White Plains Performing Arts Center – Ghost: The Musical

Caissie Levy and Richard Fleeshman in Ghost: The Musical on Broadway (photo credit: Joan Marcus)

ArtsWestchester – Give Us the Vote

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The Capitol Theatre – Modest Mouse (photo credit: Chelsea Lauren)

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As County Executive, I am proud of Westchester’s thriving art and cultural scene. Art exhibits, museums, gardens, music venues, theaters and much more – there’s something for everyone here in Westchester. Thanks to ArtsWestchester, ArtsNews is the best way to stay on top of all the great arts and cultural events that take place in Westchester each month. The October issue features:

- Where to find Halloween fun for the whole family (page A5)
- Highlights from the upcoming fall season at eight of Westchester’s top performing arts centers (pages A6-7)
- New Rochelle ArtsFest, which features three days of arts events and activities throughout the towns of New Rochelle and Pelham (page A10)

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Thank you,
Robert P. Astorino, Westchester County Executive

For reasons I can hardly fathom, voting has always meant a lot to me. Perhaps that explains why as a young married living in Queens, I allowed myself to be dragged (not kicking and screaming, but reluctantly) to a meeting of the Northeast Queens League of Women Voters (LWV). There I was, trapped in an upscale living room with 20 stunningly smart women, all of whom seemed much smarter and more well-informed than me. Statistics on air and water pollution filled the room with other facts and figures that seemed to trip lightly off their tongues, as if they were reciting poetry. Sure, I had a college degree, but I didn’t know any of this stuff. It struck me then that if the torch of women’s suffrage was lit by the ladies of Seneca Falls, it is also true that it has been kept alive by the LWV. Only in retrospect did I realize how the LWV changed my life. I began to look deeper into issues. I found ways to measure them by research and not by partisanship. I began to believe that I could make a difference. And, for the first time in my life, I had a mentor. ArtsWestchester is proud to be partnering with the League of Women Voters of White Plains for our upcoming exhibition, Give Us The Vote, which previews on October 7th in our White Plains gallery. The exhibition celebrates 100 years of women’s suffrage in New York State with a shout-out to the ladies of the league who keep the dream alive. For more about Give Us The Vote, visit: artsw.org/GiveUsTheVote.
The goal of ArtsWestchester is to ensure the availability, accessibility, and diversity of the arts for Artists and Cultural Organizations. It serves more than 150 cultural organizations, numerous school districts, hundreds of artists, and audiences numbering more than one million. The support comes from the New York State Council on the Arts with support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the NYS Legislature and Westchester County government.

**Rockland County Funding Opportunity**

Grants are available in three categories:

- **Project Grants** support community-based arts and cultural projects.
- **Artist Grants** support the creation of new work related to the community.
- **Arts Education Grants** support in-school, after-school, and lifelong learning activities developed by artists or cultural organizations in collaboration with educators.

Grant applications are due Wednesday, November 7, 2017, 11:59 pm.

Applicants are encouraged to attend a pre-application workshop. For info and to access the application, visit artsw.org/rocklandgrant

This program is made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program, a re-grant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with support of Governor Andrew Cuomo and the NYS Legislature and administered by ArtsWestchester.

Two Local Arts Organizations Team Up

For the first time, during its 2017-18 season, Westchester Philharmonic (WP)’s concerts will be a part of the Performing Arts Center at Purchase College (PAC)’s official programming. While WP has rented the stage at PAC for its first 34 years, this anniversary season will mark a re-definition of its relationship with the Center, during which the two preeminent arts organizations will co-present its main stage orchestral shows. While both organizations will remain separate independent entities, this arrangement creates a cost- and revenue-sharing model that streamlines their original partnership with new efforts aimed at growing the audience for classical music in Westchester County.

Youth Theatre Interactions Appoints New Executive Director

Youth Theatre Interactions, Inc. (YTI) recently announced the appointment of Ricardo Lima as its Executive Director. Lima aims to strengthen the organization’s growth, “boosting it to the next phase of its service.” He recently worked with Westchester Jewish Community Services (WJCS), where he was a language arts and social studies teacher. Along with his Master’s Degree in Educational Theatre from New York University’s Steinhardt School of Culture, Education, and Human Development, Lima also has an in-depth knowledge of YTI, after having been one of its students, teachers and, most recently, board members. YTI provides professional-level arts training at affordable rates to youth aged 6 to 19.

Art$WChallenge Doubles Donations Made to Local Arts Groups

The Art$WChallenge was announced by ArtsWestchester at a recent press conference. By donating to one of fifty eligible arts organizations through December 15, donors can double the impact of their gift.

Funding Opportunity Deadline for Westchester Artists and Arts Groups: Oct. 4

Arts Alive grants support arts activities throughout Westchester County to help ensure that residents have access to the arts in their communities, particularly in areas where access is limited. These grants are distributed in three categories: projects, artists and arts education. The 2018 Arts Alive submission deadline is October 4. For applications and guidelines, visit: artsw.org/artsalive.
ArtsWestchester Announces Its Gala 2017 Honorees

At its gala event on November 18, ArtsWestchester will celebrate a monumental work of art years in the making: the Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridge. Along with Honorary Chairs Ross J. Pepe (President of the Construction Industry Council of Westchester & Hudson Valley) and Edward Doyle (President, Building and Construction Trades Council of Westchester & Putnam Counties) and Dinner Chair George Troyano (President and Publisher of The Journal News Media Group), the organization will spotlight the bridge’s extraordinary design as well as its capacity to connect communities on both sides of the Hudson River that offer robust arts and cultural offerings. The event will be held at The Ritz-Carlton New York, Westchester in White Plains. ArtsWestchester’s Gala 2017 will honor those innovators and builders who are making this bridge a reality:

New York State Thruway Authority’s Project Director, Jamey Barbas, P.E. is honored for her belief that public works can be works of art. According to Barbas, “designers of civil works should, like artists, aspire to create uplifting, aesthetically pleasing, awe-inspiring works. The new Governor Mario M. Cuomo Bridge spans the great Hudson River with elegance and fits gracefully within the landscape it frames.”

Accepting an award for “The Men and Women Who Built the Bridge” will be Tappan Zee Constructors, LLC President Terry Towle on their behalf of the 7,000 men and women who worked to build a bridge that is both functional and aesthetically inspiring. Towle explains: “Vision and teamwork are key ingredients of a public work project of this scale and importance…. we are proud to be building a critical piece of infrastructure that supports the community and is an iconic piece of public art.”

ArtsWestchester will present Special Appreciation Awards to recognize two individuals who have played a significant role in the success of the New NY Bridge Project. President and CEO of Business Council of Westchester, Dr. Marsha Gordon has a vision for the lower Hudson Valley region that includes promoting the many cultural resources on both sides of the Hudson River. Her leadership, steadfast support and tireless work on behalf of a new Tappan Zee Bridge resulted in the fast-tracking of the New NY Bridge Project.

New York State Thruway Authority’s Educational Outreach Coordinator, Andrew P. O’Rourke, Jr. has brought the excitement of the bridge to nearly 60,000 children and their teachers in classrooms in New York State. His educational program helps them to envision the innovative and creative engineering process involved in designing and constructing a bridge.

An online gala auction encourages guests to start their holiday shopping early and support the arts by bidding on a selection of one-of-a-kind items through November 9 at biddingforgood.com/artswauction. For tickets to this year’s gala and more info, visit: artsw.org/gala.

One-of-a-Kind Events Planned for Friends of ArtsWestchester Group

“Friends of ArtsWestchester” is a group that consists of individuals who are committed to preserving and growing the arts in Westchester. Membership in this group, which aims to build private support for the arts, provides its members with exclusive access to unique cultural experiences throughout the year. On October 5, Friends will visit the Philip Johnson Glass House in New Canaan, CT to view the first public installation of the complete set of Robert Indiana’s ONE through ZERO, ten 6-foot-high Corten steel sculptures. On October 13, Friends are invited to an exclusive preview of the Westchester Open Studios event before it opens to the public. The event includes a private tour of four designer homes in Mamaroneck, where the works of eight curated artists will be exhibited, as well as a continental breakfast and the opportunity to meet the artists. To become a Friend of ArtsWestchester, contact Olivia Greco at ogreco@artswestchester.org or 914-428-4220 x328.

Clay Art Center to Honor ArtsWestchester

Clay Art Center will celebrate its 60th anniversary with a “Birthday Bash” on October 19 at Willow Ridge Country Club. It will look at the past, present and future of the organization, community and of ceramic arts by recognizing four individuals: artists Rene Murray, Stephen Rodriguez and Jeff Schlanger, past board member Priscilla Young. It will also recognize two organizations: the Port Chester Village, which has been the Center’s home for all 60 of its years and ArtsWestchester, from which “contributions to the arts in the region makes it possible for [the Center] to forge into the future.”

