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Holiday Show in Arts Center Gallery

ARTISTS AND ARTISANS PROVIDE UNIQUE GIFTS FOR ALL

Expanded Valley Artists Holiday Show Opens November 22

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance kicks off the 17th Annual Valley Artists Holiday Sale with a preview and open house on Saturday, November 22, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Delaware Arts Center, 37 Main Street in Narrowsburg, NY. Hundreds of hand crafted items, original works of art, books by local authors and selected antiques will be on sale.

An expansion of this year's show into the lower level of the Loft Gallery will allow for added inventory of children's items, publications and small furniture. A special section of Dover books, wrapping paper, cards and other paper products will also be added features.

Over sixty area artists and artisans will be represented in this show of one of a kind, hand crafted items. Choose from hand painted silk scarves, wood and pottery vases and bowls, framed photographs and paintings, hand sewn pillows and quilts, ornaments and lots more to satisfy everyone on your holiday shopping list.

Pictured above right are examples of jewelry by



Wanda and Geoffrey Gangel of Art by Polygon in Narrowsburg, NY and painted objects by Ewald of Honesdale, PA. Geoffrey and Wanda are accomplished artists who pool their skills to create very popular spirit whistle pendants and individually designed fused glass earrings and pendants. Ewald's painted objects are collected by many and can range from stools (pictured left) to sawblades to miniatures. Pictured on page 4 are quilts by Katharina Lichtman, a wood bowl by John Perrella and pottery by Anthony Biancoviso.

Katharina Litchman's work reflects her disciplined background in design, free-hand and mechanical drawing, and color theory as well as sewing. Her quilts embody her personal style, color choice and composition, marrying the geometric with the abstract. John Perrella creates hardwood furniture and turned bowls on a lathe. All the wood for

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And DIGit will particularly encourage the participation of young people, whose fresh ways of seeing our world can bring about dynamic and original insight.

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Saturday, November 8 at 8 p.m.
THURMAN BARKER BRINGS BARD BIG BAND TO BENEFIT BODENSTEIN MUSIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

"Thurman Barker Features The Bard College Big Band" comes to the Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY on **Saturday, November 8 at 8 p.m.** as a benefit for the Dr. Barry and Jane Bodenstein Music Scholarship Fund. The renowned percussionist Barker, a popular draw to many local venues, has been conducting the Bard Big Band since 1993. The ensemble, consisting of five woodwinds, three trombones, three trumpets and a rhythm section of piano, bass, drums and guitar, will perform great jazz standards.

The Boston Herald called **Thurman Barker** "one of the most astonishing, inventive drummers in jazz." He made his first album at 17 with Joseph Jarman, and in 1986 published *Voyage*, his debut album as leader and producer. Also a talented composer, Barker premiered *Dialogue* at Merkin Concert Hall in New York City in 1994, and his compositions are frequently included in the "Music of Our Time" concerts here at the Tusten Theatre. He is currently an Associate Professor of Jazz Studies at Bard.

The Bodenstein Scholarship was established by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance in memory of Dr. Barry Bodenstein, a well-known and admired chiropractor from Jeffersonville and an avid percussionist and lover of Dixieland and jazz, and his wife, Jane, a long-time DVAA Board member. The scholarship is available to students in the Sullivan West School District, with priority given to students pursuing a career in percussion.

The winners for 2003 were Christain Bowers, \$500 for Music Advancement, and Joseph Hawker, \$100 for Music Achievement. Tickets are \$15, \$13 seniors, \$8 students. The Tusten Theatre is located at 208 Bridge Street (Route 52) in Narrowsburg, NY.

Poetry Reading: "Love, Lust & All That Jazz"

Two award-winning local poets will be performing in Krause Recital Hall at Delaware Arts Center, 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg on Sunday, November 2 at 3:00 p.m.

Dale Laszig is a member of the Upper Delaware Writers Collective and has performed readings recently with Triad Dance Company, at the Liberty Museum & Arts Center and at "The Hosting of the Bards" in Callicoon as well as at the Catskill Art Society. Her chapbook, "Dances and Lies," was published by Stillwaters Press in New Jersey. She lives with her husband, Ed, on a farm near Honesdale, Pa.

