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Children Are Our Future

by Janet Langsam, ArtsWestchester CEO

Dear Friend of the Arts:

These are trying times: so many needs... so many challenges... so many pressing issues. It is daunting. If 2016 has taught us anything, it is that exercising our freedom of expression is a fundamental privilege we enjoy as Americans. The arts in all its forms is also at the heart of this freedom. That’s because the arts are a universal language that unite people of all ages in conversation, imagination and thought.

As concerned citizens, we recognize that children are our future. And perhaps you share my view that the arts are an essential ingredient in giving children – all children, no matter their zip code – the tools they need to navigate this world, to make their personal choices and contributions, and to give them the hope they need to better the world. At ArtsWestchester, we support both children and the arts.

So in the spirit of the holidays, and of making the world a better place, I ask you to consider making an end-of-year contribution of any amount to ArtsWestchester. Please help us to continue inspiring the next generation of creative thinkers and leaders through the arts.

We at ArtsWestchester believe that the arts matter more than ever before. We hope you do too. To donate, visit: artsw.org/donate.

With appreciation,
Janet T. Langsam
CEO, ArtsWestchester

Thanks to our generous supporters


After working with teaching artist Marion Jones Archer, students at School 30 in Yonkers gave a presentation of African dance and music that helped them to understand their social studies curriculum. (photo credit: Hope Salley)

Don’t miss Janet’s weekly blog posts at: thisandthatbyjl.com
Show Your Support for the Arts at the Upcoming Westchester County Hearing

Supporters of the arts in Westchester have been attending the County’s budget hearings to demonstrate support for arts funding. In Westchester, the nonprofit arts sector is an economic driver, contributing $156 million to the local economy and 4,800 jobs. Beyond its economic impact, the arts strengthen community life and enhance Westchester’s reputation as a desirable place to live and work. Join ArtsWestchester and its member organizations at the final public hearing on December 7 at the Board of Legislators Chamber (Floor 8) at 148 Martine Avenue in White Plains. Arts supporters will be wearing red hats like the one above. For info, visit: artsw.org/speakupforthearts.

Cuba Visits the Copland House

Copland House at Merestead recently hosted a visit and performance by composers and clarinetists Paquito d’Rivera and Derek Bermel. The evening transported attendees to Cuba with “Sounds of Havana.” Pictured above, from l to r: opera soprano Brenda Feliciano, Paquito D’Rivera, Derek Bermel, cellist Alexis Gerlach, and Copland House Artistic and Executive Director Michael Boriskin. For more about Copland House, visit: coplandhouse.org.

Music Conservatory of Westchester’s Performathon Turns 10

Music Conservatory of Westchester

On Saturday, December 10, the Music Conservatory of Westchester will hold its tenth Performathon event, an all-day musical marathon of fabulous student performances. Participating kids get their family and friends to sponsor their performance in order to raise funds for other children and compete for prizes. The day will also feature games, a crafts boutique, and food. This year’s proceeds will support the Conservatory’s Scholarship Program and help to jump-start a new electronic keyboard classroom. The event will be held at the Conservatory’s White Plains location. For more info, visit: musicconservatory.org.

Call for Anecdotes About Westchester Broadway Theatre for Upcoming Book

Bill Stutler and Bob Funking, owners of Westchester Broadway Theatre in Elmsford, have commissioned author Gary Chattman to write an anecdotal history of the theatre. The book’s narrative will date back to July 1974, when An Evening Dinner Theatre opened, and will chronicle the nearly-200 mainstage shows and special events that have taken place on its stages. It will also contain interviews and anecdotes from people who helped shape the theatre’s forward-moving trajectory. Chattman, the author of six published books, welcomes the public’s comments about Westchester Broadway Theatre to add to the book. He can be contacted at: garychatty@aol.com.

Film Celebrates Best-Selling Book by Irvington Native

Beyond Glory

A film that was based on the New York Times bestselling book of a former Irvington resident will be celebrated at Irvington Town Hall Theater on December 16 as part of its “Best of Film” series. Beyond Glory stars actor Stephen Lang, who tells the stories of eight Medal of Honor recipients, in their own words, as he tours across Heartland, Afghanistan, the Persian Gulf, New York and Los Angeles. The book was first transformed into a one-man play that also starred Lang. The film picks up on the play’s theatrical qualities, melding the two art forms in this “performance documentary.” The event will include a screening of the film, as well as a Q&A with director Larry Brand and author Larry Smith. For more info, visit: irvingtontheater.com.

Cuba Visits the Copland House

At a recent press conference, ArtsWestchester CEO Janet Langsam showed off the hats and gloves that have been donned by arts supporters at this year’s County hearings. (photo credit Leslye Smith)
Public Art Projects at The City Center Recently Unveiled

Kite Realty Group, in partnership with ArtsWestchester, recently unveiled two public art commissions as part of the renovation and Grand Reopening of The City Center Shopping Center in White Plains. Design proposals for a suspended sculptural installation in the Center’s multi-story atrium and for a mural in the renovated Mamaroneck Avenue lobby were sought from artists throughout the Hudson Valley. The two newly-commissioned dynamic artworks now enhance the property, both activating wall and air space and helping to create an overall contemporary aesthetic.

THE ATRIUM PROJECT – Lightband Studio’s illuminated organic glass installation was awarded the commission for the City Center’s atrium. The large-scale illuminated glass forms fill an empty space, in the heart of the busy shopping and entertainment complex, with color and light. The modern sculpture consists of large floating mesh pieces made from fused glass rods that impart a sense of perpetual motion.

THE MURAL PROJECT – Mamaroneck painter and muralist Piero Manrique was awarded the City Center lobby mural commission. The colorful and graphic design for the 2,000 square foot wall embodies the vibrancy and diversity of the City of White Plains. “Each bold color block makes a strong impact upon the viewer by itself,” says Manrique. “Then, when layered on top of one another, these colored elements join together to form surprising new shapes and perspectives.”

The City Center, White Plains is located at 237 Martine Avenue. For more info on the shopping center, visit: shopatcitycenter.com.

This Holiday, Give the Gift of the Arts with an ArtsWestchester Membership

Give the gift of the arts to the creative people in your life this holiday season. An ArtsWestchester membership is one of the most important ways to support the arts in Westchester. With several membership levels to choose from – including artist, senior and student levels – those interested in supporting the organization can select the level that works for them.

All individual membership levels include a subscription to the monthly publication and event calendar, ArtsNews, weekly event highlight emails, event discounts, a 10% discount on gifts at The Shop at ArtsWestchester, and invitations to exclusive member events. Recently, our members were invited to a private tour (pictured to the left) of ArtsWestchester’s current Remedy exhibition, which was led by Gallery Director and curator, Kathleen Reckling. Memberships are also available for businesses and cultural organizations.

Start the New Year off right by celebrating the arts. For more info, visit: artsw.org/membership.
The focus of ArtsWestchester’s current exhibition is to examine the connection between art and healing. The works represent two aspects of this association – art that visualizes or responds to the tools, methods and institutions of healing, as well as works that explore how art can help communities in collective healing or embody an act of personal healing. Many of the 16 artists in the show use their work as a response to personal experiences, so here are some of their words about their own work as it relates to the thematic topic of Remedy.