ArtsWestchester and Regeneron Continue Arts and Business Partnership

ArtsWestchester and Regeneron Pharmaceuticals continue their arts and business partnership with a new series of work that is currently exhibited in Regeneron’s facilities. The work of four local artists from New York and Connecticut will be on display through July: Marlene Siff depicts personal events and psychological issues through geometric shapes, color, movement and more. Darya Warner’s series of digital prints are inspired by, and painted with, a genetically engineered bacterium that fluoresces under UV light. Corinne Lapin-Cohen’s paintings visualize the commotion of everyday life and the act of finding balance. Henry Mandell visualizes the power of the brain’s pre-cognitive knowledge when looking at complex visual abstractions. To partner with ArtsWestchester to bring artwork to your business space, contact ArtsWestchester’s Gallery Director Kathleen Reckling at kreckling@artswestchester.org.
Lyndhurst will deck the halls of its Gothic revival mansion with spooky decorations and eerie lighting this Halloween, which guests can admire during nighttime performances of Jay Ghoul’s House of Curiosities. This interactive murder-mystery encourages guests, who each hold a clue to the crime, to move throughout the basement and first floor of the house as new hints are revealed by a wacky cast of characters along the way. For guests who prefer to see the seasonal decorations, Lyndhurst’s daytime tours focus on Gothic Revival furnishings that are only on display in October. These events take place through October 31. For more info, visit: lyndhurst.org.

Historic Hudson Valley has become known for its array of seasonal events, attracting guests from across the tri-state area. The Great Jack O’Lantern Blaze at Van Cortlandt Manor exhibits more than 10,000 individually hand-carved, illuminated jack o’lanterns that are arranged in larger-than-life sculptural displays. Other attractions include an interactive haunted trail at Philipsburg Manor, a dramatic retelling of Washington Irving’s The Legend of Sleepy Hollow and a celebration of Irving’s life at his former residence during a series of family-friendly daytime events. Events at all locations take place on selected evenings through November 25. For more info, visit: hudsonvalley.org.

For the fourth year in a row, Jacob Burns Film Center (JBFC) is embracing the horror movie genre by presenting its Halloween Movie Marathon IV. On the night of October 27, the Center will screen eight diverse films, from new favorites like Get Out and the restored classic Night of the Living Dead to the 90s throw-back I Know What You Did Last Summer and cult gem Suspiria. The night’s festivities will include a costume contest and activities in the Center’s Jane Peck Gallery, along with a concession stand for late-night coffee. The event will be hosted by JBFC Senior Programmer Andrew Jupin. Since it is a Halloween event, guests can also expect a few surprises along the way. For more info, visit: burnsfilmcenter.org.

Halloween Movie Marathon

More Upcoming Halloween Events...

HOWL | Oct. 21
Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art
This family theatre experience follows a lonely wolf who meets a cast of characters while searching for his friend. Costumes encouraged. | hvcca.org

Window Painting and Mask Making | Oct. 21
New Rochelle Public Library
Families will paint Halloween scenes on the windows of downtown businesses. A mask-making workshop takes place in Ruby Dee Park at Library Green. | nrpl.org

Alice in Wonderland | Oct. 22
Smart Arts
A live theatrical adaptation of Lewis Carroll’s classic. Costumes encouraged. At Westchester Community College Academic Arts Theatre. | sunywcc.edu/smartarts

Polymer Clay Pumpkin Workshop | Oct. 28
The Rye Arts Center
Children will transform simple balls and coils of polymer clay to create their own pumpkin faces. | ryeartscenter.org

The Real Witches of Halloween Hills | Oct. 28
White Plains Performing Arts Center
A young witch apprentice, a skeleton boy and a cat named Pumpkin discover that someone is controlling the results of the Supreme Witch competition. Costumes encouraged. | wppac.com

Spooky Tales | Oct. 30
Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts
This storytelling performance for young children (ages 3-8) celebrates Halloween. Cider and cookies, as well as costume prizes will follow the performance. | caramoor.org
The Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts launches an indoor fall and spring season, with offerings of jazz, roots, cabaret and more from the Center’s Music Room. Set inside the Rosen House, this intimate performance space dons authentic Renaissance furniture, 16th century paintings and Gothic tapestries. Kicking off the season is Takács Quartet with a program of Haydn, Shostakovich and Brahms (Oct. 15). The season continues with a robust lineup that features Mandy Gonzalez, star of Tony Award-winning Broadway musicals In the Heights and Hamilton (May 5), a collaboration with Jazz at Lincoln Center that presents renowned trombonist Wycliffe Gordon and his International All-Stars (Apr. 14) and an evening of traditional European Christmas music from vocal ensemble TENET (Dec. 16). A special solo “roots” show will also bring folk legend Richard Thompson, one of Rolling Stone’s “top 20 guitarists of all time,” to its stage (Dec. 2).

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The Capitol Theatre

The Capitol Theatre’s historic venue paired with state-of-the-art light and sound systems allows it to open its doors to big-name and under-the-radar performers, all in Westchester’s backyard. This includes hit '90s rock band Third Eye Blind (Oct. 7) and bearded rockers ZZ Top (Oct. 25). The Shins rock the venue following the release of their newest album, *Heartworms* (Nov. 5) while Rodrigo y Gabriela celebrate their 10th anniversary by stripping down their sound to guitars and reacquainting themselves with their roots (Nov. 10). The season continues with jam bands, cover bands and more. Solo artist Neko Case kicks off 2018 with her harmonious and quirky sensibilities on January 17.

Tarrytown Music Hall

Tarrytown Music Hall presents a lineup of stand-out acts and star-studded performances in its upcoming season: a years-ago love affair comes full circle as two 1960s legends, Stephen Stills and Judy Collins, perform on stage together (Oct. 12); singer-songwriter collaborative Cry, Cry features Lucy Kaplansky, Richard Shindell and Dar Williams (Oct. 24); and The Psychedelic Furs perform with special guest Bash & Pop, which features Thomas Eugene Stinson of The Replacements fame (Oct. 6). Film *Line of Descent*, comedy (Jackie Mason, Nov. 11) and a collection of holiday shows like a Celtic Christmas (Dec. 2), Westchester Boys Choir (Dec. 9) and *The Nutcracker* (Dec. 10) add to the season’s festivities.

The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College

As it enters its 40th anniversary, The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College (PAC) continues its rich history of shining a spotlight on cutting-edge performers in various artistic disciplines. The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center continues its residency at PAC with a series of Saturday performances. Favorites from PAC’s robust past revisit its stage, such as Black Violin, which infuses hip-hop into its classically-trained vocabulary (Nov. 3); Westchester Philharmonic, which entered into a new partnership with PAC to co-present its concerts (see page A3); and Purchase alum dancer and choreographer Kyle Abraham, whose interactive work breaks known traditions of the dance world (Oct. 20 & 21). Through October 6, PAC offers a 10% discount on its three jazz concerts: Branford Marsalis (Oct. 13), a tribute to Dizzy Gillespie (Nov. 4) and a Big Band Dance Party (Apr. 28), with code “Jazz 10.” Theatrical, classical and holiday performances round out the season’s offerings.

Chappaqua Performing Arts Center

Chappaqua Performing Arts Center (ChappPAC), Westchester’s newest arts and cultural destination, recently launched its inaugural fall season with a calendar of local and national arts programming. The Center, which saved the Wallace Auditorium on the former Reader’s Digest campus from demolition, has an array of plays, concerts and performances lined up through the end of the year. Kicking off the October roster is Tim Kubart & The Space Cadets with a family-friendly dance party on October 8. The month includes tributes to The Allman Brothers Band (Oct. 20) and Frank Sinatra (Oct. 28), and a screening of cult classic film *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* (Oct. 27) before the season continues with blues guitarist Matt Schofield (Nov. 2), a musical audience-interactive pirate play (Nov. 11), a *Cinderella* adaptation (Dec. 9) and more.

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**The Capitol Theatre**

Drive-By Truckers, 10/6 (photo credit: Danny Clinch)

Cry Cry Cry, 10/24 (photo courtesy of Tarrytown Music Hall)

Abraham.In.Motion, 10/20-21 (photo credit: Carrie Schneider)

**Tarrytown Music Hall**

**The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College**

**Chappaqua Performing Arts Center**

Tim Kubart & The Space Cadets, 10/8 (photo source: facebook.com)
A recent study by Americans for the Arts indicates that the nonprofit arts and culture sector is a significant industry in Westchester County. According to the study, the arts generate $172.3 million in total economic activity. In addition, it delivers $25.8 million in local and state government revenue and also supports 5,179 full-time equivalent jobs.

