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Report from the CEO



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New Funds for Arts Proposed

Arts leaders from around the state cheered the news that Gov. Andrew M. Cuomo's 2015 budget proposal included a \$5 million increase for the New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) and praised the effort of NYSCA Chairman Aby Rosen, who promoted it.

The increase is particularly significant since it continues an upward trend started in 2012-2013, when Governor Cuomo added \$4 million in Regional Economic Development funds to the NYSCA budget. While arts advocates agree that this is a great step in the right direction, they will continue to work to restore NYSCA to its highest amount of local assistance funding, which was \$54.3 million more than 27 years ago (in 1988-89 and 1989-1990).

Arts leaders are quick to point to how such funding not only benefits arts and culture in this state, but is also a boon to local economies. New York State is home to 53,085 arts-related businesses that employ 335,683 people, according to studies completed in recent years. The Nonprofit cultural sector is vital to areas such as New York City, Greater Buffalo, Westchester County, the Northern Adirondack regions and other parts of New York.

The recent advocacy effort led by ArtsNYS was organized on behalf of all NYSCA recipients large and small. ArtsNYS is a network of arts councils and affiliated organizations from all over the state that redistribute NYSCA funds through the Decentralization Program, working closely with the cultural organizations in their communities.

Starting in October, coalition members met with their legislators asking them to urge the Governor to request an increase. They explained to legislators that nonprofit cultural organizations are actually small businesses that have struggled through the recession with diminished resources and greater demand for their services. Many of these businesses do not have the access to corporate or foundation funds as do other more institutional players.

Recently, the coalition again wrote Chairman Rosen, urging the state's arts leader to recommend a \$5 million lift to New York State Council for the Arts (NYSCA) local assistance program noting that he understands the plight of New York's arts organizations and the vital services they provide.

Legislators were also buoyed by the Governor's arts increase. Westchester legislator and State Senate Minority leader Andrea Stewart-Cousins said: "As a strong supporter of the arts, it is encouraging to see this increase in funding in the Governor's 2015 Budget request," Senator Stewart-Cousins said. "Local arts councils vet funding applications from local arts groups, enabling the flourishing of vibrant culture at the grassroots level."

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news in brief

Newly Commissioned Art at Pelham Metro North Station



Loren Eiferman's *Home: Inside/Outside* at the Pelham Metro North station

A new MTA Arts and Design installation at the Pelham Metro North station showcases Loren Eiferman's *Home: Inside/Outside*. The MTA Arts for Transit commissions works of public art for subway and commuter rail stations that echo the architectural history and design of the individual stations. Eiferman uses carpet patterns to portray the interior and architectural details of Pelham homes from the late 1890s, the era when Pelham was first developed. Three designs are incorporated into the eight steel panels of Pelham's New Haven Line platform. Eiferman intends for these "carpets" to be "visually contemplative – like a modern-day mandala in metal."

Call for Artists: Lightscapes Artist Project



Glowing Dandelions (photo credit: Bryan Haeffele)

Historic Hudson Valley (HHV), in conjunction with Collaborative Concepts, is accepting proposals through February 15 for three-

dimensional artworks to be considered for the 2015 LIGHTSCAPES Artist Project at Van Cortlandt Manor. LIGHTSCAPES is a nighttime garden display featuring more than 5,000 handcrafted sculptures enhanced with light, sound and special effects. HHV seeks new original sculptures that reflect a range of regional flora, fauna and other objects. Artists are encouraged to incorporate recycled or re-purposed materials. Email kmadsen@hudsonvalley.org with the subject line "Lightscapes Artist Project" to RSVP for the mandatory February 7 orientation.

Rye Arts Center Makes History with Irving Harper Auction



Kate and Paul Conn with Irving Harper sculpture (photo courtesy of Rye Arts Center)

The Rye Arts Center (RAC) made history recently when it held an auction for the first-ever sale of an Irving Harper sculpture. RAC devoted its most recent show, *Irving Harper: A Mid-Century Mind at Play* to the artist's never-before-exhibited intricate paper sculptures. Harper, known for his Herman Miller designs in the 1950s, was present for the auction at which his whimsical snake sculpture sold for \$21,000 to Rye residents Kate and Paul Conn. The Conns will also be treated to a private tour of Harper's home. All proceeds for the event will benefit RAC's exhibitions, arts education and outreach initiatives.

Westchester Represented at Art Basel Miami



ArtsWestchester CEO Janet Langsam visiting Barbara Segal's work at Art Basel

Westchester was prominently represented in the hustle and bustle of one of the art world's most prestigious modern and contemporary art shows. Art Basel Miami annually takes over Miami Beach and boasts 73,000 visitors who survey the work of acclaimed and emerging artists from across the globe. Among the exhibiting artists this year was Emil Alzamora (in the Volta Pavilion), whose sculptures tell emotional narratives by altering the physical composition of the human body; Yonkers resident Barbara Segal, whose marble sculptures of iconic women's accessories, and Carole Feuerman's hyper-realistic *Kendall Island*, were both on display in the Scope Miami Beach Pavilion.

Friends of Music Concerts Brings Music to Local Schools



Amphion (photo credit: Janette Beckman)

Friends of Music Concerts has awarded its annual *Partnerships in Education* award to the Bronxville, Ossining and Sleepy Hollow school

districts. This program will give students an opportunity to listen and learn from young string quartet professionals. On February 2, the Amphion String Quartet will offer a lecture, demonstration and master class in Bronxville; on February 24 (in Ossining) and April 9 (in Sleepy Hollow), the PUBLIQuartet, a group that presents newly composed works, will do the same. Students will have direct contact with the professional musicians as a means to further develop the music programs of their participating districts. For more info, visit: www.friendsofmusicconcerts.org.

