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Museums are pricey; here's where you can see art on the cheap



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With museum admission topping \$20 at many city institutions — the Met just raised its suggested donation to \$25! — it seems that art appreciation has become yet another impossibly expensive pursuit in NYC. But not everywhere. Follow this guide to find free cultural sights every day of the week.

Mondays

The Art Students League "Model to Monument" series of sculptures was installed in Riverside Park last month. From 59th Street to 72nd Street, you'll find seven large-scale works created by select students in a new program at the league. Stroll through the park from south to north and cap your journey with a cold beer at the 79th Street boat basin. For a map of the installation, visit theartstudentsleague.org.

Tuesdays

Fashionistas can hit up the Museum at FIT (Seventh Avenue at 27th Street, fitnyc.edu). "Sporting Life," the main exhibit, on view through Nov. 5, tracks innovations in sportswear fashions over the past 150 years.

Wednesdays

Flux Factory and Gowanus Studio Space have teamed up with EFA Project Space (323 W. 39th St., 2nd floor, 212-563-5355) to present "Sea Worthy," a group exhibit that takes water navigation as its subject. On view at the gallery are prints, plans and models related to seagoing vessels. For a full schedule of events, visit seaworthynyc.org.

Thursdays

The Goethe-Institut at Ludlow 38 (38 Ludlow St., 212-228-6848) is hosting "The Making of the Chinese New Working Class," an exhibit that documents the lifestyle of Chinese migrant workers. This show has traveled internationally and illuminates a social issue with which few Americans are acquainted. Through Sept. 4.

Fridays

Hop on the free ferry to Governors Island (govisland.com) to visit two different outdoor exhibits: Mark di Suvero's large-scale steel sculptures, sprinkled all over the island, and the Figment 2011 Sculpture Garden in the Liggett Hall courtyard.

Saturdays

The Fisher Landau Center for Art (38-27 30th St., 718-937-0727) in Long Island City houses a fantastic collection of contemporary art. Its current exhibit, "Legacy," features works by John Baldessari, Jenny Holzer, Willem de Kooning, Kara Walker and many more. (The museum is also convenient to PS1, if you want to lay out \$15 to get into Warm Up.)

Sundays

Take advantage of the Rubin Museum's (105 W. 17th St., 212-620-5000) Summer Sunday free hour — admission to the gallery is free from 11 a.m. to noon — and browse the collection of religious art by the peoples of the Himalayan mountains.

