

Check out some local events and news in Rochester, NY. Feel free to contact me about any events upcoming in your neighborhood!



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October 2016 Newsletter

Electronics Recycling

The City of Rochester will host a free E-Waste Day, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday Oct. 15 at Rhinos Stadium, 460 Oak St. (Smith Street entrance). City residents may drop off: electronics such as laptops, desktops, computer accessories, TVs, monitors, audio/video equipment, mp3 players, communications equipment, servers and IT equipment, printers, scanners, copiers, fax machines, cellphones, PDAs, medical/lab equipment and anything else with a circuit board or cord. Please do not bring items containing Freon (air conditioners, de-humidifiers, refrigerators, etc.), gas-powered equipment or household hazardous waste.

Each year, the United States produces up to 50 million tons of electronic waste, of which 20 to 25 percent is recycled safely and responsibly. The rest ends up in landfills. Many of the materials found in electronic devices are extremely hazardous. When these items go to landfills, a number of chemicals can contaminate the air, water and soil. These toxic materials can have dangerous impacts on the health of plants, animals and citizens.

The City Code was amended in January to be brought

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 6-15

Fashion Week Rochester

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ImageOut Film Festival

October 14

Deadline to register to vote for November Election

October 15

9-1PM

E-Waste Pick up at Rhino's Stadium

into compliance with the New York Environmental Conservation Law, prohibiting the disposal of electronic waste through curbside refuse collection. Violation of the new code could result in a \$25 fine.



ImageOut Festival

ImageOut presents LGBT arts and cultural experiences showcasing films, other creative works from LGBT artists and about LGBT themes, which promotes diversity and community for those who identify as LGBTQ. From October 6-16 watch one or a bunch of dozens of films and features. This festival is in its twenty-fourth year and is welcoming to all! Online ticket sales are available throughout the festival period. You'll print these tickets out or store on your phone. There are discounts for those under 25 and those older than 65. Find the full schedule of films and learn how to buy tickets on the [ImageOut website](#).



Register to Vote Deadline

With the close of the Summer, comes the election season. In this tumultuous year, it is now more important than ever to register to vote. The deadline to register in New York state to vote on November 8 is **October 14**. To register, go to the [Board of Elections website](#) to download the form. You must turn in the form on October 14, or post mark it by October 14 to be eligible.



House of Mercy

Last month I, along with my City Council colleagues, approved funding to support the Sisters of Mercy to move to their new location and continue their mission of helping the homeless. At the end of the year the Sisters of Mercy hope to move from Hudson Avenue into their new home at 285 Ormond Street. This new facility will more than triple the size of the current building, allowing more people to be helped than ever before. The new facility will be able to house more people and provide as a resource for those without a home to seek refuge and safety from the streets. Go to the [House of Mercy website](#) for more information on how to support their mission and their new facility



Rochester Fashion Week

[Fashion Week of Rochester](#) launched in 2010 to engage the community in a three-day event that would spotlight local designers, boutiques, businesses and artists while shining a light on youth homelessness. In its seventh year, Fashion Week 2016 will expand to seven days of events and runway shows between October 6 and 15 and continue to bring awareness and financial support to [The Center for Youth's](#) homeless programs, so no child or youth in our community is faced with an uncertain, unstable or unsafe place to live. There will be several events in the former Inner Loop on sites 1 and 2. Make sure you get your tickets!

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