Tarrytown Music Hall – Weird Al Yankovich

PJS Jazz Society – Camille Thurman

The Capitol Theatre – SOJA

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Reflections on President’s Day
by Janet Langsam, ArtsWestchester CEO

“First in war. First in peace. First in the hearts of his countrymen.” That’s George who, as our first president, set the tone and the bar for the Office of the Presidency. On and about President’s Day, it’s worth reflecting on George Washington’s historic legacy, eulogized above by his friend Henry A. Lee. Washington’s character and demeanor were such that following his two terms as President, he opted to walk behind his successor at the inauguration of President John Adams, signaling to all that the Office of the President of the United States belonged to the American people and its peaceful transfer of power was demonstrated. George Washington’s leadership style was evident in his many quotable moments. This is one of my favorites: “The foolish and wicked practice of profane cursing and swearing is a vice so mean and low that every person of sense and character detests and despises it.”

The jury may still be out as to whether George Washington ever chopped down his father’s cherry tree, confessing “I cannot tell a lie.” This statement...true or false...forever marks the George Washington narrative...not because of its veracity, but because mothers all over the country, including my own, used this story to teach their children the proper standards of integrity.
ArtsWestchester announces the launch of its Shop & Sip Third Wednesdays event series. The happy hour pop-up shopping experience will take place in the organization’s gallery in downtown White Plains from 6-8:30pm on the third Wednesday of every month. Guests will enjoy a drink and discover local artists and designers, whose handcrafted items will be on display and for sale. The series became permanent after the success of a Shop & Sip event earlier this winter. The March 21 event will celebrate Women’s History Month with seven female artists and designers. Proceeds benefit ArtsWestchester’s vibrant exhibition programming. For more info, visit artsw.org/shopsip.

The Rye Arts Center has purchased a sculpture that was initially installed in Rye Town Park as part of the Center’s public art initiative in August 2016. Damien Vera’s Cope was on loan from the Art Students League of New York and will now remain in the park permanently. The fourteen-foot tall sculpture is comprised of five curved steel towers. Within each is a sculpture of a human figure, only visible with human engagement. According to one of the Center’s arts patrons, Gail Roman, “Cope is a wonderful manifestation of The Rye Arts Center’s mission to inspire everyone’s interest in art.” For more info on The Rye Arts Center, visit ryeartscenter.org.

Lois Bronz, the first woman, and the first African-American, to hold office in Westchester County’s Board of Legislators, has passed away. Bronz, who also served as Vice-Chair and Chair of the Board, was a humanitarian who championed causes such as day care, education and affordable housing. The Greenburgh resident helped to form the Westchester County Human Rights Commission. In addition to serving on the Board of Trustees for Union Child Day Care, which was later named in her honor, Bronz served as a director on Boards of Trustees that include Children’s Village in Dobb’s Ferry, United Way of Westchester and ArtsWestchester. She was also an avid supporter of funding for the arts in Westchester.

David Swope, a life-long resident of Ossining, was a prominent community leader and philanthropist. The entrepreneur, who co-founded Club Fit, also took an interest in helping nonprofit organizations in Westchester. He served as Chair on several Boards of Trustees, including Westchester Community College, Teatown Lake Reservation and Jacob Burns Film Center, where he supported the expansion of the Center’s education programming.
Teen Tuesday Workshops Engage Teens in the Arts

Two “Teen Tuesdays” programs will take place this month in ArtsWestchester’s downtown White Plains gallery. The “Teen Tuesdays” initiative is designed to engage teenagers in the arts through interaction and discussion. On March 6, tap dancer Marcus Franklin will introduce participants to step dancing, a form of dancing that draws from movement through footsteps, spoken word and clapping. On March 20, students will work with a professional artist to learn basic illustration techniques as they draw a clothed model. Additional workshops will be held on April 10 and 24, May 8 and June 5. For more info, visit artsw.org/teentuesdays.

ArtsWestchester Seeks New “Friends”

The Friends of ArtsWestchester calls for arts lovers and supporters who enjoy exclusive access to cultural experiences, such as private receptions, exhibition previews, gallery talks and more. The group will host two events this spring that are exclusively for Friends members. In April, members will tour Magazzino Italian Art, a private warehouse art space in Cold Spring that houses Post-War and Contemporary Italian artworks, many of which have never been exhibited in the United States. On May 3, the group will visit Frank Lloyd Wright’s Usonia Historic District in Pleasantville – a planned community designed by Wright and his apprentices. For more info, visit artsw.org/friendsofartsw.

National Endowment for the Arts Supports DATAISM Exhibition With Grant

ArtsWestchester was recently awarded a $30,000 grant from the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA) for its upcoming DATAISM exhibition. The show will exhibit works by regional artists who use data as a visual medium for artworks. Artists will address a range of global and local issues related to contemporary life, such as financial markets, surveillance, mechanization, urbanization and globalization. The grant was among 936 grants in the NEA’s Art Works funding category, which supports projects that focus on the creation of art. DATAISM will be on view in ArtsWestchester in downtown White Plains during the fall of 2019.

Call For Artists: Public Art Project in White Plains

ArtsWestchester, in collaboration with the City of White Plains, Kite Realty Group and the White Plains BID seeks an artist or team to design and install graphics for a temporary street painting on Mamaroneck Avenue in White Plains. The work of public art will be installed in the drop-off and pick-up lane between ArtsWestchester and the City Center. This year marks the 20th anniversary of ArtsWestchester’s purchase of the landmarked Peoples Bank & Trust Building at 31 Mamaroneck Avenue. To celebrate the former bank building’s transformation into a multi-use cultural center, ArtsWestchester is commissioning this public art project to identify this historic building as a center of creative activity in Westchester County. The deadline for proposals is March 9. For more info, visit artsw.org/mamaroneckrfp.

