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Provincetown hosts cabaret, theater, art events

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Provincetown is going to be buzzing this weekend. Besides the Pride celebration (see Page 12), there are several big arts-related events happening in town.

Among them:

– Ambassador Productions will present **Provincetown CabaretFest 2019**, which started May 29 and runs through Sunday. In its 19th year, it has become what organizers say is the largest gathering of cabaret performers in New England. It will feature more than 40 cabaret performers, musicians and master class coaches, and offer eight solo cabaret shows, a variety show and a Sunday brunch featuring the Brian Patto Trio and guest star Jeffrey M. Wright.

Broadway and TV performer Nicolas King is this year's headliner, making his Provincetown debut at 9 p.m. Saturday at the Art House theater (214 Commercial St.). Also featured will be performers from Massachusetts, including CabaretFest producer Patricia Fitzpatrick; from New York City and elsewhere in the United States; and festival Lifetime Achievement Award recipient Sharon McNight. Information: www.provincetowncabaretfest.com.

– Film and stage star Kathleen Turner will be the guest of honor Saturday night at the **annual fundraising performance gala for the Provincetown Tennessee Williams Theater Festival**. The 6 p.m. event at Provincetown Town Hall (260 Commercial St.) will include a post-dinner interview with Turner about her life and career as actress (including in 1990's "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" on Broadway) and director. The program for the Sept. 26-29 festival will be announced at the gala. The Golden Globe Award-winning Turner is best known for such movies as "Body Heat," "Peggy Sue Got Married" (Oscar nomination), "Serial Mom" (directed by Provincetown's John Waters), "Romancing the Stone" and "Prizzi's Honor."

Tickets for the gala: twptown.org and 866-789-8366. Tickets for the 14th annual Provincetown Williams festival will go on sale following the gala.

– More than 150 artists, curators and collectors from around the world are due to gather in Provincetown and Truro Friday through Monday for the **Truro Center for the Arts' 13th International Encaustic Conference**. There will be numerous workshops, demonstrations and talks about working in wax, printmaking and mixed media. Several local galleries and the Truro center at Castle Hill will have art shows – open to the public – related to that type of art. Among them: an exhibit of work by artist Judy Pfaff, the conference's keynote speaker, at the GAA Gallery, 494 Commercial St. There also will be public postcard sale fundraiser to help the conference's scholarship fund. More information on open events: www.castlehill.org/13th-international-encaustic-conference.