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Autumn is my favorite season, and there is no better place to welcome fall than here in Westchester County. The crisp weather, vibrant colors and festive happenings throughout the County inspire us to get outside and create. Music fills our streets and there are dozens of new exhibitions to explore. ArtsWestchester has plenty in store for us this season, and the monthly *ArtsNews* publication highlights the many cultural opportunities

that are available for the enjoyment of residents across Westchester County.

Fall is here, and I feel fortunate that this great organization is inspiring our residents to participate in the arts. Participate in a workshop, take a class, and feel the beat of the music at one of our outdoor concerts. Keep track of the upcoming arts and cultural programs by browsing the articles and calendars on these pages:

- new public art sculptures (see page A3)
- theater companies in the nooks and crannies of Westchester (see pages A4-5)
- special discounts to arts events (see page A14)

Embrace autumn, try something new and enjoy the arts throughout Westchester this season.

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FROM THE CEO

By Janet Langsam,
ArtsWestchester CEO

The Play's The Thing!

Denise Bessette is a modern woman. In fact, she is so modern that you might even consider her a 21st-Century feminist. As an actress, she made up her mind some time ago that she'd like to play the part of Nora, Henrik Ibsen's character in *A Doll's House* who leaves her husband and her children for many reasons, not the least of which is the expectation that she be a compliant, obedient and sensible wife with no authority in her mundane life.

Denise, with her curly golden cascading hair has spunk enough to play the role of Nora, especially now that Nora has been redrawn in the "sequel" version, *A Doll's House, Part 2* written by Lucas Hnath, and presented this month by the Hudson Stage Company, of which Bessette is a founder.

Though happily married, Bessette understands that marriage is not for everyone and can be a prison for some.



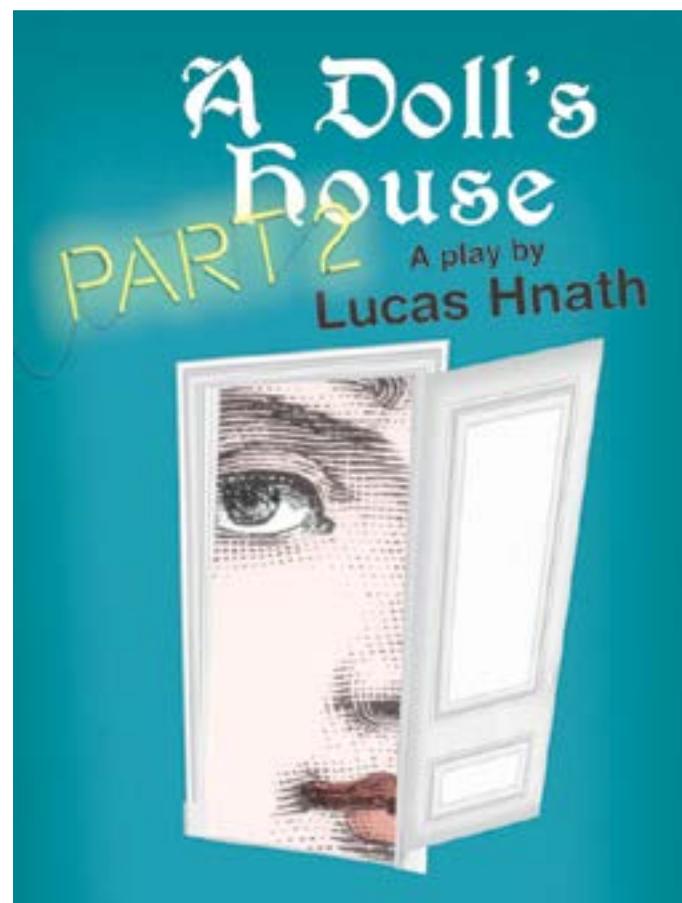
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She says "not everyone can equitably share a lifetime."

"There's no male-bashing here," she assures me, "just the recognition that many women prefer to be alone rather than seeking a relationship to hopefully make them complete."

So when Nora, after 15 years, returns as an accomplished writer in the new play to seek her divorce, the play offers a new take on "til death do us part." Bring your sharp elbow to this performance because you will want to jab your partner with your funny bone with each biting line. And trust me, there are many.

A Doll's House, Part 2 will run from October 18 through November 2 at the Whippoorwill Hall Theatre in Armonk.



➔ Don't miss Janet's weekly blog posts at:
thisandthatbyjl.com



Mana and Primal Self Portrait by Michele Oka Doner (photo credit: Margaret Fox)

MUST-SEE PUBLIC ART: KATONAH

Katonah Museum of Art is displaying the diverse sculptures of renowned artists Michele Oka Doner and Ronald Bladen (1918-1988) for the upcoming year.

Oka Doner, who is inspired by her lifelong study and appreciation of the natural world, creates evocative sculptures that resemble organic forms, such as bark, tree roots and the human body. Doner demonstrates in her pieces the inevitability of death as a part of life. Her sculptures *Mana* and *Primal Self Portrait* are comprised of upright headless and armless human figures that are molded by roots, vines and cast bronze. They are then

coated with earth-toned stains to give the appearance of the figures having eroded with time. The artist distorts these organic materials to reveal the irrepressible forces of nature, such as fertility and deterioration.

The large-scale, geometric forms of Ronald Bladen are also on view at the Museum. Though Bladen used minimalistic shapes, his works emit drama and emotion while also commenting on the force of gravity, the vitality of planar surfaces and the impact of scale. For instance, *Flying Fortress*, a black sculpture with sharp edges, generates the illusion of an object moving through space, yet fastened to the earth. Meanwhile, *Host of the Ellipse* contains two opposing components, made in aluminum and coated with black semi-gloss paint, with trapezoidal bases and blade-like arms that defy gravity by projecting upward and outward. Both installations are on view through September 2020. For more info, visit katonahmuseum.org.

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Theater in the County's Nooks and Crannies

by Mary Alice Franklin, ArtsNews Editor

In the unassuming recesses of Westchester County, where one might not expect to encounter a theater production, the artistic spirit lives and breathes. Throughout the County, theater companies have staked their claim on unexpected locations, and the result is a unique experience for their audiences.

On a quiet hill in Croton Falls sits an old schoolhouse building,

now the home to the **Schoolhouse Theater**. Artistic Director Bram Lewis recalls when he invited friend Laurel Massé, a founding member of music group The Manhattan Transfer, to visit. "She looked at the building, nodded her head and said, "Yep, I thought so. This is where I went to Kindergarten." Buildings such as these are engrained in their communities and tied to its

history. Now this schoolhouse serves the community through artistic performances. The upcoming production of *The Amish Project*, running from Oct. 3-20, tackles the topic of school shootings through a fictional account of a real-life event. The production's unique location provides an unusually personal setting for a topic of such magnitude.

