



## A NEW ENDEAVOR FOR 2026

Welcome to the first edition of the *Bottle Broadside*, the new monthly newsletter from the National Bottle Museum. The Broadside will keep our supporters up to date with new exhibits, events, art shows, and places you can find us outside the museum. The Broadside will publish the first week of every month and will not replace the longer, twice yearly *Bottle Muse*.

## WHAT'S NEW IN THE NATIONAL BOTTLE MUSEUM?



The Improved Pharmacy Exhibit

### Four New Exhibits in 2026

We have four new exhibits created this year in the NBM:

- A Little Off the Top: The Art & History of Barber Bottles
- Vichy Springs Hand Fan from the 1893 World's Columbian Exposition
- Seltzer Siphons with a 1920s Soda Siphon Filler.
- How Now Brown Cow: The History of Regional Dairies thru their bottles.

### Improved Pharmacy Exhibit

Our pharmacy now focuses on three important periods in medicine development, 1860s-1880s, 1900, and 1930s-1940s.

### Coming in 2026

In April, we will premiere *Bottles & the Revolution* for the 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the United States. It will include period bottles and artifacts as well as bottles inspired by the spirit of the Revolution.

Mother's Day Jewelry Sale May 1-2  
and Beach Glass Jewelry Demos on  
May 2 [Click for Details.](#)

# UPCOMING EVENTS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The National Bottle Museum® Proudly Presents  
**The 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Saratoga Antique Bottle Show & Sale\***  
**Sunday, May 31, 2026**  
at the Saratoga County Fairgrounds: 162 Prospect St. Ballston Spa, NY

Hours: 9 AM - 2 PM. General Admission \$5.  
16 and Younger are Free. Early Admission: 8 AM. \$20  
Vendor Space is Available!



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The National Bottle Museum is Open 10 AM-4 PM on the Day of the Show. Stop in and enjoy **The Art of the Bottle IX** in the Jan Rutland Memorial Artist Space



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\*includes jars, insulators, stoneware, breweriana, ephemera, advertising & bottle related items (go withs). Outdoor space available for bottles & tabletop antiques

## 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Saratoga Bottle Show and Sale

Join us on May 31<sup>st</sup> for our 46<sup>th</sup> Annual Bottle Show & Sale. Grow your collection, take part in bottle raffles, learn about bottle history and the collecting hobby from educational exhibits. The Museum will also be open on that Sunday.

## Find us at Shows and Fairs

The staff of the National Bottle Museum will be busy this year attending shows and events around the region. We are currently scheduled to attend the Schenectady County History Faire (April 18), the Museum Association of New York Conference (May 7-9), and the Saratoga County History Faire (May 22).

# IN THE ARTIST'S SPACE

**The JRM Artists' Space**  
@ The National Bottle Museum  
Presents  
**THE WINTER 2026 OPEN CALL**



40 Regional Artists  
Over 100 Works of Art  
On Display February 21 - March 28  
Artists' Reception February 28 2-4pm  
Always Open to the Public

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## Winter 2026 Open Call Ends April 4


Our highly successful Winter 2026 Open show has been extended to April 4. The show is one of our largest to date with over 100 pieces of art from 41 regional artists.


## All Abstract Show opens April 18

The submission deadline for our first all abstract show is April 11. In this case, abstract means whatever the artist thinks abstract means. Up to 3 gallery ready works of any size or any medium may be submitted.

## Get to Know Us

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## The National Bottle Museum is:

1. ...a 501(c)3 Nonprofit chartered through the New York State Department of Education.

2. ...happy to accept donations of any bottles or art glass pieces from which you are ready to move on.

3. ...open Wednesday-Saturday, 10 AM to 4 PM

4. ...a member driven museum.  
Please join us!

[See more on the website](http://www.NationalBottleMuseum.org)