ArtsWestchester was recently joined by Westchester County Executive Robert P. Astorino and Board of Legislators Vice Chairman James Maisano at a press conference to reveal this new data to local cultural, business and community leaders. There, it was announced that since 1995, the economic impact of arts in Westchester has increased by 218 percent.

“This economic impact study sends a strong signal that when government and the corporate sector support the arts, quality of life improves — as does Westchester County’s economy,” said ArtsWestchester CEO Janet Langsam. The data for the study was collected from 107 eligible nonprofit arts and cultural organizations located in Westchester County and was compiled in a report titled Arts & Economic Prosperity V.

Astorino added: “The arts are not only vital to Westchester’s quality of life, but they are also significant to our economy by creating jobs and helping businesses, large and small. This study demonstrates that Westchester is a county where our cultural resources match our intellectual capital and economic assets.”

The report also provides data that points to the arts as a driver of tourism. Sixty-two percent of nonresidents surveyed indicated that their primary purpose for visiting Westchester County was specifically to attend an arts and cultural event.

In addition to the admission at cultural events, attendees in Westchester spent an average of $21.84 per person, per event, which includes costs like dinner at a local restaurant, parking, child care, souvenirs and gifts and overnight lodging. Langsam added: “Investment in culture and arts in our neighborhoods breathes energy and economic activity into our downtowns and communities. Additionally, successful businesses rely on a creative and innovative workforce and the arts drive cultural tourism and visitor spending.”

Of the study, President and CEO of Americans for the Arts Robert L. Lynch said: “Understanding and acknowledging the incredible economic impact of the nonprofit arts and culture, we must always remember their fundamental value.” He added: “They foster beauty, creativity, originality and vitality. The arts inspire us, soothe us, provoke us, involve us and connect us. But they also create jobs and contribute to the economy.”
Taconic Opera Celebrates 20 Years By Poking Fun at Its Own Art Form

At the start of its 20th anniversary season, Taconic Opera presents the question: “What better art form is there in which to poke fun at the world of opera than through opera itself?” The company’s General and Artistic Director Dan Montez has answered that question with the creation of his new work, In bocca al lupo, which will open the company’s 2017-18 season on October 21 and 22. This comedic work is a departure from Montez’s previous, more serious, compositions. With a title that loosely translates to “Break a Leg,” the show looks at the ins and outs of what it takes to run an opera company. From auditions and musical coaching to holding a fundraiser and presenting the show, the humorous work gives insight to the chaotic art form and the love that goes into each production. The Italian opera within an English opera will be performed in both languages, with English subtitles above the stage. The premiere of In bocca al lupo will take place at Yorktown Stage. For more info, visit: taconicopera.org.

Hudson Valley Music Club Kicks Off 93rd Season

Hudson Valley Music Club starts off its 93rd season by kicking off its Mostly Monday series on October 10. The concert is an opportunity for club members and other Westchester artists to perform. The program will include Poulenc’s Sonata for Two Clarinets, Schumann’s Romances for Oboe and Piano and more. October 30 marks the first full professional concert of the season, with a performance that features violinist Itamar Zorman and pianist Drew Peterson, who will perform Kreisler’s Viennese Rhapsodic Fantasietta, Brahms’ Sonata No. 1 in G Major, and Schubert’s Rondo in B minor, D.895. The award-winning Zorman has traveled around the world as both a solo and chamber musician. Peterson began his career by being presented at Carnegie Hall’s Weill Recital Hall at the age of five and worked his way through Harvard and Juilliard School. Both performances will be held at the Dobb’s Ferry Woman’s Club. For more info, contact: 914-478-0417.

Celebrating the Work and Life of Poet Max Ritvo at Hudson Valley Writers’ Center

Spending time in the chemotherapy ward at the age of sixteen, while others his age rarely had such heavy worries, Max Ritvo did what he knew best: he wrote poetry. Ritvo had been diagnosed with Ewing’s Sarcoma, a rare pediatric cancer. After a college degree from Yale University, a Master’s from Columbia University and acclaimed works published in The New Yorker and Boston Review, Ritvo died, last year, at age 25. Along the way, he spoke and wrote openly about his cancer journey with a clear and intimate outlook on life. His poetry collection, Four Reincarnations, was published posthumously to great praise.

On October 8, Hudson Valley Writers’ Center will celebrate the work and life of Max Ritvo when it welcomes his mother, Ariella Ritvo-Silfka, as well as award-winning poet Kaveh Akbar and award-winning playwright Sarah Ruhl, to read his work. Ruhl will also read from her upcoming book Letters From Max, which includes letters of correspondence between her and Ritvo as she became his mentor and friend.

Ritvo seamlessly shifted, sometimes within one poem, from words that focused on death and fighting to words that questioned the meaning of death and of his purpose in life. Perhaps it was the impending reality of his death that gave him freedom in his words, but in him opened a vulnerability and frankness about life, life’s loss, and life left behind that ultimately taught him and others about the importance of self-reflection. For more info, visit: writerscenter.org.

Timely Workshop for Hudson Valley Art Teachers

New York State Art Teachers Association will present a professional development day for art teachers on October 28. Workshops and presentations during the “Art and Empowerment: Finding Voices and Speaking Out” event will explore the notion of art making and social consciousness. Contemporary art-making engages in lively commentary with recent cultural events. As a response, art teachers are increasingly designing curricula that encourage students to engage with social issues as they form their artistic sensibilities. Participants will share strategies for encouraging students to engage in purposeful, meaningful, and socially responsible thinking in the art classroom, and explore related issues. The workshop will take place in ArtsWestchester’s building. To RSVP, see the informational flyer at nysata7.com.
Neuberger Museum of Art Reveals Largely-Unknown Works by Romare Bearden

Prominent American artist Romare Bearden is celebrated for his emblematic collages, which were produced from 1964 to 1988 and illustrated the history, culture and tension of the African American experience. While he is known for these works, some of Bearden’s earlier work experimented with abstracting forms. This period in his career created works that became the foundation of his acclaimed collages. These early abstractions are often overlooked, and many remain omitted from retrospectives of his work — until now. This fall, Neuberger Museum of Art’s Romare Bearden: Abstraction will provide the first scholarly examination and public viewing of Bearden’s largely unknown body of work that was created in the 1950s and early 1960s.

The exhibition, on view through December 22, will feature approximately forty of Bearden’s abstractions, thereby revealing his artistic roots, but also contributing to the postwar American art narrative. The works on view include large stain paintings such as Green Torches Welcome New Ghosts and Eastern Gate, which demonstrate a technique of applying thinned oil by brushing, pouring and spraying. Bearden’s watercolors and oil paintings Blue Ridge and Mountains of the Moon, from the mid-1950s, demonstrate his abstract image-based painting. Collages like River Mist inform his later figurative works and are comprised of elements that have been cut, and then fitted together like the pieces of a jigsaw puzzle.

Also on view at Neuberger Museum of Art are Janet Biggs: A Step On the Sun (on view through December 22) and A Studio in the Gallery: The Playful Universe of Ignacio Iturria (on view through February 25). For more info, visit: neuberger.org.

Art Project Gives Seniors a Way to Provide Words of Wisdom to Today’s Youth

“What one word would you give today’s youth to take with them throughout their lives?” This is the question that Yonkers artists Evan Bishop and Katori Walker, founders of the community-based art project 100 Words of Wisdom, recently asked local seniors. The goal of the project was to engage 100 mature adults and include them in the conversation about improvements to their local communities. The result was 140+ men and women from Westchester, New York City and beyond, of all walks of life – from politicians and family members to artists and educators – each providing one unique word (or two-word phrase). Three languages are represented (English, Spanish and Sanskrit), as are people who are native to six continents.

These seniors were each interviewed about their word choice while Bishop painted the word somewhere on their body. Walker then photographed them. These photographs will be on view in an exhibition at Blue Door Art Center (BDAC) from October 26 through November 4.

Many of the chosen words are commonplace, but the stories attached the each one, and the experiences that inspired the participant to choose it, are unique. Said Bishop: “This project was inspired by my desire to empower elders and show them that their stories matter.” Together, these words help to create an intergenerational dialogue that stretches beyond Merriam-Webster’s definition of any single word. The exhibition, in turn, creates the story of a generation with wisdom and experiences to share, and also creates a means by which to transfer these ideals to a new generation.

Bishop summed up what he learned through the project: “The first word we were given [by Walker’s grandmother, Thelma Jenkins] was “focus.” The last word [given by ArtsWestchester’s CEO Janet Langsam] was “try.” So I learned that if I try, and stay focused, all the things in between will manifest.”