Walter Keller has lived in Swan Lake, NY for 32 years and has been creating poetry for 44 years. Most recently he was the 25 year proprietor of The Great Liberty Craft & Trading Co. Additionally he was the ten year host of "The People Talk Back" call-in show and he continues to be host of "First Class Classics," an LP only classical music show. Walter has published three volumes and his latest poetry collection will be published in 2004. His poetry and prose have appeared in 75 anthologies, periodicals and newspapers. He has often performed his poems with improvisational music under the name "Lunch with Clothes On."



On Saturday, November 1, **Peterson Toscano** presents his one-man comedy, "Doin' Time in the Homo No Mo Halfway House--How I Survived the Ex-Gay Movement!" Based on Toscano's real life experience floundering in various ex-gay ministries, the work weaves together humor, program jargon and outrageous eye witness accounts. The result is a piece that is hilarious, poignant and inspirational. Previews available at www.homonomo.com. As part of Tusten Theatre's Fall Series, "Homo No Mo" is sponsored by Majestic Drug Company of South Fallsburg.

On November 9, **Dorothy Stone Andrade** of New York City and Beach Lake will perform a varied program of classical and popular music selections at Tusten Theatre. Andrade has received rave reviews for her performances as a dramatic soprano on the concert stage, in opera and operetta as well as in recital. Her voice has been compared to the legendary Eileen Farrell and Helen Traubel. She is on faculty at both the Tisch School of the Arts and the American Musical and Dramatic Academy and has recently established Campo Doro, a training retreat for singers, at her Beach Lake home.



DELAWARE VALLEY ARTS ALLIANCE



ARTS COUNCIL FOR SULLIVAN COUNTY

Delaware Valley Arts Alliance is an arts council founded in 1976. Its mission is to provide leadership and build collaborations that advance the arts in Sullivan County and the Upper Delaware Valley; to encourage and support cultural programs relevant to all citizens; and to provide services to individual artists, arts organizations and the area's arts industry. While programs and services are available to everyone, membership support is vital to DVAA's programs, and we encourage everyone to join, starting at \$45 (\$40 for individual artists & senior citizens) per year.

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Artsletter, the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance membership newsletter and cultural calendar, is compiled as a service to area residents, artists and arts groups. *Artsletter* is sent directly to members by mail. It is also available free at public libraries and cultural institutions. Listings are free for Sullivan County and Upper Delaware Valley nonprofit cultural organizations.

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Deadline for the Jan.- Feb. 2004 issue is December 4.

Cultural Calendar

Area code for numbers below is (845) unless listed.

FOR THE SULLIVAN COUNTY AREA

Through November 1

Exhibit: "Studio Invasion and Other Unprimed Works," paintings by Jennifer Finch, sponsored by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, Delaware Arts Center Gallery, 37 Main St., Narrowsburg, N.Y. Opening reception: Fri., Oct. 10, 7 - 9 p.m. Free. Information: 252-7576.

Through November 9

Exhibit: 3rd Annual Catskill Craft Artists Show, Liberty Museum & Arts Center, 46 South Main St., Liberty, NY. Information: 292-2394.

Through November 10

Exhibit: Paintings by E. Morisot, sponsored by the Blue Victorian Gallery, The Blue Victorian, 4874 Main Street, Jeffersonville, NY. Reception: Sat., Oct. 11, 6 - 9 p.m. Free. Information: 482-5544.

November 1

Reading: "To Autumn: Seasonal Poetry" with the Upper Delaware Writers Collective, sponsored by Western Sullivan Public Library, Tusten-Cochecton Branch, 7:00 p.m., 198 Bridge St., Narrowsburg, NY. Free. Information: 252-3360.

November 1

Theatre: "Doin' Time in the Homo No Mo Halfway House--How I Survived the Ex-Gay Movement!," a one-person theatre piece by Peterson Toscano, sponsored by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance and Majestic Drug Co., Inc., 8 p.m., Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY. General Admission: \$12. Reservations: 252-7576.

November 2

Exhibit: From the Private Collection of Jill Marrero, sponsored by the Catskill Art Society, 2-4 p.m., Catskill Art Society-Beck Gallery, Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main Street, Hurleyville, NY. Free. Information: 436-4227.

