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THE ART OF WORKING REMOTELY

by Janet Langsam

Many people think that employees who work remotely are happier, healthier and more productive. Others remain unimpressed by such claims. I for one had never given any thought to the matter until most recently when I took a nasty fall at my daughter’s wedding. There I was radiant at the nuptials and one minute later I didn’t have a leg to stand on, so to speak.

So for the past few weeks, armed with iPhones, iPad, computer, deck chair, patio umbrella, a walker, heating pads and pain killers, I have become a dilettante at the art of working remotely. And, I must say, it’s not all bad. Personally, I wouldn’t recommend it as a steady diet, but a trial period – say a few weeks in the fall as the leaves are turning gorgeous autumnal colors – could be transformational. Since coming to Westchester from Boston more than twenty years ago, this has been my first foray into working remotely while watching the bees taste the last nectar of summer.

Given my suspicious nature, I am thinking that this whole episode in my life has been a devious trick on the part of Mother Nature to grab my attention and hold it there while she rearranges the landscape, like the real artist she is. With that in mind, I would suggest September and October as good months to be an online worker bee.
Fleur-de-Lis Sculptures Installed in New Rochelle

Fifteen fleur-de-lis sculptures have been erected throughout the city of New Rochelle as a final commemoration of the city’s 325th anniversary celebration—a respectful nod to the city’s seal, which contains the fleur-de-lis. The installations, a collaboration between the city, the New Rochelle Council on the Arts and the Downtown Business Improvement District, aim to celebrate the city’s rich history by showcasing its local talent. A different artist uniquely decorated each of the five-foot-tall fiberglass sculptures. A brochure outlining a self-guided walking tour is available at the New Rochelle Public Library and online at www.NewRochelleDowntown.com.

Sound Shore Artists Unveil Ways of Seeing

A collection of 36 works by artists from the Sound Shore area will be on view beginning October 11 in Ways of Seeing, a show organized and sponsored by the Village of Mamaroneck Arts Council. The exhibition, which will take place in ArtsWestchester’s Gallery 9, aims to articulate the many ways that artists transform their visions into the material world. Judges Kenise Barnes (Kenise Barnes Fine Art) and Robin Smith (Katonah Museum of Art) chose 17 artists to participate in the show, which closes on November 8. These artists work with varying mediums including sculpture, diorama and paints. An opening reception will take place on October 11 from 2:30-4:30pm. For more info, contact: vomartscouncil@gmail.com or 914-428-4220.

Artwork “Bridges" Rockland and Westchester Counties

The 2014 Bridge Art Show, a juried exhibition of Rockland and Westchester artists, showcases interpretations of the new bridge design and the existing Tappan Zee Bridge at the Community Outreach Centers in Nyack and Tarrytown through November 1. Meant to foster connections between communities on both sides of the river, each county will display the works of the other. “Best of Show” at each location—Heather Leigh Douglas in Tarrytown and Bill Murphy in Nyack—were selected by a panel of Hudson Valley residents involved in the arts, architecture, planning and historic preservation. The show’s 85 works are presented in collaboration with ArtsWestchester, Rockland Center for the Arts, Rivertown Artists Workshop and Nyack Art Collective.

Ann Fabrizio Honored by Taconic Opera

Ann Fabrizio and Taconic Opera CEO Dan Montez

ArtWestchester’s Deputy Director of Development, Ann Fabrizio, was recently honored at Taconic Opera’s Opera Goes to Hell gala at CV Rich Mansion in White Plains. Fabrizio has been a longtime supporter of the organization. Other honorees included Career Bridges co-founders David and Barbara Bender and arts patron Irene Herz, along with special guest Renata Scotto, world-renowned soprano.

Tarrytown Music Hall Reopens After $1.5 Million Renovation

The historic Tarrytown Music Hall is now reopened after a month-long $1.5 million exterior restoration project. The renovation replaced aging building elements and repaired wear and tear that has occurred during the theater’s 129-year history. While construction will continue into the fall, the theater has a full lineup of renowned performers in its coming season. The building, listed on the National Register of Historic Places, is one of the oldest theaters in Westchester. Explains Executive Director Bjorn Olsson, “It’s a great feeling to know that we are preserving the theater for future generations to enjoy.”

Clay Art Center Receives Grant for Arts Education in Port Chester

Clay Art Center (CAC) has received a $50,000 grant from the Common Sense Fund, an organization that promotes action through arts by addressing social needs. The grant will allow CAC to offer underserved Port Chester Middle School and High School students a year-long after school ceramic program. This spring, potter and arts activist Michael Strand will focus on art for social change, aiming to enhance each student’s civic engagement and community involvement. He will work directly with these students to implement a community-wide project, Port Chester: Melting Pots. The grant will also expose students to basic ceramic techniques, monthly tours of Clay Art Center’s exhibits, lessons from visiting artists and employment training.
Janet Langsam Recognized for ArtsWestchester's Work with Seniors

ArtsWestchester’s CEO Janet Langsam will be honored with the Humanitarian Award from the Westchester Public/Private Partnership for Aging Services at its Golden Harvest Awards Breakfast on October 2. Langsam is being recognized for her leadership in advocating and maintaining arts programs for seniors. ArtsWestchester has been providing free services at low income, county-subsidized senior residencies for more than 15 years, using the arts to reinforce cognitive and social skills. As transportation and mobility are barriers to full participation for many seniors, social isolation becomes a growing concern. ArtsWestchester’s hands-on artist residencies are designed to foster socialization by bringing people together for a shared, art-making experience. In 2014, ArtsWestchester has worked with the Sills Family Foundation to provide services to five senior residences in Mount Vernon and New Rochelle. Through this partnership, more than 100 seniors, 65+ years of age, have participated in a series of weekly art workshops in a variety of art mediums.

Yonkers Arts Initiative Grants Awarded to Five Organizations

Yonkers Arts Initiative grants, made possible with support from Westchester County government, were presented by ArtsWestchester to five local Yonkers organizations on September 15 at Blue Door Gallery (exhibition on view: Visionaries: Seers of the Soul). The grants aim to give greater exposure to the arts throughout the city of Yonkers.