A “Celebrate With the Stars” event gathers the participants for an afternoon of performances and mingling at Yonkers Riverfront Library on October 14. A full-day opening reception at BDAC takes place on October 26. For more on this project, which is supported by an Arts Alive grant, visit: 100wowexhibit.com. For more info on the exhibition at BDAC, visit: bluedoorartcenter.org.
New Rochelle ArtsFest has shifted its event to October this year. The weekend-long festival, organized by New Rochelle Council on the Arts, highlights more than two dozen arts venues in the towns of New Rochelle and Pelham. Festivities kick off with a Friday night “Arts in Oktoberfest Gallery Hop” on October 6, during which eight galleries open their doors to guests who will explore exhibitions and sample cider and beer.

The weekend continues with studio tours of artists like Charles Fazzino and Marie Hine Cowan, and showcases live music, interactive activities and art exhibitions, including #45: Artists Respond to the New Political Landscape at Iona College and New Rochelle Art Association’s 102nd Annual Juried Exhibition at the New Rochelle Public Library. Other venues include Rotunda Gallery, College of New Rochelle, Hugenot Children’s Library and more. In addition, the 5th annual Lincoln Avenue Arts and Culture Festival includes food, music and arts activities.

Sunday is packed with notable events. A spoken word event at Pelham Art Center will present popular New York City group 650 with a “Best of 650” showcase. Ten Westchester writers will read aloud stories that do not exceed 650 words and each centers around a single theme. Also that day will be a music festival, “If I Had a Hammer,” featuring two stages, each with several sets of live music. This benefit concert will raise money for Habitat for Humanity volunteers to travel to Florida and Texas to help rebuild communities affected by hurricanes Harvey and Irma.

A free trolley will provide transportation between four major locations so that guests can explore the full offerings to the festival. For more info, visit: newrochellearts.org.
ArtsWestchester Asks Artists to Speak on Voting Rights

What is the state of voting in America? ArtsWestchester asked artists from throughout our region to answer this question in a work of art. A “call to artists” challenged artists to take an ordinary voting booth and transform it into a visual statement about voting rights in America. Another “call” asked them to speak to barriers to the voting ballot that many Americans face today. As a result, the work of twenty U.S. artists fills ArtsWestchester’s gallery for Give Us The Vote, an exhibition of contemporary art that is inspired by the 100th anniversary of the victory for women’s suffrage in New York.

According to ArtsWestchester’s Gallery Director Reckling, who curated the exhibition, “The idea that American democracy is government ‘by the people, for the people’ is fundamental to our national identity, yet the history of who has access to the ballot box in America is troubled… each of the exhibited works is steeped in the history of America’s evolving democracy, yet is also highly personal.”

Many of the artists have created new works specifically for this exhibition. The exhibited works are organized around the four major themes, detailed below.

**CELEBRATING THE SUFFRAGISTS**

The American Suffrage movement was born in New York State when nearly 300 men and women gathered in 1948 at what became known as the Seneca Falls Convention, which eventually led to a woman’s right to vote. Several artworks commissioned by ArtsWestchester for Give Us The Vote recount and celebrate the trials of America’s suffragists and connect their legacy to other grassroots political movements of the 20th and 21st century.

**THE VOTING RIGHTS ACT**

Several works in Give Us The Vote engage with the legacy of The Voting Rights Act of 1965 (VRA), a piece of landmark legislation passed by the Johnson administration to uphold the Fifteenth Amendment. In 2013, the U.S. Supreme Court overturned a key provision, which opened the door for states to implement more stringent voter requirements to limit access to the ballot box.

**GERRYMANDERING**

Some exhibiting artists have created work that visualizes the process of gerrymandering – the drawing of voter district lines so as to favor one group or political party over others. In effect, gerrymandering allows politicians to pick their voters rather than the other way around.

**THE HEART OF THE ELECTORATE**

Artists in Give Us The Vote speak to how people feel when they participate in, or are excluded from, the democratic process. They also examine the invisible forces that muffle the voice of American citizens, including limits on early voting, economic status and voting technology failures.
ArtsNews asked women leaders in Westchester, “What does the vote mean to you?”
Here is what they had to say:

“Each and every time I enter my polling location, greet the wonderful people at the desk, sign my name and enter my ballot confidentially and confidently, I am sincerely filled with appreciation for living in the greatest country in the world.”

Dr. Marsha Gordon
President/CEO, Business Council of Westchester

“Women’s right to vote means everything. It is our power and our voice that speaks out through our elected officials to ensure the best future for our mothers, sisters, daughters and granddaughters at every stage of their lives.”

Elizabeth Bracken-Thompson
Executive Vice President & Partner, Thompson & Bender Public Relations

“The bedrock of freedom in a democratic society is the participation of its citizens in its affairs. There is no more fundamental execution of that than a citizen’s right to vote... There is still work to do as new ugly policies and practices across the country have emerged and continue to emerge in the latter part of this decade to threaten that precious right.”

LaRuth Gray
Scholar-in-Residence, Metropolitan Center for Research on Equity and the Transformation of Schools

“In a word, ‘everything.’ My vote is my voice. I use it at every opportunity and implore women across the country and the globe to do the same. Incredible women fought so hard, and for so long, for us to have this right. We owe it to them to value it and exercise it.”

Taryn Duffy
Director of Public Affairs, Empire City Casino

“It means that I can have my say, without anyone looking over my shoulders, with the hope that someone’s listening.”

Dee Delbello
Publisher, Westfair Communications

“My great-grandmother was on the front-lines fighting for the right to vote. I have not missed a vote in an election since I was eligible to vote. It means a lot to me to know that I am continuing the legacy that my relative were a part of.”

Margaret A. Cunzio
Westchester County Legislator

Upcoming Give Us The Vote Programs at ArtsWestchester’s Gallery...

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7
Exhibition Preview Day & Lecture
• 3pm | The Suffragists of Westchester County
  Historian Louise Bernikow reveals stories of local characters who propelled women voting rights victory in New York.
• 4pm | Exhibition Preview Reception: Meet exhibiting artists and get a sneak peek before the show opens to the public.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 | 7pm
Freedom Sings! Songs of the Civil Rights Movement*: African-American spirituals and freedom songs with legendary musicians and storytellers, Kim & Reggie Harris

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 6 | 6:30pm
The Art of Suffrage: Historian Louise Bernikow unpacks the role that art and images have had in shaping the women’s suffrage movement. Followed by a curator-led tour.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11 | 2pm
Create, Converse, and Rock the Vote!
A workshop with artist Pedro Nel Ospina and the League of Women Voters of White Plains. Visitors create their own mini-voting booth or ballot box. All-day voter registration with Rock the Vote!
PLUS: Young Professionals Arts Happy Hour
Third Wednesday of each month during the exhibition (October 18, November 15, December 20, January 17)

* This event is part of ArtsWestchester’s Folk Arts program, and is made possible in part by the New York State Council for the Arts with support from Governor Andrew M. Cuomo and the New York State Legislature.
**Mount Vernon and Yonkers Arts Grant Initiatives**

Yonkers Arts Initiative and Mount Vernon Arts Initiative grants support artists and arts activities in each city, including interactive workshops and the creation of public art. The two initiatives are designed to increase residents’ access to the arts and to promote the growth and development of local cultural groups and Westchester-based artists.

Upcoming Mount Vernon events include free Hispanic Heritage Month workshops at the Mount Vernon Library, including flamenco and tango instruction and handmade paper crafts workshops; and PJS jazz concerts held at The First Presbyterian Church.

Upcoming funded events in Yonkers include free arts workshops at Blue Door Art Center, and jazz vocal workshops at the Grinton Will Library, led by MJ Territo (not pictured).

(Please note the photo captions for the images.)

