



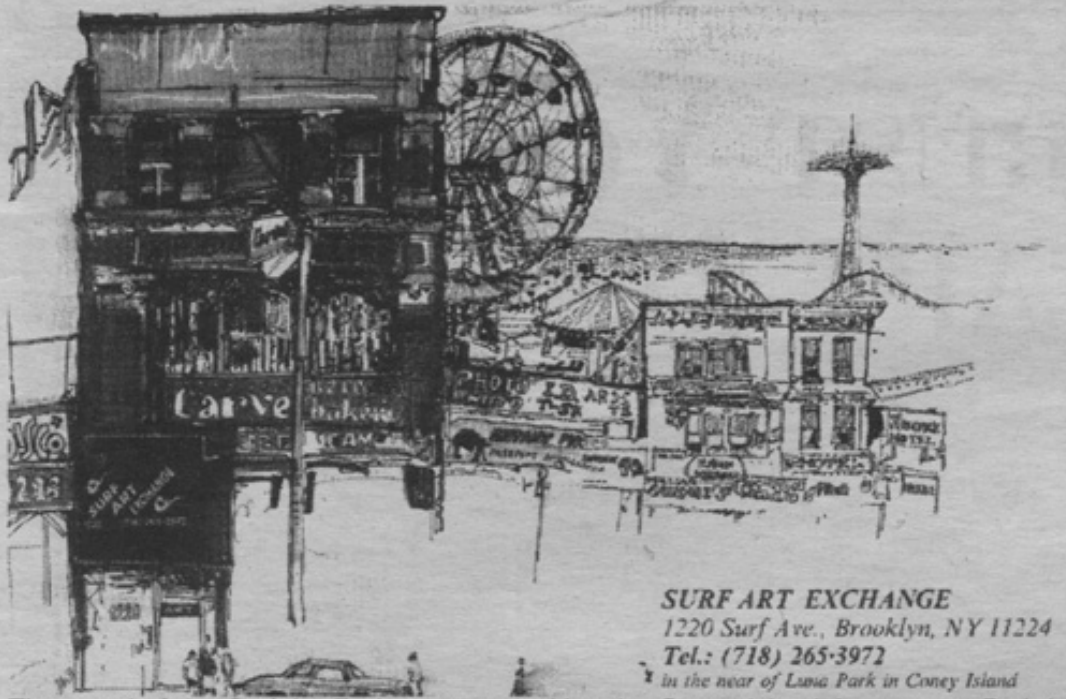
Artist Alla Sapojnikova (left) displays her work with "Yanna" and Anna Levin (right) at the Surf Art Exchange.  
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# Picture Perfect: A Unique Art Gallery Thrives In Coney Island

By Elizabeth Harris



Alex Gerson (left), owner of the Surf Art Exchange and artist Alla Sapojnikova (right) greeted guests at the official opening of the art gallery.



**SURF ART EXCHANGE**  
1220 Surf Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11224  
Tel.: (718) 265-3972  
in the near of Luna Park in Coney Island

The mood of the Surf Art Exchange overlooking the Coney Island Amusement Park is captured in this illustration by artist Alla Sapojnikova.

# Russian Art Gallery Enhances the Borough's Treasure Trove Of Culture

*"This is a great event for Brooklyn culture, not just the Russian community. For the first time I can come to an old part of Brooklyn to see a modern part of Russia," Kantorovich said, adding, "this is only the beginning."*

gallery, explaining that people are not bombarded by the clutter often found in other galleries.

Alla Sapojnikova is one such artist featured in the ongoing exhibit with close to 20 pieces on display. She was on hand to speak to possible buyers at the opening.

"It is an extreme pleasure to have my work displayed here, and to be able to speak with the people, to get feedback directly from them," Sapojnikova said.

Sapojnikova is most pleased with the spacious