“The desire is to make a place of ‘one-ness’ in the process of creating my mandalas that translates to the viewer as a place of inspired peace, a place of meditation.”
-Pamella Allen

“The American Medical Series is a statement to a loved one’s medical treatment and illness. Though not sentimental, it is an illustration of emotions through anatomical paintings.”
-Peter Konsterie

“I didn’t understand how important art was in the healing process until I was in need. I learned to take the experience and place it in the artwork. Once it is on the wall, I have given the pain away. I no longer have the burden… When I share, I hear from others who may have had the same experience. I always encourage them to use art to release their hardship – write it down, paint it or sing about it, whatever works.”
-Annie Lopez

“Each piece in the show focuses the public’s attention, even for a moment, on a specific aspect of medicine and healing … My piece, Organ Donation Box, calls attention to the need for the public to sign their driver’s license to be an organ donor.”
-Jackie Lorieo

“These oversized [pillow] renderings of antipsychotics and antidepressants provide a different kind of comfort than their prescription counterparts. The tedious and time-consuming nature of the latch hook craft provides a sufficiently mind-altering placebo effect [for me as an artist as well].”
-Laura Splan

Related Remedy Events in ArtsWestchester’s Gallery

Exhibition Talk: Life in Motion
December 12, 6-8pm
In this Remedy lecture, two NYU professors discuss collaborations across the arts, engineering and medical fields to help change the lives of people with disabilities. They will explore how artists think outside-the-box to innovative and improve the way we live.

Artist Talk and Closing Reception
January 14, 2017, 4-6pm
Guests can hear exhibiting Remedy artists speak about their works (4-5pm) and then explore the exhibition (5-6pm).
HOLIDAY HIGHLIGHTS

Through December 30
Decorated Glenview Mansion
presented by Hudson River Museum

Hudson River Museum (HRM)’s Glenview Mansion will be decked out in Victorian splendor for the holidays. A highlight this year will be dollhouse decorations. Guests can tour the house in all its glory – with trees, garland and festive lights to bring good cheer to the turn-of-the-century space. Tours are available on Wednesdays through Sunday at 1pm and 3pm. Guests can walk through all day on Saturdays and Sundays. Two “Live Radio Theatre” productions of A Christmas Carol will take place on December 10. HRM.ORG

December 2 and December 4
Messiah and Three Nativity Carols
presented by The New Choral Society

New Choral Society (NCS) presents a holiday favorite, Handel’s Messiah. The familiar and uplifting choruses of the oratorio have become a tradition of the holiday season and of NCS’s repertoire, and will be complemented by Stephen Paulus’s Three Nativity Carols. Conducted by founder and Artistic Director Dr. John T. King, this professional-level community chorus will perform surrounded by the impressive acoustics of Hitchcock Presbyterian Church in Scarsdale. NEWCHORALSOCIETY.ORG

December 3
A Dickens of a Holiday
presented by Wainright House

Wainright House starts the season off with “A Dickens of a Holiday” – a full day of family-friendly activities. Floral designers will decorate the 20th century chateaux, enhancing the charm of its Rye location. A holiday shopping boutique, carolers by the tree, children’s arts and crafts, photographs with Santa and a horse-drawn wagon ride will round out this December 3 experience. WAINRIGHT.ORG

December 9-30
Mr. Dickens Tells A Christmas Carol at Lyndhurst
presented by M&M Performing Arts Company

Along with caroling and decking the halls, holiday sing-alongs are a well-established tradition of the season. This tradition is being upheld by The Chappaqua Orchestra at Robert E. Bell Middle School on December 3. The concert will be followed by a Christmas tree lighting at Horace Greeley House and a reception at the New Castle Community Center. The next day, New Westchester Symphony will hold its 5th annual Messiah sing-along with full orchestral accompaniment at the Briarcliff Congregational Church. Participation is key, as there will be entire choruses and arias sung completely by the audience. Guests will “fa la la” the whole way home. CHAPPAQUAOROCHESTRA.ORG | NEWSYMPHONY.ORG

This holiday season, guests will experience A Christmas Carol as though Charles Dickens himself were reading it. This storytelling event recreates the beloved novella in the same way that the author performed it during in the late 1800s. Michael Muldoon will portray Dickens and tell the timeless tale as guests travel throughout the main floor of Lyndhurst mansion’s beautifully decorated rooms, “meeting” its various characters. With different voices and styles given to each character, guests will hear about Ebenezer Scrooge, a curmudgeonly man who is guided on a journey of transformation by the ghosts of Christmas Past, Present and Future. MMPACI.COM
**December 10**

**Santa Visits the Rosen House**  
*presented by Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts*

![Santa Visits the Rosen House (photo credit: Gabe Palacio)](image)

Holiday cheer will welcome the whole family to Caramoor’s Mediterranean-style Rosen House on December 10. Children will delight in adventures like “I Spy Santa or Two in the Music Room” before a cheerful holiday sing-along concert, during which Santa will make a very special appearance. Parents are encouraged to bring cameras to capture their children’s encounters with Jolly St. Nick. A snack of milk and cookies will then be served in the cloisters. CARAMOOR.ORG

**December 15**

**Ronnie Spector’s Best Christmas Party Ever!**  
*presented by Tarrytown Music Hall*

![Ronnie Spector (photo source: ronniespector.com)](image)

Ronnie Spector and the Ronettes, a Rock & Roll Hall of Fame inductee, has defined many of the Christmas hits that have become standards for today’s radio playlists. The group’s lead singer Ronnie Spector, and her trademark vocals from the 60s, will return to the Tarrytown Music Hall stage with her popular holiday show on December 15. The show, “Best Christmas Party Ever!” is named after her 2010 album that contains five new songs to complement her previous holiday hits – *Sleigh Ride, Frosty The Snowman,* and *I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus,* all among the top-played Christmas songs. TARRYTOWNMUSICHALL.COM

**December 15**

**Hip Hop Nutcracker**  
*presented by Performing Arts Center at Purchase College*

![The Hip Hop Nutcracker (photo source: unitedpalace.org)](image)

The Hip Hop Nutcracker tells the classic story of *The Nutcracker* from a whole new angle. Tchaikovsky’s classic score is re-imagined with an on-stage DJ and electric violinist in a story set to take place in contemporary New York City. A dozen professional dancers take to the stage with an interpretation of the story, directed & choreographed by Jennifer Weber, which involves energetic hip-hop choreography. As far removed from a classic rendition as this production may seem, the full-length show celebrates the same important themes as the original work – love, community and the magic of the holiday season. ARTSCENTER.ORG

**December 15-January 1**

**The Gift of the Magi**  
*presented by Schoolhouse Theater*

*The Gift of the Magi,* based on the short story written by O. Henry (William Sydney Porter), will be presented by Schoolhouse Theater from December 15 through January 1. The sentimental story with a strong moral standing tells the tale of how a young couple deals with the struggle of buying Christmas gifts for one another despite not having much money to spend on them. The story, directed by the theater’s Artistic Director Bram Lewis, includes a classic O. Henry twist ending. Performances, taking place on Thursdays, Fridays and Saturday evenings and Sunday matinees, include refreshments and holiday carols. SCHOOLHOusetHEATER.ORG
December 17
The Nutcracker Ball
presented by Ballet des Amériques

For the sixth year, Ballet des Amériques will present The Nutcracker Ball, a weekend of in-house performances in Port Chester. Students from the Conservatory will present excerpts from Tchaikovsky’s The Nutcracker. Adapted and restaged with substantial choreographic input from choreographer and director Carole Alexis, the performance also pays tribute to the ballet’s original choreographers, Marius Petipa and Lev Ivanov. Professional dancers will also perform original pieces from the company’s repertoire. Performances on December 17 will be followed by a reception.