Bringing Art into the Workplace at Regeneron

After a three-month run at ArtsWestchester, STEAM, the contemporary art exhibition that showcases the intersection of art and STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics), has a new home at Regeneron Pharmaceuticals this October. Continuing the exciting arts and business partnership between ArtsWestchester and Regeneron Pharmaceuticals, this exhibition is now installed in three locations on Regeneron’s campus and features highlights from the original collection. Among the works on view are Kathy High’s Blood Wars, a bio-art piece that explores the potential of science to solve world conflicts, and Maria Michails’ Petri Series: The Benzene Project, an interactive installation wherein viewers illuminate enlarged images of benzene by pedaling a bicycle.

Arts Alive Grants Available for Community Projects: Deadline October 17

ArtsWestchester’s Arts Alive grants are designed to help make arts and cultural activities easily accessible to a wide community audience. The grants support projects that demonstrate a strong community benefit, artists who incorporate the community as context for their work and partnerships between artists or arts organizations and Westchester public schools. ArtsWestchester is now accepting applications for this year’s Arts Alive grants. The submission deadline is October 17. An application workshop will take place at ArtsWestchester (31 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains) on October 2 to assist potential applicants.

For guidelines and a downloadable application, visit: artsw.org/artsalive-workshops. For more info, contact Jessy Mendez at 914-428-4220 x313 or jmendez@artswestchester.org.

Upcoming Grantee Project: Inspired by the Hudson River, which flows both ways, Natalia Lesniak’s Infinity sculpture in Van der Donck Park (Yonkers) aims to highlight the connection between the Saw Mill and Hudson Rivers. On view between October 4-19, the glowing installation appears to levitate, creating unique perspectives from all views.
Saturday, November 22, 2014 | Rye Brook | Cocktails at 6:30pm, Dinner at 8pm

Remember the 60’s…bell bottoms, afros, Janis Joplin, Woodstock, The Beatles. Guests at ArtsWestchester’s gala will dance to the music of the 60’s on Saturday, November 22 in a spectacular office property owned by George Comfort & Sons and located at 900 King Street in Rye Brook. That evening, ArtsWestchester will honor one of Westchester’s most generous citizens, Robert Wiener, Chairman of MAXX Properties in Mamaroneck. This year’s 1960s gala theme celebrates “when it all began” for ArtsWestchester and much of the local arts community – when Westchester moved from a sleepy suburb to a rich cultural and business hub. Anyone can join the fun by purchasing a ticket or table or support the organization with a journal ad. All proceeds will benefit the programs and services of ArtsWestchester in its mission to make the arts accessible to everyone in county.
For more info, visit: www.artswestchester.org/gala.

ArtsWestchester Presents "Arts for Special Needs" Grants

ArtsWestchester, in partnership with the Westchester County government, recently awarded 17 human service organizations and arts groups with “Arts for Special Needs” awards. These funds support programs designed to engage people with cognitive, developmental, psychological or physical disabilities in meaningful arts activities. “The initiative supports an incredible range of services, from music therapy for children on the autism spectrum, to creative movement for people who use wheelchairs, to a drumming workshop for children with developmental delays,” explained Michael Kaplowitz, Chairman of Westchester County Board of Legislators.
Performing arts season openings

Emelin Theatre

Emelin Theatre’s fall season offers a broad mix of entertainment for all ages and interests. Folk singer Lucy Kaplansky brings harmonious melodies to the theater while Flamenco Vivo Carlota Santana heats it up with Latin ballroom and Get Back! Beatlemania transports audiences back to the sixties. The Broadway stage comes to Mamaroneck when And The Tony Award Goes To… presents songs from celebrated musicals. Reinterpretations of audience favorites breathe new life into The Nutcracker (Nut/Cracked mixes the original score with modern favorites) and Romeo and Juliet (R+J: Star-Crossed Death Match takes place in local bar Molly Spillane’s). Plenty of family-friendly performances will leave children in smiles when The Magic Garden’s quirky duo Carole and Paula come for a visit. Other performances include the legendary Count Basie Orchestra, “jam band” Max Creek and jazz crooner John Pizzarelli.

Historic Hudson Valley

The Great Jack O’Lantern Blaze returns to Van Cortlandt Manor this fall with its electrifying display of Jack O’Lanterns, spooky sound effects and elaborate synchronized lighting and music. The haunted Horseman’s Hollow trail becomes all-too-real with the work of award-winning film makeup artists at Philipsburg Manor. Characters from Washington Irving’s classic tale The Legend Of Sleepy Hollow come alive through Jonathan Kruck’s masterful storytelling at the Old Dutch Church while eerie organ music heightens the experience of Irving’s tale. For those who are faint-of-heart, a daytime visit to Washington Irving’s Sunnyside estate gives visitors a chance to see a shadow puppet performance of The Legend Of Sleepy Hollow and take a walk in the woods.

Performing Arts Center At Purchase College

The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College showcases a full array of talented artists this fall. The lineup features folk singer and songwriter Suzanne Vega, a speaking engagement with comedic memoirist David Sedaris and The Suzanne Ferrell Ballet. Audience members will swing, jam and bebop their way into a New Orleans state-of-mind on October 24 with the Preservation Hall Jazz Band and pianist Allen Toussaint. A production of Basetrack Live takes an unbiased look at the real-life affects of war on modern-day soldiers as presented through photos and videos from photojournalists and verbatim text from social media exchanges and interviews. The fall lineup ends with holiday concert performances such as The Rob Mathes Holiday Concert and Musica Sacra’s performance of Handel’s Messiah.