Dr. Olivia Hooker Celebrates Centennial



Dr. Olivia Hooker (photo credit: Thomas McKenzie)

Happy birthday to Dr. Olivia Hooker, who turns 100 years old this month. The White Plains resident is a civil and women's rights advocate whose childhood during the Tulsa race riots propelled her to enlist as the first African-American woman in the U.S. Coast Guard during World War II.

In Memorium: Anthony Bianco

ArtsWestchester acknowledges the passing of Anthony Bianco, husband of music professional Mary Bianco, a generous supporter of the arts in Westchester.

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ArtsWestchester Funds 38 Local Arts Organizations with Challenge Grants



(left to right): ArtsWestchester Board Member Martin Rogowsky, Westchester County Legislator Peter Harchham, Hammond Museum Director Lorraine Laken and Deputy County Executive Kevin Plunkett

ArtsWestchester and leaders from Westchester County government recently presented Challenge Grants to 38 cultural organizations in the county. This matching grant program provides project support for arts organizations and enables them to leverage these dollars against private contributions raised. For a list of recipient organizations and photos from the Challenge Grants award presentation, visit: artsw.org/photogallery.

ArtsWestchester Expands Arts Education in Mt. Vernon Schools With New Grants



(left to right): State Assemblyman Gary Pretlow, United Way of Westchester and Putnam President and CEO Alana Sweeny, ArtsWestchester CEO Janet Langsam, Congressman Eliot Engel, State Senator Ruth Hassell-Thompson and Grimes Elementary School Principal Frances Ann Lightsey

ArtsWestchester, Mount Vernon City School District and Congressman Eliot Engel recently announced the expansion of their arts-in-education partnership after securing more than \$1.35 million in funding. The program builds upon a successful artist residency model that integrates the arts into core curriculum subjects. The four-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education – one of only eight awarded across the U.S. in the Arts in Education Development and Dissemination category – provides teacher training along with additional artist residencies.

ArtsWestchester Awards Grants to Support Special Needs Arts Programs



YMCA of Central and Northern Westchester CEO Cynthia Rubino (left) and Director of Fund Development and Communications Anne Ring (right) with ArtsWestchester CEO Janet Langsam (center)

ArtsWestchester recently awarded grants to 14 organizations, including YMCA of Central and Northern Westchester, which serve individuals with special needs. The grants will help ArtsWestchester in continuing its initiative to increase accessibility of the arts to people with special needs.

Arts Alive Panel Convenes to Award Grants



(left to right): Eric Siegel, Grants, ArtsWestchester*; April Horton, Government & External Affairs, Verizon; Leanne Tintori Wells, Program Director, Presenting / State & Local Partnerships, NYS Council on the Arts*; Jackie Wing, Programs, ArtsWestchester*; Janet Langsam, CEO, ArtsWestchester*; James Pfeifer, Vice President, Snr. Business Banking Relationship Manager, M & T Bank; Lana Yu, 2013 Arts Alive Individual Artist Award Recipient; Elizabeth Levine, Art Program Director, Concordia Conservatory of Music & Art; Angela Usobiago, Grants Coordinator, Taconic Opera (*non-voting observers)

ArtsWestchester recently convened its Arts Alive Panel. This select group of individuals adjudicated applications in three categories: Community Arts Organizations, Individual Artists and Arts-in-Education. ArtsWestchester granted 32 awards totaling more than \$46,000. Arts Alive grants are made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program (DEC), a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the NYS Legislature and administered by ArtsWestchester.



The logo for ARTSEE is presented in a white-outlined, stylized font. The letters 'A', 'R', and 'T' are in the top row, and 'S', 'E', and 'E' are in the bottom row. The background of the entire page is black, with a series of colorful, wavy horizontal stripes in shades of purple, orange, teal, green, and blue that create a sense of movement and energy.

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Katonah Museum of Art Exhibits Competition Winners



First place winner Lara Knuston with her winning piece *Material Light Painting* (photo credit: Margaret Fox)

Katonah Museum of Art is exhibiting the winning artworks from its December "call for submissions." Artist Anthony McCall's work *Line Describing a Cone* inspired the theme for this year's tri-state juried exhibition, which is on view through February 15. Artists were invited to explore the meaning of space in their work as well as the viewers' relationship to their environment. First prize

went to Lara Knuston, whose *Material Light Painting* features vibrant colors in an installation that uses LED lighting with reflective glass and fabric. Erik Sanner's site-specific video game garnered second prize and Marlene Siff won third prize with her acrylic-on-linen sculptural piece. Eva Respini, Curator at The Museum of Modern Art, was this year's juror. For more info, visit: www.katonahmuseum.org.

New Rochelle Council on the Arts Celebrates 40 Years



The New Rochelle Council on the Arts (NRCA) will celebrate its 40th anniversary with monthly "Art Encounters." These monthly pop-up surprise performances in public spaces aim to give residents access to the arts in their everyday surroundings. The secret encounters will keep the public guessing: will it be spontaneous live music at the train station or a choreographed dance performance in a lobby? NRCA will also be giving back to

four local organizations this year – Songcatchers, Tutti Bravi, Symphony of Westchester and the Westchester Chorale – thanks to a grant by an anonymous donor. For more info, visit: www.newrochellearts.org.

Applications for 2015 Basic Program Support Grants and Program Support Grants are now available.

