

Unifying Creative Minds to Expand Local Access to the Arts for the Wellness of Our Community; A Change to the By Laws

In addition to providing a print publication of local arts news to subscribing members and free art activities for local youth, The mission of The Allegany Arts Association shall be to unify local creators in the sponsorship, promotion, encouragement, and advancement of artistic, cultural, and educational activities, and provide free classes in the arts for Allegany County children and affordable cultural activities for local creators of all ages. Operating in compliance with our Cultural Policy of Belonging established in 2019, The Allegany Arts Association, Inc. seeks to promote unified efforts to increase participation in the arts by all residents of Allegany County, NY. The Association is supported by public funds, corporate donations, open memberships (through Newsletter subscriptions), and volunteers. Moving forward the Association intends to partner with the Belvidere Cornerstone, a future arts venue located in the center of the county, and other interested local parties to unify local creators under the umbrella of the Allegany Arts Association to expand local access to the arts for the wellness of our community.

The vote for the above adaptation of the Association By Laws will take place at the regular AAA Board Meeting at 4:30pm, at the David A. Howe Library, on January 5, 2022.

#### Review By Kathryn Ross, Editor

**Beyond Van Gogh: The Immersive Experience** Petals from flowers cascade down a towering wall, flow across the floor, over your feet and body immersing you in the artwork.

That is the experience of visiting "Beyond Van Gogh: The Immersive Experience" which was in Buffalo this Fall, but travelers will be able to experience the event this Winter and Spring when they visit other parts of the country.

Vincent Van Gogh was a Dutch Post-Impressionist artist. His works are characterized by the bold use of color and bold brush strokes which contributed to the foundations of Modern Art. Van Gogh was the ultimate tortured artist. Living from 1853 to 1890 he is unfortunately best known for cutting off his own ear and eventually killing himself. His legacy is his more than 2000 works of art including many self-portraits, and portraits of common people, sunflowers, starry nights, and landscapes. **Cont'd. on** 

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#### ALLEGANY ARTS ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Submit your ads, artsy news & events to <u>alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com</u> **By February14th for publication In our Spring Newsletter Featuring local art March, April, May** 

## CREATOR'S CORNER

PHOTOGRAPER

Melanie Hunt Streeter

Melanie Hunt Streeter is a native of Wellsville and a 1995 graduate of Wellsville High School, After graduation she enlisted in the U.S. Air Force where she honed her skills in public affairs and learned about journalism and photography. She was assigned to the Pentagon and covered the Capitol. She returned to Wellsville in 2004.

She is raising two sons, who are now at an age that allows her more time for herself. She was a member of the Wellsville Daily Reporter staff for a time and is now working as an recruiter for a Health Care IT company.

"We appreciate what we have here when you go away and come back."



Streeter loves Wellsville at night and her photos are popular.



# 5 Things to Know

1. Melanie started walking on the WAG trail for exercise and peace of mind in 2016 and she began to see things she'd never noticed.

2. Not satisfied with phone photos she picked up a digital camera and now works with a Canon EOS 90D. She has over 80,000 photos.

3. While her streetscapes and photos of the Pink House get the raves, her favorite subjects are birds, insects and tiny flowers.

4. Admitting she is not good at sharing herself, she says photography gives her a way of sharing her memories.

5. She had an epiphany when she realized that she wasn't taking photos of subjects, but was taking photos of the way light hits a subject.

#### CULTURAL AMBASSADORS WANTED

Allegany Arts Association is seeking volunteer Cultural Ambassadors from the communities of Allegany County, NY. We would love to hear from you if you are an Allegany County resident willing to be a contact person to share and exchange artsy needs, news, activities, and events happening in your town, village, intersection, road, path, barn, etc. Just send an email with subject line:

AAA Cultural Ambassador for (the Name of Your Community)

to <u>alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com</u>

Online messages are monitored on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

#### Alfred Ceramic Art Museum

#### About US

**The Allegany Arts Association**, a non-profit (501c3) founded in 1982, promotes participation in the arts by all residents of Allegany County, NY. Supported by our members, a grant from Arts Services Initiative of Western NY, and a NYS Council on the Arts Decentralization Grants Program with support from the Governor & the NYS Legislature, administered by the Tri-County Arts Council; we provide arts programming and cultural activities for all ages.