Schoolhouse Theater

Schoolhouse Theater’s 2014-15 season opens with an unlikely battle of wits – Freud’s Last Session, on stage from October 31 to November 23, imagines a meeting between Sigmund Freud and C. S. Lewis in the days before the start of World War II. Following Freud’s is the powerful Pulitzer Prize-winning The Effect of Gamma Rays on Man-in-the-Moon Marigolds, which investigates the dysfunctional relationship of a widow and her two young daughters. The production runs from February 27 through March 22. Finally, The Clearing, which opens on June 3, is an emotional historical drama set in 17th century Ireland during the march of Oliver Cromwell’s army. The poignant play follows the affects of this ethnic cleansing on an English aristocrat and his Irish-Catholic wife.
Taconic Opera

Taconic Opera (TO)’s 17th season is one that celebrates acclaimed composer Giuseppe Verdi, as seen from two very different angles. *Falstaff* was the last work by Verdi. It was also his only comedic piece, a departure from his beloved dramatic compositions. On October 18 and 19 at the Yorktown Stage, the Taconic Opera will take on this melodramatic production, which is based on Shakespeare’s *The Merry Wives of Windsor* and features a massive cast. “It is the most daunting opera we have ever attempted,” explains General Director Dan Montez. The rest of TO’s season also includes one of Verdi’s dramas, the famous *La Traviata*, as well as *Daniel*, an original oratorio by Montez.

Tarrytown Music Hall

Tarrytown Music Hall’s fall season provides jokes to laugh at, music to sing along with and activities for children to participate in. Internationally successful comedian Dave Attell brings his unorthodox comedic style to the theater on October 2. Justin Hayward, the voice and lead guitarist of the classic rock band The Moody Blues takes the stage on November 2. *Family Fun Day* on October 11 includes storytelling, arts and crafts provided by the Hudson River Museum, and juggling and acrobatics with Westchester Circus Arts. Other features during this season include *Monsters On Main Street*, the $5 film series that brings affordable enjoyment to film buffs throughout the year, and a string of holiday performances including The Vienna Boys Choir, Aimee Mann and two family-friendly productions of *The Nutcracker*.

Westchester Philharmonic

Westchester Philharmonic’s season opening performance on October 19 features Gabriela Frank, a fascinating young composer whose work draws from her multicultural background, eliciting the sounds of Latin American instruments while utilizing traditional orchestral arrangements. During the same opening show, Jaime Laredo, known for his solo and chamber music performances, debuts as one of the philharmonic’s two Principal Conductors and teams up with his former student, violinist Bella Hristova, for a performance of Tchaikovsky’s *Violin Concerto*. The full season provides family-friendly performances suited for all ages and musical interests. Rounding out the year will be Principal Conductor Ted Sperling as he leads the Winter Pops on December 21, featuring Tony Award-winner Victoria Clark and Drama Desk winner Santino Fontana.

White Plains Performing Arts Center

White Plains Performing Arts Center (WPPAC) packs a great deal into its fall season, starting with a Main Stage production of *Sweeney Todd: The Demon Barber Of Fleet Street*, a musical thriller reimagined by WPPAC Artistic Director Jeremy Quinn. On a lighter note, audiences can revel in laughter as the pink-obsessed character Elle Woods takes the stage in *Legally Blonde*. The "Naked Stage" play reading series continues to present readings from Tony Award-winning plays each month. Included this season are *The Cocktail Party*, by classic poet and playwright T.S. Eliot, and *The Diary of Anne Frank*, the moving story of a young girl hiding during the Nazi occupation.
When Erica Itzkowitz moved to Westchester County, she was a graduate of NYU Tisch School of the Arts and was well-established as a professional — dancing, acting and choreographing numerous performances. As soon as she learned about ArtsWestchester’s directory of Teaching Artists, she applied.

That was more than 20 years ago and Itzkowitz is as inspired and challenged by her work as an ArtsWestchester Teaching Artist today as she was during her first residencies. She describes the flow between her professional life and her work as Teaching Artist as almost seamless. “My professional experience informs the work I do with students. At the same time, when I perform with my improvisational theatre group, Big Apple Playback Theatre, I’m always drawing on experiences from my residencies.”

What would she tell artists thinking about applying to ArtsWestchester? “I tell the children I work with that we want to do three things: have fun, use our imaginations and learn. New Teaching Artists can do all of these things — it’s invigorating,” Itzkowitz explains.

For those interested in becoming one of ArtsWestchester’s Teaching Artists, especially those based in Yonkers, Mount Vernon, New Rochelle and Port Chester, and in the disciplines of bookmaking, storytelling, videography, print-making, sculpture, dance and theater, visit: artsw.org/teachingartist or contact Jessica Cioffoletti at 914-428-4220 x314.

Yonkers teaching artist Erica Itzkowitz working with students from Grimes Elementary School
A Window into Cabin Fever

Windows act as a physical boundary between inside and outside, public and private, the accessible and inaccessible. In the Westchester Community College Fine Arts Gallery’s current Cabin Fever exhibition, Shawn Powell explores his view of confinement by presenting paintings as metaphorical windows. By layering paint and tape, and by obstructing the viewer’s perspective, he offers varying degrees of confinement and accessibility to the pieces. After composing his paintings, Powell then applies tape to the work, followed by additional layers of paint. Once the tape is removed, the viewer is left with an obscured view of the original piece. Cabin Fever is on view through November 23. For more info, visit: www.sunywcc.edu/smartarts/gallery.

Experiencing a Lifetime of Painting with Hilda Green Demsky

This fall, Mamaroneck Artist Guild is celebrating the expansive so-far sixty-year career of painter Hilda Green Demsky with a retrospective of her work. On view from October 21 through November 15, Hilda Green Demsky – Six Decades of Painting: A Retrospective highlights the Larchmont artist’s multi-faceted career, from her paintings of Alvin Ailey dancers in the 1950s to her deep exploration of nature. Travel has been a large influence for Demsky, holding residencies and exhibitions in various countries, including Costa Rica and Ireland, throughout her life. Her “en plein air” painting is her ode to nature, expressed through abstract interpretations of local landmarks and international sites. In her work, sweeping colors in watercolor and oil paints capture movement of water and rustling of leaves. A book, featuring more than 100 color illustrations of her paintings, will be available at the exhibition. An opening reception will take place on October 25. For more info, visit: www.mamaroneckartistsguild.org.

