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One Royce Circle Opening Soon!



242,000 square feet
348 residents
195 apartments
10 businesses

One Royce Circle

With construction of One Royce Circle winding down, the next phase of Storrs Center is nearly complete.

The upper floors of this key building feature 195 apartments by [The Oaks on the Square](#). The Oaks staff, led by Community Manager Katie DeLany, are hard at work preparing to welcome their new residents starting August 13. After a very busy ten-day move-in period, there

will be 620 residents living in One and Nine Dog Lane and One Royce Circle.

Just as in the first phase of Storrs Center, the first floor of One Royce Circle will be home to an exciting mix of restaurants, shops, and services. Each commercial tenant has its own schedule, and these businesses will open over the course of the next few months.

[Webster Bank](#) is poised to be the first to open in their new location. Although they are new to Mansfield, Webster Bank has been serving Connecticut since 1935 when Harold Webster Smith founded

First Federal Savings of Waterbury. Since then, Webster Bank (so renamed in honor of its founder in 1995) has grown into a full service commercial bank ranked among the nation's 35 largest banks. The full-service banking center in Storrs Center will be its 169th location.

The [UConn Co-op](#) is looking forward to continuing to serve Mansfield residents in their new Storrs Center location, which will complement their campus store. The UConn Co-op @ Storrs Center will be a true community bookstore with general books, a children's section, gifts, a café, and special events. In fact, the Co-op's

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One Royce Circle (continued from page 1)



Thomas Wang, Jessica Chiep, and Ron Liu are excited to open Haru Aki Café in Storrs Center this fall!

(Max Sinton '15 (CANR)/ UConn Photo)

fall calendar is quickly filling up with author talks and other special events in Storrs Center!

Sharing space with the Co-op will be the world-renowned [Ballard Institute and Museum of Puppetry](#). This unique gem will be moving from UConn's Depot Campus to become a main attraction in downtown Mansfield. With expanded exhibition space, a large workshop, and generous performance space, the Ballard has plans for expanded programming. Dr. John Bell and his students and staff are excited to welcome more visitors and

audiences to this new, bright, and more easily accessible location.

Hungry residents and visitors will soon have another restaurant to tempt them in Storrs Center: [Haru Aki Café](#) plans to open in September. Ron Liu, Jessica Chiep, and Thomas Wang - all originally from West Hartford and all UConn alumni - have big plans for their new eatery which will serve authentic Japanese street fare in a modern style with traditional elements. The restaurant will serve tapas, small, carefully prepared dishes that are based on Pan-Asian fusion inspirations. Specialty items will

include hand crafted sashimi salads, house-made curry dumplings, gyu-don, teppanyaki, and okonomiyaki dishes.

The energetic trio of owners plans to host monthly Saturday morning workshops featuring different cultural experiences such as sushi-rolling, fresh mochi-tastings, various art techniques, anime screenings, and dumpling-making. Haru Aki Café will be open seven days a week.

The [UConn Health Center](#) is working on plans for its new offices in One Royce Circle, which will provide multi-disciplinary health

care services, a world-class staff of medical professionals, and 48 new jobs when they open in December 2013. Services will include urgent care, orthopedics, cardiology, dermatology, occupational medicine, family medicine, OB/GYN, and psychiatry services. In addition, a radiology suite and lab drawing station will provide convenient services for area residents, students, and workers.

While these businesses are gearing up for fall openings, other businesses are in discussions to lease the four remaining commercial spaces in One Royce Circle. Look for [announcements](#) soon! ♦



UPCOMING DOWNTOWN EVENTS

Saturdays, May–November

[Storrs Farmers Market](#), 3 - 6 PM, at Mansfield Town Hall, Open rain or shine

Friday, August 2

Friday Night Movie Series: *Vicky Cristina Barcelona*, 7.30 PM, Tickets \$5, [StoDoArts](#), [von der Mehden Recital Hall](#)

Sunday, August 4

Sunday Music @ 2: Seldom Heard, [StoDoArts](#), [Storrs Center](#)

Wednesday, August 7

Live Music Wednesdays: Tuesday Saints, 5 - 7 PM, [Storrs Center](#)

Friday, August 9

Friday Night Movie Series: *Casablanca*, 7.30 PM, Tickets \$5, [StoDoArts](#), [von der Mehden Recital Hall](#)

Saturday, August 10

[Family Fun Night](#), 4.30 - 7.30 PM, [Mansfield Community Center](#)

Sunday, August 11

Sunday Music @ 2: Bob Bloom, Take A Drum Ride, [StoDoArts](#), [Storrs Center](#)

Wednesday, August 14

Live Music Wednesdays: Still Pickin', 5 - 7 PM, [Storrs Center](#)

Friday, August 16

Friday Night Movie Series: *Kinky Boots*, 7.30 PM, Tickets \$5, [StoDoArts](#), [von der Mehden Recital Hall](#)

Wednesday, August 21

Live Music Wednesdays: Shelly Died Laughing, 5 - 7 PM, [Storrs Center](#)

Saturday, August 24

[Free Mansfield Day](#), 4.30 - 7.30 PM, [Mansfield Community Center](#)

Saturday, August 24

[Family Fun Night](#), 4.30 - 7.30 PM, [Mansfield Community Center](#)

Wednesday, August 28

Live Music Wednesdays: The Long River Band, 5 - 7 PM, [Storrs Center](#)

Find more events on the
[Partnership's Events Calendar!](#)



SAVE the DATES!
FRIDAY, SEPT. 20 through SUNDAY, SEPT. 22