Arts Grants Support Cultural Activities Throughout Rockland County

Rockland County will be energized with festivals, workshops, free concerts, film screenings and more in the coming year. ArtsWestchester has announced $42,000 in grant funds for eighteen community-based arts projects in Rockland that will take place in 2018. These Decentralization Grants from New York State Council on the Arts (NYSCA) support artistic expression and community involvement through the arts – from dance and theater to writing and outdoor festivals – by helping to fund proposals from local artists and organizations. In recent years, NYSCA has moved toward a more regional approach, with designated agencies administering regrant funds for more than one county.

The grants were awarded in three categories: Project Grants provide organizations with financial and technical support for projects at a grassroots level; Artist Grants support works that relate to the community in a significant way; and Education Grants support partnerships between artists or organizations with Rockland public schools.

Some funded projects include:

- **Music on the Hudson**: a series of eight free music concerts in Nyack’s Memorial Park
- **Women’s Storytelling Project**: free monthly writing workshops in which women will present their stories
- **Rebellious Rockland**: the development of theatrical vignettes based on the lives of Rockland County historical figures.

Grants are made possible with funds from the Decentralization Program (DEC), a regrant program of the New York State Council on the Arts with support from Governor Andrew Cuomo and the NYS legislature, and administered by ArtsWestchester.

Photograph from Women of the Ramapough Lenape Nation by Lisa Levart
event highlights

Hudson River Museum Modernizes the Gilded Age

Through May 13, Hudson River Museum presents more than twenty artists whose works are inspired by aesthetics of the 19th century Victorian era but also comment on contemporary social issues. The Neo-Victorians: Contemporary Artists Revive Gilded-Age Glamour is largely referential of the Gilded Age, masking reflections of today’s concerns with overt beauty and ornate design sensibilities. For instance, the Museum’s teaching-artist-in-residence Ebony Bolt introduces modern illustrations of homeless people that were drawn on the subway into digitally rendered patterns inspired by designer William Morris. Artist Troy Abbott inserts a digital screen depicting an animated bird inside a Victorian-style birdcage.

The Museum embraces the theme of its exhibition by fully immersing it with the Museum’s resources. Several Neo-Victorians installations are incorporated into Glenview, the museum’s Gilded Age home; its planetarium presents Victorian’s Guide to the Galaxy, a new show that relates to the overall exhibition theme.

An array of programs incorporate Victorian themes as well. Those events include The History of Pipe Smoking (March 3), a talk by curator Bartholomew Bland about the preparation of the exhibition from concept to completion (March 14), a performance of songs by Gilbert and Sullivan (March 18), and guided tours and talks by artists and the Museum’s curatorial staff. For more info, visit hrm.org.

Jacob Burns Film Center Presents the 17th Annual Westchester Jewish Film Festival

Jacob Burns Film Center’s 17th annual Westchester Jewish Film Festival will take place from March 13 through 29. During these two and a half weeks, the Center will screen forty-one documentaries, narratives and television episodes, from Israel, Morocco, Hungary and more. The films collectively explore the diversity of the Jewish experience. The festival opens with Itzak, a documentary about the life of violinist Itzak Perlman, which will be followed by a reception and Q&A with filmmaker Alison Chernick.

Additional screenings range from sobering documentaries to depictions of heartwarming relationships. An Israeli Love Story tells of the real-life love affair between a Palestinian actress and the son of Israel’s second president (March 15). In The Last Laugh, director Ferne Pearlstein asks top comedians and prominent Jewish figures, including Mel Brooks and Sarah Silverman, whether a traumatizing event can be used as a framing device for a joke (March 16). Persona Non Grata is based on the true story of a Japanese diplomat who saved thousands of Jews from the Nazis (March 27).

One of this year’s features will be a showcase of work by actor Alan Arkin, who will participate in Skype Q&As after several of the screenings. Special Q&As with filmmakers will also take place after select screenings. For more info, visit burnsfilmcenter.org.
Katonah Museum of Art Explores Visual Traditions of Islam

In Katonah Museum of Art’s current exhibition, thirty-one artists of Middle Eastern and South Asian descent draw from centuries-old forms, such as calligraphy and geometric patterning, to examine contemporary subjects of religion, politics and identity. More than 50 works showcased in Long, Winding Journeys: Contemporary Art and the Islamic Tradition demonstrate that history does not sit in the past. Instead, it informs the present and is inherited by future generations.

These visual traditions of Islam provide contemporary artists with a way in which to address their current experiences. On using traditional forms in her work, artist Shahzia Sikander said in the exhibition’s catalogue: “I recognized it as a path to expanding the medium [of miniature painting] from within… in order to open up possibilities for dialogue.” Artist Shoa Azari redefines the historical definitions of the political and religious hero by redefining traditional posters with women’s faces instead of men’s. Artist Baseera Khan combines symbols that represent Islam with those referenced by gay activists during the AIDS epidemic. These and other exhibiting artists embrace and reject traditions, adapting them into an engagement with issues of modern relevance.

While the exhibition is on view, through June 17, the Museum will present various programs that respond to topics referenced in the exhibited works. On March 10, a teen workshop includes an exhibition tour and hands-on arts activities with a master calligrapher. On March 25, “Family Day” celebrates the Persian New Year, which marks the beginning of spring. Families will view performances of classical Persian dance and music, as well as artistic demonstrations of Iranian calligraphy, miniature painting and mosaic crafting. For more info, visit katonahmuseum.org.

