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**Anniversary Ball at Torpedo Factory Art Center Celebrates  
100 Years on the Waterfront and 45 Years as an Art Center**

Saturday, November 16; 7 – 10 p.m.  
Tickets: [torpedofactory.org/ball](http://torpedofactory.org/ball)



Mardi Gras Ball, Circa 1984.



Waterfront Side, circa 1921 or 22. Library of Congress LC-DIG-npcc-30010.

**October 30, 2019 – Alexandria, Va.** – Torpedo Factory Art Center celebrates two major milestones in 2019 with an Anniversary Ball on Saturday, November 16, from 7 – 10 p.m. The building turns 100 and the Art Center is 45.

[Mikaela Lefrak](#), WAMU arts and culture reporter, leads a lively evening of art, music, dancing, film, performance and memories. The party will swing to the big-band sounds of [Good Shot Judy](#). Alexandria's own [Istrico Productions](#) premieres the documentary they've created about the Art Center's long and storied history, stretching back to 1919. Many of the Art Center's first artists will return for the festivities as Target Gallery opens [45: An Anniversary Exhibition](#), featuring artwork by some of the original artists of the Torpedo Factory Art Center.

**Other highlights include:**

- Anniversary printmaking and demos with [Patrick Sargent](#)
- Video projections by [Monica Stroik](#)
- Glass harpist [Jamey Turner](#) welcoming guests at the start of the evening
- Living painted sculptures with [Rebecca Rose](#)
- Roving performers
- Light fare and bar
- So much more!

Tickets are \$75. Save \$15 with early-bird pricing through Thursday, October 31. More information and tickets can be found at [torpedofactory.org/ball](http://torpedofactory.org/ball).

This event is sponsored in part by: [Dominion Energy](#), [Alexandria Restaurant Partners](#), [The Art League](#), and [John Farr Lighting Design](#).

## Target Gallery's 45: An Anniversary Exhibition

Target Gallery honors the legacy of the founding artists of Torpedo Factory Art Center with a special 45th Anniversary exhibition. See work from many of the original artists, featuring both current and past work to capture their expansive artistic careers. Marian Van Landingham, artist and founder of the Art Center, acts as the honorary curator for this exhibition.

### Participating Artists are:

- [Mirella Belshe](#), currently in studio #27
- [Ann DiPlacido](#)
- [Susan Finsen](#), currently in studio #334
- [Joyce Inderbitzin](#)
- [Cindy Lowther](#), currently in studio #301
- [Sue Lynch](#)
- Angelina Musto
- [Christine Parson](#), currently in studio #340
- [Niki Pickett](#), currently in studio #338
- [Gretchen Raber](#), currently in studio #201
- Holly Rosenfeld
- [Susan Sanders](#), currently in studio #206
- [Connie Slack](#)
- [Diane Tesler](#)
- [Marian Van Landingham](#), currently in studio #321
- [Joyce Zipperer](#)

45: An Anniversary Exhibition is on view from Saturday, November 9 through Sunday, December 8 in Target Gallery. Target Gallery is open daily 10 – 6 pm and until 9 pm on Thursdays. More information is available via [torpedofactory.org/target](http://torpedofactory.org/target).

### About Torpedo Factory Art Center

Founded in 1974 in an old munitions plant, Torpedo Factory Art Center is home to the nation's largest number of publicly accessible working artist studios under one roof. The City of Alexandria manages Torpedo Factory Art Center through the Department of Recreation, Parks and Cultural Activities as part of the [Office of the Arts](#)' family of programs and facilities. Just south of Washington, D.C., the Torpedo Factory Art Center overlooks the Potomac River in the Old Town section of Alexandria, Va. Each year, more than a half million national and international visitors meet and interact with more than 160 resident artists in 82 studios and seven galleries. For more information, visit [torpedofactory.org](http://torpedofactory.org) or follow the Art Center on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#) and [Pinterest](#) via @torpedofactory.

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