BALLETDESSAMERIQUES.COM

December 19
Multi-Holiday Musical Celebration
presented by Sound Shore Chorale

Sound Shore Chorale will ring in the winter season with its annual multi-holiday musical celebration concert on December 19. Under the direction of Artistic Director Richard Slade, and accompanied by pianist Diane Guernsey, the chorus will sing fun, light-hearted songs of the Christmas, Hanukkah and Winter Solstice seasons, such as ‘Twas the Night Before Christmas. The concert will take place at Ossie Davis Theatre at the New Rochelle Library. For more info, email: INFO@SOUNDSHORECHORALE.ORG.

December 3
Etsy Artisan Holiday Market
Ossining Public Library
Artisans from the website Etsy.com will offer holiday crafts and gifts.
ossininglibrary.org

December 3 & 4
Holiday Music Festival
Hoff-Barthelson Music School
This boutique is accompanied by live music and performances.
hbms.org

Through December 21
Annual Holiday Show
Blue Door Gallery
Unique and affordable artworks ranging from $5-500.
bluedoorgallerycenter.org

Through December 23
CLAY-HOLIDAY
Clay Art Center
Fifty local artists feature fine clay art, including functional pottery and ceramic sculptures.
clayartcenter.org

Through December 24
A Gift of Art
Mamaroneck Artists’ Guild
Original one-of-a-kind fine art in a variety of media, including photography, sculpture, jewelry and more.
mamaroneckartistsguild.org

Through December 31
Craft Marketplace
Pelham Art Center
Local and national artists will present handcrafted gifts, varying from fine metals to wood.
pelhamartcenter.org

For more upcoming holiday events, visit ArtsWestchester’s events calendar online at artswestchester.org.
event highlights

Fifty Years Later: Gordon Parks, Mickalene Thomas and LaToya Ruby Frazier

Through January 28, 2017, The Gordon Parks Foundation in Pleasantville will explore the work of photographer Gordon Parks and the impact he has had on succeeding generations of black photographers. Parks was one of the twentieth century’s leading documentarians of American life, particularly as it related to civil rights, poverty and race relations from the early 1940s until his death in 2006. His photographs shone a light on larger inequities of society by relaying the personal experiences of those who were affected by them.

Fifty Years After: Gordon Parks, Mickalene Thomas and LaToya Ruby Frazier presents the works of Parks, as well as the works of Mickalene Thomas and LaToya Ruby Frazier. Parks opened the door for Thomas, Frazier and their contemporaries, who have followed in his footsteps and expanded his mark to further push the boundaries of their cause. Frazier addresses industrialism and environmental justice in her works that depict the deteriorating steel community of Braddock, Pennsylvania, where she grew up. Thomas, through portraits of her family, friends and herself, depicts stereotypes and misconceptions of black and female experiences. For more info, visit: gordonparksfoundation.org.

Exploring the Changing Seasons of Painter Sherri Paul

Harrison Public Library presents Changes, a 20-year retrospective of the work of award-winning artist Sherri Paul, from December 4 through January 6. Paul’s oil paintings on linen and canvas have spanned a number of subjects and styles in the past two decades: the works focus on soft seasonally-inspired landscapes that feature natural elements such as water, air and light – a dirt path lined with trees or a serene day on the beach. Equally, her works traverse the streets and inhabitants of downtown New York City, where she explores a world of unlimited possibilities through a style she refers to as “urban realism” – the bustling streets that surround the monument of Washington Square Park or a woman casually walking her dog on the city’s sidewalks. Paul, whose studio is in New York City, has works in numerous private collections. For more info, visit: harrisonpl.org.

Take a Noonday Getaway with Pianist Anna Vinnitsky at Downtown Music at Grace

On January 25, pianist Anna Vinnitsky returns to Downtown Music at Grace (DTM) for a “Noonday Getaway” concert. The event’s program includes a sonata of Mozart, the virtuosic Faschingsschwank aus Wien from Robert Schumann and a piano transcription of a traditional Klezmer melody. Vinnitsky, whom DTM calls “a Downtown Music audience favorite,” offers a versatile repertoire that embraces all genres and styles, ranging from Late Renaissance to Contemporary. She has performed around the world and holds teaching positions in New York City as well as a staff accompanist position at The Mannes College of Music. DTM offers mid-day performances on Wednesdays at 12:10pm (there will be no performance on December 28 and January 4) at Grace Episcopal Church in White Plains. For more info, visit: dtmusic.org.
**Julie Taymor to Receive Himmel Award by Katonah Museum of Art**

Katohna Museum of Art (KMA)’s Himmel Award and Lecture is awarded annually in recognition of “creators, conceivers, radical thinkers and risk-takers that provoke new thinking in the arts and design.” This year, it will be given to award-winning director, playwright and costume designer Julie Taymor. The first woman to win a Tony Award for directing a musical, Taymor has a laundry list of successes under her belt: to name a few, her stage credits include *Spider-Man: Turn Off the Dark* and the all-time highest grossing stage musical, *The Lion King*; film credits include *Frida, Titus* and *Across the Universe*; and operas include *Oedipus Rex* and *The Magic Flute* at the Metropolitan Opera. The December 4 lecture at The Harvey School in Katonah will be a conversation between Taymor and KMA’s Executive Director Darsie Alexander, with an optional VIP wine reception with the honoree to follow. The Himmel Award is named in honor of arts patron Betty Himmel, who has been instrumental in defining the direction and mission of the Museum. For more info, visit: katonahmuseum.org.

**Pulitzer Prize-Winner Michael Cunningham to Read at Writers’ Center**

On December 3, Hudson Valley Writers’ Center in Sleepy Hollow will present a reading with American novelist and screenwriter Michael Cunningham, the Pulitzer Prize-winning author of *The Hours*. Cunningham, a major force in modern American writing, will read a selection of his work, including stories from his most recent book *A Wild Swan and Other Tales*, which is illustrated by respected Japanese artist Yuko Shimizu. A Q&A with the audience will follow the reading, and the author will also sign books, which will be available at the event. Cunningham’s other novels include *A Home at the End of the World, The Snow Queen, Specimen Days*, and more. In addition to his writing, Cunningham is a senior lecturer of creative writing at Yale University. His former student, novelist Lauren Acampora, will introduce him at the start of the reading. For more info, visit: writerscenter.org.