November 2

Poetry: "Love, Lust and All that Jazz," featuring Dale Laszig and

Walter Keller, 3 p.m., G. Krause Recital Hall, Delaware Arts Center, 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Suggested donation: \$5. Information: 252-7576.

November 8

Concert: Thurman Barker's Bard College Big Band, a benefit for the Bodenstein Music Scholarship Fund, 8 p.m., Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge St., Narrowsburg, NY. Admission: \$15 (\$8 students under 18). Information or reservation: 252-7576.

November 8

Dance: Evening of Ballroom Dance with lesson by Norton and Agi Hyman, sponsored by Sullivan County Historical Society, 7 - 10 p.m., Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main Street, Hurleyville, NY. Admission: \$15 couple/\$8 single. Information: 292-4312.

November 8

Poetry Slam: "WordSkilz - Slammin' in the Catskills," produced by Smokin' Spoken Wordz Productions, Seelig Theatre, Sullivan County Community College, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Registration: \$15. Admission: \$10/8. Information: 794-2845 or email theblackdiamond@yahoo.com.

November 9

Recital: Dramatic soprano Dorothy Stone Andrade, sponsored by Delaware Valley Opera, 3 p.m., Tusten Theatre, 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Admission: \$12. Information or reservations: 252-3136.

November 15

Theatre: David Auburn's "Proof," produced by Big Sky Productions and co-sponsored by Big Sky and Sullivan Co. Community College, 8 p.m., Seelig Theatre, SCCC, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Admission: \$15 adults, \$12 seniors & students. Information or reservations: 985-7783.

November 16

Concert: "Music of Benny Goodman"

with pianist Mark Shane, sponsored by Town of Lumberland Cultural Series, 2 p.m., Lumberland Town Hall, 1054 Proctor Road, Glen Spey, NY. Admission: \$5. Information: 856-6372.

November 16

Theatre: David Auburn's "Proof," produced by Big Sky Productions and co-sponsored by Big Sky and Sullivan Co. Community College, 3 p.m., Seelig Theatre, SCCC, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Admission: \$15 adults, \$12 seniors and students. Information or reservations: 845-985-7783.

November 20

Book Discussion: *The Hemingway Book Club of Kosovo*, 7:00 p.m., Tusten-Cochecton Branch of the Western Sullivan Public Library, 198 Bridge Street, Narrowsburg, NY. Free. Information: 252-3360.

November 21

Theatre: David Auburn's "Proof," produced by Big Sky Productions and co-sponsored by Big Sky and Sullivan Co. Community College, 8 p.m., Seelig Theatre, SCCC, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Admission: \$15 adults, \$12 seniors and students. Information or reservations: 985-7783.

November 22

Theatre: David Auburn's "Proof," produced by Big Sky Productions and co-sponsored by Big Sky and Sullivan Co. Community College, 8 p.m., Seelig Theatre, SCCC, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Admission: \$15 adults, \$12 seniors and students. Information or reservations: 985-7783.

November 23

Concert: Valley Chorus Holiday Concert, 3 p.m., Tusten Theatre, 210 Bridge Street (Rte. 52), Narrowsburg, NY. Admission: \$10/8. Information or reservations: 252-7576.

November 22 - Dec. 20

Valley Artist Holiday Show & Sale, sponsored by Delaware Valley Arts Alliance, Delaware Arts Center Gallery, 37 Main St., Narrowsburg, N.Y. Free. Information: 252-7576.

November 23

Theatre: David Auburn's "Proof," produced by Big Sky Productions and co-sponsored by Big Sky and Sullivan Co. Community College, 3 p.m., Seelig Theatre, SCCC, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Admission: \$15 adults, \$12 seniors and students. Information or reservations: 985-7783.

December 5

Theatre: "The Nipper's Dream," produced & performed by Braman Arts Conservatory, sponsored by Sullivan Co. Community College, 7 p.m., Seelig Theatre, SCCC, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Admission: \$5. Information or reservations: 434-5750 ext. 4303

December 5

Exhibit: "Theme Tree" with adult play & music, sponsored by Sullivan County Historical Society, 7 p.m., Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, N.Y. Admission: \$2. Information: 434-8044.