Meanwhile in White Plains, a local theater sits in plain sight. **White Plains Performing Arts Center (WPPAC)** is located in the City Center, which also houses stores like Target and ShopRite. Guests can take in a live show and get their shopping done in one fell swoop. "There's a movie theater with several screens, but right next door, everything we do is live on stage,"

Schoolhouse Theater (photo by Bedford Photo-Graphic for Schoolhouse Theater)

explains General Manager Kathleen Davisson. She continues: "People don't expect to see Broadway-quality theater at the mall. But parking isn't expensive, restaurants are nearby, and they can do their shopping before or after the show. I've heard 'while we're here, let's pick up some milk at Target.'" WPPAC's next production, *Aida*, is based on the Tony and Grammy Award-winning Disney musical with score from Elton John and Tim Rice. The musical, complete with full costumes and set, as well as a live orchestra, runs from Oct. 11-27.

In Tarrytown, the historic estate of Lyndhurst Mansion, a 19th century Gothic manor, provides the immersive setting for site-specific works by its resident theater company, **M&M Performing Arts Company**. According to Co-Founder Melinda O'Brien, "the actors tailor their performance to an unusually intimate environment that allows for greater nuance, and the audience sees something that cannot be seen anywhere else." For a spooky time, M&M's family-friendly seasonal production, *Jay Ghouls House of Curiosities* brings the mansion to life with Halloween decorations and eerie lighting during nighttime performances through Oct. 17-31.

Co-Artistic Director at **Axial Theater**, Stephen Palgon, speaks about another historic location – Axial's home at St. John's Episcopal Church in Pleasantville: "There is unique character that already exists in the space. The amazing stained glass windows and even the texture of the walls. We are going to continue pushing ourselves to use the church in creative new ways." In November, Axial presents *Back to the Garden*, a farcical retelling of the Genesis story of Adam and Eve.

The fact that **Hudson Stage Company** (HSC) is housed in the North Castle Public Library may surprise some people; nevertheless, nestled in this community library



North Castle Public Library houses the Whippoorwill Hall Theatre

is a state-of-the-art facility, the Whippoorwill Hall Theatre. "Our audiences are always pleasantly surprised when they walk into the lobby, and then into our theatre," explains Denise Bessette, one of the theater's co-founders and artistic producers. She continues: "The space is an intimate proscenium theatre with 184 seats and excellent acoustics. It's got handicap access, is audience-friendly and has sufficient bathroom stalls for the public, all in a welcoming environment." From Oct. 18-Nov. 2, HSC presents *A Doll's House, Part 2*, a comedic play

inspired by Henrik Ibsen's *A Doll's House*, which imagines Ibsen's character Nora Helmer fifteen years later.

Last, an underutilized location in Pleasantville has had its own clever revival. Though in the midst of renovating a new larger space for its productions, **Arc Stages'** temporary placement in an old warehouse has done the trick for more than 25 years. Through Oct. 13, the award-winning rock musical *Hedwig and the Angry Inch* tells the story of a singer who navigates a journey of love, revenge and self-acceptance after a botched

sex change surgery. "Producing theatrical pieces in what was a beat up old warehouse just feels good," says Artistic Director Adam Cohen. He explains: "It's like we are breathing new life and energy into a forgotten building. I have always believed that theater can be created anywhere. I suppose our efforts prove that."

Perhaps theater is best enjoyed in the nooks and crannies of the County that need the most love and have the most heart.

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Gender, Feminism, Guns... All Part of Today's Theater in Westchester Broadway and "Off" coming here

by Janet Langsam, ArtsWestchester CEO

Westchester theaters are taking on the tough issues in our society. Many of the plays slated for this fall season are about difficult issues that are playing out in communities and in the media. Much of it has a hopeful message. As Bram Lewis, Artistic Director at Schoolhouse Theater, puts it: "theaters are places of healing in our community...much like a hospital, school or church. They're one more place where we can talk about our values."

Think about Hedwig, that character with an angry inch. A hilarious rock musical, *Hedwig and the Angry Inch* played on Broadway and is now coming to Pleasantville courtesy of Arc Stages. What's it about you may ask? Its backdrop is a subject being discussed in schoolyards throughout the country...gender fluidity. Will Taylor plays Hedwig, a transgender person who has gender reassignment surgery; however, the universal message of the play is "a search for acceptance," says Adam Cohen, Arc's Artistic Director, who saw the original play six times in a small Jane Street theater and wanted to bring it to Westchester. "It moved me to stillness," he explains. "The idea is that you are whole as you are, so accept yourself."

The Amish Project, presented by The Schoolhouse Theater and written by actress playwright Jessica Dickey, is a fictional story based on a shooting in 2006 in Lancaster, PA. Yes, it is about an

act of gun violence in the Nickel Mines School, in which six girls were killed and others wounded. The community reached out to the widow of the perpetrator to build a journey toward forgiveness. One woman, Katherine Michelle Tanner, plays eight roles in a tour de force performance.

And then there's White Plains Performing Arts Center, which is

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showcasing Elton John and Tim Rice's musical *Aida*. Based on the opera, the original musical is about war and power, those things that divide us. Beginning in the Egyptian wing of a museum, the action slips back in time to the Nile's edge, where lovers Aida, an enslaved Nubian princess and Radames, her captor, tragically engage in forbidden love. Aida is forced to find balance between her heart's yearning and her responsibility to lead her people. Isn't that always

the woman's choice?

And speaking about women and choices, that brings us to Hudson Stage Company's production of *A Doll's House, Part 2*, a play about a play, both by the way written by men. The play contrasts the morality and gender roles of women in the 19th century, with the aspirations of 21st-Century women who are urgently trying to find their own

voices, while still tied in many ways to family and tradition.

What is remarkable about this season of thought-provoking theater is its message of hope. We are asked to think beyond war to leadership, beyond gender to acceptance, beyond violence to forgiveness and beyond tradition to human rights.

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Joshua Bell (photo by Chris Lee)

MARTIN GINSBURG

to be Honored for Creating Special Places With Art

Real estate developer and architect Martin Ginsburg, Founder and Principal of Ginsburg Development Companies, LLC (GDC), has made art central to the communities he has built for more than 50 years. A key focus of his community revitalization efforts has been in creating special places through architecture, landscaping and art. For the vision, creativity and innovation he has brought to Westchester County during his distinguished career, ArtsWestchester will honor him with its Innovation Award at its annual gala on November 23.