**Photo Captions:**
1) Alberto Rivera Jazz Tro at Mediterraneo White Plains (photo credit: Debbie Scates)
2) Vocalist Glenda Davenport, performing with Hiroshi Yamazaki Trio at Downtown at Grace (photo credit: Debbie Scates)
3) Charisa Rouse, performing with Sage at the White Plains Jazz and Food Festival (photo credit: Debbie Scates)
4) Steve Kroon at the White Plains Jazz and Food Festival (photo credit: Mary Alice Franklin)
5) Paquito D’Rivera at White Plains Performing Arts Center (photo credit: George Lasicki)
6) Kenny Lee at the White Plains Jazz and Food Festival (photo credit: Mary Alice Franklin)
7) Couple dancing to the music of Donald Harrison at the White Plains Jazz and Food Festival (photo credit: Mary Alice Franklin)
8) Art Bennett at Court Street Farmer’s Market (photo credit: Lauren Brady)

**JAZZFEST**

**WHITE PLAINS • SEPT. 13-17, 2017**

Thousands of jazz fans came out for Jazz Fest White Plains 2017, a five day celebration of jazz throughout downtown White Plains. The festival showcased jazz in all its forms, from Colombia to New Orleans, and culminated in the annual Jazz & Food Festival on Mamaroneck Avenue. Jazz Fest was a partnership between ArtsWestchester, the City of White Plains and the White Plains BID. For more photos from the event, visit:

[artsw.org/photogallery](http://artsw.org/photogallery)
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**10/1 SUNDAY**

**Tours:** Hudson River Museum presents *First Sunday Gallery Tour*. Museum docents will present a tour of Glenview and highlight works on view from the permanent collection. 1-1:45pm. hrm.org

**Theater:** Irvington Town Hall Theater presents *The Friend Strong Musical, It's Easy!*. A family musical with and for kids about the power of friendship, and how words and actions can change the lives of others. Also 10/4, 10/7, 10/8. Times vary. irvingtonontheater.com

**Spoken Word:** Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents *An Evening with Comedy Writer Brian Stack*. Stack will discuss comedy writing and his experiences. 4:30-6pm. writerscenter.org

**Tours:** Hudson River Museum presents *Glenview Tours*. A tour of the Museum’s Gilded Age historic home. Wednesday through Sunday. 1 & 3pm. hrm.org

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Amazon Adventure 3D*. In the mid-19th century, naturalist Henry Bates discovered thousands of previously unknown species. 12-1pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

**Dance:** New Rochelle Public Library presents *Tango Rendezvous from Argentina*. The Argentinian group weaves together traditional and contemporary tango music and dance. 3:5-45pm. nrpl.org

**Music:** Ossining Public Library presents *Nadia Reisenberg Young Artist Series*. Featuring cultural dance and music traditions of Croatia. 8pm at The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College. croexpo.com

**Family & Kids:** Historic Hudson Valley presents *Sunnyside: The Home of the Legend*. Visitors will walk through an 18th century town driven mad by the Headless Horseman. The event continues through 10/31. 6:30pm at Philipsburg Manor. hudsonvalley.org

**Family & Kids:** Historic Hudson Valley presents *Horseman’s Hollow*. Visitors will walk through an 18th century town driven mad by the Headless Horseman. The event continues through 10/31. 6:30pm at Philipsburg Manor. hudsonvalley.org

**Family & Kids:** Historic Hudson Valley presents *Irving’s ‘Legend’*. Storyteller Jonathan Kruk offers a performance of Washington Irving’s *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*. Through 10/31. Times vary at Old Dutch Church, Sleepy Hollow. hudsonvalley.org

**Music:** The Capitol Theatre presents *The Psychedelic Furs*. The British alternative rock band performs with Bash & Pop. 8pm. tarrytownmusichall.org

**10/3 TUESDAY**

**Theater:** Arc Stages presents *Private Eyes by Steven Dietz*. Matthew’s wife, Lisa, is having an affair with Adrian, a British theatre director. Also 10/6, 10/7 at 8pm. 2pm. arctages.org

**Tours:** Lyndhurst Mansion presents *Classic Lyndhurst Mansion Tours*. A tour of the gothic mansion rooms with a Halloween twist. Tours are held through 10/31. Closed on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. 10am-4pm. lyndhurst.org

**Family & Kids:** Historic Hudson Valley presents *The Great Jack O’Lantern Blaze*. Guests will discover more than 10,000 hand-carved, illuminated jack o’ lanterns in this walk-through experience. Through 11/25. 6:30-10:30am. katonahmuseum.org

**10/4 WEDNESDAY**

**Dance:** LADO National Folk Dance Ensemble of Croatia presents *Folk Dance of Croatia*. Featuring cultural dance and music traditions of Croatia. 8pm at The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College. croexpo.com

**Film:** Emelin Theatre presents *Fall Film Club*. Participants will view new independent films, curated by David Schwartz. Wednesdays through November 15. 7:30pm. emelin.org

**10/6 FRIDAY**

**Family & Kids:** Katonah Museum of Art presents *Stroller Tours*. New parents will share culturally-enriching activities with their babies. Also 10/20, 10/27. 9:30-10:30am. katonahmuseum.org

**Festivals:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *ArtsFest 2017*. Featuring behind-the-scenes tours of working artists’ studios, children’s activities, music and more. Also 10/7, 10/8. 12-5pm. newrochellearts.org

**Theater:** The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents *SITI Company Hanjo*. The play uses classic Japanese music drama (Noh) to explore contemporary issues. 8-10pm. artscenter.org

**Family & Kids:** Historic Hudson Valley presents *Drive-By Truckers*. An alternative country and southern rock band based in Athens, Georgia. 7-10pm. thecapitoltheatre.com

**Reception:** ArtsWestchester presents *Give Us The Vote Talk and Opening Reception*. Featuring a talk by historian Louise Bernikow (3pm) and a preview of the exhibition with the artists and curator (4pm). artsw.org
Music: Schoolhouse Theater presents Songs & Stories. A night with John Hall and Laurel Masse. 8pm. schoolhousetheater.org

Tours: Hudson River Museum presents Walk & Talk with an Artist. Spoken word artist Marcus C. John will offer his perspective on select exhibiting works. 2-3pm. hrm.org

Reception: Mamaroneck Artists Guild presents Annual Awards Show Opening Reception. A reception for two- and three-dimensional artworks in diverse media. 5-7pm. mamaroneckartistsguild.org

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents BID Family Market Day Arts-Free-For-All. Featuring mural painting and creative activities for all ages. 12-2pm at Ruby Dee Park at Library Green. nrpl.org

Reception: New Rochelle Public Library presents Exhibit Reception. The event will celebrate New Rochelle’s Arts Fest with an exhibit awards ceremony and live music by Zero360. 5:30-7pm. nrpl.org

Music: RiverArts presents Bluegrass Weekend. Guests will participate in a bluegrass jam session and learn how to start a band. Also 10/8 at 2pm. 12-6pm at First Reformed Church. riverarts.org


Music: Westchester Collaborative Theater presents The Gerry Malkin Band: The Magic Flute. Jacob Burns Film Center, 10/12 (photo credit: Mark Douet)

Jazz Collective. The group will perform their hybrid of post bop and straight-ahead jazz. 8pm. wcwtheater.org

Reception: Westchester Community College Center for the Arts presents She Ritual Opening Reception. She Ritual investigates the territory of the divine feminine through encountering the spiritual, metaphysical and invisible layers of this realm. 1-3pm. sunywcc.edu/arts

10/8 SUNDAY

Lectures: Hudson River Museum presents Protecting Our Precious Water. A discussion on the importance of water resource conservation at both global and local levels. 2-3pm. hrm.org

Tours: Hudson River Museum presents Walk with the Curator. A tour with assistant curator Ted Barrow during the opening weekend of Walks with Artists: The Hudson Valley and Beyond. 1-2pm. hrm.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents A Tribute to the Work & Life of Max Ritvo. Ritvo’s poetry will be read by his mother Ariella Ritvo-Silfka, poet Kaveh Akbar and playwright Sarah Ruhl. 4:30-6pm. writerscenter.org

Music: Ossining Public Library presents The Kenn Morr Band. Morr is a singer-songwriter and is hailed as one of the best in the contemporary music scene. 2-3:30pm at Budarz Theater. ossininglibrary.org

Music: PJS Jazz Society, Inc. presents Antoinette Montague.

10/10 TUESDAY

Music: Hudson Valley Music Club presents October Mostly Morning Concert. An opportunity for club members and artists of Westchester to perform. 11am-12pm at Dobbs Ferry Woman’s Club. 914-591-6851

Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents Orpheus Chamber Orchestra. Featuring works by Tchaikovsky, Schubert and Tchaikovsky. 3-5pm. artscenter.org

Reception: Upstream Gallery presents Gallery Opening Reception. A reception for recent works by artist Luis Perelman. 2-5pm. upstreamgallery.com

Family & Kids: Westchester Amateur Musicians Orchestra presents WAMO Fall Classical and More Concert. An all-amateur orchestra for adults led by a teaching professional. 2-3pm at Scarsdale Public Library. wamorchestra.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Ugetsu. A tale of ambition, family, love and war set in the midst of the Japanese Civil Wars of the sixteenth century. 1 & 7:30pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

10/11 WEDNESDAY

Lectures: Hudson River Museum presents Arts in the Afternoon. Assistant curator Ted Barrow will delineate the shifting expectations for American landscape painting during the second half of the 19th century. 1:30-3pm. hrm.org

Film: Ossining Public Library presents Eva No Duermes. After touring cities throughout Europe, the exquisitely embalmed corpse of Eva Peron is kidnapped. 8:30pm at The Camille Budarz Theater. ossininglibrary.org

10/12 THURSDAY

Spoken Word: Harrison Public Library presents Library Out Loud: Open Mic Night. Guests can bring a short piece to share with a general audience. 7-9pm. harrisonpl.org
Music: Tarrytown Music Hall presents *Stephen Stills and Judy Collins*. This joint tour marks the first time these two icons of folk have been on stage together. 8pm. tarrytownmusichall.org.