**Kids Take the Stage to Celebrate Girl Power with Disney’s Mulan Jr.**

On December 3 and 4, Clocktower Players’ Kids Troupe presents Disney’s *Mulan Jr.*, a hit stage adaptation based on Disney’s beloved Oscar Award-nominated animated film, *Mulan*. This celebration of girl power, Chinese culture, and honor tells the story of a girl who, to save her father from death, secretly enters the army in his place. In the process, she becomes one of China’s greatest heroes. The action-packed tale brings humor and heart to the stage, and is accompanied by a hit musical score. This Kids Troupe production, performed by the Theater’s youth, aligns with Clocktower Players’ mission to “empower youth to achieve success on stage and off” by building a creative home for performers of all ages. *Disney’s Mulan Jr.* takes place at Irvington Town Hall Theater. For more info, visit: clocktowerplayers.com.
event highlights

Photographer John Rizzo Reveals the Stories of Returning Veterans

Much has been documented on the hardships of soldiers during war, but what of the soldiers when they return home? Photojournalist John Rizzo investigates this question in his documentary and photo exhibition by exploring how veterans transition from the military to civilian life. Rizzo interviewed and photographed several former Westchester-based soldiers, who shared with him haunting stories about their service, injuries and how their personal relationships and lives have changed after war. The photographer, who has been working on this project for five years, was determined to uncover what the daily life of a veteran is truly like, and in the process discovered the numerous unexpected problems that they must confront – from waiting for months to be treated by an overloaded Veterans Administration Health Care system (VA) to feeling as though they no longer relate to their family and friends. Rizzo explains: “I never hear much about a returning veteran’s journey in the media… but living among us, as our neighbors, are an honorable group of men and women who have served.” He hopes this project will enlighten the public about the issues our local veterans face when returning home. The opening reception will take place on December 2, from 6-8pm at the Main Hall Café at Mercy College, and the exhibition and documentary will remain on view through December 30. This project is supported by ArtsWestchester’s Arts Alive Grant. For more info, visit: johnrizzophoto.com.

André Kertész: An Artist’s Life

On December 8, visitors of the Atelier 811 gallery will receive a glimpse into the innovative work and life of Hungarian photographer André Kertész, who is known for his revolutionary contributions to photojournalism and street photography. Robert Gurbo, Curator at The Andre Kertész Foundation, will present a personal perspective of Kertész’s work. The curator will reveal Kertész’s complicated life through his diverse body of photographs, including his pioneering work in his native Budapest, his studies of Paris and the final series of photographs he took in New York. Gurbo worked with the artist during the final seven years of his life and has spent the last 37 years exploring his archive. He is also the author of three books on Kertész, as well as the co-author of the catalog for the National Gallery’s 2005 retrospective on the artist. For more info, call 914-419-6252.

The Chiara String Quartet Performs By Heart on December 18

The Westchester Chamber Music Society presents a performance by the internationally renowned Chiara String Quartet on December 18. The quartet is known for bringing fresh interpretations to the traditional string repertoire, but the group also captivates audiences by performing “by heart,” without printed music. The ensemble has been performing by memory since their 14th season, and is now coming off of a season as the Quartet-in-Residence at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Their latest album, Bartók by Heart, features all six Bartók quartets, as performed from memory. According to the musicians, after memorizing a work, they are “rewarded with deeply gratifying performances, during which each member feels fully present in the moment, and truly performing with heart, by heart.” The quartet includes Rebecca Fischer (violin), Hyeyung Julie Yoon (violin), Jonah Sirota (viola) and Gregory Beaver (cello). The concert will take place at the Congregation Emanu-El in Rye. For more info, visit: westchesterchambermusicsociety.com.
Clay Art Center Looks Back at 60 Years of Clay Artistry with Year-Long RE/CLAY Program

In 2017, Clay Art Center will celebrate its 60th anniversary by hosting RE/CLAY, a year-long program that examines the past, present and future of ceramics, giving specific attention to chronicling the development of the Center. Programming throughout the year will include exhibitions, classes and events that ask how artistic growth can be measured over time, and how clay has impacted the Center’s community from decade to decade. January will start the program off with a strong array of events: a community exhibit, Rising Stars, will display the work of some of the 400 students who took classes at the Center in the past year (Jan. 8-21); a lecture by independent curator Jeannine Falino will discuss how contemporary ceramics has advanced the direction of American craft (Jan. 21); three previous Artist-in-Residence alumni will return for a three-day workshop (Jan. 14-16); and an exhibition, Rewind: 60 Years at CAC, will present a narrative of the Center from 1957 to the present, as arranged by its founding director, Reena Kashap. The multimedia project will include first-hand accounts in the form of recorded oral histories and the work of 60 artists (Jan. 29-Mar. 25). For more info, visit: clayartcenter.org.

Sister Act: The Musical Comes to White Plains Performing Arts Center

Beginning on December 16, the White Plains Performing Arts Center will bring the powerful gospel music and poignant characters of the Tony Award-nominated musical Sister Act to its stage. Based on the hit 1992 film that starred Whoopi Goldberg, this stage production will feature music by Tony- and eight-time Oscar-Award winner Alan Menken. The comedic story follows disco diva Deloris Van Cartier, who is put into protective custody in a convent after she witnesses a murder. Disguised as a nun, she finds herself at odds with both the rigid lifestyle of the convent and its Mother Superior; however, she inspires the choir with her unique disco moves and singing talent. Deloris breathes new life into the church, its congregation and its local community. Performances will be held on select days through January 8. For more info, visit: wppac.com

Westchester Philharmonic’s Annual Winter Pops Performance Returns

Westchester Philharmonic’s annual Winter Pops event returns on December 18. Broadway star Ashley Brown, who originated the role of Mary Poppins, will join the Philharmonic as she sings inspiring renditions of Louis Armstrong’s What a Wonderful World, the transcendent Ave Maria, and more. Pianist Ji, who was made famous by a viral Android television commercial earlier this year, will take the stage for Rachmaninoff’s 2nd Piano Concerto. Led by conductor Ted Sperling, the program also features Tchaikovsky’s waltz from Serenade for Strings and Hello, Young Lovers, along with holiday, Broadway and pop culture favorites. The uplifting performance will take place at Performing Arts Center at Purchase College. An optional ticket add-on for the “Pops After-Party” includes a meet-and-greet with the musicians, live music, hors d’oeuvres and a wine tasting. For more info, visit: westchesterphil.org.
ArtsWestchester.org is Westchester County’s guide for all-things-art. One of its many functions is to help artists find working opportunities that will strengthen and further their careers by listing “Artist Opportunities” available in the area. Below is a sampling of upcoming opportunities.

- **Proposals Wanted for Hip-Hop Week**  
  Submitted by: Purchase College  
  This event will examine the greater societal challenges of access and inclusion through the intersection of hip-hop and academia. Proposals can take the form of lectures, workshops, film screenings, performances and more.  
  **Deadline:** December 7, 2016

- **Amateur Musicians Wanted for Orchestra**  
  Submitted by: The Really Terrible Orchestra  
  This 35-member classical orchestra is made up of amateur musicians, who are led by a professional conductor. People of all skill levels are welcome to join.  
  **Deadline:** December 31, 2016

- **Calling All Composers**  
  Submitted by: Copland House  
  CULTIVATE, an emerging composers institute offered by Copland House, nurtures six young composers through a week-long intensive with apprentice workshops, musical reading sessions and more.  
  **Deadline:** December 15, 2016

- **Textile Artist Needed**  
  Submitted by: New England Fashion+Design Association  
  This company is looking for a textile and fiber artist who can teach technique and encourage creative thinking during a multi-week workshop.  
  **Deadline:** January 28, 2017

For more info, a full list of opportunities, and to sign up for email alerts, visit: artsw.org/artistopps.
2016 gala highlights

