



Connecticut Conservatory, New Orleans Jazz

By Marie Sheahan Brown

From the Faubourg Tremé to The Hartt School performing arts conservatory at the University of Hartford in Connecticut; from orchestral concert halls to the sidewalk at Saint Peter and Royal Streets in the French Quarter; from cathedral weddings to classrooms around the country; from gigs on San Francisco piers to invitations from the nations of émigrés; from below the windows of the lady who makes disturbing-the-peace calls to the venues of four United States presidents—Doreen Ketchens's silver-and-black woodwind, and her enormous talent to play it, have led this New Orleans native on adventures far beyond the homemade-candy shop her mother owned on the street level of the old house where Doreen grew up.

Though raised in the musical milieu that many associate with jazz, Doreen began as a classical clarinetist—initially as a fifth grader in the school band—in order to escape a dreaded pop quiz.

Doreen says, “We were called in from recess, and the teacher announced a pop quiz in history

with eight questions. I usually sat in the middle of the class—not in the first row, because that’s where the smart kids sit who always get called on; and not in the back, because the teacher might pick on them, too. But in the middle, I’d disappear. So, starting with the front row, the teacher began asking each student one of those eight questions. I didn’t know more and more nervous because I didn’t get the answers. Maybe I spent too much time in class daydreaming, looking out the window. He got closer to me, and closer. . . . Suddenly, the principal announced over the PA system: ‘If anyone wants to join the school band, raise your hand now.’ So I raised my hand, and my teacher let me go! Joining the band in the first place was a God thing.”

In the band room, the music teacher showed a picture of how bands are arranged: clarinets and flutes in the front rows, brass and drums in the back rows. Usually, girls played flute or clarinet. “I loved the way the flute looked—gorgeous. But the girls in front of me started choosing that, and I didn’t want to do what everyone else was doing. When the teacher got to me, I said, ‘I’d like to play clarinet.’”



She continues, “I feel so comfortable with the clarinet. We’ve had a relationship for many years.” At the time, the band used the *Learning Unlimited Band Series* by Art C. Jensen. “It’s out of print now, but I loved it. It taught us how to read

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Sub-Bid Requests

George Harms Construction is seeking MWBE/SBE/SED vendors, suppliers, subcontractors

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Photovoltaic Power Plant—Request For Proposal 20 MWac in Suffolk County, New York
Project Labor Agreements are in effect on this project

Contracting Goals are as follows:
Hire local Vendors and Subcontractors from qualified New York State certified:
Minority Business Enterprise (MBE)
Women’s Business Enterprise (WBE)
New York State Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Business (SDVOB)
Union Labor is required for Electrical Subcontractor Scope of Work

This project consists of the following Subcontractor Trades:
Site Work: Surveying, Clear and Grub, Earthwork, Dirt Road Construction, SWPPP
Electrical: AC and DC electrical system installation, Substation installation

This project consists of procuring the following equipment:
Foundations
Electrical Material

Subject to Swinerton Prequalification Process.
Prior Utility-Scale PV experience is required (Subcontractor shall have completed a minimum project size of 5 MWac within the last 3 years)

If interested in bidding, please contact Andrew Johnson for Prequalification, Bid Documents, and formal Scope of Work.
Bid Date is April 13, 2018, at 2:00 pm
Bids to be received at:
Swinerton Builders
16798 West Bernardo Drive • San Diego, CA 92127
Attention: Andrew Johnson
Or via email to: andjohnson@swinerton.com
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An opportunity for MWBEs to connect with the Newark Liberty International Airport Terminal One Design Builder, Tutor Perini/Parsons, JV

WHEN
Wednesday, March 28, 2018
8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
8:00 AM–8:30 AM—Sign in and Refreshments
8:30 AM–12:00 PM—Program and Networking

WHERE
New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT)
Campus Center, Ballroom A
150 Bleeker Street, 2nd Floor
Newark, NJ 07102

WHO SHOULD ATTEND
MBE/WBE professional design, construction, and engineering firms

RSVP BY
Friday, March 23, 2018
panynj.gov/paevents

The Port Authority of New York and New Jersey is investing \$2.7 billion for the Terminal One Redevelopment Program that needs design and construction skills and expertise like yours. Our supplier diversity program means that your MBE/WBE business could be eligible for contracts related to the modernization of Newark Liberty International Airport’s Terminal One Redevelopment Program. Parking for this event is located at 154 Summit Street, Newark, NJ.

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West End Connection, Amtrak Empire Tunnel
Amtrak Contract No: X036-18030
Bid Date: March 22, 2018

Description of project:
The rehabilitation of the track infrastructure along the AE Line in Manhattan between MP 0.00 and MP 11.0 and the construction of a new storage yard at 72nd Street.

Many bidding opportunities available.

If you are interested in bidding on this project, please contact Skanska’s Outreach Coordinator: Julia.Omanoff@skanska.com

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PATH Replacement of Elevators at Harrison Car Maintenance Facility
PANYNJ Contract No: PAT-774.169
Bid Date: March 22, 2018

Description of project:
This project contains the following scopes of work: replacement of Passenger Elevator Cabs, replacement of Freight Elevator Floor, installation of Sumps in the Elevator Pits, raising of Portion of the Control Tower Roof over the Elevator Shaft, connection of Elevator Controllers to the PATH Elevator Remote Monitoring System, related work at the Yard Control Tower and the Main Shop Building, modification of Fire Protection System near Elevator Pits, Lead Paint Removal / Universal Waste Removal, and associated Electrical Work.