Janet T. Langsam explains: "ArtsWestchester is thrilled to be presenting Martin with this award because he is a true visionary who has always believed that art enhances people's living spaces and that artwork should be a prominent feature in his residential, commercial

and mixed-use properties."

Founded with his brother Samuel, GDC has designed and built over 5,600 residential units, becoming the leading developer of residential properties in the northern suburbs of New York City. Since the mid-1990s, GDC developed a company focus on waterfront development. Martin became a leading advocate for the post-industrial rediscovery of the Hudson River.

Martin's use of public art in creating inspiring public spaces began in Haverstraw where GDC's Harbors at Haverstraw project included a new scenic promenade park along the Hudson River, lined with monumental sculptures. He later also used sculptures as iconic elements to enliven a new park he created in Ossining, part of the Harbor Square mixed-use development.

Often found with pencil in hand,

sketching the perfect angle for a future sculpture, Martin also has a vision for White Plains that includes public art. He is currently undertaking a grand endeavor to transform the former Westchester Financial Center into City Square, a mixed-use project that will include a revitalized 50 Main Street office building, luxury rental apartments, new retail, restaurant offerings and a new one acre private park above the roof deck of a garage that will connect all the buildings. Each component of the City Square project will feature public art, including a signature sculpture that will stand in front of 50 Main



Martin Ginsburg (photo credit: John Vecchiolla)

Street, welcoming people to White Plains at the gateway entrance to the city's downtown. Says Langsam: "We applaud Martin and GDC for incorporating the arts into the built environment."

For gala tickets and more info, visit: artsw.org/gala.

Need for Capital Funds To Grow Cultural Organizations

Cultural organizations in Westchester were ecstatic when, several years ago, a \$20 million budget line was established at the New York Council for the Arts (NYSCA) for cultural projects. That fund no longer exists, but it funded many major projects in Westchester and throughout the state. The curtailment of this program was a blow to Westchester arts groups, some of which fared well in applying for these funds.

In 2017, Music Conservatory of Westchester (MCW) was awarded

\$500,000 to upgrade its facilities. When the music school, now in its 90th year, raises funds to match the grant, it will expand its White Plains location to include recording studios and a digital piano, securing the school's quality of education firmly in the digital age.

In 2018, Jacob Burns Film Center (JBFC) was awarded around \$506,500 from the same Large Capital Funds NYSCA program, with which it will construct and execute plans for refurbishments of its Pleasantville theater, helping to

achieve the goal of improving the customer experience.

The large capital funds, which are no longer available, were intended for major facility improvements such as "technology that would benefit the public," "renovations and/or expansions of space(s) that are open to the public" or "strengthen[ing] tourism."

Strengthening tourism turns out to be a measurable way to demonstrate the economic value of the arts on Westchester's economy. In fact, a study by Americans for

the Arts found that the arts have a \$172 million economic impact and produce 5,200 jobs. Of interest too is the fact that non-residents (tourists) spend an average of 24 percent more per person than local residents attending arts events. These no-longer-available capital funds impede the economic boost the arts bring to local communities. Residents who believe that the arts improve quality of life are encouraged to contact their legislators and the Governor for restoration of these funds.

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THE CHAIR SHOW

ArtsWestchester's current exhibition, *The Chair Show*, presents the works of more than 50 artists who prompt their viewers to consider the creativity, forms and art of seating. For more info, visit artsw.org/thechairshow.



Chair by Amanda Browder

Browder, a textile artist, creates installations and monumental works out of brightly colored and patterned fabrics, which are often acquired and sewn through community involvement. This *Chair* was originally part of an installation titled *Prism/Livin/Room*, in which the artist filled a gallery with fabric objects that reference the private, interior space of a living room.

Lay All Your Love on Me by Hanna Washburn

Washburn recasts a chair that was in the dining room of her childhood home as an assemblage of outworn, cherished clothing. She characterizes the work's figure as "dense and seemingly weightless, extending beyond the structure of the chair, but sagging under the weight of the form...ambiguous and unruly, making a space for herself, and demanding room to breathe."



At Your Own Risk by B.A. D'Alessandro

D'Alessandro described this piece with clarity of purpose and sense of humor: "Not every situation puts you in a comfortable position...whether it is a dirty park bench or a suspicious character alongside you in the subway, you need to watch where you place your derriere."



Telechair by Christopher Flick

Environmental responsibility and an urban funk aesthetic come together in this functional sculpture, which reconfigures the shapes and utility of abandoned street furniture with an eye for formal and functional puns.



MARSHA ON THE MOVE

Monthly Web Feature

When Business Council of Westchester President, Marsha Gordon, is not advocating for businesses in the County, she can be found at the cinema or theater. Read Marsha's reviews on ArtsWestchester's "As a Matter of Art" blog: artsw.org/artsblog.

DOWNTON ABBEY

The King and Queen are coming to Downton Abbey. Bring out the incredible clothes, fine silver and china, best food, gorgeous music, and all that is required to prepare the palace for the royals – pageantry at its best. Add in a community filled with excitement. Of course, being Downton Abbey, add in a bit of intrigue, some thievery, a potential assassination, envy, competition and back-biting – all of course for the greater good of making Downton the best. What makes this movie, and of course the series that it is based from, so

great is that beneath all of this, what seems like stuffiness, are really good people who ultimately care for each other, transcend social classes with friendship and love, and who want to break out of the social, sexual and class molds in which they are expected to live. Downton Abbey is more than a magnificent building, it is indeed the heart of the community. May this kind and good heart keep beating. I loved seeing all of these wonderful, delicious characters, who now leap from television to the movies, and I can't wait for the next one.

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FRANK'S PICKS:

Monthly Web Feature: October 2019

Frank's Picks is a music column by music journalist, author and radio producer Frank Matheis, in which he guides readers through many upcoming concerts and performances in and near Westchester County. To read the full previews, visit artsw.org/frankspicks.



• **Robert Cray – Sat, Oct. 5, 8pm**
Tarrytown Music Hall (13 Main Street, Tarrytown) Robert Cray is a soul singer who is also a superb, tasteful guitarist. His performances are clean, elegant and eloquent, refined and yet a deeply soulful amalgam of blues, soul and R&B.

• **Amy Helm – Sat, Oct. 12, 8pm**
Emelin Theatre (153 Library Lane, Mamaroneck) Amy Helm is a superb singer/songwriter and one of the finest and most beautiful voices in New York. She blends an amalgam of folk, alt-country, a slight touch of blues and gospel.