On November 19, more than 400 guests gathered for ArtsWestchester’s gala at the Ritz-Carlton, Westchester to honor five extraordinary women:

Andrea Stewart-Cousins
New York State Senator

Barbara Lee Diamonstein-Spielvogel
Chair of New York State Council on the Arts

Mary Calvi
Co-Anchor for CBS 2 News

Maria Ferreira
Wells Fargo Area President

Emily Grant
Arts Patron

For more gala photos, visit: artsw.org/photogallery

ARTSCALENDAR

12/1 THURSDAY

Film: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents Creative Domain. An in-depth look at choreographer Paul Taylor as he develops the Three Dubious Memories dance. 7-9:30pm. artscenter.org

Music: Purchase College Conservatory of Music presents Purchase New Music. Featuring new music written by the Purchase College composition studio specifically for the Purchase New Music Ensemble. 8pm. purchase.edu

Theater: Lyndhurst presents Sherlock Holmes: The Adventure of the Copper Beeches. Sherlock Holmes and Dr. Watson go on a trip to the sinister Copper Beeches, where a desperate young governess finds herself at the center of a baffling mystery. Through 12/4. 7-8:30pm. lyndhurst.org

Tours: Hudson River Museum presents Decorated Glenview. Guests will see the Museum’s 1876 river home, decorated for the Holidays with Victorian Splendor. Through 1/1/2017. Wed-Sun at 1&3pm or all day Saturday and Sunday. hrm.org

12/2 FRIDAY

Lecture: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents MFA Spotlight. Nine emerging poets and current students from three local MFA programs in poetry will read from their works. 7:30-9pm. writerscenter.org

Music: Emelin Theatre presents Flatt Lonesome. This group is known for its wide-ranging repertoire, sublime vocal arrangements and engaging stage presence. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Music: The New Choral Society presents Handel and Stephen Paulus. The Society performs Handel’s Messiah and Stephen Paulus’ Three Nativity Carols. Also 12/4 at 3pm. 8-9:30pm at Hitchcock Presbyterian Church. newchoralsociety.org

Reception: Mercy College presents John Rizzo Documentary and Photo Exhibition. The photographer will share his works about local veterans and their transition from military to civilian life. 6-8pm at the Main Hall Café. mercy.edu

12/3 SATURDAY

Family & Kids: Emelin Theatre presents Click, Clack, Moo. A comedic musical about negotiation and compromise, based on the award-winning children’s book by Doreen Cronin. 11:30am-2:30pm. emelin.org

Family & Kids: Smart Arts presents Cirque-tacular’s Snowkus Pocus. This show takes audiences to a winter wonderland where characters from The Nutcracker juggle snowflakes, balance icicles and more. 8-10pm. sunywcc.edu/smartarts

Music: The Chappaqua Orchestra presents Holiday Sing Along. Guests will celebrate the holidays with music and a sing-along followed by a Christmas...
Family & Kids: Hudson River Museum presents The Girl Who Walked Upside Down: Planetarium Show. Audiences will follow the journey of a girl who walks upside down upon the rainbow and loves the moon and stars (Ages 5+). Through 12/31. 12:30-1:15pm. hrm.org

Music: The Paramount Hudson Valley Theatre presents Home For The Holidays. Clayton Bryant and others perform holiday classics as well as songs from his album, Wild Horses. 8-10pm. paramounthudsonvalley.com

Lecture: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents Michael Cunningham. The Pulitzer Prize winning author reads from his new book, A Wild Swan and from his new book, The Last Word In & Writing the Walls II. Artists of the Center’s WORD exhibition lead a panel discussion on how to promote art. Selected poets will perform their works inspired by the exhibition. 2-6pm. hvcca.org

Music: Emelin Theatre presents Don Mclean. The legendary American folk singer-songwriter, known for his song “American Pie,” performs his hits. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Music: The Rye Arts Center presents Student Music Recitals. A celebration of the season with performances by students and instructors. Also 12/4 Times vary. ryeartscenter.org

Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents Orpheus Chamber Orchestra. Turkish pianist Fazil Say and the orchestra perform works by Mozart, Rossini and others. 3-5pm. artscenter.org

Music: Westchester Choral Society presents Holiday Concert. Featuring Bach’s Advent Cantata Nun komm, der Heiden Heiland and holiday songs. 4-5:30pm at Rye Presbyterian Church. westchesterchoralsociety.org

Tours: Hudson River Museum presents First Sunday Gallery Tours. A guided tour of the current exhibition led by a Museum Docent. 1-2pm. hrm.org

12/6 TUESDAY
Reception: Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill presents Peekskill Extension Center Faculty Show. An opening reception for a showcase of the artworks of Westchester Community College faculty members. 5:30-7:30pm. sunywcc.edu/locations/peekskill

12/7 WEDNESDAY
Reception: ArtsWestchester presents Speak up for the Arts. A public hearing for arts advocates to show support to legislators for county funding for the arts in the 2017 budget. 7-11pm at Westchester County Board of Legislator. artswestchester.org

Lectures: Neuberger Museum of Art presents Destination: Latin America Gallery Talk with Scholar. Visitors will examine key works from the Museum’s current exhibition. 12:30-1:30pm. neuberger.org

Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents Nooanday Getaway Concert. Violinist Jörg-Michael Schwarz and harpsichord Dongsok Shin will play sonatas for violin and harpsichord of J.S. Bach. 12:10-1pm. DTMusic.org

Music: Purchase College Conservatory of Music presents Purchase Latin Jazz Orchestra. A student ensemble performs music from all over Latin America including Mambo, Cha-Cha, Danzon, Festejo and Porro. 8-9:30pm. purchase.edu
12/8 THURSDAY

Lectures: Atelier 811 Gallery presents Andre Kertesz: An Artist’s Life. Robert Gurbo will lead a presentation on the life and work of the Hungarian photographer. 7-9pm. 914-419-6252

Theater: Westchester Collaborative Theater presents A Reading of Lardo. Sydney Blake reads from her book about a TV sitcom writer who hires an enchanting, inexperienced female writer. 8-10pm at Steamer Firehouse Gallery. wc.theater.org

12/9 FRIDAY

Lectures: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents Amy King & Camille Rankine. Two poets will read from their recent collections. 7:30-9pm. writerscenter.org

Music: Emelin Theatre presents Led Zeppelin. All Girls. All Zepelin. An all-female band performs a tribute to the legendary rock group Led Zeppelin. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Music: Purchase College Conservatory of Music presents Amahl and the Night Visitors. A disabled boy and his mother are visited by three kings on their way to Jerusalem one night. Also 12/10 at 1pm. 7pm. purchase.edu

12/10 SATURDAY

Family & Kids: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents Santa Visits the Rosen House. Featuring games and a sing-a-long with Santa Claus. 10am. caramoor.org

Lectures: Bullseye Glass Resource Center presents Artist Talk: Martha Pfanschmidt. The artist will discuss her background, influences, recent work and approach to kiln-glass. 5:30-6:30pm. bullseyeglass.com

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Life and Nature - The Best of Czech Music. Oboist Gerard Reuter joins the Orchestra for a performance of works by Smetana, Martinů and Dvořák. 7-8:30pm at Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation. hbms.org