A Collaboration of Art and Theater in Ossining

This month, a collaboration between Ossining arts groups demonstrates that one artistic discipline can enhance the development of another. Art and theater converge during “Living Art,” a 90-minute event that takes place on four consecutive weekends, from March 2 through 24. During the event, a docent-led tour introduces guests to twenty-five artworks created by members of Ossining Arts Council. Six of these works encouraged the creation of one-act plays by members of Westchester Collaborative Theater (WCT). When the tour group reaches one of these six works, the play that it inspired will be acted out on the spot by an ensemble of WCT actors.

For instance, an oil painting of the shore at City Island inspired a play about a tender moment between dating college students as they watch the sun rise; and a ceramic work that depicts a naked woman carved with minimal lines inspired the story of a woman who is struggling with her body’s transformation during her pregnancy. Playwrights include C.J. Ehrlich, Howard Lipson, Evelyn Mertens, Angelo Parra, Pat O’Neill and Jane Ann Valentine. A tour and performance on March 15 is a “buy one ticket, get one free” special. For more info, visit ossiningartscouncil.org and wctheater.org.

A Week-Long Celebration of Classical and Romantic Compositions

Hoff-Barthelson Music School (HBMS)’s “Spanning the Centuries” festival will take place from March 10 through 19. The festival is part of HBMS’s “Festivals in Style” series, which introduces students to music from specific time periods. This week-long celebration will feature music composed between 1750 and 1900 – the Classical and Romantic periods – and will spotlight music of Germanic composers like Haydn, Beethoven and Schubert. An HB Cello Virtuosi event on March 14 features members of the School’s cello faculty, accompanied by pianists, who will perform a program of works by Brahms and Schumann. On March 16, pianist and Artistic Director at Copland House Michael Boriskin will present “Ludwig van Beethoven: Madman? Genius? Both?,” during which he will speak about the life and works of Beethoven. “Spanning the Centuries” also includes instrumental and choral concerts from the School’s ensembles – Suzuki strings, chamber choir, festival orchestra and more – as well as nine student recitals. Locations vary in White Plains. For more info, visit hbms.org.
New York State and Westchester County elected officials recently joined ArtsWestchester as it awarded $63,000 in Arts Alive grants to 34 local arts groups with funds from New York State Council on the Arts. The funds will support the development of community-based projects such as festivals, workshops, theatrical productions and more throughout Westchester County.

2018 Arts Alive Grants Breakfast

All photos by Margaret Fox


Legislators’ Reception

All photos by Leslye Smith

ArtsWestchester recently hosted a reception for Westchester County Executive George Latimer and County Legislators in recognition of their continued support for the arts. With support from the County, ArtsWestchester’s ArtSWChallenge program has helped to generate new funding for arts organizations in Westchester. Through this public/private matching program, $734,742 in funds were raised — $543,912 from the 46 qualifying arts organizations, and an additional $190,830 matched by ArtsWestchester and Westchester County government.

This event was sponsored by Benchmark Title Agency, GDC Rentals, PepsiCo, PKF O'Connor Davies, Thompson & Bender, and United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

1. Mara Mills (Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art) with Westchester County Legislator John Testa 2. ArtsWestchester board member Gerard Curran, Betsy Klaempfert (Axial Theatre) and Westchester County Legislator Margaret Cunzio 3. Doug Coo (RiverArts) and Westchester County Legislator Mary Jane Shimsky 4. Julie Cousens (Blue Door Art Center), Westchester County Legislator Virginia Perez, Marcia Klein (Fine Arts Orchestral Society, Yonkers), Janice Paganelli (Actors Conservatory Theatre), Mary Hoar (Undermyer Performing Arts Council) and Westchester County Legislator David Tubiolo 5. Leigh Mickelson (Clay Art Center), Westchester County Legislator Nancy Barr and Hans-Jakob Wilhelm (Ballet des Ameriques) 6. Westchester County Executive George Latimer, John Gunther-Mohr (Jazz Forum Arts), Amita Ajmera (India Center of Westchester) and Shelley Grantham (Steffi Nossen Dance Foundation) 7. Tracy Kay (Westchester Children’s Museum), Westchester County Legislator Catherine Parker and Eliot Fox (Emelin Theatre) 8. Tim Lewis (Downtown Music at Grace), Jean Newton (Music Conservatory of Westchester) and Westchester Board of Legislators Chairman Benjamin Boykin 9. Deputy County Executive Kenneth Jenkins, Dan Foster (Hudson Stage Company) and Westchester County Legislator Catherine Borgia
3/1 THURSDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Bob le Flambeur. After losing big, an aging gambler who is eager to leave the game plots one last score. Also 3/3, 3/4. Times vary. burnsfilmcenter.org

Theater: Kennedy Catholic Players presents The Addams Family Musical. A comedy based on the beloved characters created by Charles Addams. Through 3/4; 7-10pm at Kennedy Catholic High School. kennedycatholic.org

Music: The Capitol Theatre presents SOJA. An American Grammy Award-nominated reggae band. 7-11:30pm. thecapitoltheatre.com

Theater: M&M Performing Arts presents Hamlet by William Shakespeare. Shakespeare’s greatest tragedy in a fast-paced, 90-minute adaptation presented with intimate staging. Through 3/4. 2-3:30pm at Lyndhurst Mansion. lyndhurst.org

3/2 FRIDAY

Reception: The Picture House Film Center presents Marquee Night. The annual Academy Awards pre-party will unite film lovers for dancing, dinner, and more. 7pm-12am at Glen Island Harbour Club. thepicturehouse.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Le Deuxième Souffle. A French underworld criminal who has escaped from prison, finds himself roped into one last robbery. Also 3/4 at 7:15pm. 12 & 5:45pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Le Cercle Rouge. A master thief crosses paths with a notorious prison escapee and an alcoholic ex-cop. Also 3/4 at 12pm. 3 & 8:35pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Tours: Ossining Arts Council presents 2018 Living Art. Docent-led tours will include performances of short plays by Westchester Collaborative Theater playwrights who were inspired by the exhibited pieces. Through 3/24. 8-10pm at OAC Steamer Co. Firehouse. ossiningartsCouncil.org