ArtsWestchester's GoGrants online application & guidelines
Basic Program Support: artsw.org/bpsupport
Program Support: artsw.org/pssupport

DEADLINE: FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 2015

Westchester Arts Get a Boost with State Funding

The arts in Westchester have received a boost from the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of Governor Andrew Cuomo. Economic Development grants will help to fund the projects of cultural organizations in New York State. This includes ArtsWestchester's upcoming ARTSEE Festival (\$76,000), a festival of new work in Westchester as presented by more than 38 organizations (see page A5). The grants also included projects by 10 other Westchester entities, including:

- Hudson River Museum (ESD Grants \$250,000 and ESD MNY \$380,000): Expansion of exhibition space
- Copland House (Arts WIP \$49,500): Expansion of educational offerings and partnerships
- Historic Hudson River Towns (ESD Grants \$250,000): Sing Sing Historic Prison Museum
- Historic Hudson Valley (Arts CHPG \$58,200): Lightscaapes Artist Project
- Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art (Arts CHPG \$45,700): Peekskill Project VI
- Hudson Valley Writers Center (Arts WIP \$37,000): Strengthen Branding & Communications
- Jacob Burns Film Center (Arts APCE \$40,000): 3D Projection System
- Jay Heritage Center (HPADP \$500,000): Restoration of Historic Jay Gardens
- Jazz Forum Arts (Arts CHPG \$30,400): Sleepy Hollow Multicultural Arts Celebration
- Village of Sleepy Hollow Market (ESD MNY \$45,000): Sleepy Hollow Multicultural Arts Celebration

For the full awards report, visit: bit.ly/REDCAwards.

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APRIL 16

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A Celebration of the Lunar New Year



New York Chinese Cultural Center Pleasantville Dance Ensemble (photo courtesy of Dan Lewis)

On March 1, ArtsWestchester will celebrate the Lunar New Year in partnership with the Westchester/Hudson Valley chapter of Organization of Chinese Americans from 2-5pm. This Folk Arts event will showcase local and regional artists across a wide variety of traditional art forms – music, dance, magic and visual arts. Performances will include:

- Sizhu (silk and bamboo) instrumental music by the East River Ensemble
- Community musicians Isabel Peng on guzheng (plucked zither) and Ariane Kuo on yangqin (hammer dulcimer)
- New York Chinese Cultural Center Westchester Dance School
- Peekskill's Kwan's Kung Fu Lion Dance Ensemble
- Special guest Li Lin, bian lian (changing face magician) of the Sichuan opera tradition.

Visual artwork by photographer Bibiana Huang Matheis and painter Lida Yang Zimmerman will also be on display. This program is made possible with support from the New York State Council on the Arts, a state agency. For more info, visit: artsw.org/FolkArts.

Other Chinese New Year Celebrations in Westchester:

- ◆ **February 19:** Chinese New Year Crafts, presented by Huguenot Children's Library: make a dragon puppet and red lantern, from 11am-12:30pm.
- ◆ **February 28:** Papercraft Workshop, presented by Pelham Art Center: create a Chinese lantern or drum. Interactive dance performance with educational and historical introduction, from 1:30-3:30pm.

ArtsWestchester Celebrates its 50th Anniversary

This year, ArtsWestchester celebrates its past 50 years by aiming to maintain its mission for the next 50 years to come: "to provide leadership, vision and support to ensure the availability, accessibility and diversity of the arts throughout Westchester County."

Founded in 1965 by a group of visionary private citizens, ArtsWestchester has grown into a thriving incubator for the arts, offering everything from dance performances, symphonies, theater and public art to its audiences. Today, the organization also owns and operates a historic landmark building, markets the arts for 150 cultural organizations and distributes over \$1 million in grants annually to local artists, arts organizations and school districts.

As part of its 50th anniversary celebration, ArtsWestchester has launched several major initiatives that will impact the cultural life of Westchester for years to come:

- ArtsWestchester will recognize 50 extraordinary Westchester-based artists in all disciplines through its "50 for 50" program. An exhibition titled *NEW:WOW*, opening May 15, will showcase new work by selected visual artists receiving the "50 for 50" award. This year's Arts Award luncheon on April 16 (see page A6) will honor those selected as well.
- ARTSEE, a festival celebrating new work in Westchester, will highlight the outstanding talent of emerging artists and upcoming projects as offered by more than 38 organizations throughout the county from March through July (see page A5).
- ArtsWestchester will expand its relationship with the community by developing 50 new Arts and Business partnerships throughout the year. For a current list of new partnerships, visit: artsw.org/ArtsBusinessPartners.
- ArtsWestchester has also secured funding for Challenge for the Arts program, which provides matching grants to cultural organizations (see page A4).

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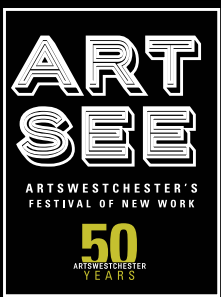
CROSSING BORDERS

Memory and Heritage in a New America

Flying Man by Peter Sis

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This exhibition is part of **ARTSEE**, a festival showcasing new works of art throughout Westchester County in celebration of ArtsWestchester's 50th anniversary.



Crossing Borders in Performance



Conversation With Orchid II by Bibiana Huang Matheis, from "Chinese Mojo" series

Debuting commissioned and new work by first generation and New American artists, *Crossing Borders: Memory and Heritage in a New America*, opening on March 17, is a contemporary art exhibition exploring memory, identity and cross-culturalism within New York's immigrant community. Accompanying the artwork is a calendar of performances and family programming that highlights and explores a cross-cultural dialogue related to the exhibited artworks.

February 21, 8pm

AMALGAMA Project: A collaboration of dance with urban jazz and folklore music

February 28, 8pm

Trio Shalva: Mediterranean-influenced music combining jazz with Middle-Eastern, Israeli and Jewish traditions.

March 20, 8pm

Zem Audu Quartet: An evening of Nigerian jazz. Followed by a conversation with exhibiting artist Osi Audu.