Castle Gallery Celebrates Multi-Disciplinary Artwork

Castle Gallery at The College of New Rochelle’s current exhibition, Intersecting Editions: a Dialogue Between Print and Ceramic Media, challenges the traditional assumption that artists pursue one material and methodology at a time. While ceramics and printmaking each have a unique history of technique and style, the artists in Intersecting Editions advance beyond the strict roles that identify them as an artist of only one discipline or the other. These artists have combined techniques from both disciplines, resulting in cast sculpture, screen-printing, video, photography and more. Sarah Rowe, who co-curated the exhibition with Rachel Sydlowski, explains, that they “wanted to investigate how artists are exploring and stretching the ever-evolving relationship between printmaking and ceramics. Each piece in the show speaks to a different level of crossing disciplines.” Intersecting Editions is on view through November 2. For more info, visit: www.cnr.edu/cg.

YoFi Fest Returns to Yonkers

The second annual Yonkers Film Festival (YoFi Fest) returns from October 17-19, when it will screen more than 75 films in and around the state-of-the-art theater at the Yonkers Riverfront Library. Along with an array of films, from features to documentaries and student work, discussions will also be led by award-winning industry professionals on various aspects of filmmaking. YoFi Fest gives audiences the full red carpet experience with a kick-off reception and nightly After-Parties, where audiences and filmmakers connect and converse. To get the whole family involved in the festival’s goings-on, Saturday and Sunday mornings will focus on free, family-friendly screenings. For more info, visit: www.yofifest.com.
A Who’s Who of Contemporary Art on Display in ArtsWestchester’s Fall Exhibition

by Kathleen Reckling

Few exhibitions offer the opportunity to get up close and personal with the work of contemporary art’s biggest stars. Drawing Line into Form: Works on Paper by Sculptors from the BNY Mellon Collection, on view from October 3 through December 6, presents that rare opportunity. The expansive collection of 69 works-on-paper is a survey of the most influential and important artists working in the last half-century. Roster highlights include Louise Bourgeois, Alexander Calder, Mark di Suvero, Olafur Eliasson, Sol Lewitt, Maya Lin, Henry Moore, Kiki Smith and Fred Wilson.

Even if these names don’t ring a bell, it’s more than likely that you’ve come into contact with works by several of the artists in the BNY Mellon collection. If you’ve strolled down New York City’s Park Avenue this year, it’s likely you saw Alice Aycock’s whirling sculptural Paper Chase installation. In this exhibition, Aycock’s colorful drawing, The Indian World View, with the Island of the Rose Apple Tree, presents an imagined structure for a fabled paradise.

Perhaps you and your family have visited the Vietnam Veterans Memorial in Washington, D.C. If so, then you are familiar with the work of artist and architect Maya Lin. Her monument design spurred controversy at the time of its debut, but its elegant minimalism has become an archetype of contemporary memorial design. In Drawing Line into Form, Lin is represented with an evocative drawing that recalls an aerial view of a river valley.

BNY Mellon is one of the world’s most dedicated corporate supporters of the arts in all its forms. It is one of the few companies that still actively collects. Works in its troth span 20 years and include superb examples of British watercolor painting, 19th-century American painting and contemporary art. Drawing Line into Form offers a fresh perspective on significant 20th- and 21st-century artists. “Assembling this collection has been a journey of discovery,” says Brian J. Lang, BNY Mellon’s Curator. “Each work of art opens a new window into the mind of its creator. We hope your experience is just as enlightening.” For more info, visit: artsw.org/drawingline.

SPECIAL ARTSWESTCHESTER MEMBERS BENEFIT:

On Monday, October 6 at 6pm, an exclusive members-only reception and private Drawing the Line exhibition tour will take place in ArtsWestchester's Peckham and Shenkman galleries.

If you are not already a member, please contact Jessica Timms at 914-428-4220 x328 or jtimms@artswestchester.org.

The Arts ❤ Jean Marie Connolly

BNY Mellon Wealth Management has a long history of supporting the arts in all its forms. This fall, BNY Mellon gives the Westchester Community a rare glimpse of major works by some of the most prominent artists of today. “Drawing Line into Form: Works on Paper by Sculptors from the BNY Mellon Collection” will be on view in ArtsWestchester’s galleries from October 3 – December 6, 2014.

Supporting the arts is more than just writing a check (although we like those, too). There are many ways to improve employee morale and community involvement with your own arts and business partnership. Imagine Westchester without the arts. Then help us make sure that never happens.

Call 914-428-4220 or email dscates@artswestchester.org

Photo: Jean Marie Connolly, Senior Director for BNY Mellon Wealth Management
white plains: a happening place for jazz

On September 2-7, White Plains became the happening place for jazz. The six-day White Plains Jazz Fest featured jazz in all its forms, from smooth jazz to Latin beats and cabaret, and culminated in a full-day outdoor festival on Mamaroneck Avenue between Martine Avenue and Main Street. This year’s festival was bigger and better than ever, bringing together large audiences of diverse backgrounds, a wide range of ages, and varying musical interests from all over Westchester and beyond. Local community businesses came together as well, with different venues hosting events and restaurants offering their specialties at the festival. This celebration of jazz was made possible thanks to a dedicated partnership between ArtsWestchester, the City of White Plains and the White Plains BID.