• **Jerron Paxton – Thur, Oct. 19, 7:30pm**
Tompkins Corners Cultural Center (729 Peekskill Hollow Road, Putnam Valley)

Jerron Paxton is a superlative musical genius on guitar, banjo, piano and harmonica with a vast repertoire of songs and tunes. He plays in the true songster tradition: blues, ragtime, hokum, old-time, Appalachian mountain music and more.

• **Westchester Philharmonic – Sun, Oct. 27, 3pm**
The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College (735 Anderson Hill Rd, Purchase)
Eric Jacobsen, conducting with Simone Porter, violin.
Caroline Shaw: *Entr'acte*
Barber: *Violin Concerto*. Brahms: *Symphony No. 2*. Pre-concert discussion with the artists at 2pm.



Jerron Paxton (photo credit: Bibiana Huang Matheis)



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Music lovers recently filled venues and lined streets for a robust lineup of jazz performances throughout downtown White Plains. Organized by ArtsWestchester, White Plains BID and the City of White Plains and presented by Bank of America, JazzFest White Plains offered 20+ sets of music at 10+ venues over a period of five days. For more photos, visit artsw.org/photogallery.

1. (l to r) Emmet Cohen, George Coleman, Russell Hall and Jimmy Cobb at White Plains Performing Arts Center (photo credit: Tim Grajek) 2. Craig Young, Director, Market Executive of Merrill, a Bank of America Company, kicks off JazzFest White Plains 2019 for Presenting Sponsor Bank of America 3. Melissa Aldana joins Joel Ross 'Good Vibes' at ArtsWestchester 4. JazzFest Artistic Director Aaron Paige, ArtsWestchester CEO Janet Langsam, vibraphonist and composer Joel Ross, and White Plains Recreation & Parks Commissioner Wayne Bass at ArtsWestchester 5. Mwenso & The Shakes (photo credit: Tim Grajek) 6. Camille Thurman (photo credit: Tim Grajek)



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The Frission Ensemble, Westchester Chamber Music Society, 10/20 (photo credit: Dorothy Shi)

10/1 TUESDAY

Music: Westchester Oratorio Society presents *WOS Choir Rehearsal*. The Society will begin its rehearsals in preparation for its 2019-2020 Season. Tuesdays through 11/23. 7-9:15pm at Katonah Village Library. westchesteroratorio.org

10/3 THURSDAY

Spoken Word: White Plains Public Library presents *Poetry Slam & Open Mic*. This event will feature performances from guest poets from around the country. 6:30-9pm. whiteplainslibrary.org

Family & Kids: Historic Hudson Valley presents *The Great Jack O'Lantern Blaze*. This display features elaborate single-pumpkin carvings and multi-jack o'lantern constructions. Through 11/30. Times vary at Van Cortlandt Manor. hudsonvalley.org

Tours: Lyndhurst Mansion presents *Classic Mansion Tour with Autumnal Décor*. Visitors will discover the mansion's rooms, all decorated with trimmings for the autumn season. Thursdays through Mondays through 10/31. 10am-4pm. lyndhurst.org

Theater: Schoolhouse Theater presents *The Amish Project*. This is a fictional exploration of the Nickel Mines schoolhouse shooting in an Amish community. Through 10/20. Times vary. schoolhousetheater.org

10/4 FRIDAY

Spoken Word: Antonia Arts presents *First Friday Open Mic*. This event offers poets, writers, singers, musicians and actors five minutes to share their voices at Studio 4 in Peekskill. 7:30-10pm. antoniaarts.org

Family & Kids: Historic Hudson Valley presents *Irving's Legend*.

Master storytellers offer dramatic retellings of Washington Irving's classic tale, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*. Through 10/31. Times vary at Old Dutch Church. hudsonvalley.org

Theater: Arc Stages presents *Hedwig and the Angry Inch*. This award-winning rock musical tells the story of Hedwig, a fourth-wall smashing genderqueer East German rock 'n' roll goddess. 8-10pm. arcstages.org

Family & Kids: Historic Hudson Valley presents *Horseman's Hollow*. An immersive experience with state-of-the-art special effects and costumes will bring the tale of *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* to life. Through 11/3. Times vary at Philipsburg Manor. hudsonvalley.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *An Evening with Margo Taft Stever, Suzanne Cleary and Arthur Sze*. Three poets will read from their latest collections. 7-8:30pm. writerscenter.org

Family & Kids: Historic Hudson Valley presents *The Sleepy Hollow Experience*. This outdoor performance of Washington Irving's tale *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* will include live music and seasonal drinks. Select nights through 11/3. 6:30 & 8:30pm at Irving's Sunnyside. hudsonvalley.org

Music: Pelham Art Center presents *ArtsFest Kickoff Party*. The Center's kicks off the festival with a showcase of local women singer-songwriters hosted in collaboration with the #WomenCrush Music organization. 6-9pm. pelhamartcenter.org

Family & Kids: White Plains Public Library presents *Comic Book Club for Teens*. Participants will discuss new titles and learn sketching techniques from a local artist. 4-5:30pm. whiteplainslibrary.org

Film: Historic Hudson Valley presents *The Unsilent Picture*. This

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all-original black and white film is based on the Washington Irving story *The Adventure of the Mysterious Picture*. Through 11/3. Times vary at Philipsburg Manor. hudsonvalley.org

10/5 SATURDAY

Festivals: Larchmont Arts Festival presents *Larchmont Arts Festival*. This family-friendly event includes original art for sale, live music and arts activities for kids. 12-5pm at Constitution Park. facebook.com/larchmontartsfestival

Dance: New Rochelle Public Library presents *New Rochelle Arts Fest: Ballet Fairytales*. The Ajkun Ballet Company will perform dances from fairytales, including *Little Red Riding Hood*, *The Sleeping Beauty*, *Swan Lake* and more. 3-4pm. nrpl.org

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *New Rochelle Arts Fest: Painting Activity*. Members of the New Rochelle Art Association will help with a rock-painting project – and rock hunt. 11:30am-1pm. nrpl.org



Cellist Zlatomir Fung, Friends of Music Concerts, Inc., 10/26 (photo source: zlatomirfung.com)

Music: New Rochelle Public Library presents *New Rochelle Arts Fest: Family Performance by Songcatchers*

and Friends. The Songcatchers Choir and other vocalists will perform a selection of joyful songs. 11am-12pm. nrpl.org

Reception: New Rochelle Public Library presents *Reception for 104th Annual Juried Exhibition*. The New Rochelle Art Association will celebrate New Rochelle's Arts Fest with refreshments, a brief exhibit awards ceremony and live music by the Rocky Middleton Trio. 5:30-7pm. nrpl.org