Music: Walkabout Clearwater Coffeehouse presents Jay Ungar & Molly Mason. The musicians perform the composition that earned them international acclaim. 7:30-10am at Memorial United Methodist Church. walkaboutclearwater.org

Reception: Harrison Public Library presents Meet Artist Sherri Paul. Visitors will meet the award-winning local painter who is featured in the Library’s newest exhibition, Changes. 2-4pm. harrisonpl.org

12/11 SUNDAY

Music: New Rochelle Public Library presents BID Family Holiday Concert. A festive blend of traditional, as well as original, compositions celebrating the holiday season performed by Ursaville. 3-4pm. nrpl.org

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Violist Chi-Chi Lin Bestmann and The Solace Ensemble. The program consists of piano quartets by Beethoven and Dvořák. 5-6:30pm at Greenville Community Church. hbms.org

Music: PJS Jazz Society, Inc. presents Allan Harris. The internationally renowned vocalist and composer has been described as a “formidable baritone singer.” 5:15-9pm. pjsjazz.org

Music: The Symphony of Westchester presents All Strings Concert. Oboist Katherine Needelman and violinist Alex Abayev play works by Ralph Vaughan Williams and J.S. Bach. 3-5pm at Christopher J. Murphy Auditorium. thesymphonyofwestchester.org

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Family & Kids: Hudson River Museum presents Sunday Stories: A Civil War Series. Storytellers Vienna Carroll and Keith Johnston discuss Frederick Douglass and other significant abolitionists. 1-3pm. hrm.org

Theater: The Rye Arts Center presents Seasons Readings. Short plays and stories for the holidays followed by festive refreshments. 4-5:30pm. ryeartscenter.org

Reception: Neuberger Museum of Art presents Annual Holiday Reception. A festive holiday party with live music and refreshments. 1-4pm. neuberger.org

12/12 MONDAY
Lecture: ArtsWestchester presents Life in Motion. Two NYU professors discuss collaborations across the arts, engineering and medical fields to help change the lives of people with disabilities. 6-8pm. artsw.org

12/13 TUESDAY
Film: Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents Afternoon Movie: Corpo Celeste. This film takes audiences into the inner workings of a Roman Catholic community through 13 year-old Marta’s eyes. 2-4pm. wiccny.org

Theater: Little Radical Theatrics Inc. presents Seussical. This musical features many of the characters from Dr. Seuss’s famous books. 8pm at the Grinton Will Library. Also 12/14 & 12/15 at varying times. littleradicaltheatrics.com

12/14 WEDNESDAY
Lectures: Hudson River Museum presents Arts in the Afternoon. Artist Red Grooms and his wife, artist Lysiane Luong Grooms, tell audiences how their work began. 1:30-3pm. hrm.org

Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents Noonday Getaway Concert: Ephemerals. Pianist Thomas Bagwell curates a program of contemporary solo works and collaborates with vocalist Gilda Lyons. 12:10-1pm at Grace Episcopal Church. DTMusic.org

12/15 THURSDAY
Dance: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents The Hip Hop Nutcracker. Hip-hop dancers bring the traditional Nutcracker story to life in contemporary New York City. 8-10pm. artscenter.org

Theater: The Schoolhouse Theater presents The Gift of the Magi. Based on the short story, written by O. Henry. Sundays at 3pm. Through 1/1/2017, 8-9:45pm. schoolhousetheater.org

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12/16 FRIDAY
Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents Rob Mathes. The songwriter performs original tunes and holiday classics. Also 12/17. 8pm. artscenter.org

12/17 SATURDAY
Dance: Ballet des Amériques presents The Nutcracker Ball. Students will present excerpts from The Nutcracker, while professional dancers will perform original pieces from the repertoire of the Company. Also 12/18 at 3 & 4:30pm. 5 & 6:30pm. balletdesameriques.com
Theater: Lyndhurst presents Mr. Dickens Tells A Christmas Carol. Actor Michael Muldoon plays Charles Dickens and tells the well-loved tale as guests “meet” the different spirits and characters. Select days through 12/30. 5-6:30pm. lyndhurst.org

12/18 SUNDAY
Lectures: Hudson River Museum presents Sunday Scholar Series: The Civil War and the American Spirit. Harold Holzer and Stephen Lang bring the words and memories of Abraham Lincoln to life. 2-3pm. hrm.org
Music: Tribes Hill presents Kindred Folk. Featuring Hope Machine and other special guests. 4:30-7pm at The Flatz at Embark. tribeshill.com
Music: Westchester Chamber Music Society presents The Chiara String Quartet. The ensemble is known for performing from memory. 4-6pm at Congregation Emanu-El. westchesterchambermusicsociety.com
Music: Westchester Philharmonic presents Winter Pops! Vocalist Ashley Brown and pianist Ji perform Broadway and classical favorites. 3-5pm at Performing Arts Center at Purchase College. westchesterphil.org

12/19 MONDAY
Music: Songcatchers Inc. presents 22nd Annual Concert for Peace. A concert filled with songs of peace, multicultural carols, and songs of the holiday season. 4:30-5:30pm at College of New Rochelle Chapel. songcatchers.org

12/21 WEDNESDAY
Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents Noonday Getaway Concert: Angelical. A women’s chamber choir brings a program of medieval, renaissance and 20th century music celebrating the Christmas season. 12:10-1pm at Grace Episcopal Church. DTMusic.org

12/23 FRIDAY
Film: Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents The San Lorenzo Complex. This lecture will discuss the history of the church and adjoining chapels. 10:30-12:30pm. wiccny.org

1/10 TUESDAY
Film: Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents Afternoon Movie: La Stanza del Figlio. A middle class family’s lives are turned upside-down when their teenage son dies in a tragic accident. 2-4pm. wiccny.org

1/11 WEDNESDAY
Lectures: Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents Pontormo and Bronzino: Hidden Masters of the Late Renaissance. This discussion explores the rich cultural and artistic background of these artists’ portraiture. 6:30-8:30pm. wiccny.org

1/14 SATURDAY
Lectures: Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents The San Lorenzo Complex. This lecture will discuss the history of the church and adjoining chapels. 10:30-12:30pm. wiccny.org
Music: Walkabout Clearwater Coffeehouse presents Mustard’s Retreat. A music group grounded in early traditional 60s folk music. 7:30-10pm at Memorial United Methodist Church. walkaboutclearwater.org

Reception: ArtsWestchester presents Artist Talk and Closing Reception. Exhibiting Remedy artists speak about their works (4-5pm) during the exhibition’s closing reception. 4-6pm. artsw.org

1/18 WEDNESDAY
Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents Noonday Getaway Concert: The Memling Ensemble. Featuring the Overture to La Dame Blanche of Francois-Adrien Boieldieu and Symphony No. 2 in D major, Opus 36 of Ludwig van Beethoven. 12:10-1pm at Grace Episcopal Church. DTMusic.org

1/20 FRIDAY
Theater: Clocktower Players presents Singin’ In the Rain Jr. Based on the classic MGM movie, this performance features Hollywood standards such as Good Morning. Also 1/21. 7:30-9:30pm at Irvington Town Hall Theater. clocktowerplayers.com

1/21 SATURDAY
Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents Music: The New Choral Society presents An Evening of Chamber Music. Under the direction of Dr. John T. King, the Society presents a concert. 8-9:15pm at Hitchcock Presbyterian Church. newchoralsociety.org

