



Another year has come gone: It's time once again for, AV's ANNUAL BEST OF BUFFALO readers survey of all that is strange and wonderful (and not-so-wonderful) about our fair city and its surrounding burgs. You can vote online or by US Mail. If you fill out a ballot at Best. Artvoice.com, you can answer some categories and return later to fill out more or change your earlier responses. Likewise, all mailed ballots must be sent to and received at:

Best of Buffalo, Artvoice, P.O. Box 695, Buffalo, NY 14202 by Thursday, May 12.

You Must provide legitimate answers in at least 20 categories or we'll toss your ballot. We encourage businesses to mount campaigns to earn votes from our readers, but there is **NO BALLOT STUFFING**. Don't even try. We can tell, and egregious offenders will be called out in these pages.

VOTE LOCAL. NO NATIONAL CHAINS. This is the BEST OF BUFFALO, not the best of anywhere.

DINING OUT

Best Sponge Candy _____
 Best Bagel _____
 Best Bar Food _____
 Best BBQ _____
 Best Beef on Weck _____
 Best Brunch _____
 Best Burger _____
 Best Cheap Eats _____
 Best Chef _____
 Best Coffee _____
 Best Deli _____
 Best Dessert _____
 Best Diner _____
 Best Donuts _____
 Best Fish Fry _____
 Best Food Truck _____
 Best Gourmet Brick/ Wood Oven Pizza _____
 Best Greek/ Mediterranean _____
 Best Ice Cream/ Frozen Yogurt _____
 Best Indian _____
 Best Italian for Family Dining _____
 Best Upscale Ristorante/ Trattoria _____
 Best Mexican/ Tex-Mex _____
 Best Middle Eastern _____
 Best New Restaurant _____
 Best Patio _____
 Best Pizza _____
 Best Place to Eat After 2am _____
 Best Restaurant With a View _____

Best Salad _____
 Best Sausage _____
 Best Seafood _____
 Best Soul Food _____
 Best Soup _____
 Best Sponge Candy _____
 Best Steak _____
 Best Stellar Restaurant Service _____
 Best Sub _____
 Best Sushi _____
 Best Takeout/ Delivery _____
 Best Thai/ Vietnamese/ Burmese _____
 Best Vegetarian _____
 Best Wings _____

SHOPS & SERVICES

Best Accessories _____
 Best Antique Shop _____
 Best Bakery _____
 Best Barber _____
 Best Bike Shop _____
 Best Book Store _____
 Best Butcher _____
 Best Car Dealership _____
 Best Chiropractor _____
 Best Chocolatier _____
 Best Day Spa _____
 Best Dentist _____
 Best Fish Market _____
 Best Florist _____
 Best Furniture/ Home Decor _____
 Best General Practitioner _____

Best Gift Shop _____
 Best Gourmet Store/ Specialty Food Shop _____
 Best Hair Salon _____
 Best Head Shop _____
 Best Hospital When You Don't Want to Die _____
 Best Hotel/ Inn/ B&B _____
 Best Jewelry Store _____
 Best Kid's Summer Camp _____
 Best Liquor/ Wine Store _____
 Best Guided Tour _____
 Best Men's Clothing Shop _____
 Best Women's Clothing Shop _____
 Best Workout Facility _____
 Best Martial Arts Studio _____
 Best Massage _____
 Best Motorcycle Dealership _____
 Best Musical Instrument Store _____
 Best New Shop _____
 Best Optometrist _____
 Best Outdoor Market _____
 Best Pediatrician _____
 Best Pedicure / Manicure _____
 Best Pet Grooming _____
 Best Piercings _____
 Best Carpets/ Rugs/ Flooring _____
 Best Pop-Up Shop _____
 Best Preschool or Daycare _____
 Best Private School _____
 Best Produce _____
 Best Real Estate Agency _____
 Best Snowboard/ Ski Gear _____
 Best Sports/ Outdoor Shop _____
 Best Tattoos _____
 Best Vintage, Thrift. or Consignment Shop _____
 Best Yoga/ Pilates _____

MUSIC

Best Acoustic Act _____
 Best Blues Act _____
 Best Classical Musician _____
 Best Club DJ _____
 Best Country Act _____
 Best Female Vocalist _____
 Best Hip Hop DJ _____
 Best Jazz Act _____
 Best Jazz Musician _____
 Best Hip Hop Act _____
 Best Male Vocalist _____
 Best New Band _____
 Best Open Mic Night _____
 Best Original Music Act _____
 Best Rock Act _____
 Best Rock/ Blues Musician _____
 Best Vocal Ensemble _____

NIGHTLIFE

Best 2nd Time Around/ Baby Boomer HookUp Joint _____
 Best Bartender _____
 Best Bottled Beer Selection _____
 Best Bowling _____
 Best Craft Beer Selection on Tap _____
 Best Craft Cocktail Selection _____
 Best Day Drinking Bar _____
 Best Dive Bar _____
 Best Gay Bar _____
 Best Happy Hour _____
 Best Hookup Joint _____
 Best Irish Bar _____

Best Jukebox _____
 Best Karaoke _____
 Best Live Music Venue _____
 Best Neighborhood Pub _____
 Best New Bar _____
 Best Place to Dance _____
 Best Place to Watch a Game _____
 Best Strip Club _____
 Best Upscale Bar _____
 Best Wine List _____

THE FINE ARTS

Best Burlesque Performer _____
 Best Cultural Asset _____
 Best Dance Company _____
 Best Dancer _____
 Best Drag Performer _____
 Best Fashion Designer _____
 Best Gallery _____
 Best Local Writer _____
 Best Movie Theater _____
 Best Museum _____
 Best New Art Space _____
 Best Painter _____
 Best Photographer _____
 Best Poet _____
 Best Public Art _____
 Best Stand-Up Comic _____
 Best Supporter of the Arts _____
 Best Video Artist/ Filmmaker _____

PEOPLE AND PLACES

Best Activist Group _____
 Best Annual Fundraiser _____
 Best Bathroom Graffiti _____
 Best Date Spot _____
 Best Day Trip _____
 Best Famous Person from Buffalo _____
 Best Free Entertainment _____
 Best Individual Activist _____
 Best Instagram Account _____
 Best Local Journalist _____
 Best Local Radio Personality _____
 Best Local Sailing Races/ Regattas _____
 Best Local TV Personality _____
 Best Local Twitter _____
 Best Local Website/ Blog _____
 Best New Idea You've Heard for WNY _____

 Best People Watching Spot _____
 Best Power Meeting Place _____
 Best Public Service Provided _____
 Best Reason to Live in Buffalo _____
 Best Scandal _____
 Best Thing About Never Winning a Championship _____

 Best Up and Coming Neighborhood _____
 Best Urban Garden _____
 Most Over-Covered Story of the Year _____

 Most Under-Covered Story of the Year _____

 We Need More People Like _____
 Worst New Idea You've Heard for WNY _____