Theater: New Rochelle Public Library presents *New Rochelle Arts Fest: Talent Showcase*. This Arts Fest event will feature a variety of stage performances. 4-5:30pm. nrpl.org

Theater: Smart Arts presents *Aquila Theatre: 1984*. George Orwell's cautionary novel is brought to the stage by Aquila's signature bold, ensemble-driven, physical style. 8-10pm. sunywcc.edu/smartarts

Family & Kids: Historic Hudson Valley presents *Home of the 'Legend'*. Sunnyside celebrates its connection to Washington Irving's classic tale, *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*, at this family friendly daytime event. Weekends through 10/28. Times vary at Irving's Sunnyside. hudsonvalley.org

Reception: Music Conservatory of Westchester presents *A 90th Anniversary Kick-Off and Open House*. The event will include student performances, demo lessons and a musical instrument petting zoo. 11am-3pm. musicconservatory.org

10/6 SUNDAY

Film: Emelin Theatre presents *Sunday Morning Cinema*. This event series will screen six pre-release, critically-acclaimed independent films from around the world. Also 10/20, 10/27. 10am-12:15pm. emelin.org

Spoken Word: The Katonah Poetry Series presents *Poetry Reading: Maggie Smith*. Smith's poems affirm the virtues of humanity: compassion, empathy, and the ability to comfort one another when darkness falls. 3:45-5:45pm at Katonah Village Library. katonahpoetry.com

Spoken Word: New Rochelle Public Library presents *New Rochelle Arts Fest: Read650 "The Car"*. Writers will share stories comprised of 650 words or less, that relate to cars. 3-5pm. nrpl.org

Folk Arts: Pelham Art Center presents *Diwali Folk Art Celebration*.

From the Schoolyard to the River Beach: A "Nature Girls" Art Exhibit with Strawtown Studio

OPENING RECEPTION

Oct 6, Sunday, 3pm-5pm, FREE

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1600 Spring Valley Rd
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Inspiring for children and adults alike, this creative exhibition highlights the discoveries and art creations of the Nature Girls, through the seasons and over the years.

"Nature Girls" is a Teatown program that encourages girls to develop an interest for natural science. For the past six years, Hudson Valley-based Strawtown Studio artists/educators have been collaborating with Teatown to bring their nature-art education specialty to the "Nature Girls."



Guests will enjoy an ancient Indian classical dance performance, audience participation, traditional hands-on art workshops and henna body art. 2-4pm. pelhamartcenter.org

Reception: Teatown Lake Reservation presents *From the Schoolyard to the River Beach Opening*. This exhibition will capture the beauty of the Hudson Valley through the artistic lens of the young girls in the afterschool enrichment program, Nature Girls. 3-5pm. teatown.org

10/7 MONDAY

Lectures: Color Camera Club of Westchester presents *Presentation: Fred Conrad*. The photographer specializes in portraiture using a variety of cameras and techniques. 7:30-9:30pm. colorcameraclub.org

Theater: The Rye Arts Center presents *Play With Your Food*. Guests will enjoy a gourmet buffet lunch and settle in for a program of one-act play readings by both classic and contemporary playwrights read by professional actors. 12-1:30pm. ryeartscenter.org

10/8 TUESDAY

Music: Hudson Valley Music Club presents *October Mostly Morning Concert*. The program will include works by David Ehrlich, Anton Arensky, Alexander Scriabin and Nikolai Medtner. 11am-12pm at Dobbs Ferry Woman's Club. 914-478-0417

10/10 THURSDAY

Reception: ArtsWestchester presents *Gallery Night Out: The Chair Show Uncovered*. During this networking event, guests will explore *The Chair Show* with a curator's tour and artist talk. 5:30-7pm. artsw.org

10/11 FRIDAY

Theater: White Plains Performing Arts Center presents *Aida*. This musical follows the love triangle between Aida, a Nubian princess stolen from her country, Amneris, an Egyptian princess and Radames, the soldier they both love. Through 10/27. 8-10:15pm. wppac.com

10/12 SATURDAY

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Veronica Swift*. Swift has performed all over the world with the top names in jazz, and has won prestigious awards such as second place at the Thelonious Monk Jazz Competition in 2015. 8-9:30pm. caramoor.org

Tours: Lyndhurst Mansion presents *Autumn Open House Weekends*. Visitors can walk through the mansion without a guided tour, view the seasonal decorations at their own pace, and take in the wonders of the historic mansion. Select weekends through 10/27. Times vary. lyndhurst.org

Family & Kids: Emelin Theatre presents *Moon Mouse*. Lightwire Theater Company uses glow-in-the-dark puppets, electro-luminescent wire, movement and dance to present a cosmic, theatrical experience. 11am & 1:30pm. emelin.org

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *Amy Helm Band*. Helm will perform a mix of Americana, country, blues, and gospel music. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Music: Friends of Music Concerts, Inc. presents *Emerson String Quartet concert*. This program will include Mozart's *String Quartet in D Major, K. 575*, Dvorak's *String Quartet in E-flat Major, Op. 51* and Shostakovich's *String Quartet No. 5 in B-flat Major, Op. 92*. 8-10:30pm at Kusel Auditorium at Sleepy Hollow High School. friendsofmusicconcerts.org

Reception: Hudson Valley MOCA presents *How We Live Opening Reception*. This exhibition of sculpture and video moves past the human form to explore the products and production of humanity across a multitude of geographies, cultures, and times. 4-7pm. hudsonvalleymoca.org

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *BID Family Market Day: Family Performance by Zev Haber*. Children of all ages will join Zev in singing and dancing during the performance. 11:15am-12pm. nrpl.org

Spoken Word: New Rochelle Public Library presents *New Rochelle Open Mic*. Local poet Bobby Sanchez, who serves as emcee, will continue this

platform for artists to share their voices and talent. 11:15am-12pm. nrpl.org

Theater: River's Edge Theatre Co. presents *Circle Mirror Transformation by Annie Baker*. When four lost New Englanders, who enroll in Marty's six-week-long community-center drama class, begin to experiment with harmless games, hearts are torn apart, and tiny wars of epic proportions are waged and won. 7:30-9:30pm at Irvington Town Hall Theater. riversedgetheatre.com

Music: Walkabout Clearwater Coffeehouse presents *Joe Jencks*.