March 21, 8pm

Monika Jalil: Twentieth Century Persian Folk and Popular Music: traditional and nontraditional instruments bring to life the rich history of Iranian cultural. Followed by a conversation with exhibiting artist Nazanin Hedayat Munroe.

March 27, 7:30pm

Poet and performance artist Francis Mateo with exhibiting visual artist Pepe Coronado. Performance and conversation on Dominican history,

identity and its expression through the arts.

March 28, 8pm

Margaret Leng Tan – East-West Encounters, the Concert Piano Re-Imagined: Visionary Leng Tan performs on toy pianos. Followed by a conversation with exhibiting artist Bibiana Huang Matheis.

April 11, 2pm

The Whole Story of Half a Girl – author talk and book signing with Veera Hiranandani: a young adult novel based on Hiranandani's childhood with an American-Jewish mother and Indian father.

April 18, 1-3pm

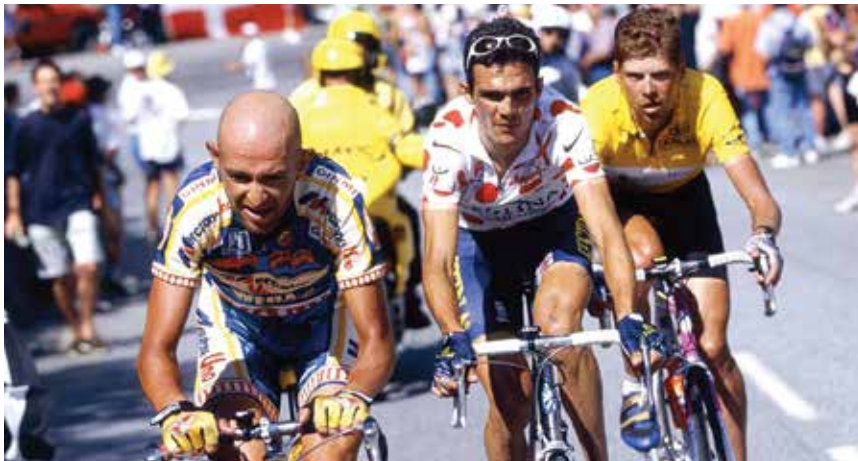
Silk Painting with Artist Nazanin Munroe: This exhibiting artist gives an introduction to silk painting.

April 25, 1-3pm

Family Scrapbooking Workshop with artist Ann Ladd: Participants will learn how to preserve their family portraits in a scrapbook in this hands-on workshop.

All performances take place at ArtsWestchester, 31 Mamaroneck Avenue, White Plains. For more info, visit: artsw.org/crossingborders.

Jacob Burns Takes a Look at Sports on Film



Still of Marco Pantani in *The Accidental Death of a Cyclist*, part of *We Got Game* film series

Jacob Burns Film Center (JBFC) will present *We Got Game*, a series of films starting February 25, which explores America's fascination with all things sports. Included in the series are stories of triumph, defeat and hope: the perseverance of openly gay and HIV-positive Olympic champion Greg Louganis upon his return to diving; a look at the untimely death of star cyclist Marco Pantani; a night featuring a selection of short films. *The Only Real Game*, a film that documents representatives from Major League Baseball helping the residents of a small, despairing – and baseball-loving – state in India to achieve their dreams will include a Q & A with its filmmaker Mirra Bank and JBFC Executive Director Edie Demas. For more info, visit: www.burnsfilmcenter.org.

Free Concert for Young Visitors to Westchester Philharmonic

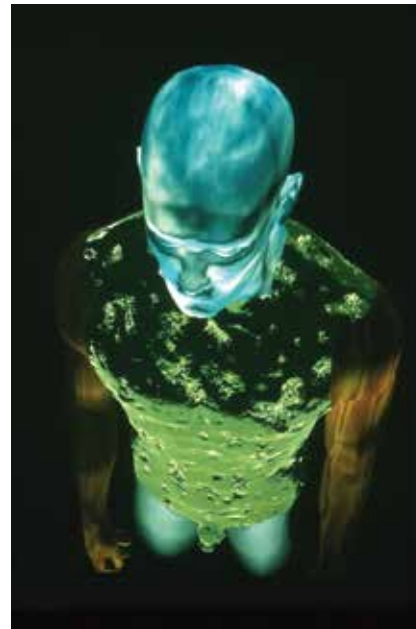


Anne Marie McDermott (photo credit: Matteo Trisolini)

On February 8, the Westchester Philharmonic (WP) will provide a special Friends & Family concert, offering free admission to audience members who are 17 years old and younger with a paid adult ticket. The performance presents a full symphonic program – including Beethoven's *Second Symphony* and Mozart's *Overture to The Magic Flute*, featuring Anne-Marie McDermott of the Grieg Piano Concerto. The difference, according to WP

Executive & Artistic Director Joshua Worby, is that "Maestro [Ted] Sperling will provide some insights before each work to help educate all listeners, especially to open the ears and minds of young people." Before the concert, guests can explore a free instrument "petting zoo" at which teaching artists will guide young listeners as they try violins, drums, trombones and more. The performance will take place at the Purchase College Performing Arts Center. As part of ArtsWestchester's Arts Deals program, WP is offering 20% off adult tickets at artsw.org/artsdeals through February 5. For more info, visit: www.westchesterphil.org.

Pelham Art Center presents *TechNoBody*



Bodies© Incorporated by Victoria Vesna

In its latest exhibition, Pelham Art Center explores the physical body in relation to our virtual and technologically advanced world. Through March 21, *TechNoBody* takes a look at our desire for an immaterial digital presence versus the fragility of our physical being, and how closely the two are entwined. Through works of video, drawing and sculpture, the seven artists in this exhibition engage scientific concepts while considering the role of the "machine" in our public and private lives. Through video diaries collected from the Internet, artist Christopher Baker observes the fundamental human desire to be heard. Victoria Vesna highlights

our willingness to hand over our lives in the form of social networking to an unseen corporate culture. A panel discussion on March 19 will bring together *TechNoBody* curator Patricia Miranda with exhibiting artists. For more info, visit: www.pelhamartcenter.org.

