

Both St. Joseph's School and Holy Family School are hosting holiday fairs this weekend, where residents can buy a bevy of handmade items. Getty Images

## Ruben Studdard, Screaming Broccoli and the history of Staten Island

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It's the second weekend of November: leaves are turning, temperatures are dropping and the sun is rising just a bit later with each day.

Outdoor activities are beginning to dwindle somewhat making way for indoor fun and fab events available to Staten Islanders from shore to shore.

This weekend's roster kicks off on Thursday when an art exhibit opens at Wagner College, followed by plenty of live musical theater, a documentary film screening, Veteran's Day events, activities for children and much more.

THURSDAY, NOV. 7

## 'Amor Fati' at the Wagner College Gallery

Visit the Wagner College Gallery for "Amor Fati," an exhibition of paintings by Sirena LaBurn, Samuel Levy, Nathan Mullins and William Reed that explore certain death, on display through Jan. 10.

A gallery reception is set for Saturday from 2 to 5 p.m.

The reception and the exhibition are both free and open to the public.

The gallery is located in the Union Building on the Wagner College campus at 631 Howard Ave., Grymes Hill.

The Wagner College Gallery is open Tuesday through

Sunday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m., with extended hours on Thursday until 9 p.m.

"Amor Fati" broadens the definition of traditional momento mori to explore themes of life, death and rebirth in paintings by Sirena LaBurn, Samuel Levy, Nathan Mullins and William Reed at Wagner College's Union Gallery.

The four artists' works, each exhibiting individual interests and styles, converse about the hopes and fears inherent in our limited human experience, keeping an eye toward the certainty we all face and welcoming that death as necessary.

For more information about the Wagner College Gallery, contact gallery director Jenny Toth at jtoth@wagner.edu.

## **Ruben Studdard Sings Luther Vandross**

WBLS 107.5 FM welcomes "American Idol" season two winner Ruben Studdard to the St. George Theatre (35 Hyatt St.) on Thursday at 8 p.m., where he'll delight with the music of Luther Vandross.

Ruben will perform such Vandross classics like "Always and Forever," "Never Too Much," "Superstar," "A House is Not a Home," "Power of Love," and more.

Tickets are priced at \$73, \$63, \$53 and \$43.

For more info, call 718-442-2900 or visit TicketSmarter (keywords: Ruben Studdard: Ruben Sings Luther).



Ruben Studdard, winner of season two of "American Idol," will be at the St. George Theatre tonight. Davenport Design Studio