For more photos from the event, visit: artsw.org/photogallery.
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10/1 WEDNESDAY

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Man of Iron.* Part of “Martin Scorsese Presents: Masterpieces of Polish Cinema,” this drama about the events leading to one of the most crucial events of the 20th century won the Palme d’Or at Cannes. 2pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Kiss The Water.* Sensual and haunting, this documentary spins the simple life of Megan Boyd, living in isolation on the Scottish coast, into a fairy tale. 7pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

**Film:** The Picture House presents *The Picture House Film Club with Marshall Fine.* Features screenings of films prior to their release, with Fine moderating post-screening discussions with stars, directors, producers, and other industry insiders. 7pm. www.thepicturehouse.org

**Music:** Downtown Music at Grace presents *Noonday Getaway Concert: Pianist Leann Osterkamp.* Osterkamp, prize winner of the 2008 New York International Piano competition, will give a performance of her personal favorites. 12:10pm. www.dtmusic.org

10/2 THURSDAY

**Lectures:** Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents *Featured Artists Roundtable Symposium.* Get to know the artists of the Center’s current exhibition *Art & Perception.* 7pm. www.wiccny.org

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Martin Scorsese Presents: Masterpieces of Polish Cinema.* This selection features films by some of Poland’s most accomplished and lauded filmmakers, spanning the period from 1957 to 1987. 10/2–10/13, times vary. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

10/3 FRIDAY

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *A Short Film About Killing.* Three lives intersect on a bleak winter’s day: a cab driver cleaning his car, a lawyer who’s just passed his bar exam, and a sociopath preparing his murder weapon. 7pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

10/4 SATURDAY

**Family & Kids:** New Rochelle Public Library presents *BID Market Family Day - Children’s Performer Louie Miranda.* The El Louie! Show returns to the Farmers Market for another performance by the bilingual musician. 11am-2pm. www.nrpl.org

**Film:** New Rochelle Public Library presents *A Cinematic Tribute to Ruby Dee.* This two-day event celebrates enduring actress Ruby Dee who performed on stage, film, radio, and television in countless acclaimed roles. 10/4-10/5, Sat: 6:30-8:30pm & Sun: 1:30-5pm. www.nrpl.org

**Seasonal:** Historic Hudson Valley presents *Horseman’s Hollow.* Philipsburg Manor transforms into a terrifying landscape ruled by the undead, the evil and the insane in Sleepy Hollow’s premier haunted attraction. 10/4–11/1, 7-10pm. www.hudsonvalley.org

**Seasonal:** Historic Hudson Valley presents *The Great Jack O’Lantern Blaze.* See more than 5,000 individually hand-carved, illuminated jack-o’lanterns in this elaborate walkthrough experience. 10/14–11/16 at Van Cortlandt Manor. Times vary. www.hudsonvalley.org

*Bill Bowers in It Goes Without Saying, Irvington Town Hall Theater, 10/4 (photo credit: Peter Sumner Walton Bellamy/PSWB Portraiture)*
10/7 TUESDAY

Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents An Evening with Junot Díaz: A Lecture, Reading, and Conversation. One of the most acclaimed writers of our times, Junot Díaz is a recipient of the MacArthur Fellowship, the Pulitzer Prize for Fiction, and the National Book Award for Fiction. 4:30pm. www.artscenter.org

10/8 WEDNESDAY

Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents Noonday Getaway Concert: METtrio. Emily Daggett Smith, violin, Matthew Zalkind, cello and Tanya Gabrielson, piano, play a program including the Ghost Trio of Beethoven, plus music of Dvorak. 12:10pm. www.dtmusic.org

10/10 FRIDAY

Film: Irvington Town Hall Theater presents Boyhood. Filmed over 12 years with the same cast, this film is seen through the eyes of a child named Mason, who literally grows up on screen before our eyes. 8pm. www.irvingtontheater.com

Film: Chappaqua Library presents Menus in the Movies: Somm. Led by food author and film buff, Carol Durst. Homemade desserts and discussion to follow. 7pm. www.chappaqualibrary.org

Lectures: Chappaqua Library presents Author Talk: A Different Kind of Streetwalker: Manhattan by Foot, One Block at a Time. Author Dede Emerson walked every block in Manhattan for a total of 504.3 linear miles. 7pm. www.chappaqualibrary.org

Music: Emelin Theatre presents Max Creek. For over 40 years, Max Creek has been pleasing crowds with their blend of Americana, country, rock, calypso and jazz. 8pm. www.emelin.org

10/11 SATURDAY

Dance: Smart Arts presents DanceWorks Chicago. This company shares a diverse repertory featuring who is now and what is next in contemporary dance as well as work from established choreographers. At Westchester Community College Academic Arts Theatre. 8pm. www.sunywcc.edu/smartarts

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents BID Market Family Day - Juggles the Clown. He'll not only juggle, but also astound the crowd with his magic tricks. 11am-2pm. www.nrpl.org

Spoken Word: Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents Book Presentation and Signing: Ellis Island, an Epic Poem by Robert Viscusi. Viscusi’s epic poem represents his attempt to access Italy’s collective memory and examine what it was like for an immigrant passing through Ellis Island. 10:30am. www.wicny.org

Folk Arts: India Center of Westchester, Inc presents Paramapara II, an Indian Classical Dance and
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**Lectures:** Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents *Talk and Tasting: The Italian Vegetables by Michele Scicolone*. Scicolone shares some traditional and contemporary Italian recipes for vegetarian and nearly vegetarian dishes from her latest book, *The Italian Vegetables*. 6:30pm. www.wiccny.org

**Music:** Hudson Valley Music Club presents *October Mostly Morning Series Concert*. A varied program of 18th century works by C.P.E. Bach and Johann Quantz, a 19th century piece by Benjamin Godard and a recent work by Gary Schocker. At Dobbs Ferry Woman’s Club. 11am. www.dobbsferrywomansclub.com

**10/15 Wednesday**

**Music:** Downtown Music at Grace presents *Noonday Getaway Concert: John Charles Thomas, Trumpet*. John Charles Thomas plays virtuosos’ works for trumpet spanning three centuries accompanied by organist Timothy Lewis. 12:10pm. www.dtmusic.org

**10/16 Thursday**

**Lectures:** Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents *Lecture Series: Italiene*. First coined by Gianrenzo Clivio in 1975, italiese (italiano + inglese) was used to describe the mixture of Italian and English spoken by immigrants in North America. 7pm. www.wiccny.org

**Music:** Concordia College presents *The Jazz Knights of West Point: A Concert of 20th Century American Music Including a Tribute to Jerome Kerns*. The Jazz Knights of West Point are the official swing band of the United States Military Academy. 7pm. www.concordia-ny.edu

**10/17 Friday**

**Spoken Word:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Open Mic Night*. For poets, prose writers, musicians, come-