Dance: Ballet des Amériques presents Evenings of Dance in Port Chester. Guests will enjoy an evening of dance, art and cuisine. 7-8pm. balletdesamericaines.com

1/25 WEDNESDAY
Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents Noonday Getaway Concert: Pianist Anna Vinnitsky. The program includes a sonata of Mozart, the Overture to La Dame Blanche of Robert Schumann and more. 12:10-1pm at Grace Episcopal Church. DTMusic.org

1/26 THURSDAY
Film: Westchester Italian Cultural Center presents My Italian Secret: The Forgotten Heroes. A documentary about Italians, including famous cycling champion Gino Bartali, who defied the Nazis to protect thousands of Jewish people in Italy during the Holocaust. 7-9pm. wiccny.org

Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center. Featuring pianist Alessio Bax, violinist Ani Kavafian, violist Yura Lee and cellist Paul Watkin. 5pm. artscenter.org

Dance: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents Paul Taylor Dance Company. A performance by one of the world’s most highly respected and sought-after ensembles. 8pm. artscenter.org

1/27 FRIDAY
Music: Hudson Symphonic Winds presents Determination and Grit. Featuring soprano Danielle Ashbahian with guest conductor from the Brooklyn Wind Symphony Jeff Ball. 3pm at Tarrytown Music Hall. westchestersymphonicwinds.org

Dance: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents Republic Day Celebration. The program includes folk dance and music of various states of India. 12-5pm at White Plains High School. indiacenter.us

1/29 SUNDAY
Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Violinist and composer Elektra Kurtis-Stewart: On the Wings of Strings. Kurtis-Stewart and the Public Quartet perform an eclectic program of original and familiar works. 5-6:30pm at Greenville Community Church. hbms.org

Music: Hudson Chorale presents A tenor and soprano duo portrait musical scenes from beloved favorites of Broadway, Operetta and Opera. 7-8pm. sunywcc.edu/smartarts

1/30 MONDAY
Music: Hudson Chorale presents Choral Singers. Auditions will be held for new members interested in joining this choral ensemble. 5:30-7pm at Pleasantville Presbyterian Church. hudsonchorale.org

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- **Remedy.** This exhibition explores the many ways humankind attempts to ameliorate society’s modern ailments (mental, physical, and beyond) through art. On view through 1/14/2017. Tues-Fri: 12-5pm, Sat: 12-6pm.

Atelier 811 Gallery | 914-419-6252

- **Faces & Places: India & the Far East.** An exhibition of the work of Augusto Salinas, who explores India and the surrounding regions. On view through 12/31. Tues-Sat: 12-5pm.

Blue Door Gallery | bluedoorartcenter.org

- **Hidden Narratives.** A group exhibition of works that blend printmaking and technology with kiln-glass, featuring Erin Dickson, Jeffrey Sarmiento and Kathryn Wightman. On view through 12/10. Tues-Sat: 12-5pm.

Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill | sunywcc.edu/locations/peekskill

- **Peekskill Extension Center Faculty Show.** Faculty members of Westchester Community College present their artworks, from painting to website design and more. 12/6-1/13/2017. 10am-5pm.

Clay Art Center | clayartcenter.org

- **Rising Stars-Community Exhibit.** Students and instructors will display their work including more than 100 pots and sculptures. 1/8-21/2017. 10am-5pm.

- **Annual Holiday Sale and Studio Tour.** Visitors can discover fine, functional pottery and ceramic sculpture and can explore the Center’s artists’ studio spaces. On view through 12/23, 10am-5pm.

Bullseye Glass Resource Center | bullseyeglass.com

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Harrison Public Library | harrisonpl.org

- **Changes.** A 20-year retrospective of the work of Sherri Paul featuring her New York, pastoral and seasonally-inspired landscapes. 12/4-1/6/2017. Mon & Wed: 9:30am-9pm, Tues, Thus- Sat: 9:30am-5:30pm, Sun: 1-5pm.

Hudson River Museum | hrm.org

- **The Blue and the Gray.** Red Grooms tells the story of the Civil War through paintings, sculptures and more. On view through 2/12/2017. Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

- **Full Stop.** A full-scale replica of an artist’s studio grounded between the 1940s and 60s captures the moment an artist has run out of ideas. On view through 2/12/2017. Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

- **Lincoln on the Hudson.** A sculpto-pictorama by artist Red Grooms is inspired by Abraham Lincoln’s sojourn in Peekskill. On view through 2/12/2017. Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art | hvcca.org

- **Word.** A juried exhibition highlighting regional artists who prominently feature a word or words in their artistic productions. On view through 12/17. Fri: 11am-5pm, Sat & Sun: 12-6pm, Tues & Thurs by appt.

- **Writing the Walls II.** A display of selected poems, prose, and plays inspired by works from the current art show, Word. On view through 12/17. Fri: 11am-5pm, Sat & Sun: 12-6pm, Tues & Thurs by appt.

Katonah Museum of Art | katonahmuseum.org

- **All Member Show.** The Museum’s Artists’ Association of more than 300 artist members share their works in all media. Tues-Sat: 10am-5pm & Sun: 12-5pm. On view through 12/29 at Katonah Village Library.

- **Matisse Drawings: Curated by Ellsworth Kelly.** An abstract artist surveys Henri Matisse’s drawings from 1900 through 1950, revealing new insight into the French master’s work. On view through 1/29/2017. Tues-Sat: 10am-5pm & Sun: 12-5pm.

Mamaroneck Artists’ Guild | mamaroneckartistsguild.org

- **A Gift of Art.** One-of-a-kind fine art is available in a variety of media including paintings, sculpture, handmade jewelry, ceramics and more. On view through 12/24, 12-5pm.

Mercey College | mercy.edu

- **John Rizzo Photo Exhibition and Documentary.** The photojournalist explores how local veterans transition from the military to civilian life. 12/2-30. Mon-Thurs: 7am-11pm.

Neuberger Museum of Art | neuberger.org

- **Destination: Latin America.** A collection of Latin American art illustrates the key historical and artistic movements that influenced these works. On view through 1/22/2017. Tues-Sun: 12-5pm, Wed: 12-8pm.

- **Ray Spillenger: Rediscovery of a Black Mountain Painter.** A display of more than forty paintings by Spillenger, dating from his Black Mountain College days to the late 1960s. On view through 12/23.

- **Post No Bills: Public Walls as Studio and Source.** A multi-media group show by nine internationally renowned artists who use the urban landscape as inspiration. On view through 12/23. Tues-Sun: 12-5pm, Wed:12-8pm.
exhibitions

Migraine #1 by Rita Baunok, The Rye Arts Center, A Gathering of Light, 12/10-1/14/2017

New Rochelle Public Library  |  nrpl.org
•  **NRAA Adolph Grant Award Show.** Featuring members of the Association with a grand prize reserved for a New Rochelle resident working in oils, watercolors, acrylics or pastels. 12/4-1/5/2017. Times vary.

Pelham Art Center  |  pelhamartcenter.org
•  **Public Art in the Courtyard: Mirari by Lauren and Dylan Cotton.** A large-scale psychotropic glass sculpture, consisting of a clustered myriad of both mirrored and vividly opaque glass bulb-like forms. On view through 12/10, 10am-5pm.
•  **Craft Marketplace.** Visitors can shop from a collection of works from fine metals and glass to wood and wax created by local and national artists. On view through 12/31, 10am-5pm.

