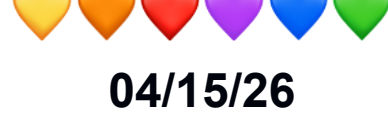




Creative Team Newsletter



Wild Ideas & What's Next

If you missed our **Bowling & Brainstorm** event from last Friday, **fear not!** Here is what's bouncing around in our brain spaces:

Fourth of July Parade Float Ideas

In collaboration with **CRI's Environmental team**, we are exploring early concepts for a Fourth of July parade float. We may have even secured a small trailer. 🗺️

Pride Parade Flamingo

A developing creative collaboration with our **LGBTQIA committee** for various Pride events this summer involving a flamingo-themed puppet, celebrating joy, visibility, and queer expression.

Perkins Paper Show

Ongoing work for our paper-mache submissions to the **Perkins Paperworks show** - their paper based showcase exploring print, texture, and material storytelling.

Sin Frontera Anti-ICE Zine

A zine project focused on **storytelling, amplifying voices and narratives** through a collaborative print format that blends illustration, text, and community contribution.

Midterm Madness

We're beginning to brainstorm ideas to bring awareness to the midterm elections, exploring creative ways to encourage engagement, spark conversation, and make civic participation more visible leading up to the fall.

Volunteers Needed: The Unions Are Calling and The Puppets Must Go...

MAY DAY 2026
Camden To Philly
 South Jersey unions are marching from Camden to Philadelphia on May Day for our families, our communities, & our unions.

March Begins: 3:00pm
(Arrive by 2:45pm)
RSVP For More Details

Sign Up

The puppets & CRI have been invited to join **NJEA's May Day** march into Philadelphia on May 1.

The rough plan is to gather in Camden at **2:30 p.m.**, then march across the bridge into Philly to join the massive "Workers Over Billionaires" rally at City Hall.

We're planning a small, curated cast of puppets (TBD) for this, including **Elon Musk, Jeff Bezos, and our "Pay-to-Play Ticket Booth"**, along with any other characters that make sense for the moment.

At this stage, we're still gauging **interest and availability**. Logistics around the puppets - whether we march from Camden, meet for photos, or connect in Philadelphia - are still being worked out and depend in part on how many folks are able to join. **More details** will follow as plans take shape.

If you're interested in puppeteering that day, please reach out asap!

Upcoming Build Days

[Friday, April 24th in Woodbury](#)

ANOTHER NEW SPOT!

We'll be working at **SJAC in Woodbury**. South Jersey Artist Collective is a super rad organization that **supports and promotes the art and artists of the South Jersey region** through free community events, projects, and exhibitions. Heads up: the driveway is easy to miss - just look for the **SJAC sign** on the building.

REMINDER: NEW START TIME

We're going to push Creative start times to **6:30pm** moving forward. This way we can have stations prepared **BEFORE** you get here. Feel free to come early at 6pm if you want to help us set up or if you just want to mingle while we do so.

Check out our shiny new [Build Day Schedule for 2026](#) to see what else we have planned. We'll keep adding dates and ideas as they come up. Core supplies will be on hand, and we supply what we can with donations - take a quick look before you come in to see if there's anything you'd like to bring along!

Progress + Highlights

Feel free to **share your art with us** - We love seeing what you're creating and sharing it for inspiration!

Led by **Nina**, Lady Liberty's progress looking good for the Perkins Paper Show!



We failed to take any photos from Bowl & Brainstorm, so here's one from mine & **Veda's** field trip last Thursday to Philly - The puppet that sparked the Creative Team: **Bread & Puppet!**



Want more Behind the Scenes? Check out our [Youtube Channel!](#)

Upcoming Actions & Events

Feel free to check out **CRI's mobilize** for a complete list of events! **Our communities are the heartbeat of what we do.** ❤️🧡💚💙



4/18 Pine Hilladelphia

Join **Bob + Co.** at Pine Hilladelphia **every Saturday, 1-3 pm**. Let's tell Pine Hill leadership that it is **time to revoke** Trump's lease on Trump Philadelphia Golf Course.

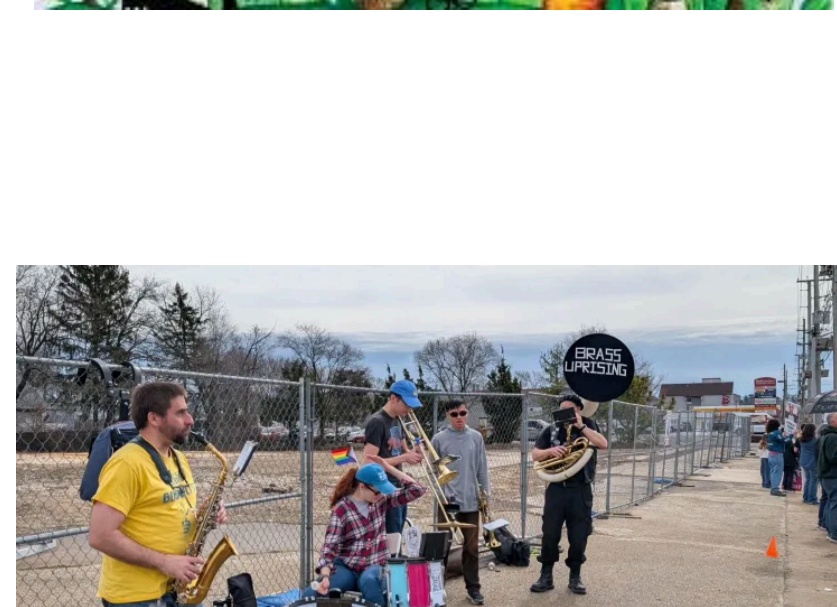
Evict the Dic(tator)!



4/18 Collingswood Green Fest

Stop by the Collingswood Green Festival for refreshments, live music, and ideas for **living greener**. The CRI Environmental Committee & Creative Team will share a table - after all, many of our puppet heads are made mostly from trash!

Let's Go Green



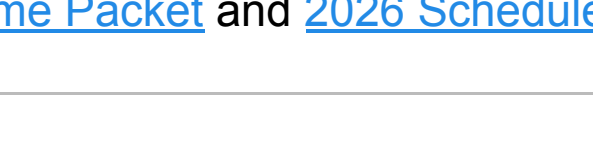
4/19 Roadside Rallies

Join dynamic duo **Josh & Aaron** in Bellmawr on Sundays 12pm - 1:30pm, at the corner of Black Horse Pike and E Browning Road. Just say **NO** to Fascism, kids!

Rally Ready

New Here?

Check out our [Welcome Packet](#) and [2026 Schedule](#) & to stay connected.



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