Jencks is an international touring songwriter and educator who merges conservatory training with his Irish folk roots. 7:30-10pm at Memorial United Methodist Church. walkaboutchorus.org

Tours: White Plains Historical Society presents *"Path Through History" Open House*. Guests will discover the authentic displays of what life was like in White Plains in the mid- and late-



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- Yonkers Film Festival presents **YoFi Fest** from November 1-11, with a lineup of events, including lectures, workshops, receptions and the screening more than 190 films. **Arts Deal:** An early-bird pricing special on Full Festival and Full Day passes to this year's film festival is available until Oct. 4.
- Hudson Stage Company presents ***A Doll's House, Part 2*** from Oct. 18-Nov. 2 at the Whippoorwill Hall Theatre at North Castle Library in Armonk. Inspired by Henrik Ibsen's *A Doll's House*, the play is a comedic modern imagining of Ibsen's character, Nora Helmer, fifteen years later. **Arts Deal:** Get a ticket discount with code DH30 through Nov. 2.

For ArtsW Arts Deals alerts, visit: artsw.org/artsdeals



Sattriya Dance Company, Diwali Folk Art Celebration, Pelham Art Center, 10/6
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18th century as they explore The Purdy House, which was used as General Washington's Headquarter from July 23 to September 16, 1778. 12-4pm at The Jacob Purdy House. whiteplainshistory.org

10/13 SUNDAY

Music: PJS Jazz Society presents *King Solomon Hicks*. The young jazz guitarist brings his jazz and blues innovations to the Society's Second Sunday Jazz concert series. 5:15-9pm at First Presbyterian Church. pjsjazz.org

10/17 FRIDAY

Theater: M&M Performing Arts Company presents *Jay Ghoul's House of Curiosities*. This Halloween's all-new edition of Jay Ghoul's House of Curiosities is based on classic mystery stories. Through 10/31. 6pm. lmpaci.com

10/18 FRIDAY

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *Rhonda Vincent and The Rage*. The 2018 Grammy Award winner and her band will perform bluegrass music. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Music: Hoff-Barthelson Music School presents *Jazz Night*. Guests will enjoy an evening of improvisations and standards performed by members of the Jazz Faculty. 7:30-9pm. hbms.org

Theater: Hudson Stage Company presents *A Doll's House Part 2*. This is Lucas Hnaths' inspired comedic modern imagining of Nora Helmer's return 15 years after her shocking decision to leave her husband and children in Ibsen's world of 1879. Through 11/2. 8-9:30pm at Whippoorwill Theatre, North Castle Public Library. hudsonstage.com

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Open Mic*. Writers and performers in every genre will share their words, music or comedy with an audience. 7:30-9:30pm. writerscenter.org

Tours: Katonah Museum of Art presents *Senior Social*. Led by an expert docent, guests will explore the work of women artists of Abstract Expressionism and reminisce about New York in the '50s. 1-2pm. katonahmuseum.org

Tours: Katonah Museum of Art presents *Stroller Tours*. Families and their babies will explore the exhibition *Sparkling Amazons* with other new parents and caregivers. 9:30-10:30am. katonahmuseum.org

Theater: The Harrison Players, Inc. presents *Gemini*. Set in the backyard of a blue-collar South Philadelphia neighborhood early in the summer of 1973, the comedy-drama focuses on the 21st birthday celebration of Harvard student Francis Geminiani. Also 10/19, 10/20. 8-10pm at The Veterans' Memorial Building. harrisonplayers.org

10/19 SATURDAY

Family & Kids: ArtsWestchester presents *ArtsWestchester ArtsMobile: Larchmont Farmers Market*. The ArtsMobile by ArtsWestchester offers community members of all ages the opportunity to participate in arts activity throughout the county. 8:30am-1pm at Larchmont Farmers' Market. artsw.org

Theater: Axial Theatre presents *Trivia Night*. Guests will enjoy a night of Halloween-themed Trivia Night. 7-11pm at Axial Theatre at St. John's Episcopal Church. artsw.org

Comedy: Emelin Theatre presents *Ladies of Laughter*. This year's show will feature four new comedians, including Mamaroneck native Ivy Eisenberg. 7 & 9:30pm. emelin.org

Theater: Irvington Town Hall Theater presents *William Allen Jones' "The Legend of Sleepy Hollow"*. Presented by Altitude Entertainment, this performance infuses new life into the classic tale of Ichabod Crane and The Headless Horseman with memorable rock and pop songs. Through 10/26. 8-10:30pm. irvingtontheater.com

Reception: Mamaroneck Artists Guild presents *MAG's Annual Awards Show*. There will be an opening reception for this exhibition, featuring diverse works by the Guild's artists. 6pm. mamaroneckartistsguild.org

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *BID Family Market Day: Fall Festival I*. Families with children ages 8-12 years are invited to paint seasonal scenes for Halloween and Thanksgiving on the windows of downtown businesses. 10-11:30am. nrpl.org

Dance: Smart Arts presents *National Dance Company of Siberia*. This ensemble transcends regional folk dance, elevating a rich heritage from the provincial to a world class level of artistry. 8-10pm. sunywcc.edu/smartarts

Reception: The New Castle Historical Society presents *CVAC: The History of EMS in America*. This exhibition traces the history of ambulances, from the American revolution to the development of modern EMS. 1pm at Horace Greeley House. newcastlehistory.org

10/20 SUNDAY

Music: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Sherezade Panthaki, soprano*. In this program featuring both instrumental and vocal pieces, Panthaki is joined by the Helicon ensemble. 3-4:30pm. caramoor.org

Music: Westchester Chamber Music Society presents *The Frisson Ensemble*. This nine-piece chamber ensemble showcases a myriad of

rarely-performed masterworks. 4-6pm at Congregation Emanu-El. westchesterchambermusicsociety.com

10/23 WEDNESDAY

Lectures: The Ground Glass presents *Photography Lecture by Ernestine Ruben*. The topic of Ruben's talk will be "Career Development: Success and Failure". 7-9pm at The Rye Arts Center. thegroundglass.org

Family & Kids: Lyndhurst Mansion presents *Ken Salaz: Magician and Master of Astonishment*. The celebrity mentalist and magician will evoke the supernatural in this mysterious Halloween performance. Also 10/30. 7 & 8pm. lyndhurst.org

10/24 THURSDAY

Reception: Katonah Museum of Art presents *Lee and Me*. Ruth Appelhof, PhD, former Executive Director of Guild Hall, East Hampton, will talk about her relationship with Lee Krasner, who is the subject of her recent personal memoir. 6-8pm. katonahmuseum.org

Spoken Word: Warner Library presents *Dramatic Reading*. Voice actor Alan Sklar will read Washington Irving's *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* in the library Reading Room. 7-8pm. warnerlibrary.org