Sarah Lawrence College  |  sarahlawrence.edu
•  **Flat Screen, Split Screen, Smoke Screen.** A group exhibition explores the relationship between contemporary painting and screen. On view through 12/11 at Barbara Walters Gallery. Mon-Fri: 9am-5pm.

The Gordon Parks Foundation  |  gordonparksfoundation.org
•  **Fifty Years After: Gordon Parks, Mickalene Thomas and LaToya Ruby Frazier.** This exhibition honors the achievements of Gordon Parks and a group of photographers. On view through 1/28/2017. 10am-4pm.

The Rye Arts Center  |  ryeartscenter.org
•  **A Gathering of Light.** An exhibition featuring the Ground Glass, a Westchester-based association of fine art photographers that was founded in 1975. 12/10-1/14/2017. Mon & Sat: 3-5pm, Tues-Fri: 9am-7pm.
•  **Small Works Exhibition and Sale.** A juried exhibition and sale features 49 artists and 85 original artworks that are no larger than 12” x 12” inches. On view through 12/3. Mon & Sat: 3-5pm, Tues-Fri: 9am-7pm.

ArtsWestchester  |  artwestchester.org
•  **Life in Motion.** NYU faculty members Scott Fitzgerald, Anita Perr and Claire Kearney-Volpe are collaborating across the arts, engineering and medicine fields to help people with physical disabilities. 12/12, 6pm.
•  **Fashion Illustration.** Participants will learn the basics of fashion design, sketching techniques and more. Through 11/8/2017, 1-3pm.
•  **Navigating Obamacare and Finding Affordable Coverage.** Visual and performing artists will learn what questions to ask when considering insurance cover, as well as how to compare plans for the best results. 12/6, 5:30-7pm.

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Bullseye Glass Resource Center  |  bullseyeglass.com
•  **Ornaments in Kiln-Glass.** Participants will learn styles of ornaments and the kilnforming techniques to create their own glass ornaments. 12/3, 1-3:30pm.
•  **Glass Fusing Fundamentals.** Participants will learn how to create glass objects in the kiln and will work with a wide range of glasses to make an 8” x 8” fused and slumped plate. 12/14, 6am-8:30am.

For more Bullseye Resource Center workshops, visit bullseyeglass.com.

Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill  |  sunywcc.edu/locations.peekskill
•  **Painting and Drawing for Adults.** Students will learn how to prep a palette, mix colors, use media, work on various surfaces and create strong compositions. Through 12/17, 10am-12pm.
•  **Quick Start to Adobe InDesign CC in 24 Hours.** An overview on how to use the latest version of InDesign and its interface and tools. Through 12/17, 9am-3pm.

Clay Art Center  |  clayartcenter.org
•  **Youth Classes.** Students will develop wheel skills in a supportive environment of other teens and will create functional cups, bowls and plates. Times vary. Through 12/18.
•  **Saturday Drop-In Holiday Themed Clay Class.** One-time classes for adults, children and families where experienced instructors will teach families how to create a holiday ornament, a personalized bell, and more. Through 12/17.

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

Color Camera Club of Westchester  |  colorcameraclub.org
•  **Learn to Improve Your Photography Skills.** Informative photography programs, speaker presentations, gallery exhibits and field trips open to anyone interested in improving their photography skills. Through 5/12/2017, 7:30-9:30pm.

Harrison Public Library  |  harrisonpl.org
•  **Visual Journals & Idea Books.** Students will learn how to create a visual journal using new techniques, collage, and mixed media. Through 12/14, 10:30am-12:30pm.

Hoff-Barthelson Music School  |  hbms.org
•  **Cellist Pamela Devenport.** The teaching musician will coach young cello students in the first of eight master classes to be given during the 2016-2017 season. 12/17, 1-3pm.
•  **The Song is You!** A series of jazz vocal workshops with guest vocalist MJ Territo who provides an introduction to vocal jazz. 12/2-16, 7-9pm.

Hudson River Museum  |  hrm.org
•  **School’s Out, Stars Are In.** Children and families will enjoy Planetarium shows and STEAM activities. 12/26-30, 1-4pm.
- **Family Studio: Arts and Science Projects.** Creative activities inspired by the Museum’s collections and exhibitions such as designing a postcard and painting a holiday symbol on rustic wooden slices. 1/1-29/2017, 1-4pm.

**Hudson Valley Writers’ Center | writerscenter.org**

- **Page-Turning Fiction with Joanne Dobson.** Students will workshop new and old poems in a supportive environment. The goal is a solid draft by the end of the year. Through 12/15, 7-9:30pm.

- **Poetry Manuscript with Jennifer Franklin.** This series of year-long classes focus on workshopping and revising new and old poems with the goal to submit to all of the first book prizes in fall 2016. Through 12/14, 12:30-3pm.

  *For more Hudson Valley Writers’ Center workshops, visit writerscenter.org.*

**India Center of Westchester | indiacenter.us**

- **Open House for Classes and Activities.** Families can choose and enroll themselves in any or all of music, dance and spiritual classes. 12/17, 2-5pm.

**Katonah Museum of Art | katonahmuseum.org**

- **School’s Out/Art’s In.** A series of engaging projects exploring line and drawing in a variety of forms. 12/27-30, 10am-3pm.

**The Rye Arts Center | ryeartscenter.org**

- **Adult Private Music Lessons.** Instructors will provide guide students of all ages and levels studying instruments, voice, and composition. Through 12/31, times vary.

- **MakerSpace Drop-In: Open Studio.** Participants can explore Arduino sets, littleBits, Orrobots, and 3D printers in this open studio (Ages 12+). Through 12/21, 6:15-8:15pm.

  *For more Rye Arts Center workshops, visit ryeartscenter.org.*

**Westchester Community College Center For The Arts | sunywcc.edu/locations/arts**

- **Multimedia Production Workshop.** A production intensive course with topics on preparing photos and video for the web, Adobe Creative Cloud, and more. 12/9-12/10, 10am-4:30pm.

- **The Dynamics of Creating a Digital Presence.** This course will explore what it takes to establish an online presence through the building of a website and use of social media. 12/3, 10am-4:30pm.

**Westchester Italian Cultural Center | wiccny.org**

- **Italian Language Classes for Children.** Language classes designed for younger students. Through 12/3, 10am-12pm. wiccny.org

- **Viva, Viva La Befana.** A stocking decorating workshop followed by a show where La Befana will arrive to tell her story to all the children. 1/7/2017, 2-4pm.

- **Orecchiette Pugliese Style.** Participants will learn how to make the little ear-shaped pasta. 1/24/2017, 2-4pm.

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**New Rochelle Public Library | nrpl.org**

- **BID Family Day: Make a Gift Fair.** Children ages 5 years and older are invited to make three wonderful gifts to give to family, friends or teachers this holiday season. 12/3, 10:30am-12pm.

- **Bricks4Kidz Lego Workshop.** A LEGO® master will help participants unleash their imagination as they build cool Bricks 4 Kidz® models and encourage their creativity to make their own. 12/29, 11am-12pm.

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