Dance: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents L.A. Dance Project. Founded by choreographer and dancer Benjamin Millepied. 8-9:30pm. artscenter.org

Music: The Rye Arts Center presents John Fumaso & The Jones Factor. An evening full of jazz standards and original compositions mixed with high-energy funk and R&B. 3-4pm. ryeartscenter.org

3/3 SATURDAY

Spoken Word: Irvington Town Hall Theater presents Prose(ly) of Pie. Storytellers and humor writers tell true personal tales on the monthly theme: Caught Off Guard. 8-10pm. irvingtontheater.com

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Le Doulou. Gangster Silien, just released from prison, is already involved in a heist to pay off an old debt. Also 3/4 at 2:45pm. 12 & 5pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Dance: Pelham Art Center presents Flamenco and La Ida y Vuelta. Guests will enjoy a flamenco dance by Flamenco Latino, and a fan-making workshop. 1:30-3:30pm. pelhamartcenter.org

Music: Schoolhouse Theater & Arts Center presents An Evening with Sloan Wainwright and Stanley Samuelsen. Two singer-songwriters will perform: folk-rock artist Wainwright and fingerstyle guitarist Samuelsen

3/4 SUNDAY

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Viola Day. A recital features internationally renowned violist Chauncey Patterson and viola faculty member Naomi Graf. 1-5pm. hbms.org

Reception: Harrison Public Library presents Youth Arts Month. An opening reception for multi-media art by students in Harrison schools. 1pm at Harrison Municipal Building. harrisonpl.org

Music: Music Conservatory of Westchester presents Free Community Piano Series. Guests will learn about the great piano composers. Also 3/24, 4/15. 2-4pm at North Castle Public Library. musicconservatory.org

Music: Yonkers Philharmonic presents Saint-Saëns and Sibelius. Cellist Marcy Rosen performs Saint-Saëns’ Cello Concerto No. 1. Op 33 with the Philharmonic. 3-5pm at Saunders Trade High School. yonkersphilharmonic.org

Family & Kids: Hudson River Museum presents The Victorian’s Guide to the...
**Galaxy.** This planetarium show that explores what 19th-century scientists understood about their universe. Sundays through 5/13. 3:30pm. hrn.org

### 3/5 MONDAY

**Lectures:** Color Camera Club of Westchester presents *Street Photography at its Best.* Photographer Lauren Wells will present her street and documentary work. 7:30-9:30pm. colorcameraclub.com

**Reception:** Iona College Council on the Arts presents *Hormonamalies: Opening Reception and Gallery Talk.* The emotive qualities of hormones are visually represented through inflatable forms. 6-8pm at Brother Kenneth Chapman Gallery. bit.ly/2ioV9Ag

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Un Flic.* Edouard Coleman spends his time chasing criminals, but doesn’t see the crook right under his nose. Also 3/7 at 3 & 5:05pm. 1 & 6pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Army of Shadows.* Intrepid underground fighters must overcome conflicting ideologies in their battle against Hitler’s regime. Also 3/8 at 2 & 5pm. 3:05 & 8:05pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

### 3/6 TUESDAY

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Le Samouraï.* Alain Delon plays Jef Costello, a contract killer with samurai instincts. Also 3/8 at 8pm. 1 & 7pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

### 3/7 WEDNESDAY

**Lectures:** OSilas Gallery at Concordia College presents *Visiting Artist Lecture Series: Mary Reid Kelley.* Each semester, weekly visiting artist lectures host noted artists, curators, critics, and historians. 5-6:30pm at Purchase College Visual Arts Building, Room 1016. osilasgallery.org

**Music:** Purchase College Conservatory of Music presents *Purchase Percussion Ensemble: Music for Mallet Instruments.* This program will include the work of Nigel Westlake. 8-9:30pm. purchase.edu/music

### 3/8 THURSDAY

**Music:** Purchase College Conservatory of Music presents *LIVING PROOF.* Featuring personal stories of resilience, recovery and mental health challenges. 7:30-9:30pm at Chappaqua Performing Arts Center. lagondmusic.org

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Mary and the Witch’s Flower.* A fantasy adventure about a daring red-headed girl, a flying broom and a forbidden flower. Also 3/11. 12-1:15pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

**Music:** Lagond Music School presents *LIVING PROOF.* Featuring personal stories of resilience, recovery and mental health challenges. 7:30-9:30pm at Chappaqua Performing Arts Center. lagondmusic.org

### 3/9 FRIDAY

**Theater:** Conservatory of Theatre Arts at Purchase College presents *A Beautiful Day in November on the Banks of the Greatest of the Great Lakes.* This comedy, which takes place on Thanksgiving, revolves around a family’s collective preparation of the traditional holiday meal. Also 3/10, 15 & 17. 7:30pm. purchase.edu/theatrearts

**Music:** Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents *A Musical Mélange.* An evening of vocal jazz and chamber works performed by the School’s faculty. 7:30-9pm. hbms.org

### 3/10 SATURDAY

**Reception:** Croton Council on the Arts presents *Local Color 2018 Opening.* The opening of this annual event will showcase Council members’ artwork. 3-5pm at Unitarian Universal Congregation of the Hudson Valley. crotonarts.org

**Theater:** Conservatory of Theatre Arts at Purchase College presents *Abigail/1702.* A guilt-ridden woman’s quest for redemption. Also 3/14, 3/16 & 3/17 at 1:30pm. 7:30pm. purchase.edu/theatrearts