#### **The Art News**

is published quarterly. We welcome news and photos about cultural activities in Allegany county. Announcements & Content may not reflect the views of the AAA Board. We work together with the Allegany County Libraries, Allegany Artisans, the Wellsville Art Association, The Fountain Arts Center, The Wellsville Creative Arts Center, The Belfast Organization for Artists, and many others to expand access to the arts in Allegany County, NY.

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Closed Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and major holidays

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#### My Fellow Art Lovers,

My name is Kathryn Ross. Many of you already know me. I have been a local journalist since 1984, a creative writer since I was 13 and a lifetime lover of art.

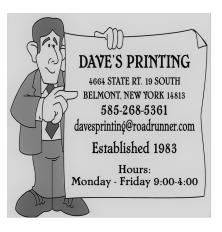
My definition of art is broader than most. For me an artist is anyone who is creative including musicians, writers, actors, movie makers, photographers, fiber artists, dancers and much more. I don't limit art to just someone who picks up a paint brush or who throws a pot. There is more to being creative than linseed oil and clay.

In the '80s I read an article in the New York Times that declared with so many artists living in the county it was destined to become the next great artist colony in the state. I want to help make that happen.

I hope to pursue all forms of art in this newsletter and keep you informed as to what is happening in our corner of the art world. Please send your news to me at kathr\_2002@yahoo.com

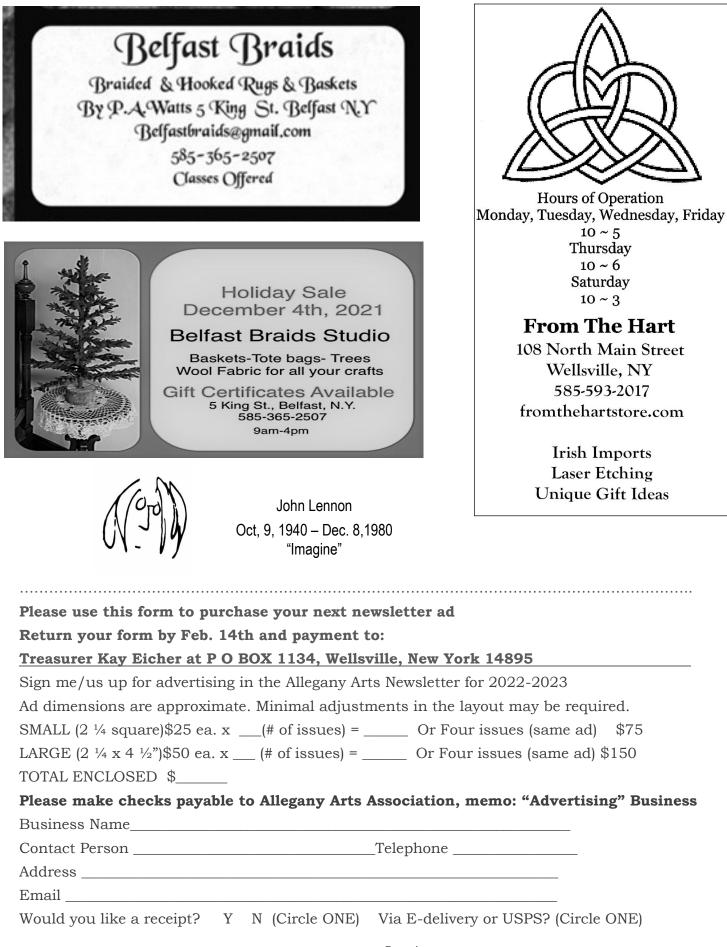
I want to thank the AAA officers for this opportunity and Sheila for a job well done.

Kathryn





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#### Library Holiday Events

#### David A. Howe Library Holiday Movies Nancy Howe Auditorium

Movie: Jungle Cruise Friday, December 3.4:30 – 6:30pm

Movie: The Nutcracker and the Four Realms Saturday, December  $11 \cdot 2:00 - 4:00$  pm

Movie: Muppets Christmas Carol Wednesday, December 15.4:30 – 6:00pm

Movie: Muppets Letters to Santa Monday, December 27.10:30am – 12:00pm

Movie: It's a Wonderful Life Tuesday, December 28.2:00 – 4:00pm

#### David A. Howe Library Holiday Events

Wellsville Village Winter Farmer's Market Saturday, December 4·10:00am – 2:00pm Weekly on Saturday, until Dec 19, 2021 Exhibition Room

Local Author Benjamin J.B. Lipscomb "The Women Are Up to Something" Wednesday, December 1, 5 – 6 pm

Nutcracker's Toy Box Genesee Dance Theatre Friday, December 10, 7 – 8pm

Friends of the Library Trim-A-Tree & cookies with Santa, Plus Holiday Come & Go Event for all ages Saturday, December 11

Page Turners Christmas Book Club The Man with the Load of Mischief By Martha Grimes Tuesday, December 14.3:30 – 4:30pm

Cont'd from Page 1 VanGogh All are represented among the 300 artworks that are part of Normal Studio's 35-minute, threeroom Immersive Experience.