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**Family & Kids:** Pelham Art Center presents *ARToberfest! Come Celebrate German Folks Arts*. Bavarian Club Westchester Folk Dancers plus Bavarian Tyrolean Felt Hats and Scherenschnitte Paper Cutting Hands-on Workshops. Free and open to all ages. 12-3:30pm. www.pelhamartcenter.org

**Music:** New Rochelle Public Library presents *Vincent Ricciardi Sings Mario Lanza & Caruso Too*. With the classical power of Andrea Bocelli, the pop styling of Josh Groban, the romanticism of Mario Lanza, and in the tradition of the great Enrico Caruso, Vincent Ricciardi has dazzled audiences in concert halls, theaters and night clubs. 3pm. www.nrpl.org

**Theater:** Smart Arts presents *American Shakespeare Center: Much Ado About Nothing*. Combines elements of hilarity with serious reflections on honor, shame and court politics. At Westchester Community College Academic Arts Theatre. 8pm. www.sunywcc.edu/smartarts
Theater: Clocktower Players presents *Autumn Gala - The Wiz*. It’s got rock, it’s got gospel, it’s got soul, and a dream collaboration between Broadway stars and Irvington Town Hall Theater’s resident Clocktower Players. 7:30pm. www.irvingtontheater.com

Tours: Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents *Day Trip to the Garibaldi-Meucci Museum on Staten Island*. Step back in history and visit the home where two extraordinary men lived: Giuseppe Garibaldi, a general and patriot in both Italy and South America and whose role was crucial in the unification of Italy, and Antonio Meucci, the true inventor of the telephone. 9:30am. www.irvingtontheater.com


American String Quartet, Westchester Chamber Music Society, 10/19

Theater: Taconic Opera presents *Falstaff*. Taconic Opera opens its 17th Season with Giuseppe Verdi’s final opera, *Falstaff*, based on Shakespeare’s comedy, *The Merry Wives of Windsor*. At Yorktown Stage 10/18 at 8pm and 10/19 at 2pm. www.taconicopera.org

10/19 SUNDAY

Music: Westchester Chamber Music Society presents *American String Quartet*. Internationally recognized as one of the world’s foremost quartets, the American String Quartet is celebrating its 39th season. At Congregation Emanu-El of Westchester. 4pm. www.westchesterchambermusic.com


Music: New Rochelle Public Library presents *World Music of Nana*. Nana Simopoulos, one of the foremost composers of world fusion music, will perform a concert of original music that crosses cultural boundaries. 3pm. www.nrlpl.org

Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents *Black Violin*. Will B and Kev Marcus, aka Black Violin, speak for themselves about their performances on violin and viola: “It’s something everyone can enjoy, whether you’re an 80-year-old grandmother or a kid in kindergarten. It’s classical, hip-hop, rock, R&B, pop.” 3pm. www.artscenter.org

10/20 MONDAY

Photography: Color Camera Club of Westchester presents *Digital Competition*. CCCW members compete in the club’s monthly Digital Competition. Come visit to observe the best images and learn how to better your photography from the judge’s comments. 7:30pm. www.colorcameraclub.org

10/21 TUESDAY

Lectures: Center for the Digital Arts presents *Meet the Graphic Designer: Janeen Violante*. Violante started Hudson Valley Graphic Design, a creative team of talented designers, marketing experts, and production technicians with more than 25 years of national brand experience. 7pm. www.sunywcc.edu/locations/peekskill

10/22 WEDNESDAY

Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents *Noonday Getaway Concert: Violin, Cello, and Piano*. Violist Junah Chung, cellist Eugene Biskin and pianist Anna Vinnitsky perform *The Viola Trio* by Johannes Brahms and selections from *Songs without Words* by Felix Mendelssohn. 12:10pm. www.dtmusic.org

10/23 THURSDAY


Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Seeds of Time*. Agricultural pioneer Cary Fowler is racing against time to preserve crop diversity and protect the future of our food. 7:15pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Music: Irvington Town Hall Theater presents *Benefit Concert for Tibetan Home of Hope: Special Guest Philip Glass*. Tibetan Home of Hope is a non-sectarian home and school for children who would otherwise be abandoned. 8pm. www.irvingtontheater.com

Tours: OSilas Art Gallery presents *Travel with OSilas - The Norman Rockwell Museum in Stockbridge, MA*. Travel to Stockbridge, MA and see Norman Rockwell’s painting of Crestwood Commuter station while it is on view at the Norman Rockwell Museum. 8am-6pm. www.osilasgallery.org

10/24 FRIDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *All That Jazz*. Winner of four Oscars, *All That Jazz* tells the story of massively talented, pill-popping choreographer/director Joe Gideon (Roy Scheider), frantically juggling his personal life, art, and intimations of mortality. 7:15pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Comedy: Emelin Theatre presents Judy Gold. Emmy Award-winning actress and comedian Judy Gold is best known as the star of the Off-Broadway hit show *25 Questions for a Jewish Mother*. 8pm. www.emelin.org

Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents *Preservation Hall Jazz Band with Allen Toussaint*. Deriving its name from the venerable music venue located in the heart of New Orleans’ French Quarter, Preservation Hall brings a bit of a joyful, timeless spirit of the Big Easy with them wherever they go. 8pm. www.artscenter.org

10/25 SATURDAY

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *Family Fun Fall Festival*. Line-up for the annual Merchant’s Urchins Parade at New Street, New Roc City, ending at Library Green Park. Treats and pumpkin-painting at the BID Farmers Market follows. 9:45am-2pm. www.nrpl.org
**Family & Kids: Pelham Art Center presents Celebrate Mexican Day of the Dead.** Traditional Mexican paper art is given a contemporary twist in a free hands-on art making workshop where you can construct your own farewell pop-up card to honor your past loved ones. Followed by traditional Mexican performing arts and theater. 12-3:30pm. www.pelhamartcenter.org

**Lectures: Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents Genealogy Series: Cases That Made My Eyes Cross.** Have you come to a halt while trying to find a relative? Genealogist Toni McKeen will teach you some helpful tricks and sites she used in her own genealogical quest. 10:30am. www.wiccny.org