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Royal Opera House’s The Magic Flute*. Featuring Roderick Williams as Papageno, Siobhan Stagg as Pamina and Sabine Devieilhe as the Queen of the Night. 2-5:30pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

**10/13 FRIDAY**

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *Sideline*. Banjo player Steve Dilling and his band will perform bluegrass classics and original music. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Reception: Oak & Oil Gallery presents *Opening Reception and Wine Tasting*. A reception for wine related oil paintings by award-winning painter Rich Alexander. 12-8pm. oakandoil.com

Music: The Capitol Theatre presents *Modest Mouse*. The American rock band is led by singer Isaac Brock. Also 10/14. 7-11:30pm. thecapitoltheatre.com

Reception: Ossining Public Library presents *Solace in the Moment Open Reception*. A reception for the photography of Vladimir Kolesnikov. 2-4pm. ossininglibrary.org

Open Studios: The Ossining Arts Council presents *The Ossining Arts Council Open Studio Tours*. Artists will display examples of their work and give attendees an insight into their creative process. 11am-4pm. ossiningartsCouncil.org

Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents *An Evening with Branford Marsalis*. Three-time Grammy winner will be joined by Joey Calderazzo on piano, Eric Revis on bass and Justin Faulkner on drums. 8-10pm. artscenter.org

Theater: White Plains Performing Arts Center presents *Ghost: the musical*. The story follows Sam and Molly, a young couple whose connection takes a shocking turn after Sam’s untimely death. Performances will be held through 10/29. Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm, Sundays at 2pm. 8-10pm. wppac.com

Dance: Katonah Museum of Art presents *Costume Bash Dance Party*. Including costume prizes, raffles and crafty beer. 8pm. katonahmuseum.org

Reception: Westchester Open Studios. Four designer homes in Mamaroneck will host workshops by eight local artists. Also 10/14. westchesteropenstudios.com.

**10/14 SATURDAY**

Theater: Hamm & Clov Stage Company presents *The Boy Who Cried Wolf*. An original and bi-lingual children’s play performed by the international artists of IATI Theater. 2-4pm at Yonkers Riverfront Library, hammandclov.org

Reception: Katonah Museum of Art presents *Preview: Object Out Loud: Arman and Nick Cave*. KMA members will enjoy a curator’s talk and walkthrough of the exhibition. 5pm. katonahmuseum.org

Music: Hudson River Museum presents *Classic Guitar Performance by Carlos Pavan*. The Argentinian composer and guitarist will perform in recognition of National Hispanic Heritage Month. 3-4pm. hrm.org

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *BID Family Market Day Balloon Bonanza*. Balloon artist Nora Maher will create balloon creations for young market-goers to take home. 11am-12pm at Ruby Dee Park at Library Green. nrpl.org

Reception: Ossining Public Library presents *100 Words of Wisdom Exhibition* gathering with the public for mingling. 12pm. 100wowexhibit.com

**10/15 SUNDAY**

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Takács Quartet*. Featuring a program of chamber works by Haydn, Shostakovich and Brahms. 3pm. caramoor.org

Family & Kids: Emelin Theatre presents *Carole and Paula, Stars of TV’s The Magic Garden*. The acclaimed show won accolades and fans during its 12 years on the air as the two combined their talents for performing and educating. 11am-2:30pm. emelin.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents *An Evening with Jay Deshpande, Phillis Levin, & Anton Yakovlev*. The award-winning authors and poets will share excerpts from their recent works. 4:30-6pm. writerscenter.org

Music: New Rochelle Public Library presents *Concert by Guitarist Stuart Weber*. The musician will perform his inventive guitar pieces. 3-4pm. nrpl.org

Reception: Ossining Public Library presents *Where Words End: Meet the Artist*. A gallery talk with photographer Daniel Oppenheim. 2pm. ossininglibrary.org

Music: Rebel Ensemble for Baroque presents *Concert of Baroque Music*. Featuring music by J.S. Bach, W.F. Bach and J.C. Bach. 4-5:30pm at Bedford Presbyterian Church. rebelbaroque.com

Dance: Smart Arts presents *Catapult*. Featuring shadow dancing, which combines dance, story-telling and sculpture. 3-5pm. sunywcc.edu/smartarts

Music: Westchester Philharmonic and The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College presents *Jinjoo Cho*. Jaime Laredo conducts works by Dvorák, Mozart and Beethoven. 3-5pm at The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College westchesterphil.org

Music: Westchester Chamber Music Society presents *The Ariel Quartet*. A program of classic and chamber music. 4-6pm at Congregation Emanuel-El of Westchester. westchesterchambermusic.org

Reception: Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art presents *Women Warriors Opening*. The exhibition honors the 100th anniversary of women’s suffrage in America. 5-7pm. hvcca.org

**10/16 MONDAY**

Film: Harrison Public Library presents *Italian Film Festival*. Film expert Max Alvarez will discuss the historical background of Italian cinema, major...
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filmmakers and the great Cinecitta studio. 7:30-9pm. harrisonpl.org

Theater: The Rye Arts Center presents
Lunchtime Theater: Play With Your Food. Guests will enjoy a program of provocative one-act plays by both classic and contemporary playwrights. 12:1-30pm. ryeartscenter.org

10/17 TUESDAY

Film: Harrison Public Library presents
Italian Film Festival: Mediterranea. Two African migrants face hostility and violence as they try to make better lives for themselves in Italy. 12:30-2:30pm. harrisonpl.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents
Belle. The illegitimate, mixed-race daughter of a British admiral plays an important role in the campaign to abolish slavery in England. 1-2:45pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

10/18 WEDNESDAY

Film: Harrison Public Library presents
Italian Film Festival: Ginger and Fred. Amelia and Pippo are reunited after several decades to perform their old music-hall act on a TV variety show. 7:30-9:30pm. harrisonpl.org

Spoken Word: Ossining Public Library presents
Author Panel Discussion. Three local authors Shaun Coen, Maggie Barbieri and John Roche will discuss their thriller novels. 7-8:30pm at Budarz Theater. ossininglibrary.org

10/19 THURSDAY

Film: Harrison Public Library presents
Italian Film Festival: The Conformist. A weak-willed Italian man becomes a fascist flunky who goes abroad to arrange the assassination of his old teacher, now a political dissident. 12:30-2:30pm. harrisonpl.org

Theater: Lyndhurst Mansion presents
Jay Ghoul’s House of Curiosities at Lyndhurst. Guests will explore the Gothic mansion as they solve a murder mystery. Through 10/31. 6-9pm. lyndhurst.org

Film: Ossining Public Library presents
The Ossining Documentary & Discussion Series. A presentation of the film Swim Team, followed by a lively panel discussion. 6:30-8pm at Budarz Theater. ossininglibrary.org

10/20 FRIDAY

Music: Emelin Theatre presents
Rickie Lee Jones. The two-time Grammy Award-winner defies convention with her ‘confessional’ songwriter performances. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Film: Harrison Public Library presents
Italian Film Festival: Human Capital. The destinies of two families are irrevocably tied together after a cyclist is hit off the road by a jeep in the night before Christmas Eve. 12:30-1:45pm. harrisonpl.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents
Open Mic Nights. Guests will share their words, music or comedy in a comfortable space. 7:30-9pm. writerscenter.org

Tours: Katonah Museum of Art presents
Senior Socials. Seniors are invited every 3rd Friday of the month for a special tour and coffee social. 1pm. katonahmuseum.org

Music: The Capitol Theatre presents
Umphrey’s McGee. An American jam band originally from South Bend, Indiana. Also 10/21. 7-11pm. thecapitoltheatre.com

Dance: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents
Abraham.In.Motion. A presentation of Dearest Home, an interactive dance focused on love and loss. Also 10/21. 8-10pm. artscenter.org

Theater: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents
Purchase Repertory Theatre: The Crucible. In 1692, a group of young women in Salem accuses their fellow townspeople of witchcraft, and innocent people must choose to confess or hang. Also 10/21, 10/26-28. 7:30-9:30pm. artscenter.org

10/21 SATURDAY

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents
Noam Pikelny: Roots Music in the Music Room. The banjoist is best known for his work in the forward-thinking bluegrass band Punch Brothers. 8pm. caramoor.org

Theater: Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art presents
HOWL. This family theater experience tells the story of a lonely wolf who meets a cast of characters while searching for his friend. 3pm. hvcca.org.