Westchester Broadway Theatre presents Camelot



Jeremiah James (*Sir Lancelot*), Jennifer Hope Wills (*Guenevere*) and Clark Carmichael (*King Arthur*)

Through April 5, Westchester Broadway Theatre's audience members will partake in an evening of dinner (or lunch) and a production of Lerner and Loewe's classic musical *Camelot*. Once a Tony Award-winning Broadway play and star-studded Hollywood movie, *Camelot* follows one of the most famous love triangles of all

time – that of King Arthur, his new bride Guenevere and Sir Lancelot, whose arrival disrupts the kingdom's ideals of peace. Directed and choreographed by Broadway veteran Richard Sabellico, this production features favorites from the original score such as *If Ever I Would Leave You*. Performances take place from Wednesday through Sunday. For more info, visit: www.broadwaytheatre.com.

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The A.W. Duo, Downtown Music at Grace, 2/25 (photo credit: David Ordovsky)

2/1 SUNDAY

Family & Kids: Hudson River Museum presents *One World, One Sky: Big Bird's Adventure*. In a planetarium show full of light and color, follow Big Bird and Elmo as they explore the night sky with Hu Hu Zhu, a friend from China. Every Sat and Sun at 12:30pm through 2/28. www.hrm.org

Music: Fine Arts Orchestral Society of Yonkers presents *Yonkers Philharmonic*. Guest conductor Ariel Rudiakov returns for an exploration of Tchaikovsky's *Symphony #2 (The Little Russian)*. At Saunders Trade and Technical High School. 3pm. www.yonkersphilharmonic.org

Tours: Hudson River Museum presents *First Sunday Gallery Tour*. A themed tour of the museum's collections and exhibitions led by museum docents. 1pm. www.hrm.org

2/2 MONDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *A Most Wanted Man*. The machinations of the intelligence community in Europe come to light through the experience of a German intelligence officer. 5pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Under the Skin*. An otherworldly seductress beguiles lonely men in Scotland. 7:30pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

2/3 TUESDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Force Majeure*. An avalanche turns everything upside down for a family on holiday in the French Alps. 5pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Love Is Strange*. After Ben and George get married, George is fired from his teaching post and they find their lives and living situation profoundly altered. 7:30pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Theater: The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College presents *David Mamet's A Life in the Theatre*. As an older, experienced actor shares a dressing room with a newcomer, Mamet's laugh-filled behind-the-scenes look at backstage ego trips, feuds, fears, and acting tips. 8pm. www.artscenter.org

2/4 WEDNESDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *The One I Love*. What begins as a romantic retreat soon becomes surreal as a couple on the brink of separation confronts an unexpected dilemma. 7:30pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents *Noonday Getaway Concert: Pianist Peter Muir*. Audience favorite Muir returns with another imaginative program, *The Worlds of Rhapsody in Blue*. 12:10pm. www.dtmusic.org

2/5 THURSDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *The Only Real Game*. People living in the tiny India state of Manipur defy armed conflict, drugs, gun trafficking and HIV/AIDS through a surprising passion for baseball. 7:30pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

2/6 FRIDAY

Film: Chappaqua Library presents *Groundhog Day*. Bill Murray stars in this classic comedy about a man living the same day over and over again. 1:30pm. www.chappaqualibrary.org

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *Christine Lavin & Don White*. The Boston Globe calls Lavin and White "perhaps the two funniest performers on the folk circuit today." 8pm. www.emelin.org

Music: Music Conservatory of Westchester presents *Broadway Comes to White Plains*. Performance by John Treacy Egan, veteran Broadway star of *The Producers*, *Jekyll and Hyde* and *Sister Act*. 7:30pm. www.musicconservatory.org

2/7 SATURDAY

Family & Kids: Concordia Conservatory of Music & Art presents *Musical Adventures Family Concert Series: The Magical Music Mystery*. This musical comedy centers around Detective Mervin Schlupphammer who meets many musical characters while trying to unravel a comedic mystery. 11am. www.concordia-ny.edu



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One World, One Sky: Big Bird's Adventure, Hudson River Museum, 2/1-2/28

Family & Kids: Hudson River Museum presents *Family Studio: Art Projects*. Creative weekend activities inspired by the museum's collections and exhibitions. Every Sat and Sun from 1-4pm through 2/28. www.hrm.org

Music: Recologie presents *Devour@ Recologie: Patterns of Migration*. Engage all your senses in the intimacy of a warmly inviting cabaret environment. 7pm. www.recologie.com

Theater: Emelin Theatre presents *Broadway: Our Sinatra*. The original cast of critically-acclaimed cabaret singers have reunited for this production, marking Sinatra's centennial year. 8pm. www.emelin.org

2/8 SUNDAY

Family & Kids: The Symphony of Westchester presents *Family Program*. The Symphony turns the spotlight on young musicians in its annual Family Program. At Christopher J. Murphy Auditorium at Iona College. 3pm. www.thesymphonyofwestchester.org

Family & Kids: Hudson River Museum presents *Family Day*. Celebrate new exhibitions at the Hudson River Museum with a day of family fun, including music, poems and painting. 12pm. www.hrm.org

Lectures: New Rochelle Public Library presents *Artist Talk and Reception: James Ransome*. Ransome will discuss his work at the reception for his *Visual Stories* exhibition. 4pm. www.nrpl.org