**Music: Irvington Town Hall Theater presents Chris Huff in Concert.** Chris Huff is a singer/guitarist originally from NYC currently residing in Philadelphia/southern New Jersey. He presents well-loved songs. 1:30pm. www.nrpl.org

**Family & Kids: Emelin Theatre presents The Magic Garden.** The 1972 PBS hit The Magic Garden won accolades and millions of fans during its 12 years on the air. Ages 2+. 11am and 1:30pm. www.emelin.org

**Music: Lagond Music School presents Another Sunday Serenade: Tribute to the One & Only Joe Lee Wilson.** Vocalist Marion Cowings; guitarist Saul Rubin; pianist Rick Germanson; drummer Steve Williams; bassist Paul Beaudry. At Lagond's Live! from The Haven, Elmsford. 5:30pm. www.lagondmusic.org

**10/27 MONDAY**

**Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Swag n’ Bach: A Path To Choreography.** Part of “Dance on Film.” 7:15pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

**Music: Hudson Valley Music Club presents Decoda Oboe and Strings Ensemble.** Works by Britten, Schubert, and Mozart. At Dobbs Ferry Woman’s Club. 1pm. www.dobbsferwowomensclub.com

**Lectures: Color Camera Club of Westchester presents An Evening to be Inspired.** Members and guests will be inspired to develop an awareness of how to adjust color, composition, lighting, etc. 7:30pm. www.colorcameraclub.org

**10/28 TUESDAY**

**Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Born to Fly: Elizabeth Streb vs. Gravity.** The “Evel Knievel of dance,” Streb pushes her dancers to trade fear for extreme action as they walk on walls, spin from cables, and aim for the sky. 7:30pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

**Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents Noonday Getaway Concert: Pianist Ning Yu.** Music of Bach, Beethoven, Chin, and Gubaidulina. 12:10pm. www.dtmusic.org

**10/29 WEDNESDAY**

**Music: Emelin Theatre presents Tribute: Getback! Beatlemania.** A two-hour musical and visual experience highlighting the three major eras of the Beatles’ careers: The Ed Sullivan Show, Sgt. Pepper, and Let It Be/Abbey Road. 8pm. www.emelin.org

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**10/31 FRIDAY**

**Film: The Picture House presents Halloween Screenings of The Rocky Horror Picture Show.** Screenings of the 1975 cult classic at 10pm and midnight. www.thepicturehouse.org

**Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents After Dark Halloween Movie Marathon.** 12 straight hours of horror films - restored classics, cult favorites, 3D throwbacks and advance screenings of new titles. At Jacob Burns Film Center. 10/31–11/1, 10pm-10am. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

**Theater: The Schoolhouse Theater presents Freud’s Last Session.** Mark St. Germain’s critically acclaimed play imagines a private meeting between Sigmund Freud and C.S. Lewis. 10/31–11/23, times vary. www.schoolhousetheater.org

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www.artswestchester.org
- **Drawing Line into Form: Works on Paper by Sculptors from the Collection of BNY Mellon.** This expansive collection features 69 works by some of the contemporary art world’s most recognizable figures. 10/3-12/6, Tues-Sat: 12-5pm.

Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts
www.caramoor.org
- **In the Garden of Sonic Delights.** Installations by 16 sound artists, spanning six Westchester locations. Through 11/2. Thurs-Sun: 10am-3pm.

Blue Door Gallery
www.bluedoorgallery.org
- **Visionaries: Seers of the Soul.** Exhibiting artists are inspired by their personal connection to the universe and to humanity. 9/6-10/11, Thurs-Sat: 12-5pm.

Center for the Digital Arts
www.sunywcc.edu/locations/peekskill

Clay Art Center
www.clayartcenter.org
- **Two Vigiles: Bruce Dehnert and Shawn O’Connor.** Both artists utilize the effects that wood firing and flame have to express their ceramic processes. 8/2-9/20, Mon-Sat: 10am-4pm.

Flat Iron Gallery
www.flatiron.qpg.com

Hudson River Museum
www.hrm.org
- **Lily Cox-Richard: Possessing Powers.** Inspired by 19th century artist Hiram Powers, sculptor Lily Cox-Richard creates six fresh forms. Through 9/14, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.
- **Mandy Greer: The Ecstatic Moment.** Greer creates visionary worlds using a sewing machine and crochet hook as her tools. Through 9/14, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art
www.hvcca.org
- **Art at the Core: The Intersection of Visual Art and Performance.** Features artworks that suggest a narrative and translations of those artworks into live performances. 10/27/2013–12/7/2014, Fri: 11-5pm; Sat-Sun: 12-6pm.
- **The Women’s Room.** Video artworks by women who use the medium to explore the intricacies and dilemmas of gender, human relationships, and nation-centric politics. 10/12–12/7, Fri: 11am-5pm & Sat-Sun: 12-6pm.

Mamaroneck Artists Guild
www.mamaroneckartistsguild.org
- **Visions 2014.** Fine art in a diverse array of media, including oil, acrylics, photography, mixed media, paper, sculpture, fiber and jewelry. 10/1-10/11, Tues-Sat: 12-5pm.

New Rochelle Public Library
www.nrpl.org
- **The 99th Annual Juried Exhibition of the New Rochelle Art Association.** Features works in oil, watercolor, graphics, mixed media, pastel, photography, digital media, sculpture, and fine crafts. 9/14–10/26, Open during library hours.

OSilas Art Gallery
www.osilasgallery.org
- **Legacies, Landmarks & Achievements: Celebrating 350 Years - Eastchester, Tuckahoe, Bronxville.** Over 30 local historical figures from the past 350 years highlighted through photos, paintings, personal artifacts and biographical stories. 9/4-11/9, Tues, Wed, Fri: 12-5pm; Thurs: 12-7pm; Sat-Sun: 12-5pm.