Music: Emelin Theatre presents
Rock ‘n’ Roll Never Forgets with Dennis Elsas. The radio personality is known for his creative musical programming and interviews with rock legends. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Lectures: Greenburgh Public Library presents “Surrealism: A Psychological & Visual Exploration”, Cherise Klebanov will discuss the psychological visual experiences of Surrealism. 2-4pm. greenburghlibrary.org
Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Revolting Rhymes. The film combines classic fairy tales and serves them with a mischievous twist. 12-1pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Festivals: New Rochelle Public Library presents BID Family Fall Festival 1. Featuring window-painting and mask-making workshops with a Halloween and Thanksgiving theme. 10am-11:30am at Ruby Dee Park at Library Green. nrpl.org

Reception: Oak&Oil Gallery presents Meet Artist Rich Alexander. Guests will meet the artist and participate in a painting demonstration. 12:30-3:30pm. oakandoil.com

Music: Songcatchers presents Concert of Many Voices: Reform, Renewal, Encounter. A concert featuring multicultural peace songs performed by Songcatchers, Iona College and other worship choirs in the area. 7:30pm at Murphy Auditorium, Iona College. songcatchers.org

Music: Taconic Opera presents In Bocca Al Lupo. The Opera’s 20th anniversary celebration will include a premiere of a new opera. Also 10/22 at 2pm. 3:30-5:30pm at Yorktown Stage. taconicopera.org

10/22 SUNDAY

Music: Emelin Theatre presents Charlie Albright. The acclaimed pianist will play Schubert, Strauss, Chopin and more. 4-5pm. emelin.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents Word Works Press Reading & Panel. Authors Karen Alenier, Mary-Sherman Willis and Nancy White will read from their recent works. 4:30-6pm. writerscenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Per Amor Vasto (Anna). In search of an escape from her volatile home life, Anna gets a job at a local TV station where she meets a handsome soap star, and begins to have an affair. 5-6:30pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Theater: Schoolhouse Theatre & Arts Center presents The First Ladies Coalition. A struggling immigrant and ex-convict builds a coalition with four First Ladies: Eleanor Roosevelt, Jackie Kennedy, Lady Bird Johnson and Mary Todd Lincoln. 3-4:30pm. schoolhousetheater.org

Theater: Smart Arts presents National Players’ Alice in Wonderland. Lewis Carroll’s classic is adapted in this world premiere live theatrical production. 3-5pm. sunywcc.edu/smartsarts

10/24 TUESDAY

Music: The Capitol Theatre presents Portugal. The Man. The American rock band is formed by John Gourley, Zach Carothers, Kyle O’Quin, Jason Sechrist and Eric Howk. 7-11:30pm. thecapitoltheatre.com

Music: The Hudson Valley Music Club presents Fantasy Op. 80. 3-5pm at Saunders Trade High School. yonkersphilharmonic.org

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents Evnin Rising Stars I & II. Distinguished artists work alongside a new generation of young instrumentalists on the masterworks of the chamber music repertoire. Also 10/29 at 3pm. 8pm. caramoor.org

Comedy: Emelin Theatre presents Cory Kahane. Kahane was named ‘Best Female Comedian NYC’ by the Manhattan Association of Cabarets. 8-9:30pm. emelin.org

Music: Lagond Music School presents Classy & Sassy: A Cabaret Tribute to Lena Horne. Two tribute performances with jazz singer Julia Breanetta Simpson. 5-8pm. lagondmusic.org

10/26 THURSDAY

Reception: Blue Door Art Center presents Opening Reception: 100 Words of Wisdom. Meet the artists and participants involved in this exhibition. 1pm. bluedoorartcenter.org

10/27 FRIDAY

Music: Hof-Barthelson Music School presents Jazz Night!. An evening of improvisations and jazz standards. 7:30-9pm. hbms.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents An Evening with D. Nurks & Alison Jarvis. Nurks will read from his recent collection of poetry and Jarvis will read from her poetry book, Where is North. 7-9:30pm. writerscenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Halloween Movie Marathon 2017. Featuring eight films, including Get Out, Suspiria, and Night of the Living Dead. 9:30-11:30pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Dance: Music Conservatory of Westchester presents Tango Band Abaddón. Guests will enjoy and dance along to the sextet’s tango music. 7:30-9:30pm. mccevents.org

Music: The Capitol Theatre presents Stella Blue’s Band. The band was founded in 2009 to recreate the experience of being at a Grateful Dead show. 8:30-11pm at Garcia’s at The Capitol Theatre. thecapitoltheatre.com

Music: Westchester Collaborative Theater presents The Graham Hawthorne Trio. The highly-regarded jazz drummer and his band will perform two sets in one night. 7:30-11pm. wctheater.org

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**Adwards**

**ArtsWestchester** | [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)
- **Give Us The Vote.** An exhibition of contemporary art, inspired by the one 100th anniversary of the victory for women’s voting rights in New York State, examines the state of voting rights in America today. Through 1/27. Tues-Fri: 12-5pm, Sat: 1-6pm.

**Blue Door Art Center** | [bluedoorartcenter.org](http://bluedoorartcenter.org)
- **Assyrians in Yonkers, a Tale of Hope and Survival.** An exploration of the history and culture of the Assyrian community in Yonkers. Through 10/21, Thurs & Fri: 3-6pm, Sat: 1-5pm.
- **100 Words of Wisdom.** Featuring seniors who each shared one word of wisdom for the betterment of young people. 10/26-11/4. Thurs, Fri: 3-6pm, Sat: 1-5pm.

**Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill** | [sunywcc.edu/peekskill](http://sunywcc.edu/peekskill)
- **Problematic Parallels.** Sculptor Steve Rossi subverted the utilitarian function and visual form of a ladder for aesthetic and metaphorical purposes. Through 10/28, Mon-Thurs: 10am-5pm, Fri: 10am-4pm, Sat: 10am-3pm.

**Clay Art Center** | [clayartcenter.org](http://clayartcenter.org)
- **Reinvented.** An exhibition featuring 12 ceramic artists who utilize digital technology within a traditional studio practice. Through 11/11, Mon-Sat: 10am-5pm.

**Croton Free Library** | [crotonfreelibrary.org](http://crotonfreelibrary.org)
- **Let America Be America Again.** Featuring Ilse Schreiber-Noll’s new series of woodcuts, paintings and books. Through 10/30, 10am-5pm.

**The Gordon Parks Foundation** | [gordonparksfoundation.org](http://gordonparksfoundation.org)
- **Devin Allen: A Beautiful Ghetto.** Featuring 2017 Gordon Parks Foundation Fellow Devin Allen’s documentation of the landscape and community of Baltimore following the death of Freddie Gray. Through 11/18. Mon-Fri: 10am-4pm, Sat: 10am-3pm.

**Hammond Museum** | [hammondmuseum.org](http://hammondmuseum.org)
- **Contained Perspectives.** Featuring Japanese banners from the 1900’s, along with works by Mark Weinstein and Hisao Hanafusa. Through 11/11, Wed-Sat: 12-4pm.
- **Glow.** An installation by Suzy Sureck. Through 11/11, Wed-Sat: 12-4pm.
- **To Sit or Not to Sit.** Nine sculptors will exhibit their work in the garden. Through 10/28, Wed-Sat: 12-4pm.

**Harrison Public Library** | [harrisonpl.org](http://harrisonpl.org)
- **Pre-Columbian Mexican Pottery.** Featuring sumi ink paintings by Jim Maciel. 10/1-28, 9:30am-5:30pm.

**Hudson River Museum** | [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)
- **Invitation to a Voyage: The Hudson River at Fishkill.** A 70-foot panorama painting of the Hudson River and its banks. Through 1/14/2018, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.
- **Walks with Artists: The Hudson Valley and Beyond.** The exhibition demonstrates the key role played by landscape painting, which led to environmental activism. 10/7-1/21/2018. Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

**Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art** | [hvcca.org](http://hvcca.org)
- **Between I and Thou.** Artists from around the globe explore interconnections between the personal, cultural, religious and national. Through 12/17. Fri: 11am-5pm, Sat-Sun: 12-6pm.
- **Illumination of the Sacred Forms.** A multimedia installation of illuminated paintings by Peter Bynum with video projections. Through 12/17, Fri: 11am-5pm, Sat-Sun: 12-6pm.
- **Women Warriors.** The exhibition honors the 100th anniversary of women’s suffrage in America. 10/15-12/17 Fri: 11am-5pm, Sat-Sun: 12-6pm

**Iona College Council on the Arts** | [iona.edu](http://iona.edu)
- **#45: Artists Respond to the New Political Landscape.** The exhibition explores responses to the implications of the Donald Trump presidency. Through 10/19, 6:30-7:30pm at Brother Kenneth Chapman Gallery.

**Katonah Museum of Art** | [katonahmuseum.org](http://katonahmuseum.org)
- **Object Out Loud: Arman and Nick Cave.** Featuring two pioneering artists who absorb, reassemble and spectacularize everyday objects. 10/15-1/7/2018. Tues-Sat: 10am-5pm, Sun: 12-5pm.