**Music:** Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents *Student Recitals.* A concert during the School’s week-long “Spanning the Centuries” festival, which celebrates music composed between 1750 and 1900. 2 & 4pm. hbms.org

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Number on Great-Grandpa’s Arm.* This film tells a story of Jewish life in Eastern Europe and shares lessons from the Holocaust with a new generation. 5-7pm at The Little Theater, Fox Lane Middle School. bedfordplayhouse.org

**Music:** Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Schwab Vocal Rising Stars.* Artistic Director Steven Blier selects four young voices and a pianist for a week-long residency that culminates in a performance. 3-5pm. caramoor.org

**Music:** Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents *Festival Orchestra and Other Ensembles.* A concert during...
the School’s week-long “Spanning the Centuries” festival, which celebrates music composed between 1750 and 1900. 7pm at Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation. hbms.org

Music: Lagond Music School presents Adult Jam Session at The Haven. Adult jam sessions offer a place for musicians to congregate and practice. Also 3/18, 3/25. 7-10pm. lagondmusic.org

Music: New Rochelle Opera presents Operatic Love Fest. The concert will feature arias, duets and ensemble pieces that embrace the theme of love. 3-5pm at The Fountainhead. nropera.org

Music: PJS Jazz Society, Inc. presents Camille Thurman. Thurman’s rich sound on the tenor saxophone is reminiscent of tenor greats Joe Henderson and Dexter Gordon. 5:15-9pm at First Presbyterian Church. pjsjazz.org

Music: REBEL Baroque presents REBEL Ensemble with Baroque dancers, Caractères de La Danse. Featuring a program of dance-inspired baroque chamber music. 4-5:30pm at Bedford Presbyterian Church. rebelbaroque.com

Dance: Smart Arts presents Rhythm in the Night: The Irish Dance Spectacular. This 90-minute journey features complex footwork as the protagonist seeks to find his way out of a dark world. 3-5pm at Westchester Community College Academic Arts Theatre. sunywcc.edu/SmartArts

Music: The Capitol Theatre presents Dixie Dregs. The band’s mostly instrumental music uniquely fuses hard rock, southern rock, progressive metal and classical forms. 7-11:30pm. thecapitoltheatre.com

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Cello Faculty Recital. Cello Virtuosi will perform works by Brahms and Schumann during the School’s week-long “Spanning the Centuries” festival. 7:30-9pm. hbms.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Bombshell: The Hedy Lamarr Story. The documentary uses excerpts from Lamarr’s own diary to reveal this genius of science and film. Followed by a Q&A. Part of the Center’s Westchester Jewish Film Festival. Also 3/17, 3/23, 3/24. Times vary. burnsfilmcenter.org

Lectures: OSilas Gallery at Concordia College presents Visiting Artist Lecture Series: Clintel Steed. This weekly lecture hosts noted artists, curators, critics and historians. 5-6:30pm at Purchase College Visual Arts Building, Room 1016. osilasgallery.org

Reception: The Rye Arts Center presents Member presentations and critiques. Members and guests will present work to be viewed and critiqued if desired. 7-9pm. ryeartscenter.org

Lectures: Hudson River Museum presents Putting it Together: The Art of Showing Art. Guest curator Bartholomew Bland will talk about the preparation of the Museum’s Neo-Victorians exhibition. 1:30-4pm. hrm.org

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3/17 SATURDAY

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Student Recitals. A concert during the School’s week-long “Spanning the Centuries” festival, which celebrates music composed between 1750 and 1900. Times vary. hbms.org

Lectures: Katonah Museum of Art presents Understanding Islam. Guests will dive into Islam’s tenets and practices with Aida Mansoor of the Muslim Coalition of Connecticut. 4-6pm at Katonah Village Library. katonahmuseum.org

3/18 SUNDAY

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Large Ensembles Concert. A concert during the School’s week-long “Spanning the Centuries” festival, which celebrates music composed between 1750 and 1900. 7pm at Community Unitarian Universalist Congregation. hbms.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents Sanger Stewart Reading. Lillo Way reads from her award-winning chapbook, Dubious Moon. HeidiLynn Nilsson will read from her first full-length collection, For the Fire from the Straw. 4:30pm. writerscenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents The In-Laws. Through a series of absurd events, two men serpentine from suburban New Jersey to Honduras to save the world, or at least their children’s upcoming wedding. Part of the Center’s Westchester Jewish Film Festival. 5-7:15pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Heathen Booth: Changing the World. Booth became the go-to strategist for causes ranging from child care to women’s rights. Followed by a Q&A. Part of the Center’s Westchester Jewish Film Festival. 5-7pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

3/22 THURSDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents National Theatre Live’s Julius Caesar. A screening of a live performance of the popular Shakespeare drama by London’s Royal National Theatre. 3-6pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Reception: OSilas Gallery at Concordia College presents Opening Reception: Departing Skies. Artworks by Serdar Arat, a highly-acclaimed Turkish artist. 7-9pm. osilasgallery.org

Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents Purchase Opera: Don Giovanni. This beloved Mozart opera tells the tale of a young, arrogant philanderer who refuses to change his ways and ends up paying the ultimate price. Through 3/25. 3-6pm. artscenter.org

Theater: Youth Theatre Interactions presents Teen Night Talent Show. A talent show features local youth between the ages of 12 and 19. 5:30-7:30pm at Yonkers RiverFront Library. ytyonkers.org
3/23 FRIDAY

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Così fan tutte (Mozart). A lively discussion of the opera’s history, libretto and cultural and social significance during the School’s week-long “Spanning the Centuries” festival. 11am. hbms.org

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Family Concert. A concert during the School’s week-long “Spanning the Centuries” festival, which celebrates music composed between 1750 and 1900. 7:30pm. hbms.org

