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## **Bronx Culture Trolley First Wednesdays Rolls Again on May 2nd** **Exhibitions | Film Screening | Shopping | Nightlife**

(Bronx – April 16, 2012) The **Bronx Culture Trolley rolls again on Wednesday, May 2nd** featuring a number of family activities along the [South Bronx Cultural Corridor](#) including art exhibitions at the [Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos, No Longer Empty](#), [Bronx Museum of the Arts](#), the [Gordon Parks Gallery](#), [BronxArtSpace](#) and the [Bruckner Bar & Grill](#). BCA's [bronxArtworks Artisans Collective](#) will set up their boutique of hand-made items in the Hostos lobby. The Longwood Art Gallery will also host a film screening and you can wind down your trolley night with food, drink at the [Bruckner Bar & Grill](#). The [Bronx Culture Trolley](#) is a program of the [Bronx Council on the Arts](#) (BCA). Admission to venues is free and all are welcome to hop on board and enjoy them.



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**May 2nd's Trolley** begins at the **Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos** (Hostos Community College, 450 Grand Concourse at 149th Street) at 5:00pm for a meet-and-greet reception and a viewing of **40.85 °N x 73.86 °W: Home Is Where the Bronx Is**. *Home Is Where the Bronx Is* presents recent work by twenty-one 2010 and 2011 BRIO (Bronx Recognizes Its Own) award-winning artists in visual and media arts. This exhibition, co-curated by Juanita Lanzo, Edwin Ramoran and Kimberly Rose, is the third Bronx artists' biennial and focuses on the notion of home, cultural and political assimilation, personal narratives and histories, the construction of identity, the environment, the natural and urban landscape, and intimate spaces. **6:30pm Film Screening:** Stick around the gallery for a 6:30pm film screening of **Cuban Roots**, BCA BRIO winner Pam Sporn's award-winning documentary that traces the tangled paths and multi-faceted identity of a black Cuban family in the Bronx.

**In the Hostos lobby** BCA's **bronxArtworks Artisans Collective** will display and sell such imaginative creations as Korean knot-tying novelties, crafts, crocheted hats, ethnic masks, illustrations, jewelry, knitwear, metal sculpture, note cards, paintings, papermache masks and vases, post cards, and more. All items are original designs created by Bronx crafts artists.

**The trolley bell clangs at 5:30pm, 6:30pm, and 7:30pm** indicating the trolley's departure from Hostos on its way to the evening's cultural events. The Bronx Culture Trolley is your free ticket to a cultural tour along the South Bronx Cultural Corridor of the lower Grand Concourse. The Bronx Culture Trolley runs on the first Wednesday of each month (except January and September) providing Bronxites and tourists alike a fun way to travel via a replica of an early 20th-century trolley car. Passengers are given the opportunity to sample several of the area's hottest cultural attractions, dining establishments and entertainment venues along the way.

In addition to the Longwood Art Gallery @ Hostos, this month's trolley stops and attractions include: **The Bronx Museum of the Arts** for a viewing of **Baseball in the Bronx: 9 Innings of Bronx Baseball**, featuring photographs, artifacts and ephemera having to do with all things Bronx baseball; a guided tour of *Juan Downey: The Invisible Architect*, and a viewing of *Urban Archives: Our Town Pictures of the Bronx*, and *Lobby-For-The-Time-Being*; **No Longer Empty** for a viewing of *This Side of Paradise*; **Gordon Parks Gallery** for *Kamoinge: Revealing the Face of Katrina*, a photographic exhibition; **BronxArtSpace** for an art exhibition and sale; and the **Bruckner Gallery at the Bruckner Bar & Grill** to view a solo exhibition of work by artist John Harris.

The Bronx Culture Trolley will roll again on Wednesday, June 6, 2012. Visit BCA's website at [www.bronxarts.org](http://www.bronxarts.org) in mid-May for information on June 6th Bronx Culture Trolley as well as other programs and activities of the Bronx Council on the Arts.

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