10/25 FRIDAY

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *Broadway Fright Night*. This event will celebrate songs from musicals, including *Wicked*, *The Phantom of the Opera*, *Jekyll and Hyde*, *Little Shop of Horrors*, *The Rocky Horror Show*, and more. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Spoken Word: Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *An Evening with Patrick Donnelly, Ron Slate, and Stephanie Strickland*. These authors and poets will read from their latest works. 7-8:30pm. writerscenter.org

Reception: The Gordon Parks Foundation presents *Artist Reception for Exodusters*. There will be an opening reception for new works of The Foundation's 2019 Fellow Hank Willis Thomas, who draws upon the archive of Gordon Parks' seminal and semi-

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autobiographical film, *The Learning Tree*. 6-8pm. gordonparksfoundation.org

10/26 SATURDAY

Music: Emelin Theatre presents *8Track Band*. This dynamic eight-piece band performs audience favorites with a big band sound of trumpet and sax. 8-10pm. emelin.org

Music: Friends of Music Concert, Inc. presents *celloist Zlatomir Fung*. Fung will perform classical selections with piano collaborator Richard Fu. 8-10:30pm at Kusel Auditorium at Sleepy Hollow High School. friendsofmusicconcerts.org

Family & Kids: New Rochelle Public Library presents *BID Family Market Day: Fall Festival II*. Families are welcome to the annual Merchant's Urchins Parade, which will include DJ music, pumpkin-painting and free treat bags for those in costume. 9:45-11am. nrpl.org

10/27 SUNDAY

Music: New Rochelle Public Library presents *"Music in Our Lives" Performance: Angels in the Chamber*. The group weaves elements of rock, pop, classical, improvisational and atmospheric music into a highly original genre all its own. 3-4pm. nrpl.org

Folk Arts: Pelham Art Center presents *Day of the Dead*. Guests will experience this festive Mexican tradition, in which passed loved ones are remembered with joy and celebration. 2-4pm. pelhamartcenter.org

Reception: The Katonah Museum of Art presents *Artist in Conversation*. Artists Rotem Reshef, Christopher Rothko and Stephen Maine will discuss Reshef's unique response to abstract expressionism. 3-5pm. katonahmuseum.org

Family & Kids: White Plains Historical Society presents *Battle of White Plains 243rd Anniversary Commemoration*. This celebration will feature colonial soldier re-enactors, craft displays and native American exhibits. 10am-3pm at The Jacob Purdy House. whiteplainshistory.org

10/28 MONDAY

Lectures: Color Camera Club of Westchester presents *Learn Lightroom Workflow*. Noted photographer and speaker Joe Brady will be discussing a user's work flow on Lightroom. 7-9pm. colorcameraclub.com

Music: Hudson Valley Music Club presents *October Professional Concert*. Pianist Yael Weiss will present *32 Bright Clouds: Beethoven Conversations Around the World*, a program that aims to harness music's power for unity and peace. 1-2pm at The Dobbs Ferry Woman's Club. 914-478-0417

10/30 WEDNESDAY

Family & Kids: Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Spooky Tales*. Families and children ages 3-8 will enjoy a storytelling performance, followed by a hot cider and other ghostly treats served in the Summer Dining Room. 3:30-4:30pm. caramoor.org

Reception: Neuberger Museum of Art presents *Fall Exhibition Opening Reception*. Guests will browse the fall 2019 exhibitions with live music, light refreshments and engaging conversations with artists, curators, and fellow art lovers. 4:30-7pm. neuberger.org

exhibitions

ArtsWestchester | artsw.org

- *The Chair Show*. This exhibition, featuring more than 50 artists from the regional artistic community, explores the creativity, forms and art of seating. 10/1-19. Tue-Fri:12-5pm, Sat 12-6pm.

Hammond Museum | hammondmuseum.org

- *Desert Walk by Yoon Cho*. This mixed media exhibition explores the connection between the biological life forms and the environment. Through 11/9, Wed-Sat: 12-4pm.
- *Transparent Libraries by Caroline Wirth Ullman*. Guests will walk through Caroline Wirth Ullman's sculptures in the Goelet Gallery. Through 11/9, Wed-Sat: 12-4pm.

Harrison Public Library | harrisonpl.org

- *Landscape: Remembering/Collecting Moments*. Silvia Gesing creates oil and pastel are based mostly on scenic views of Rye Marshlands, Read Sanctuary and other local parks and conservation areas. 10/6-11/1. Times vary.
- *Mandalas for Mindfulness*. Artist Doreen Grozinger creates mandalas, an artform that brings her peace and healing. 9/8-10/4, times vary.

Hudson Valley Potters | hudsonriverpotters.net

- *Semi Annual Show and Sale*. Ceramic artisans from the Hudson Valley will sell hand-made functional and decorative crafts at this pre-holiday show. 10/5-27. Sat & Columbus Day: 12-3:45pm, Sun: 10am-3:45pm at Muscoot Farms.

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Hudson River Museum | hrm.org

- ***A Century of Lunar Photography and Beyond.*** A selection of lunar photographs are on view from NASA, the Hastings Historical Society, the Lick Observatory Archive and private collections. Through 12/15, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.
- ***Through Our Eyes: Milestones and Memories of African Americans in Yonkers.*** The exhibition showcases photographs and objects donated by African Americans have helped to make Yonkers the vibrant city that it is today. Through 11/3, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

Iona College Council on the Arts

- ***Women in the Abstract.*** This solo exhibition by Steve Lyons reflects the totality of women, and how they resonate and are experienced within the overall social structure. Through 10/3. Times vary at Brother Kenneth Chapman Gallery.

Madelyn Jordon Fine Art

- ***The Arcana Series: Interpretations of Tarot.*** This solo exhibition features new abstract paintings based upon the tarot created in the past year by New York City artist Michelle Sakhai. Through 10/19, Tue-Sat: 11am-5pm.

Mamaroneck Artists Guild | mamaroneckartistsguild.org

- ***MAG's Annual Awards Show.*** This exhibition showcases the Guild's artists and their works in all media. Through 10/12, Tues-Sat: 12-5pm.

Neuberger Museum of Art | neuberger.org

- ***The Dye Garden.*** The exhibition includes film, video, photography, sculpture, and hand-dyed textiles that are inspired by artist Yto Barrada's family history, Islamic tradition and the legacy of Western colonialism. Through 12/22, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.
- ***Art Got Into Me.*** This is a ten-year survey of work by Engels the Artist, a Haitian artist who mixes spiritual elements with Haitian historical and social themes in his works. Through 12/22, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.
- ***Threnody.*** This 280-foot long, 22-foot tall site-specific painting by abstract expressionist Cleve Gray contains vertical forms engaged in a "dance of death and life." Through 12/22, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

New Rochelle Public Library | nrpl.org

- ***New Rochelle Art Association's 104th Annual Juried Exhibition.*** The show features works in oil, watercolor, graphics, mixed media, pastel, photography, sculpture and fine crafts. Through 10/20, times vary.

