An Artful Cruise through Santa Monica

Begin at the intersection of Colorado Ave. and 2nd St./Main St. on the south side of Santa Monica Place. On Parking Structure 8 you will see the award winning tile mural **(1) "Wheels"** by Anne Karlsen.

Start heading down Main St. to Ocean Park Blvd. where you will find a number of galleries nearby. Stop in at the **(2) California Heritage Museum** (2612 Main) Note: Open Weds-Sun from 11am – 4pm. Turn left at Ocean Park Blvd. If it's a Sunday, also be sure to check out the popular **Main Street Farmers Market**. Across the street is **(3) Ten Women Co-operative** (2651 Main.). Head back to the intersection of Main and Ocean Park Blvd and go east on Ocean Park Blvd. Notice the murals underneath the 4th St. overpass, @ OP Blvd--**(4) "A Whale of a Mural"** by Daniel Alonzo and **"Unbridled"** by David Gordon.

Continue on Ocean Park Blvd. to the Latin American eatery and art gallery **(5) Café Bolivar** (1741 Ocean Park). Their arepas are a must-have. Then, peer your head into a fine printmaking studio and gallery, **(6) Angeles Press** (1616 Ocean Park.)

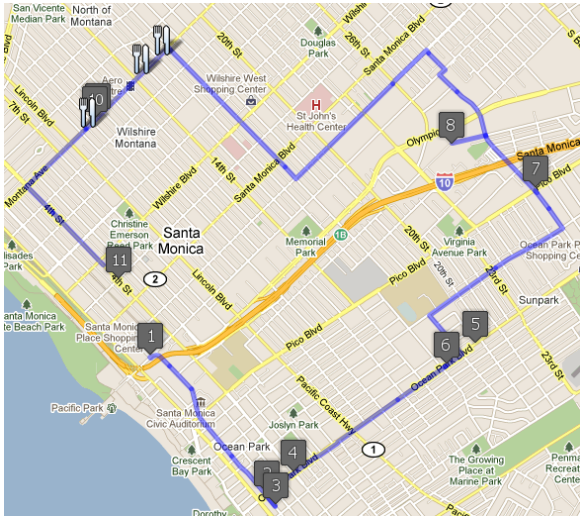
Turn left on 17th St., then right on Pearl St. When you get to 28th St, turn left. (Note: 28th St turns into Stewart St.@ Pico Blvd). Pico Blvd. has some great galleries to explore, including **(7) Reclaimed Frame** (2811 Pico), **Jennifer Joyce Pottery Studio + Gallery** (3028 Pico), **Artistic Picture Frames/Blue 7 Gallery** (3129 Pico), and **T. Heritage Gallery** (3219 Pico). Also check out the fun Santa Monica murals on the side of **Trader Joe's** (3212 Pico).

Continue on Stewart St. toward Exposition Blvd. to enter **(8) Bergamot Station** (2525 Michigan Ave.) Formerly a stop on the Los Angeles Red Line to the Santa Monica Pier, Bergamot Station is now home to a fantastic collection of fine art galleries and the **Santa Monica Museum of Art**. (Note: Many venues are closed on Sundays.) Some favorites include **Schomberg Gallery**, which features local artists, the **SMMoA Gracie gift shop**, **Latin American Masters**, **Track 16/City Garage performance space**, and Bergamot's newest tenant, **dnj gallery**.

After seeing the art at Bergamot Station, it's time to make some art of your own. Exit on Stewart St. and turn right onto Colorado Ave. Then make a left onto Yale Ave, turn left on Broadway Ave., then right onto 17th St. When you get to Montana Ave, turn left. While on Montana Ave., stop in the **(9) Semiprecious Bead Salon** (1028 Montana) and **(10) Cheryl Fudge Fashion Camp** (1010 Montana) for a chance to make your own art that you can wear! At Semiprecious, thousands of beads are displayed in bowls and strands for customers to touch, play, and create. Cheryl Fudge Fashion Camp lets patrons design their own clothing and accessories, choose fabric and details, and leave the sewing to the professionals. It's a good idea to call ahead to book open studio time at Cheryl Fudge.

By now, you deserve a treat— it's hard to choose between **Sweet Lady Jane** (1631 Montana), **Valen Dolce** (1429 Montana), and **Nothing Bundt Cakes** (927 Montana) …truly food as art! When you're finished, continue down Montana Ave. to 4th St. and make a left.

Conclude your artist adventures in the Downtown District, home of **(11) Adamm's Stained Glass & Gallery** (1426 4th St.), **Hamilton Galleries** (1431 Ocean Ave.), and the **Bleicher/Golightly Gallery** next door, and public art installations like the dinosaur sculptures on Third St. Promenade and the award-winning *Cradle* at 4th and Broadway.



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