



## **NYS CAPITAL REGION SCHEDULE OF 2017 ENTREPRENEURIAL EVENTS**

### **Tuesday, January 17**

#### Social Night Potluck

6:30pm - 8:30pm

Tech Valley Center of Gravity at the Quackenbush Building, 30 3rd Street, Troy, NY 12180

- Every Tuesday night we gather with food and conversation. Check this calendar for various themes. This event is free and open to the public. No registration is needed.

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#### Zero to Maker Series - Wood Shop –

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Tech Valley Center of Gravity at the Quackenbush Building, 30 3rd Street, Troy, NY 12180

- The Zero to Maker series is a sequence of classes to introduce new members to key pieces of equipment and training at the Center of Gravity. This week's class will be an introduction to the most commonly used wood shop tools available at the COG. The class is taught by Doug "Elvis" Williams, and will have some basic hands on experience to insure you're comfortable with the basics. A Red Tools safety training video will be available ahead of this class so that the in-person component can focus on using the tools themselves.

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### **Wednesday, January 18**

#### 1 Million Cups

8:00am – 9:00am

Albany Barn Inc. 56 Second St, Albany, NY 12210

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### **Thursday, January 19**

#### 3D Printing Meetup

6:00pm-9:00pm

Tech Valley Center of Gravity at the Quackenbush Building, 30 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Troy, NY 12180

- Contribute to the Monthly Printing Challenge, show off, and tell stories- hang out with other 3D Printing enthusiasts!

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## **Tuesday, January 24**

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### Zero to Maker Series - Fiber Arts / Crafts / Glass Cutting

7:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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## **Wednesday, January 25**

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### TVGS Community Night

6:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Tech Valley Center of Gravity at the Quackenbush Building, 30 3rd Street, Troy, NY 12180

- Welcome to the Tech Valley Game Space Community Night! The TVGS has a goal to help create local games, and there are multiple projects ongoing. Participants at this event will have a chance to pitch a game idea, all for an opportunity to lead a group of TVGS volunteers in a team effort to develop that idea into a functional prototype over the month ahead. We ask that you please RSVP in advance using the registration form:

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## Thursday, January 26

### Writers Workshop

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## Saturday, January 28

### Startup Law Day

8:30am – 3:00pm

Albany Law School, 80 New Scotland Avenue, Albany, NY

- Capital Region entrepreneurs and business owners can sign up for a free legal consultation with an attorney and attend workshops on topics such as legal formation, human resources, funding and financing, protecting your company while working with third parties, and intellectual property.

Visit [www.albanylaw.edu/event/startuplawday](http://www.albanylaw.edu/event/startuplawday)

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### Creative Freelancers Networking Event

5:30pm – 7:30pm

Troy Innovation Garage, 24 Fourth Street, Troy, NY 12180

The Capital Region is home to over 13,000 Creative Freelancers, and ACE is committed to supporting freelancers with networking events, educational support and employment resources. Our quarterly Creative Freelancer Networking events are presented free of charge, and are presented with some of top creative businesses and institutions in the region. Build your network while experiencing the Troy Innovation Garage, a coworking space for creative professionals housed in a beautifully-renovated historic building. At this event, you'll meet interesting and talented freelancers, and share information and ideas while enjoying great art, entertainment and company.

Visit

<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07edpby7iu73d11110&llr=9rpx7yab>

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### **Wednesday March 8-9**

#### NY-BEST Meeting & Conference: Capture the Energy 2017

Albany Marriott, 189 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12205

- Join industry experts as they present and discuss the essential role for storage in reducing greenhouse gas emissions, transforming our electric grid and advancing clean transportation solutions. Our keynote speakers will discuss the policies being developed in New York that are revolutionizing the electric grid, examine how one company is positioning itself to benefit from the changing electric grid landscape, and highlight the State's efforts to invest in growing the clean energy economy here in New York.

Visit <https://www.ny-best.org/>

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### **Friday, March 31**

#### Capital Region New York Business Plan Semifinal Competition

Time TBD

SUNY Polytechnic Institute – 257 Fuller Rd, Albany, NY 12203

- The Capital Region semifinal competition of the 2017 New York Business Plan Competition (NYBPC) will be held at the SUNY Polytechnic Institute. Student teams from New York's Capital Region that meet the eligibility requirements below are invited to submit applications for their idea or venture.

Visit

<http://www.sunycse.com/NewYorkBusinessPlanCompetition/CapitalRegionSemifinalCompetition.aspx>

### **Wednesday, April 5**

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### **Friday, April 28**

#### 8th Annual New York Business Plan Competition

Time TBD

SUNY Polytechnic Institute – 257 Fuller Rd, Albany, NY 12203

- The New York Business Plan Competition (NYBPC) is a venture creation and innovation competition that was established in 2010 to encourage innovation and entrepreneurship throughout New York's colleges and universities.

Visit <http://www.sunycnse.com/newyorkbusinessplancompetition.aspx>

### **Wednesday, May 3, 2017**

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### **Wednesday, May 10, 2017**

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