



BOTTLE BROADSIDE VOLUME 3

Welcome to the third edition of the *Bottle Broadside*, the new monthly newsletter from the National Bottle Museum. In this month's issue, we'll recap the 46th Annual Saratoga Bottle Show, focus on our new window exhibit *Refracted Retro*, and our two current gallery shows: *Art of the Bottle IX* and the *Art of Mary Ann Van Alstyne*.

WHAT'S NEW IN THE NATIONAL BOTTLE MUSEUM?



Refracted Retro

Our summer window exhibit features large swung vases, lamps and bottles from major glasshouses including Blenko, Viking, Fenton, and L.E. Smith. These dramatic art glass pieces add a burst of color to the museum, with some of the vases standing over 5 feet tall.

The works are on loan from Karmic Keepsakes and Amaze Antiques and More of Waverly Square Antiques in Ballston Spa.

Refracted Retro will run through September 2026.

Coming in 2026

We are planning a number of new exhibits in the second half of 2026. These include: *Birds and Bottles*, *Bottles of the Art Deco period*, *early poisons*, and *Crimes Against Glass: How to spot fake and adulterated bottles*.

46TH ANNUAL SARATOGA SHOW RECAP



46th Annual Saratoga Bottle Show and Sale

The 46th Annual Saratoga Bottle Show & Sale on May 31 was a great success. It was our largest show in two decades with over with over 65 dealers and 95 tables filling two buildings at the Saratoga County Fairgrounds.

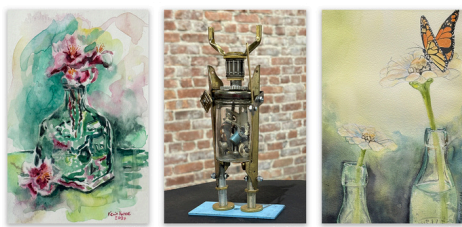
It is our hope to move into a third building next year.

Next year, the 47th Annual Saratoga Bottle Show & Sale will return to our traditional date of the first Sunday in June - June 6, 2026, so mark your calendars

IN THE ARTIST'S SPACE

The JRM Artists' Space
@ The National Bottle Museum
Presents

Art of The Bottle IX





• Creating Art by Depicting or Using Bottles or Parts of Bottles •


On Display May 29 thru June 27 2026
Artists' Reception June 20, 2-4pm

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Art of the Bottle IX & Van Alstyne Auction

We have two concurrent shows running the Jan Rutland Memorial Artists' Space. *Art of the Bottle IX* features 15 works of art all of which focus on or including bottles or parts thereof.

Our second show is an art auction courtesy of Mary Ann Van Alstyne. The silent auction features Mary's Ann's works and pieces she has collected from other artists. Interested buyers simply claim a bidder number and add their highest bid to the corresponding sheet.

Both shows end on July 11 and will be followed by our *Summer 2026 Open Call* which will start on July 22.

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!

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