Music: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents Orpheus Chamber Orchestra: The Courage to Create. Georgian violinist Lisa Batiashvili brings her insightful perspective to Prokofiev’s Second Violin Concerto. 8-9:30pm. artcenter.org

Theater: White Plains Performing Arts Center presents Forbidden Broadway. This Off-Broadway revue parodies musical theatre, particularly Broadway musicals. 4-6pm. wppac.com

3/24 SATURDAY

Dance: Ballet des Amériques presents Evenings of Dance in Port Chester. An evening of dance at Ballet des Amériques. 7-8pm. balletdesamericues.com

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Viola Club Annual Solo Recitals. A concert during the School’s week-long “Spanning the Centuries” festival, which celebrates music composed between 1750 and 1900. 1pm. hbms.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents GI Jews: Jewish Americans in World War II. The story of 550,000 brave men and women who were active participants in the fight against Hitler. Followed by a Q&A with filmmaker Lisa Ades. Also 3/25 at 3pm. 7:30-9:30pm. Part of the Center’s Westchester Jewish Film Festival. burnsfilmcenter.org

3/25 SUNDAY

Festivals: Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill presents Media Valley Rising: AIM ’18 Festival. A day of multimedia events, hands-on demonstrations and culture. 11am-4pm. sunywcc.edu/peekskill

Music: Copland House presents The Life of Mary. Fifteen poems by Austro-Bohemian poet Rainer Maria Rilke are set to music, recounting the story of the Holy Mother. 3-5pm. coplandhouse.org

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents Carnival of the Animals. This concert for children features a performance of Camille Saint-Saëns’ The Carnival of the Animals. 2-3pm. hbms.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers’ Center presents Poetry Reading. Critically-acclaimed poet Martha Rhodes will read from her new collection. 4:30pm. writerscenter.org

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Little Murders. The film follows the unexpected courtship of a devoutly apathetic New Yorker and the optimistic materialist who can’t live without him. Followed by a Q&A, 5:30-7:50pm. Part of the Center’s Westchester Jewish Film Festival. burnsfilmcenter.org

3/26 MONDAY

Music: Hudson Valley Music Club presents March Professional Concert. A concert featuring the Tempus Trio. 1-2pm at Dobbs Ferry Woman’s Club. 914-591-6851

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents In the Land of Pomegranates. A multi-layered documentary centers on a group of young people born into an ongoing war. Followed by a Q&A with filmmaker Hava Kohav Beller. Part of the Center’s Westchester Jewish Film Festival. 7:30-10pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

3/27 TUESDAY

Film: Jacob Burns Film Center presents Persona Non Grata. Based on the true story of daring Japanese diplomat Chiune Sugihara, who saved thousands of Jews from the Nazis. Followed by a Q&A. Part of the Center’s Westchester Jewish Film Festival. 7:30-10pm. burnsfilmcenter.org

Lectures: Sarah Lawrence College presents Suzanne Buffam. Buffam is a Canadian poet and author of three collections of poetry. 2-3pm at Sarah Lawrence College Stonim House Living Room. sarahlawrence.edu

Family & Kids: Katonah Museum of Art presents Family Day: Celebrate Spring. Families will celebrate the Persian New Year, which marks the beginning of spring, with performances, artistic demonstrations and crafting activities. 12-4pm. katonahmuseum.org

3/28 WEDNESDAY

Music: Downtown Music at Grace presents Lucian Rinando, Samuel Magill and Babette Hierholzer. The program includes works by Mendelssohn and J.S. Bach, as performed by Rinando (flute), Magill (cello) and Hierholzer (piano). 12-1:15pm at Grace Church. dtmusic.org

3/29 THURSDAY

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents Colin Jacobsen, Nicholas Cords and Edward Arron. A performance of Bach’s iconic Goldberg Variations, arranged for string trio, as performed by Jacobsen (violin), Cords (viola) and Arron (cello). 7:30-9pm. caramoor.org

3/31 SATURDAY

Dance: The Performing Arts Center, Purchase College presents RUBBERBANDance Group. The company reconciles the spontaneity of hip-hop culture with the refinement and choreographic maturity of the ballet. 8-9:30pm. artscenter.org
Blue Door Art Center  |  bluedoorartcenter.org
- **Women by Women.** An exhibit for women, by women in honor of Women’s History Month. Through 3/17, 8am-12pm.

Clay Art Center  |  clayartcenter.org
- **Me, Myself & I.** Vessel-based works that explore issues surrounding identity. Through 3/24, 10am-5pm.

Color Camera Club of Westchester  |  colorcameraclub.org
- **Photography Exhibition.** Images by Club members. Through 3/12, 10am-5pm at Greenburgh Library.

Croton Council on the Arts  |  crotonarts.org
- **Local Color 2018.** Members’ artworks, including paintings, collages, sculptures, pottery, jewelry and fiber art. 3/10-18, 12-5pm at Unitarian Universalist Congregation of the Hudson Valley.

Harrison Public Library  |  harrisonpl.org
- **38th Annual Youth Arts Month.** Multimedia art that reflects the talents of students in all of Town/Village of Harrison schools. Presented by Harrison Council for the Arts. 3/4-30. Times vary.

Hudson River Museum  |  hrm.org
- **The Neo-Victorians: Contemporary Artists Revive Gilded-Age Glamour.** Contemporary art employs Victorian aesthetics as a lens to explore modern concerns. Through 5/13, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.
- **Wondrous Devices: Astronomical Instruments and Teaching Tools of the Victorian Era.** Objects on view are representative of the amateur and expert advancements that occurred during the Victorian era. Through 9/16, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art  |  hvcca.org
- **Earth, Sky, and In-Between: Gathering the Threads.** Fiber artist Leslie Pelino works with salvaged materials to create a world steeped in memory. Through 3/18. Tues-Thurs by appt., Fri: 11am-5pm, Sat-Sun: 12-6pm.