Steamer Gallery of the Ossining Arts Council
www.steamergallery.org

Pelham Art Center
www.pelhamartcenter.org
- **Natural Enemies.** This group exhibition explores the inherent conflicts in human nature. 9/12-10/25, Tues-Fri: 12-5pm & Sat: 10am-4pm.
- **Two New Public Art Exhibitions in Conversation.** Three artists’ fresh perspectives in landscape. 9/27-12/19, Tues-Fri: 12-5pm & Sat: 10am-4pm.

The Rye Arts Center
www.ryeartscenter.org
- **Irving Harper: A Mid-Century Mind At Play.** Solo retrospective debuting private works of design genius Irving Harper. 9/14-11/8, Tues-Fri: 9am-5pm & Sat: 9am-3pm.

United Hebrew Lazarus Gallery
www.unitedhebrewgeriatric.org
- **Paperworks: A Solo Exhibition by Diane Cherr.** Art on paper inspired by biblical stories, mythology and more. 9/27-9/7, 9am-5pm.

Westchester Community College Center For The Arts
www.sunywcc.edu
- **Pixel Perfect/Analog Output.** Works where digital tools play without appearing explicitly digital or computer based. 9/10-10/17, times vary.
- **Student Exhibition.** Opening reception: 11/6, 6:30-8:30pm. 11/3-11/28. Times vary.

Westchester Italian Cultural Center
www.wiccny.org
- **Art & Perception.** Artists of Italian descent have enriched American aesthetic culture. 9/13-11/14, Mon-Thurs: 10am-4pm; Fri: 2-8pm; Sat: 10am-12pm.

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- **Arts Alive Grant Information Session.** Learn more about Arts Alive Community, Individual Artist, and Arts Education grants which fund opportunities available to Westchester-based artists and cultural organizations. 10/2, 6pm.
- **Basic Drawing and Anime with Alan Reingold.** Render figures in the Japanese animation style of Anime. 10/11–12/6, Saturdays: 12:30-2:30pm.

Bullseye Glass Resource Center
www.bullseyeglass.com

- **First Glass Fusing.** Learn the fundamental concepts of creating glass objects in the kiln. 10/2: 1-3:30pm and 10/4: 10am-12:30pm.
- **Hip To Be Square: Graphic Coasters.** Create a set of landing pads for your favorite beverage. No previous experience necessary. 10/15, 6-8:30pm.

For more Bullseye glass workshops, visit www.bullseyeglass.com

Center for the Digital Arts at Westchester Community College
www.sunywcc.edu/locations/peekskill

- **Photography Forum: Sharpening Your Photography Skills.** For amateur photographers who would like to share their work with, and get feedback from, a professional, as well as talk photography with their contemporaries. Wednesdays: 7-9pm. 10/1-11/5.
- **Digital Scrapbooking.** Bring your own photographs, collect images, and remix to make an original scrapbook, art collage book, announcement card, and/or commemorative design. Tuesdays: 7-9pm. 10/7-11/11.

For more Center for the Digital Arts workshops, visit: www.sunywcc.edu

Clay Art Center
www.clayartcenter.org

- **Holiday Mini-Classes.** Create unique, handmade gifts in family friendly workshops for all levels. Saturdays: 1-4pm. 11/15/12/13 (no class 11/29).
- **Cladies Night.** Kick off the weekends with this class for adults and teens who are interested in trying out the potter's wheel. Fridays, 7-9pm through 12/19 (no class 10/3, 11/28. Special Thanksgiving Cladies Night Sat, 11/29).

For more Clay Art Center workshops, visit www.clayartcenter.org

Hudson Valley Writers Center
www.writerscenter.org

- **The Mother of All (Mother-Memoir) Writing Workshops.** Listen to others’ stories and write your own in this day-long workshop. 10/18, 10am.
- **Writing for Social Change: Re-Dream a Just World.** Create new writing from some of your deepest concerns. 10/19, 10am-4pm.

Jacob Burns Film Center
www.burnsfilmcenter.org

- **Media Maker Festival.** From stop-motion animation and light-painting to iPhone photography lessons and a visual scavenger hunt challenge, the day will be brimming with activities for every age. 10/25, 10am-1pm.

Pelham Art Center
www.pelhamartcenter.org

- **Free Art Sewing Workshop.** Be part of creating a large-scale fabric installation that will hang from Pelham Art Center’s facade for several months. 10/26, 1-6pm.

The Picture House
www.thepicturehouse.org

- **Fall Semester.** Offers classes for film lovers from pre-K through adult in acting for stage and screen, animation, music video creation, editing, directing, sketch comedy, film analysis, and screenwriting. 10/8–12/5. Times vary.

The Reilly League of Artists
www.reillyleague.com

- **FACES of Westchester Libraries.** Westchester librarians sit for portraits in this weekly opportunity to honor our local librarians. Tuesdays, 6-9pm through 12/16.

The Rye Arts Center
www.ryeartscenter.org

- **Memoir Writing Workshop.** 2-session workshop hosted by Susan Hodara & Joan Potter, two of the four authors of Still Here Thinking of You, A Second Chance with our Mothers. Sat, 10/25 & Sat, 11/1: 12-3pm.

Westchester Community College Center For The Arts
www.sunywcc.edu

- **Portait Drawing: The Psychological Portrait.** This course will investigate the traditional approach to portraiture and encompass the psychological aspects that make each individual unique. 10/24–10/25, 10am-4pm both days.
- **Raku Workshop.** Raku firing, at 1800 degrees, results in glaze oxidation giving ceramic pieces a distinctive variation in surface texture and colors. At Ward Pound Ridge Reservation, Cross River, NY. 10/18, 9am-5pm.

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Westchester Italian Cultural Center
www.wiccnyc.org

- **Children’s Cooking Class: Panzerotti.** Panzerotti, or small, goody-filled savory pastries, are loved worldwide. 10/4, 2-4pm.
- **Memoir Writing Workshop.** Enrich your writing skills by sharing your work with other serious writers like yourself. Wednesdays: 10am-12pm. Meets 9/17, 10/1, 10/15, 10/29, 11/5, and 11/19.
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