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**PLG Arts MUSIC FESTIVAL 2018**  
**May 13-20, Prospect-Lefferts Gardens, Brooklyn**

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**Where:** 10 locations in Prospect-Lefferts Gardens (PLG) (see locations below)

**Cost:** PLG Arts-sponsored events are FREE; cooperating venues may charge admission

**Subway:** Q or B subway to Prospect Park or Parkside, 2 or 5 subway to Sterling Street

PLG Arts presents the second annual **PLG Arts Music Festival 2018**, a weeklong event from May 13-20. The schedule features over 50 prominent and upcoming New York musicians in 10 locations throughout Prospect-Lefferts Gardens, a diverse Brooklyn neighborhood that is home to many artists. Most shows are free and include Talu Green's West African drumming outdoors at Parkside Plaza; vocalist and songwriter Emma Frank at Erv's on Beekman; Rachel Therrien's Latin Jazz Quartet at the Nest at Bluebird; avant-accordionist-vocalist Mary Spencer Knapp, R&B jazz singer Sami Stevens, and the Indo-Arabic sounds of The Epichorus at KD's; flamenco guitarist Andreas Arnold at one of PLG's landmarked homes; and, at the Owl Music Parlor, improvised forms from Blue Duo (Charles Burnham, violin, and Joanna Sternberg, bass) and DavaMike (dance and woodwind team of Davalois Fearon and Mike McGinnis). Children's music events take place at Erv's, Kiddie Science, and Greenlight Bookstore, which will host a special performance of Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf" by the woodwind quintet Wildebeest.

All PLG Arts-sponsored events are free; some cooperating venues may charge admission.

PLG Arts is a nonprofit organization that promotes the arts, presents local artists, and builds community to celebrate the vibrant creativity of the residents of Prospect-Lefferts Gardens and surrounding Brooklyn neighborhoods. For complete festival listings and additional information, visit the [Festival calendar](https://plgarts.org/news/) at <https://plgarts.org/news/> at [PLGArts.org](http://PLGArts.org). (If links don't work, please copy and paste them into your browser.)

**Sunday, May 13, Blessings, 663 Flatbush Avenue, 11 am-2 pm, brunch with live music**  
<http://blessingscafebk.com/>

**Sunday, May 13, Parkside Plaza, 2:30-3:30 pm, TaluDjembe & theSoundologists**  
Talu Green, percussionist in the Broadway show "Fela," brings TaluDjembe & theSoundologists to perform traditional music of West Africa with djembe drums and percussion. Parkside Plaza is an outdoor public space on the corner of Parkside and Ocean Avenues across from Prospect Park.  
<https://www.facebook.com/talu.green>

**Monday, May 14, Erv's, 2122 Beekman Place, 9 pm-midnight, Erv's Jam Session**  
[Eden Bareket](http://www.edenbareket.com), baritone sax, and his ensemble perform and host an open jam.  
<https://www.edenbareket.com>



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**Tuesday, May 15, Erv's, 2122 Beekman Place, 11:00 am-noon, Hannah Moore's [Tunes and Tots](#).**  
Fun music for babies and toddlers, \$10 per family. <https://www.facebook.com/tunesandtotsbk/>

**Tuesday, May 15, Parkside Pizza, 705 Flatbush Avenue, 9 pm-midnight, [The Parkside Jazz Sessions](#).** Kazemde George, tenor sax, leads the house band through a set, followed by an open jam session until midnight. \$5.00 suggested for the band. <https://www.kazemdegeorge.com/shows>

**Wednesday, May 16, Erv's, 2122 Beekman Place, 8 pm [Emma Frank](#)**  
Vocalist and songwriter Emma Frank explores the intersection between American folk and roots music with contemporary jazz. <http://emmafrankmusic.com/about.html>

**Wednesday, May 16, The Nest Session at [The Nest at Bluebird Brooklyn](#), 504 Flatbush, 9-11 pm, hosted by Perry Smith and Matt Aronoff. 11-midnight open jazz jam session.**  
<http://www.bluebirdbrooklyn.com/untitled-c1pwt>