Music: PJS Jazz Society, Inc. presents *Eric Person Big Band*. Eric plays the alto and soprano saxophones as well as the flute and is featured as a leader and sideman on more than 30 recordings. At First Presbyterian Church, Mt Vernon. 5:15pm. www.pjsjazz.org

2/9 MONDAY

Lectures: Color Camera Club of Westchester presents *Photographing Dance and Live Performances*. Photographer Stephanie Berger discusses the ins and outs of photographing dance and live performance. 7:30pm. www.colorcameraclub.org

2/11 WEDNESDAY

Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents *Noonday Getaway Concert: Pianist Fantee Jones*. Jones, the most recent prize winner of the New York International Piano Competition, makes her Downtown Music debut. 12:10pm. www.dtmusic.org

Spoken Word: Hudson River Museum presents *Arts in the Afternoon*. Poet David Gonzales reads *Oh Hudson*, which tells of the New York river that became the mighty waterway for an energetic new nation. 1:30pm. www.hrm.org

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *Exploring African-American Traditions and Experiences through Picture Books*. Discover the beauty and messages gained from children's picture books with African-American themes. Feb 11 & Feb 25: 6:15-7:30pm. www.nrpl.org

2/12 THURSDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Videofreex: The Art of Guerrilla Television*. The Videofreex were a pioneering group of creative young people who used the brand-new technology of portable video to tell the world about the social changes of the 1960s and '70s. 7:30pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Why Sports?: A Shorts Program*. A spirited selection of short films examining the appeal of sports of all kinds. 7:45pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

2/13 FRIDAY

Lectures: Chappaqua Library presents *Author Talk by Jamie Malanowski: Commander Will Cushing, Daredevil Hero of the Civil War*. A great naval hero of the 19th century, Cushing was the author of many daring exploits, most notably the sinking of the CSS Albemarle. 7pm. www.chappaqualibrary.org

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *Laurie Lewis and The Right Hands*. Joined by musical partner Tom Rozum on mandolin and some of the best bluegrass musicians on either coast, Laurie brings down the house with a mix of traditional and contemporary bluegrass. 8pm. www.emelin.org

2/14 SATURDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Bringing Up Baby*. Cary Grant, Katharine Hepburn and a leopard named Baby come together in this classic screwball comedy. 5pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Music: The Performing Arts Center presents *Midori*. Since her New York Philharmonic debut 32 years ago at age 11, violinist Midori has established a record of achievement which sets her apart as a master musician. 8pm. www.artscenter.org

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2/15 SUNDAY

Music: The Performing Arts Center presents *Decoda*. This chamber music society of accomplished young musicians has become a Performing Arts Center tradition. 3pm. www.artscenter.org

2/16 MONDAY

Family & Kids: Hudson River Museum presents *School's Out, Stars Are In: February Break*. Students on school break join artist Wennie Huang for creative activities and planetarium shows. Through 2/20, 1pm. www.hrm.org

2/17 TUESDAY

Lectures: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Oscar Talk with Mark Harris and Janet Maslin*. Join JBFC President Janet Maslin and "Oscarologist" Mark Harris for a lively, opinionated discussion about this year's slate of Academy Award nominations. 7:30pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org



Paul Taylor Dance Company, The Performing Arts Center, 2/28 (photo courtesy of Performing Arts Center at Purchase College)

2/18 WEDNESDAY

Film: New Rochelle Public Library presents *School Vacation Week Film: 'Zin! Zin! Zin! A Violin' and More*

Stories for Young Musicians. For children ages 3 and up. 60 minutes. 11am. www.nrpl.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Close-Up*. A fiction-documentary hybrid based on the true story of a man arrested for impersonating filmmaker Mohsen Makhmalbaf. 7:45pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Music: New Rochelle Public Library presents *School Vacation Week Live Performance: Peter and the Wolf and Meet the Woodwinds*. Music performed by the Lehman Woodwind Quintet, with a narrator, relays the classic tale of a boy's colorful adventure in the forest. For children in Pre-K and up. 2pm. www.nrpl.org

2/19 THURSDAY

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *Chinese New Year Crafts*. Celebrate the start of the Chinese New Year by making a dragon puppet and red lantern. For children ages 4+. 11am. www.nrpl.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *An American in Paris*. Screening of the Academy Award-winning classic film, followed by a meeting with some of the team behind the new stage production arriving on

Broadway this spring. 7:15pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

2/20 FRIDAY

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *Live Performance for the Younger Set: Singer, Songwriter & Entertainer Zev Haber*. Upbeat performance of funny stories, silly songs, and rousing audience participation, for kids ages 3-7 years and their parent or caregiver. 10:30am. www.nrpl.org

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *Adventure in Gardening: Sprouting Seeds*. Jeanne Marie Healy will help kids in grades 2-5 to plant vegetable and flower seeds to take home. 2pm. www.nrpl.org

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *Chris Brubeck's Triple Play*. Triple Play delivers an epic sojourn through American music. 8pm. www.emelin.org

2/21 SATURDAY

Dance: New Rochelle Public Library presents *African Dance and Drum Performance*. The culminating performance of the seven-week African Dance and Drum Workshops, led by Anthony Wooden of Bokandeye Dance. 2pm. www.nrpl.org



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Family & Kids: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *The Best of Looney Tunes*. Nine beautifully restored classic cartoons. 2/21–2/22, 2pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Folk Arts: ArtsWestchester presents *Crossing Borders in Performance I: 'Amalgama' Project*. Urban jazz meets folklore in this collaboration of pianist/composer Pablo Mayor and dancer/choreographer Daniel Fetecua (Pajarillo Pinta'o). 7:30pm. www.artswestchester.org

2/22 SUNDAY

Music: New Rochelle Public Library presents *African-American Heritage Month Performance: How Sweet the Sound*. The evolution of American music is traced from the time of slavery to the Jazz Age in this interactive program. 3pm. www.nrpl.org

Music: Chappaqua Library presents *French-American Musical Exchange*. French saxophonists Nicolas Prost and Anne Lecapelain collaborate with American saxophonist Christopher Brellocks and pianist Cynthia Peterson, featuring music by Debussy, Ibert and Milhaud. 3pm. www.chappaqualibrary.org

2/23 MONDAY

Music: The Hudson Valley Music Club presents *Mostly Morning Music Concert*. Margorie Hone (flute), Elizabeth Sadewhite (cello) and Judith Soffer (piano) will perform works by Lotti, Kuhlau, Gaubert and Martinu. Sadewhite and Judith Dibbern (piano) will perform a sonata by Barber. At Dobbs Ferry Woman's Club. 1pm.