Iona College Council on the Arts  |  bit.ly/IonaCollegeArts

Katonah Art Center  |  katonahartcenter.com
- **The Winter Landscape.** Works in various media explore the beauty of winter. Through 3/11, 10am-3pm.

Katonah Museum of Art  |  katonahmuseum.org
- **Long Winding Journeys: Contemporary Art and the Islamic Tradition.** The works on display draw from centuries-old forms that have come to define historical Islamic art. Through 6/17. Tues-Sat: 10am-5pm, Sun: 12-5pm.

Mamaroneck Artists’ Guild  |  mamaronектartistsguild.org
- **Underpinnings: Deconstructing Art.** Showcasing both the technique and creative processes involved in making a finished piece of work. Through 3/3, 12-5pm.

Neuberger Museum of Art  |  neuberger.org
- **Bending Light: Neon Art 1965 to Now.** A survey of neon art from 1965 to the present and will feature iconic works from the Museum’s permanent collection. Through 6/24, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.
- **Stephen Antonakos: Proscenium.** Featuring a large-scale, site-specific work created by Antonakos (1926-2013), a pioneer in the use of neon as a fine art material. Through 6/24, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.
- **José Parlá: No Space / Non Place.** The critically acclaimed multidisciplinary artist combines layers of paint, gestural drawing and found ephemera to evoke the histories of urban environments. Through 4/28, 12-6pm.
- **Votes!.** A set of wall panels depict the struggle for voting rights faced by women between 1848 and 1917. Through 5/13. Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

New Castle Historical Society  |  newcastlehhs.org
- **Carrie Chapman Catt & The Women’s Suffrage Movement.** The exhibition explores the suffrage movement and the life of Catt, a leading suffragist and former New Castle resident. Through 6/30, Tues-Thurs, Sat: 1-4pm.

New Rochelle Council on the Arts  |  newrochellearts.org
- **NRCA Annual Members Show.** The theme for the show is: #UNFAKE: What is Your Truth? 3/4-28. 3:30-5:30pm at The New Rochelle Public Library.
- **Lift Ev’ry Voice.** Curator Linda Tarrant Reid presents works by Anton Modern Art and Fani Miller-Beard. Through 3/16. 9am-5pm at New Rochelle City Hall.

OSilas Gallery at Concordia College  |  osilasgallery.org
- **The Pinajian Discovery: An Artist’s Life Revealed.** More than 30 abstract expressionist landscapes by a reclusive artist whose works were saved from destruction. Through 3/17. Times vary.
- **Departing Skies: Serdar Arat.** “Authority and mysticism” are the dual sensibilities underlying Arat’s work, which he describes as the essence of his Turkish roots. The exhibition will display works from 1987 through 2017. 3/22-4/21, 12-5pm.
**exhibitions**

**Pelham Art Center**  |  pelhamartcenter.org
- *Near to You.* Featuring six artists who are committed to the language of painting, as well as the challenging approaches to portraiture itself. Through 3/24, 10am-5pm.

**Rye Arts Center**  |  ryeartscenter.org
- *Figurative Interpretations.* A group show of artists who have been painting “from the model” together for more than a twenty year period. Through 3/10. Mon & Sat: 9am-3pm, Tues-Fri: 9am-7pm.

**School of Art + Design at Purchase College**  |  purchase.edu
- *Art + Design Faculty Invitational.* Faculty members were invited to submit their work for consideration by a jury of students. Through 3/23. Tues-Fri: 12-5pm at Richard and Dolly Mass Gallery, Visual Arts Building.

**Westchester Community College Center for the Arts**  |  sunywcc.edu/arts
- *Interstice-Interstitch: The Space Between.* Mixed-media artist Rukhshan Haque explores hand embroidery and photography, creating a dialogue between the two disciplines. Through 3/30, 12-3pm.

**Westchester Community College Fine Art Gallery**  |  sunywcc.edu/gallery
- *Séance.* Artist Carla Rae Johnson pairs unlikely creative figures from different points in history and imagines a meeting between them. Through 3/10, times vary.

**Yonkers Riverfront Library**  |  ypl.org/riverfront

**workshops**

**ArtsWestchester**  |  artsw.org
- *Teen Tuesday: Stepping.* Tap dancer Marcus Franklin will introduce students (ages 12-16) to step-dancing. 3/6, 4-5:30pm.
- *Teen Tuesday: Faces and Figures a Drawing Workshop.* Students (ages 12-16) will work with a clothed model and learn the drawing techniques of illustrating the human figure. 3/20, 4-5:30pm.

**Ballet des Amériques**  |  balletdesameriques.com
- *General Program: Ballet A.* The program offers classes in ballet technique, jazz and Afro-Caribbean dance for students aged 3-18. Through 6/9, times vary.

**Blue Door Art Center**  |  bluedoorartcenter.org
- *ArtSpeak / From Page to Performance.* Poet-in-Residence Golda Solomon, and a rotating cast of guest hosts, will lead this ongoing workshop series that is open to all levels of artists, writers and musicians. 3/18, 1:30-5pm.
- *Monoprinting With Stencils.* Instructor Helayne Friedman will lead a workshop for ages 4-10. 3/17, 10am-12pm.

**Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill**  |  sunywcc.edu/peekskill
- *Introduction to 3D Modeling and Printing.* Participants will learn how to use 3D modeling software and 3D scanners to print physical objects that they have designed. 3/3, 9am-3pm at .
- *Quick Start to Adobe Photoshop CC in 24 Hours.* Students will learn to use the latest version of Photoshop with time management features and enhancements for web and video designers. 3/3-24, 9am-3pm.