Van Gogh Immersive Experience is scheduled for: Boston, MA – now through Jan. 6 Cleveland, OH – now through Feb. 6 Columbus, OH – now through Jan. 2 Denver, CO – now through Feb. 6 Orlando, FL - now through Feb. 6

#### Allegany County Libraries Expand Local Access to the Arts

Contact your local library to find out more Alfred Box of Books 607-587-9290 Almond 20th Century Club Free Library 607-276-6311 Andover Free Library 607-478-8442 Angelica Free Library 585-466-7860 Belfast Public Library 585-365-2072 Belmont Free Library 585-268-5308 Bolivar Free Library 585-928-2015 Cuba Public Library 585-968-1668 Canaseraga Essential Club Free Library 607-545-6443 Fillmore Wide Awake Club Library 585-567-8301 Friendship Free Library 585-973-7724 Little Genesee Library 585-928-1915 Richburg Colonial Library 585-928-2694 Rushford Free Library 585-437-2533 Scio Memorial Library 585-593-4816 Wellsville David A. Howe Library 585-593-3410 Whitesville Public Library 607-356-3645 **COVID19-Related information from** the Southern Tier Library System can be found at https://www.stls.org/ Find programs & content from many of our

local libraries on Facebook and Youtube



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#### Calendar of Events for December 2021, January, February 2022

#### Please check with your hosts to confirm Reopening Plans and COVID19 Safety Guidelines for current updates about these recurring events.

**POSITIONS** - Visit our Facebook Page for updates to Positions Available for Our Members

#### NOTICE

Due to staffing issues and COVID 19 precautions, the Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser has been postponed until 2022.

#### **RECURRING EVENTS**

**1st Monday: Wellsville Garden Club**, 7 pm, Grace United, N. Main St., Wellsville. Open to all. Wear a mask and social distance. Call Linda Fanton 593-5683. **Every Tuesday**: 7pm Genesee Valley Chorus rehearsal at Grace United Church, N. Main, Wellsville. All singers welcome! Call Sharlet Fuller, 593-3173

#### **1st Wednesday 4:30pm Allegany Arts Association Monthly Board Meeting** David A. Howe Library

**1st Wed.,** TRGH Wellsville Historical Society (every other month) Trinity Lutheran, N. Main St.

Wellsville. All welcome, free!

1st & 3rd Thursdays, 1-4 pm, \$1 Northern Allegany Quilters, at Wesleyan Family Center, Fillmore, all skills welcome. <u>Masks Required</u>. 585-365-8856.

1st Friday 7pm Bird Club, Grace United Church.

3rd Monday 7:30pm Baker's Bridge Historical

Society, Alfred. Station

**1st Saturday:** Southern Tier Fiber Arts Guild, 11 –2 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 470 N. Main St., Wellsville. Call 607-587-9270 or 585-593-4799 for information. All fiber artists welcome.

#### **5th Thursdays: BOFA UFO DAY**

Pending Re-opening, 1-4 pm at Belfast Town Hall. Cre-

ators work on unfinished objects 585-365-8856.

BYO materials. Masks required.

Monthly: Allegany Artisans Shows at Steuben Trust

Bank, Wellsville, Reception **4-6 pm**, **First Thursday** each month.

Wed. & Sat, 10 to 3. Allegany Co. Historical Society



### **EVENTS**

#### 2021 Angel Station

Dec. 3 – 24 at Angelica Post Office (M-F) 8:30-11:30 a.m. 12:30-3:30 p.m. (S) 10 a.m.-N 25<sup>th</sup> Annual artwork by Pat Kaake. Open to all.

#### **Angelica Farmer's Market**

Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Santa 11 a,m, to 2 p.m. The winter festival is back. Vendors from the Angelica Farmers Market will be set up in the Grange Hall.