Oak & Oil Gallery | oakandoil.com

- ***Unbridled.*** This duo exhibition will feature the photographs of Julie Testwuide and Jane Cooper's paintings and monotypes. Through 10/5, 11am-5:30pm.

Ossining Arts Council | ossiningartscouncil.org

- ***River Reflections.*** Exhibiting contemporary art by the Council's members will celebrate the Hudson River. Through 10/27, times vary at The Jug Tavern of Sparta.

Pelham Art Center | pelhamartcenter.org

- ***In/Flux.*** This visual art exhibition features immigrant and first generation artists that respond to immigration stories through their unique vantage point in a time of diverging world views. Through 11/3. Mon-Fri: 10am-5pm, Sat: 10am-4pm.



Untitled (After Stella, Tetuan I) by Yto Barrada, Neuberger Museum of Art, Yto Barrada: The Dye Garden, Through 12/22

- ***Reclaimed.*** Niki Lederer reassembles plastic bottles to create playful sculptures that demonstrate the futility of contemporary mass consumption. Through 10/30, times vary at the Center and Wolfs Lane Park.
- ***Yarn Bombing Wolfs Lane Park.*** Melissa Maddonni Haims creates a site-specific installation using knitted and crocheted yarns, as well as recycled materials that embrace the trees at Wolfs Lane Park. Through 10/30, times vary.

The New Castle Historical Society | newcastlehs.org

- ***CVAC: The History of EMS in America.*** This exhibition traces the history of ambulances, from the American revolution to the development of modern EMS. Beginning 10/19 at Horace Greeley House, New Castle Historical Society. Times vary.

The Gordon Parks Foundation | gordonparksfoundation.org

- ***Exodusters.*** The Foundation's 2019 Fellow Hank Willis Thomas draws upon the archive of Gordon Parks' seminal and semi-autobiographical film *The Learning Tree* to examine the representation and depiction of history. 10/25-12/20. Mon-Fri: 10am-4pm.
- ***Must've been a wake-dream.*** Guadalupe Rosales collects ephemera representing Latinx Southern California youth culture to bring visibility to a community that has been overlooked, misrepresented and criminalized. Through 10/18. Mon-Fri: 10am-4pm.

workshops

A.R.T./New York | art-newyork.org

- **Creative Opportunity Fund Info Session.** This session will discuss the application process for the 2020 Creative Opportunity Fund, which provides grants to professional theatres and artists in NY. 10/10, 6:45-8pm at ArtsWestchester.
- **Strategy & Planning for Small Organizations.** A.R.T./New York programs staff will host a workshop on Strategy & Planning for Small Organizations. 10/10, 5-6:30pm at ArtsWestchester.

ArtsWestchester | artsw.org

- **Artist Workshop with Patti Mollica.** This fast-paced, informative 2-hour lecture will cover a technical review of water-based media and their varied application possibilities. 10/24, 5:30-7pm at ArtsWestchester.
- **Teen Tuesdays & Thursdays.** Students ages 12-16 will participate in new art activities in each workshop, including figure drawing, cartooning and A Festival of Lights dance. 10/1, 10/8, 10/17. 4:30-6pm.

Clay Art Center | clayartcenter.org

- **Family Wheel Night.** This is a one-time class for parents, tweens and teens interested in learning to use the potter's wheel. 10/5, 10/26. 6-8pm.
- **Halloween-Themed Drop In Clay.** Participants will create a handmade, personalized Halloween decoration. Projects will be fired and ready for pick up before October 30th. 10/12, 1:30-3:30pm.

Country Dancers of Westchester | 845-642-2074

- **English Country Dance Basics.** Dancers of all levels are welcome to these sessions. Thursdays, 7:30-10pm at The Church in the Highlands.

Hudson Valley Writers Center | writerscenter.org

- **I Am Not a Real Writer with Kirsten Bakis.** Through exploratory exercises, light

readings and discussion, this class will help participants write a story. Through 10/19, 10am-12pm.

- **Writing, Revising, and Publishing Short Fiction with Beth Hahn.** In this six-week workshop, fiction writers will gain a deeper understanding of revision through in-class critiques and writing exercises. Through 10/16, 6:30-9pm.

Katonah Museum of Art | katonahmuseum.org

- **Artful Afternoon.** Families will enjoy a host of fun projects and activities inspired by the exhibition, *Sparkling Amazons*. 10/18, 3-5pm.

Mamaroneck Artists Guild | mamaroneckartistsguild.org

- **Jump Start Your Art, 2019-Part 2: Creativity and Motivation.** The presentation covers topics such as creativity in art historically, as well as practical tips and advice on how to stoke creativity and motivation. 10/20, 1-3pm.

New England Fashion Design | newenglandfashionanddesign.com

- **Fashion Pattern Making 1.** In this beginner's workshop, students are exposed to pattern-making, including how to measure and create a basic skirt. Saturdays, 3-5pm at ArtsWestchester.

New Rochelle Public Library | nrpl.org

- **Adventure in Architecture.** Children in Pre-K through grade 5 will join the ArchForKids team and turn found materials into structures. 10/5, 12-4pm at Huguenot Children's Library.
- **Needlework Workshop.** Rosalie Hollingsworth and Minnie Speciale will help beginners to experts with crocheting and knitting projects. 10/5 & 10/19, 10:30am-12pm.

Pelham Art Center | pelhamartcenter.org

- **ArtsFest 2019: Public Art in the Courtyard.** Community members are invited to create art projects with exhibiting artists at the Center. 10/5, 11am-3pm.

The Rye Arts Center | ryeartscenter.org

- **BYOB Thursday Night Out: Still-Life Paintings.** Participants will be encouraged to work at their own pace, and in their own style. 10/17, 6:15-9pm.
- **Make A Dragon With Polymer Clay.** Participants will learn how to use polymer clay to form a dragon sculpture. 10/19, 2 & 3pm.

White Plains Public Library | whiteplainslibrary.org

- **Day of the Dead Workshop.** Children and their families will make an altar to honor the lives and times of beloved deceased family members. 10/11, 4:30-5pm.
- **Which Craft? Wednesday: Sewing for Teens.** Students in grades 6 and up will learn to use a sewing machine and make a simple project. 10/23, 4-5pm.



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