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Equal Opportunity Development and Compliance for the Rehabilitation of Electrical and Mechanical Systems of Madison Avenue Bridge over Harlem River
NYCDOT Contract No: HBX6445
Bid Date: March 23, 2018

Subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to Clearing and Grubbing, Concrete, Graffiti Removal, Bridge Machinery, Demolition, Barrier, Interior Plumbing and Finishes, Field Office, CPM Scheduling, Electrical, Bridge Control Systems, Lead and Asbestos Abatement, Civil General Contracting, Construction Engineering, Dumpster, Fencing, Fuel, Haul and Dispose, Miscellaneous Metals, MPT, Office Trailer Fit Out, Painting, Rebar, Sandblasting, Signs, Structural Steel, Surveying, and Trucking. Please see contract documents for further opportunities.

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Route 1 and 9 (Peluski Skyway) Rocker-Bent Investigation Contract
NJDOT Contract No: 051183160
Bid Date: March 29, 2018

Subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to Bearings, Civil General Contracting, Construction Engineering, CPM Scheduling, Dumpster, Fencing, Field Trailer, Fuel, Haul and Dispose, Miscellaneous Metals, MPT, Office Trailer Fit Out, Painting, Piles, Rebar, Sandblasting, Signs, Stripping, Structural Steel, Surveying, Temp Shoring Towers, Testing and Trucking. Please see contract documents for further opportunities.

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Equal Opportunity Development and Compliance for the Rehabilitation of Manhattan Bridge
NYCDOT Contract No: BRC156F
Bid Date: March 30, 2018

Subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to Bridge Drainage, Bridge Dehumidification in Anchorages, Clearing and Grubbing, Community Outreach, Concrete, Ornamental Castings, Demolition, Barrier, Field Office, CPM Scheduling, Electrical, Lead and Asbestos Abatement, Civil General Contracting, Construction Engineering, Dumpster, Fencing, Fuel, Haul and Dispose, Miscellaneous Metals, MPT, Office Trailer Fit Out, Painting, Rebar, Sandblasting, Signs, Structural Steel, Surveying, and Trucking. Please see contract documents for further opportunities.

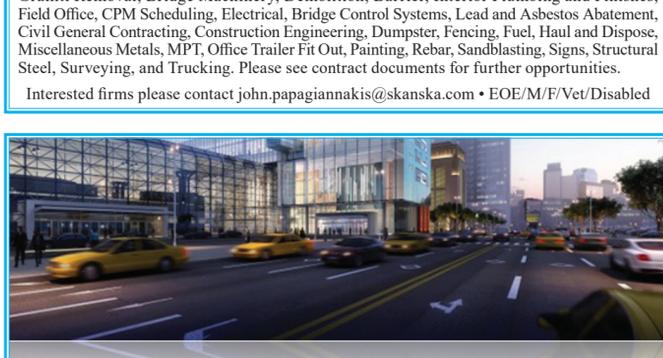
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Equal Opportunity Development and Compliance for the Rehabilitation of Broadway Bridge over Harlem River
NYCDOT Contract No: HBM1147
Bid Date: April 26, 2018

Subcontracting opportunities include but are not limited to Clearing and Grubbing, Concrete, Graffiti Removal, Bridge Machinery, Demolition, Barrier, Interior Plumbing and Finishes, Field Office, CPM Scheduling, Electrical, Bridge Control Systems, Lead and Asbestos Abatement, Civil General Contracting, Construction Engineering, Dumpster, Fencing, Fuel, Haul and Dispose, Miscellaneous Metals, MPT, Office Trailer Fit Out, Painting, Rebar, Sandblasting, Signs, Structural Steel, Surveying, and Trucking. Please see contract documents for further opportunities.

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Owner: New York Convention Center Operating Corporation (NYCCOC) located in New York City, NY

How To Get Involved:
LLTJV Issues Notice of Interest (NOI) emails to all LLTJV registered vendors notifying them of upcoming 1st tier opportunities on the project.

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Marketing and Advertising
Thursday, March 22, 2018, 8:00 am–10:00 am
Wilton Library, 137 Old Ridgefield Road, Wilton, CT
Main Sponsor(s): Small Business Administration
Contact: Lisa Powell, 860-240-4892, lisa.powell@sba.gov
Fee: Free; registration required
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Etsy Crafts Entrepreneurship
Wednesday, March 28, 2018, 6:00 pm–8:00 pm
Cape May County Technical School, 188 Crest Haven Road, Cape May Courthouse, NJ
Main Sponsor(s): Union County Economic Development Corporation
Contact: Rogers Ramsey, 908-527-1166, rramsey@ucedc.com
Fee: Free; registration required
This is program being offered by Union County Economic Development Corporation, a nonprofit corporation that is dedicated to helping New

Explore Small Business Administration
Thursday, March 29, 2018, 11:00 am–1:00 pm
Center for Women and Enterprise, 24 School Street, Suite 700, Boston, MA
Main Sponsor(s): Center for Women and Enterprise
Contact: Madeleine Lutts, 617-532-0225, mlutts@cweonline.org
Fee: Free; registration required
This workshop is presented by a member of the local US Small Business Administration (SBA) team and is designed to help entrepreneurs understand the various SBA programs and services available to help them start or expand a business. Topics covered include: Technical Assistance Programs; SBA Loan Guarantee Program; 8(a) Business Development Program; HUBZone (Historically Underutilized Business Zones); Government Contracting Opportunities. The US Small Business Administration was created in 1953 as an independent agency of the federal government to aid, counsel, assist, and protect the interests of small business concerns, to preserve free competitive enterprise, and to maintain and strengthen the overall economy of our nation.

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