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *National Gallery*. A deep immersion into the London museum filled with artworks by Rembrandt, Caravaggio, Leonardo, and other masters. 7pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

2/25 WEDNESDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Back on Board: Greg Louganis*. An intimate portrait of openly gay and HIV-positive champion diver Greg Louganis. 7:30pm. www.burnsfilmcenter.org

Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents *Noonday Getaway Concert: The A.W. Duo*. Cellist James Waldo and pianist Alyona Aksyonova perform an all Beethoven program including the *Sonata No. 3 in A Major*. 12:10pm. www.dtmusic.org

2/27 FRIDAY

Film: Chappaqua Library presents *Chocolat*. A woman and her daughter open a chocolate shop in a small French village that shakes up the rigid morality of the community. 7pm. www.chappaqualibrary.org

2/28 SATURDAY

Dance: The Performing Arts Center presents *Paul Taylor Dance Company*. A visit from Paul Taylor and his talented dancers is like a visit from an old friend or beloved relative. They've been on the PAC stage so many times that they really are family. 8pm. www.artscenter.org

Folk Arts: Pelham Art Center presents *Chinese New Year Celebration*. Family-friendly activities commemorating the beginning of the Year of the Sheep, including a paper-craft workshop and traditional Lion Dance. 12am. www.pelhamartcenter.org

Folk Arts: ArtsWestchester presents *Crossing Borders In Performance II: Trio Shalva*. The Israeli Trio Shalva performs Mediterranean-influenced music from recent albums as well as new original songs. 7:30pm. www.artswestchester.org

Lectures: Bullseye Glass Resource Center presents *Artist Talk: Michael Endo*. Artist and Bullseye Gallery curator Michael Endo discuss his background, influences, recent work and approach to kiln-glass. 2pm. www.bullseyeglass.com

Music: Lagond Music School presents *EMEFE*. This 8-piece experience transcends genre with huge music combined with a multi-sensory show. 8:30pm. www.lagondmusic.org

Blue Door Gallery

www.bluedoorartcenter.org/gallery

- *Blue Door Artist Association's 7th Annual Members Juried Show*. Unique works from members of the Blue Door Artist Association, ranging from sculpture to painting, photomontage, mixed media and more. On view Thurs, Fri & Sat: 12-5pm, through 2/7.
- *Out of Bounds: Freedom of Expression*. Interactive all-media exhibition celebrating the spirit of African-American History and Women's History Months. On view Thurs, Fri & Sat: 12-5pm, 2/15–3/14.

Castle Gallery at the College of New Rochelle

www.castlegallery.cnr.edu

- *Not Really: Fictive Narratives in Contemporary Art*. An artistic exploration of the illusory, fabricated and contrived nature of our mediated and digitalized contemporary world. Opening reception: Thurs, Feb 5, 6:30-8:30pm. On view Tues-Fri: 11am-5pm. Sat-Sun: 12-4pm, through 4/19.

Center for the Digital Arts

www.sunywcc.edu/peekskill

- *Center for the Digital Arts Student Show*. Traditional fine arts as well as digital imaging, animation, digital video, and multimedia. Reception: Tues, Feb 3, 5:30-7pm. On view Mon-Thurs: 10am-5pm & Fri 10am-3pm through 2/22.

Color Camera Club of Westchester

www.colorcameraclub.org

- *International Photography Competition*. Open to all interested photographers. Entries must be submitted online by Feb 7. The judging date is Feb 21. The online catalog of winners will be available beginning May 9.
- *An Exhibit of Photography*. Works of art by members of the Color Camera Club, on view at Andrus on Hudson Nursing facility.

Hudson River Museum

www.hrm.org

- *Leah Harper: Complimentary*. Harper turns the everyday vending machine into a compliment dispensing interactive piece. On view Wed - Sun: 12-5pm, 2/1–2/28.
- *Frohawk Two Feathers: Kill Your Best Ideas, The Battle for New York and Its Lifeline, the Hudson River*. Artist/storyteller Frohawk, paints and writes about battles and conquests throughout history. On view Wed-Sun: 12-5pm, 2/7–5/17.
- *Promoting the President: In Celebration of Washington's Birthday*. Works of art and artifacts depicting the famed leader. On view Wed-Sun: 12-5pm, 2/7–5/17.



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Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art

www.hvcca.org

- *Love: The First of the 7 Virtues.* Art that encompasses love and leads to an appreciation for the diversity of human nature. Opening reception: Sat, Feb 14, 5-7pm. On view Fri: 11am-5pm & Sat-Sun: 12-6pm, 2/14-12/6.

Iona College Council on the Arts

www.iona.edu

- *Impressions: Works by Alvin Clayton.* A retrospective of the local restaurateur and highly collected artist and his many influences. Opening Reception: Sun, Feb 1, 1-3pm. At Brother Kenneth Chapman Gallery, Iona College Arts Center. On view Mon-Thurs: 12-5pm, Thurs evenings: 6:30-8pm & Sun: 2-5pm through 2/26.