**Olean Community Theater** – 127 S Barry St. Dec. 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 2 p.m. "The Octaves Christmas Celebration" Concert Admission by Donation

## **Morning Glory Craft/Art Sale** – Wellsville Saturdays – Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 18<sup>th</sup>

#### NYSCA/NYFA Artist Fellowship

The New York Foundation for the Arts is accepting applications until Jan. 26th for \$7,000 unrestricted cash grants in the categories of Architecture/Environmental Structures/Design, Choreography, Music/Sound, Photography, and Playwriting/Screenwriting. Applicants must be 25 years of age or older, and NYS residents.

#### CHECK LOCAL LISTINGS OF EVENTS HOSTED BY

The Palmer Opera House in Cuba, NY, The Fountain Arts Center Belmont, The Wellsville Creative Arts Center, Mornin' Glory Artisans Boutique Wellsville, Martelle Dance Academy, Angelica Ink, Lifeway Youth Center Belfast, The Field House Wellsville, Off Duty Inc. Belmont, The Alfred Art Walk, The Town Theatre of Short Tract, The Angelica Players, Pollywog Holler, STEPS

Dance Studio, The Fassett GreenSpace Project, The Alfred University: Performing Arts Center-Ceramic Art Museum-Fosdick Nelson Gallery-Nevins Theatre-Cohen Gallery, Houghton College: Ortlip Gallery-Reinhold Campus Center-Wesley Chapel-Recital Hall in the CFA, Alfred State College: Llewelyn Gallery, The Cuba Cultural Center and your local libraries.

Contact the editor about your Spring activities by February 14th for the AAA Spring Art News

## Active and Supportive Allegany Arts Association Members make it possible for the arts to thrive in Allegany County, NY. Thank you so much for all that you do! Many thanks to our volunteers who ensure this news arrives in your mailbox!

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#### **Unifying Creative Minds**

If you would like to attend the January 5<sup>th</sup> meeting, please RSVP to the Allegany Arts Association via email by December 31, 2021. RSVPs are required for attendance to remain in compliance with official guidelines for COVID 19

Art is... cont'd

pattern

carving

etching

wood

varn

fiber

fabric

Art is

so much

all around us

everywhere

on calendars

and notebooks

on t-shirts on

sweatshirts

in the news

decorations

Art is

all over

the world!

and book covers

on tablecloths and

and folders

sculpture

2 Poems By Wendy Schreiner What is Art What is Art a framed print a unique design a painting a portrait a floral display a window dressing anything may be ART there's so many forms of creativity all around how can we define What is Art?! \_\_\_\_\_

Art is...

Art is painting Photograph design

#### ADDITIONAL TRIBUTES

Tom & Ruth Ann Smith in honor of Norm Ives, Barbara Williams, & Rodney Pike – a tribute to all who served Doris MacFarquhar in memory of Joanne Allen MK Kellogg in memory of Joanne Allen

#### SUBSCRIBERS

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Due to COVID~19 Safety Precautions, concerns usually presented at the monthly meeting of the Board of Directors may be addressed via online resources.

**Dear Member** : Above your name on the address label are 4 numbers. The first two are the year your membership ends, the second two show the month it ends. For example "2009" means your subscription ends in "2020, September". Please use the below membership form to send your renewal soon. **THANK YOU to our current subscribers**! Your membership helps to publish this Newsletter <u>and</u> fund free local creative and cul-

#### Statewide Community ReGrant info.

Wyoming County Arts Council, the organization now providing oversight to art grants (formerly known as DEC grants) awarded in Allegany County, is seeking panel members to judge submissions for the Arts Education, Individual Artist, and Community Arts Grants Application. For more information, local creators and patrons of the arts who are interested in being a panel member are invited to contact:

Linda Franke Grants Coordinator Arts Council for Wyoming Co., <u>franke@artswyco.org</u>, (585) 237-3517 ext 102

#### **Arbor Day Poster Contest**

Each year, the Department of Environmental Conservation's Urban and Community Forestry program coordinates a contest to promote the value of trees in the environment and New Yorkers' lives. The winner of the contest will have their photo or artwork reproduced as the 2022 Arbor Day Poster, to commemorate the holiday. DEC will accept original photographic and artwork submissions on behalf of the committee through Dec. 31, 2021. Entries must feature trees within NYS and should be sent to <u>arborday@dec.ny.gov.</u>

ALLEGANY ARTS ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM		
Without the arts, history would have no face, society would have no soul, and the mind would have no capacity to dream.		
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