**Clay Art Center**  |  clayartcenter.org
- *Saturday Drop-In Class.* An all-ages introduction to clay with a professional artist. Every Saturday, 2-4pm.
- *Cladies Night.* A one-time class for adults who are interested in learning to use the potter’s wheel. BYOB. Fridays, 7-9pm.

**Country Dancers of Westchester**  |  (845) 642-2074
- *English Country Dancing.* Participants will learn the basics of English country dances. Thursdays, 7:30-10pm at The Church in the Highlands.

**Hoff-Barthelson Music School**  |  hbms.org
- *Reed Making Workshop and Jam Session.* Participants will learn how to make their own reeds and troubleshoot potential problems. 3/17, 3-5pm.

**Hudson Valley Writers’ Center**  |  writerscenter.org
- *Pure Critique with Peter Bricklebank.* Students writing fiction or nonfiction will receive astute feedback on ongoing projects of any length. Through 3/8, 9:30am-12pm.
- *Page-Turning Fiction with Joanne Dobson: Spring 2018.* Participants will study the literary techniques of popular genres and learn how to create compelling plots in a unique voice. 3/1-31, 7-9:30pm.

**Jacob Burns Film Center**  |  burnsfilmcenter.org
- *Free Family Saturdays @ the Lab.* A wide variety of activities, from animation and sound editing to live green-screening and group storytelling projects. 3/3, 1-3pm.
**workshops**

**Katonah Art Center**  
[etonahartcenter.com](http://etonahartcenter.com)

- **Loosen Up & Paint.** In this workshop adults will paint a still life on very large paper using only very large brushes. 3/1, 1-4pm.
- **Sketch (From Life) Workshop.** By working on large paper with charcoal, in very short poses, the focus will be on depicting motion and feeling rather than on anatomical accuracy. 3/22, 1-4pm.

**Katonah Museum of Art**  
[etonahmuseum.org](http://etonahmuseum.org)

- **Teen Workshop at the KMA! Arabic Calligraphy.** Hands-on calligraphy workshop for high school students. 3/10, 5-9pm.
- **Process Lab: Exploring Islamic Art Forms.** Students will work with miniature painting, calligraphy, geometric patterning, architecture, and textiles and contribute to a collaborative geometric mosaic installation. Through 3/31, 7pm.

For more Katonah Museum of Art workshops, visit [etonahmuseum.org](http://etonahmuseum.org).

**Mamaroneck Artists’ Guild**  
[mamaroneckartistguild.org](http://mamaroneckartistguild.org)

- **Children's Art Class.** A paper-mâché mask-making workshop for children aged 5-12. 3/1, 3, 9:30-11am.

**Music Conservatory of Westchester**  
[musicconservatory.org](http://musicconservatory.org)

- **Baby & Me Music Library Lessons.** Families will experience the Conservatory’s bilingual (English and Spanish) early childhood music education program for free. 3/3, 17, 24. 1pm & 1:45pm at Greenburgh Public Library.

**New Rochelle Arts Collective**  
[facebook.com/grownwro](http://facebook.com/grownwro)

- **Spring Equinox Drink and Draw.** Presented with ArtsWestchester. Guests will celebrate the beginning of spring with craft beverages and three hours of live figure drawing for artists of all levels. 7-10pm at ArtsWestchester’s Gallery. [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)

**New England Fashion+Design Association**  
[newenglandfashionanddesign.com](http://newenglandfashionanddesign.com)

- **Fashion Illustration.** The basics in Fashion Illustration, utilizing black and white sketching techniques. 3/3-24, 1-3pm at ArtsWestchester.
- **Fashion Pattern Making 1-4.** Students will be exposed to pattern making terminology, including how to measure and create a basic skirt. 3/3-7, 3-5pm at ArtsWestchester.

**RiverArts**  
[riverarts.org](http://riverarts.org)

- **Drink & Draw.** Participants will learn to draw in a relaxed setting. 3/1, 7:30-10pm at 145 Palisade Street.

**The Picture House**  
[picturehouse.org](http://picturehouse.org)

- **One-Day iMovie Workshop.** The three-hour workshop will teach young movie makers the best techniques for film. 3/24, times vary at Satellite Film Lab, 235 Wolfs Lane, Pelham.

**Rye Arts Center**  
[ryeartscenter.org](http://ryeartscenter.org)

- **Family Workshop: Drum Circle.** Participants (ages 3-7) will experiment with drumming rhythms. 3/24, 9am-10am.
- **Kids + Parents Workshop: Improv.** Students (ages 9+) and adults will explore the fast-paced world of improv. 3/10, 2-3:30pm.

For more Rye Arts Center workshops, visit [ryeartscenter.org](http://ryeartscenter.org).

**Westchester Community College Center for the Arts**  
[sunywcc.edu/arts](http://sunywcc.edu/arts)

- **Jewelry and Metal Project.** Students will hammer and shape metal into jewelry pieces or small metal sculptures. Select Wednesdays, 6:30-8:30pm.
- **Drawing Fundamentals.** Students will learn the fundamentals of drawing, including perspective, shading and realism. 3/16, 10am-4pm.

For more WCC Center for the Arts workshops, visit [sunywcc.edu/arts](http://sunywcc.edu/arts).

**Yonkers Pottery Studio**  
[yonkerspottery.com](http://yonkerspottery.com)

- **Clay Soirée Wheel Throwing (All Levels).** Participants of all levels will learn the basics of pottery-making in a relaxed atmosphere. 3/16, 7-9pm.
- **Wheel Throwing & Handbuilding.** Students create ceramic forms using clay techniques like pinching, slabbing, coiling and modeling. 3/3-4/21. Sat: 10:30am-12:30pm.

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