's fun starts on Thursday, July 6, and continues through the weekend. Traditionally a three-day event, some stores are open on Sundays and will continue their Crazy Daze sales an extra day. Merchandise changes daily, so make sure to come Downtown all four days.

Each year shopkeepers set out their merchandise on the sidewalks in Downtown, offering items at crazy reduced prices. Thursday kicks off the street and sidewalk sales. Friday, enjoy fun, sales and music during 1st Friday in Historic Downtown Albany. The Eagles have a band going past midnight.

Fans Select Princess Bride for August 11

The results are in. ADA's Promotion Committee will screen The Princess Bride on Friday, August 11 in Downtown Albany. The movie was selected to celebrate our 20th season by members of the community through an online nominating and voting process.

With Monteith Riverpark under construction, there will be just one movie night this summer. For a bit of nostalgia, the movie will be shown on the wall behind The Albany Eagles, where we held Movies by Moonlight for 11 years before moving to the park. The movie will start at dusk, around 8:55 pm.

This year's movie concessions include Pix Popcorn, ice cream novelties, candy, and sodas. Attendees are encouraged to enjoy dinner at one of our 25+ Downtown restaurants before the show.

Bring a receipt from a Downtown business for a chance to win a DVD of the movie or another prize.



On Saturday, sales continue. In the afternoon, there's a car show and live bands in the street at the "Christmas in July" Toy Run event hosted by the Albany Eagles.

Follow our "Movies at Monteith" and ADA Facebook pages for updates.



Sunday, select businesses and restaurants have a 4th sale day. So, grab your sunscreen or a hat and stroll our sidewalks for crazy deals and crazy delicious food in a cozy café or under the umbrellas at our fabulous Downtown eateries!

Follow the Albany Downtown Association Instagram, Facebook and website for participating locations and more details about this year's Crazy Daze.

DOWNTOWN CONNECTIONS: Working With City Departments

Business owners, have you wondered how to get a permit to put tables, planters or merchandise on the sidewalk? Is it time to install a new sign? Do you want to add a coffee bar to your retail shop? Reveal the historic façade of your building? This event shares how to work with the city on projects large and small..

ADA's Downtown Connections on Monday, July 31, will bring our City Partners together for a quick introduction and Q&A, so you'll learn where to start for upcoming projects.

Hosted by ADA's Economic Vitality Committee. 5:30 - 7 pm, City Council Chambers. FREE. To RSVP, call ADA at (541) 905-2908.