Katonah Museum of Art

www.katonahmuseum.org

- *Line Describing a Cone: Tri-State Juried Exhibition.* Artists are invited to explore the meaning of space in their work, using whatever materials and expressive outlets they require. On view Tues-Sat: 10am-5pm & Sun: 12-5pm through 2/15.
- *Explore Light, Line and Shape.* Play with light boxes, light projectors and shadows, see how two-dimensional shapes can transform into three-dimensional shapes and experiment with the qualities of color and line. On view Tues-Sat: 10am-5pm & Sun: 12-5pm through 2/15.
- *Glass Elevator by Stephan Moore.* A sound installation for the glass-walled vestibule at the Katonah Museum of Art. Open through Summer 2015.
- *John Ruppert: Yellow Orb.* John Ruppert transforms prison-grade metal chain link into a vessel-like form in this outdoor sculpture. On view through May.



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Mamaroneck Artists Guild

www.mamaroneckartistsguild.org

- *Young Artists on the Rise.* Work of young budding artists from Mamaroneck and New Rochelle high schools as well as the French-American School of New York. Student reception: Feb 4, 5-7pm. On view Tues-Sat: 12-5pm through 2/7.
- *Spotlight Show.* Five MAG artists – Rita Baunok, Jane Black, Ruth Raskin, Brenna Rosenfeld, and Marion Schneider – exhibit a variety of media. Artists' Reception: Sat Feb 21: 3-5pm. On view Tues-Sat: 12-5pm, 2/10-2/28.

New Rochelle Public Library

www.nrpl.org

- *Captured in Cloth: Fabric Collages of Leni Wiener.* Photo-inspired fabric collages that depict captured moments in time, created by artist Leni Levenson Wiener. On view through 2/7 during library hours.
- *Visual Stories: Fine Art of James Ransome.* Features more than 50 paintings created during the artist's career as a children's book illustrator. On view 2/8-2/27 during library hours.

Pelham Art Center

www.pelhamartcenter.org

- *TechNoBody.* Group exhibition that explores the mediated world's impact on, and relationship to, the physical body in an increasingly virtual world. On view Mon-Fri: 10am-5pm & Sat: 10am-4pm, through 3/21.

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- *For more Bullseye Glass workshops, visit: www.bullseyeglass.com.*

Center for the Digital Arts at Westchester Community College

www.sunywcc.edu/peekskill

- **Quick Start to Photoshop Adobe CC in 24 Hours.** Learn to use the latest version of Photoshop. 2/7–2/28, 9am.

New Rochelle Public Library

www.nrpl.org

- **School Vacation Week Workshop: Build a Mini Greenhouse with ArchForKids.** Construct a tabletop greenhouse of your very own. Recommended for children ages 6+, caregivers welcome too. 2/17, 11am.
- **School Vacation Week: LEGO® Workshop.** A LEGO® master will help participants ages 4 - 8 years unleash their imagination. 2/17, 2pm.
- *For more New Rochelle Public Library workshops, visit: www.nrpl.org.*

Westchester Community College Center For The Arts

www.sunywcc.edu/locations/arts

- **LightRoom Workshop.** Learn to use LightRoom, a photography software for organizing your photos. 2/21, 10am.
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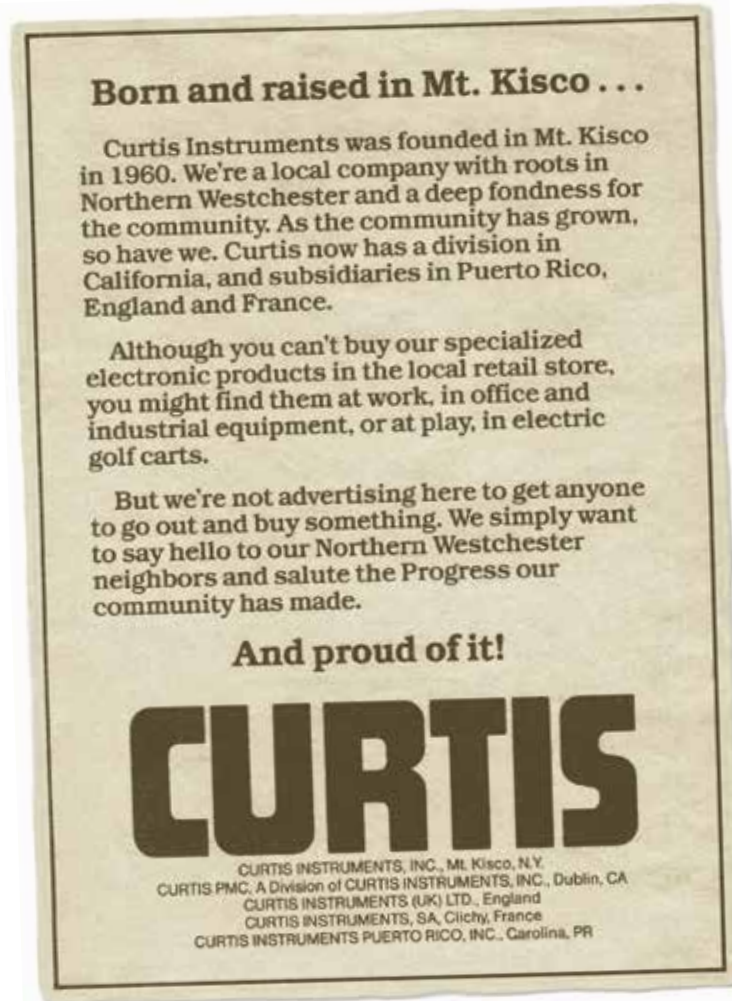
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