**Mamaroneck Artists Guild** | [mamaroneckartsguild.org](http://mamaroneckartsguild.org)
- **Annual Awards Show.** A juried exhibition featuring members’ two- and three-dimensional artworks in diverse media, including oil, acrylics, photography, jewelry and more. Through 10/14, Tues-Sat: 12-5pm.
exhibitions

Neuberger Museum  |  neuberger.org
- Romare Bearden: Abstraction. The exhibition will feature Bearden’s abstract works that preceded his well-known collages. Through 12/22, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.
- The Playful Universe of Ignacio Iturria. A retrospective of one of Uruguay’s most accomplished artists. Through 2/25, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

New Rochelle Art Association  |  newrochelleart.com
- 102nd Annual Juried Exhibition. Featuring works in oil, watercolor, mixed media, sculpture and fine crafts. Through 10/21, times vary at New Rochelle Public Library.

Oak&Oil Gallery  |  oakandoil.com
- A Show with Taste! A showcase of wine-related oil paintings by award-winning painter Rich Alexander. 10/10-29, 10:30am-5:30pm.

OSilas Gallery at Concordia College  |  osilasgallery.org
- Martin Luther and the Reformation. Featuring works of art, texts and machinery that propelled the Protestant Reformation. Through 11/11. Tues, Wed & Fri: 12-5pm, Thurs: 12-7pm, Sat & Sun: 2-5pm.

The Ossining Arts Council  |  ossiningartscouncil.org
- Signs: The Beginning of a Journey. Painter Priyanka Tewari draws inspiration from the uniqueness of life, the human existence, mysteries surrounding it and beyond. Through 10/7, 3-6pm at OAC Steamer Firehouse Gallery.

Ossining Public Library  |  ossininglibrary.org
- Solace in the Moment by Vladimir Kolesnikov. Featuring the photography of Vladimir Kolesnikov. 10/14-TBD, times vary.

Pelham Art Center  |  pelhamartcenter.org
- The Children’s Hour. The artists use children’s stories and blend them with the imaginative and playful side of childhood to create social satire. Through 10/28, 6:30-8pm.

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Westchester Community College Center for the Arts  |  sunywcc.edu/arts
- She Ritual. The exhibition investigates the territory of the divine feminine through encountering the spiritual, metaphysical and invisible layers of this realm. Through 10/31, times vary.

OFFERING CREDIT AND NON-CREDIT CLASSES AT THE PEKSKILL EXTENSION CENTER

The Peekskill Extension is one of the Hudson Valley’s premier resources located in downtown Peekskill at 27 North Division Street. This Center offers various 3-credit courses in areas such as the Digital Arts. The Center also offers a specialized non-credit certificate and related courses in User Experience (UX) Design as well as ESL and other student services. Learn in a state-of-the-art facility equipped with a Maker Space outfitted with 3D printing.

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workshops

ArtsWestchester  |  artsw.org
- **Art and Empowerment: Finding Voices and Speaking Out.** The New York State Art Teacher Association will provide professional development for art teachers and will share strategies for encouraging students to engage in socially responsible thinking in the classroom. 8/28, 8am. RSVP at nyata7.com.

- **Fashion Illustration.** A series of classes that expose students to the basics of utilizing black and white sketching techniques, an introduction to proportion, and more. Through 11/5, 1-3pm.

Bott Shoppe  |  facebook.com/bottshoppe
- **Fashion Illustration.** Participants will learn the basics of fashion illustration with ratios of shapes, color and lines. Sundays through 12/13. 1-3pm.

- **Sketchy Saturdays.** An afternoon of drawing practice. 10/28, 12-5pm.

Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill  |  sunywcc.edu/peekskill
- **Website Optimization, Ad Words and Analytics.** This course will provide an overview and understanding of how website analysis works and how Google Analytics enables website managers to analyze traffic. 10/7, 1-4pm.

- **Design Thinking.** Students will work in groups to brainstorm an interactive experience and to determine the look and feel of interactive product(s). 10/14, 9am-4pm.

  For more Center for the Digital Arts workshops, visit sunywcc.edu/peekskill.

Clay Art Center  |  clayartcenter.org
- **Adult Classes Fall 2017.** A variety of education programs for all ages and skill levels offer insight into the transformational qualities of clay and its possibilities as a medium for expression. Through 12/15, times vary.

Color Camera Club of Westchester  |  colorcameraclub.org
- **Learn to be a Street Photographer.** Black and white street photographer Alexander Tso will guide participants through NYC — from iconic landmarks to obscure street locations. 10/2, 7:30-9:30pm.

- **Mentoring Program.** The program includes a new photography learning season, image-making programs, competitions and more. 10/2-24, 7:30-9:30pm.

CSP Music School  |  guavajam.net
- **Private Lessons/Workshops.** Pianists and educators Dennis Bell and Claudette Washington-Bell conduct weekly, private lessons in beginner/intermediate piano, music theory and more. Available this Fall through Spring 2017-2018. 10am-7pm.

Hudson River Museum  |  hrm.org
- **Kids Explore the Landscape with Zafiro Acevedo.** Participants will examine classical landscape elements and create works using natural elements and traditional art materials (age 5-10). 10/21, 2-3pm.

- **Halloween Weekend.** Guests will celebrate Halloween with activities for the whole family, including haunted tours of Glencview, trick-or-treating in costume and more. 10/28-29, 12-5pm.

  For more Hudson River Museum workshops, visit hrm.org.

New Rochelle Public Library  |  nrpl.org
- **Sing Your Heart Out!** Music aficionado Robert Puleo will lead free singing classes for adults (ages 55+). 10/7, 10-11am.

- **Adventure in Architecture Workshop for Arts Fest.** Children in Pre-K through grade 5 are invited to join the ArchFor Kids team and turn found materials into creative structures. 10/7, 12-4pm at Huguenot Children’s Library.

Nowodworski Foundation  |  sitenf.org
- **We the Children.** In a series of art workshops, children (age 6-12) will learn how to draw, paint and construct people in action. 10/7-21, 10:30-11:30am at Port Chester-Rye Brook Library.

RiverArts  |  riverarts.org
- **Drink and Draw.** This BYOB class invites guests to get creative in any medium. Guests must bring their own art supplies. 10/5, 7:30-10pm at 145 Palisade Street.

The Rye Arts Center  |  ryeartscenter.org
- **The Art and Craft of Songwriting.** This workshop will guide participants on how to harness and develop their songwriting skills. 10/14, 2-4pm.

- **Halloween Polymer Clay Pumpkin.** Terry Taylor will show students how to transform simple balls and coils of clay into one-of-a-kind pumpkins. 10/28, 2pm.

  For more Center for the Digital Arts workshops, visit ryeartscenter.org

Sidra Bell Dance New York  |  sidrabelldanceny.org/outreach
- **Yonkers Community Movement Module.** An inclusive movement practice workshop suitable for all levels will be conducted by Bell and dancers. 10/20, 6-7:30pm at Purchase College PC4 Center for Community and Culture.

Steffi Nossen School of Dance  |  steffinossen.org
- **Story Book Workshop.** A creative movement class, taught by Kristina Todd Nelson, will explore literature, music and dance (ages 3-5). 10/10, 10/17, 10/24. 10am at Chappaqua Library.

The Hudson Valley Writers’ Center  |  writerscenter.org
- **Writing the Truth: Poetry with Alex Dimitrov.** Participants will get insightful feedback on their work from one of poetry’s brightest. 10/14, 12:30-4:30pm.

- **Poets Reading Poetry with Sean Singer.** Students will see how history, memory and passionate language can make poems become an experience of both critique and celebration. 10/28, 12:30-4:30pm.

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

Westchester Community College Center for the Arts  |  sunywcc.edu/arts
- **Janusz Kawa: The Compelling Portrait Workshop.** This course is for students who want to improve their ability to capture a compelling, unique and psychological portrait, through their personal point-of-view. 10/7, 9am-4pm.

- **Weekend Printmaking Intensive.** Instructor Bruce Waldman will instruct students on how to translate their drawings or ideas into creative prints. 10/28-29, 9am-4:30pm.

  For more Center for the Arts workshops, visit sunywcc.edu/arts.

White Plains Public Library  |  whiteplainslibrary.org
- **Art In The Castle.** Students (grades 3-6) will learn about artists’ tools and different mediums, including charcoal, acrylic paints and more. 10/21, 2-4pm.

Yonkers Pottery  |  yonkerspottery.com
- **Clay Soirée Wheel Throwing.** Participants will learn the basics of pottery-making in a relaxed atmosphere. 10/20, 7-9pm.

- **Adult Ceramics Class.** A ceramics-making intensive for adults. Participants will work on the wheel and do handbuilding. Through 10/28, times vary.

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