**Thursday, May 17, The Nest at Bluebird Brooklyn, 504 Flatbush Avenue, 8 pm [Rachel Therrien Latin Jazz Quartet](#)**  
Rachel Therrien, locally based French-Canadian trumpeter, bandleader, and member of the DIVA Jazz Orchestra, and her Latin Jazz Quartet perform her original compositions.  
<http://www.RachelTherrien.com>

**Friday, May 18, Kiddie Science, 509 Rogers Avenue, 11 am-12 pm, Lavender Blues at [Kiddie Science](#)**  
Music and movement for babies and toddlers, \$20 drop-in admission. <http://www.kiddiescience.org>

**Friday, May 18, KD's, 408 Rogers Avenue**  
**8 pm, [Mary Spencer Knapp Trio](#)** Accordion-wielding chanteuse Mary Spencer Knapp's cabaret soul project, Toot Sweet, melds French chanson with funky pop and psychedelic rock.  
<http://www.tootsweetmusic.bandcamp.com>

**9 pm, [Sami Stevens and The Man I Love](#)**  
[Sami Stevens and her band the Man I Love](#) combine R&B and jazz sensibilities to forge a truly unique voice in the Brooklyn scene. <http://www.samistevensvoice.com/>

**Saturday, May 19, [Blessings](#), 663 Flatbush Avenue, 11 am-2 pm, brunch with live music**  
<http://blessingscafebkc.com/>

**Saturday, May 19, [Greenlight Bookstore](#), 632 Flatbush, 11 am, [Wildebeest Woodwind Quintet](#) performs Prokofiev's "Peter and the Wolf."** The classic symphonic fairy tale by Sergei Prokofiev is brought to life by Wildebeest, a Brooklyn wind quintet: Michel Gentile, flute; Katie Scheele, oboe; Mike McGinnis, clarinet; Sara Schoenbeck, bassoon; and Nathan Koci, French horn. Hollis Headrick narrates. <https://www.greenlightbookstore.com/event/music-kids-peter-and-wolf>



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**Saturday, May 19, Jenkins-Johnson Projects, 207 Ocean Avenue, 3-5 pm, [Jenkins Johnson Gallery](#), [STEFA\\*](#)**

Vocal artist and performer STEFA\* focuses on the intersection of politics, the self, and culture through sonic layering and vocal improvisations. <http://stefalives.com/>

**Saturday, May 19, KD's, 408 Rogers Avenue, 8 pm [The Epichorus](#)**

The Epichorus performs Indo-Arabic roots contemporary music inspired by traditional sounds from India to Egypt to Greece alongside jazz and fusion genres. <http://theepichorus.com/>

**Sunday, May 20, [Blessings](#), 663 Flatbush Avenue, 11 am-2 pm, brunch with live music <http://blessingscafebk.com/>**

**Sunday, May 20, Maple Street landmark home (limited seating, RSVP required) 2-3:30 pm, [Andreas Arnold](#)**

Guitarist Andreas Arnold performs original music bridging Flamenco and jazz from his latest album release, *Ojos Cerrados*, featuring Epi Lopez on percussion. <http://www.andreasarnold.info>

**Sunday, May 20, The Owl Music Parlor, 497 Rogers Avenue – Double Duos [The Owl NYC](#) 7 pm, [Blue Duet](#), featuring [Joanna Sternberg](#) and [Charlie Burnham](#)**

Blue Duet unites Joanna Sternberg, [Joanna Sternberg](#), a young multi-instrumentalist and singer who is equally at home in ensembles playing musical styles from bluegrass to modern jazz, with [Charlie Burnham](#), a violinist/vocalist familiar to audiences around the world.

<https://pirecordings.com/artists/charles-burnham/> and <https://www.joannasternberg.com/>

**8 pm, [DavaMike](#), featuring [Davalois Fearon](#) and [Mike McGinnis](#)**

DavaMike is a performance project created by choreographer/dancer [Davalois Fearon](#) and composer/multi-instrumentalist [Mike McGinnis](#). The duo's performances feature original dance and music that moves beyond stylistic limitations. <http://www.davaloisfearon.com/>, <http://www.mikemcginnis.com/>

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