December 6

Exhibit: "Theme Tree" Children's Spectacular, sponsored by Sullivan County Historical Society, 2 p.m., Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main St., Hurleyville, N.Y. Free. Information: 434-8044.

December 6

Theatre: "The Nipper's Dream," produced & performed by Braman Arts Conservatory, sponsored by Sullivan Co. Community College, 5 p.m., Seelig Theatre, SCCC, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Admission: \$5. Information or reservations: 434-5750 ext. 4303.

December 6

Concert: Pianist & composer Justin Kolb, "20th & 21st Century Music: Breaking out of the 19th Century Museum," sponsored by Western Sullivan Public Library, 7 p.m., Seelig Theatre, SCCC, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Free. Information or reservations: 434-5750 ext. 4303.

December 6-7

Holiday Gift, Craft & Collective Show, Liberty Museum & Arts Center, 46 South Main St., Liberty, NY. Information: 292-2394.

December 7

Exhibit: Winter Members Show, sponsored by the Catskill Art Society, 2-4 p.m., Catskill Art Society-Beck Gallery, Sullivan County Museum, 265 Main Street, Hurleyville, NY. Free. Information: 436-4227.

December 7

Concert: Winter Concert featuring works by Mozart & Handel, sponsored and presented by Sullivan County Community Chorus, 3 p.m., St. John's Episcopal Church, 14 St. John St., Monticello, NY. Admission: \$10/8, children free.

December 7

Concert: "Messiah" Sing Along, sponsored and led by Delaware Valley Opera w/ Gloria Krause conducting, 3:00 p.m. St. James Episcopal Church, Callicoon, NY. Donation. Information: 252-3136.

December 13

Variety Show: 3rd Annual Holiday Extravaganza to benefit SCCC's Cultural Arts Program, sponsored by Sullivan Co. Community College, 7 p.m., Seelig Theatre, SCCC, Loch Sheldrake, NY. Information or reservations: 985-7783.





DELAWARE ARTS CENTER GALLERY

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his projects is cut from native trees here in New York which provide some of the finest hardwoods in the world. Biancoviso's surface treatment of his white earthenware clay pieces borrows from the tradition of Southwestern Native American pottery. These pieces are formed on the potter's wheel. Many thin coats of Terra Sigillata (very fine clay particles mixed with rainwater) are then selectively applied and burnished by hand. The surface treatment and

low-firing process creates a soft, warm and open effect, and was chosen to accentuate clay in its purest state.

All these and more unique gifts can be seen and purchased at the Valley Artists Holiday Show and Sale.

Following the November 22nd open house, Valley Artists Holiday Show and Sale will be open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. until December 20.

Artists and craftspersons interested in participating in the show and sale can get more information by calling 845-252-7576.



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All of the artists who have shown their work in the DVAA Galleries for the past year are featured on this 90 minute DVD presentation. Interactive menus provide easy access to profiles of each artist in his or her studio. In-depth interviews offer insight into the artist's thought and process. The result is a highly personal video collage, evocative of the artists styles.

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Copies can be purchased at the Arts Center, 37 Main Street, Narrowsburg, NY, or ordered by phone (845/252-7576), fax (845/252-6515) or email (info@artsalliancesite.org) with an additional \$4 for shipping and handling.

CineArt



Le Divorce



Splitsville at CineArt

CineArt's November offering is **Le Divorce** (PG-13), an American-French hybrid directed by James Ivory. The CineArt series of independent, foreign and art films is co-sponsored by the Delaware Valley Arts Alliance (DVAA) and the Callicoon Theater, Callicoon, New York.

A first-rate cast including Kate Hudson, Glenn Close, Bebe Neuwirth, Stockard Channing, Leslie Caron and Matthew Modine proves, once again, that everything sounds sexier in French, at least in romantic comedies.

American Isabel heads to Paris to help out her pregnant step-sister and arrives to find that her brother-in-law has abandoned *la famille*. Deciding to make *limonade* out of *les citrons*, the sisters hit the Paris social scene, attending parties where natives and expatriates mingle. Cross-cultural romances and hijinx ensue. *Vive la difference*.

Le Divorce will be shown on Wednesday and Thursday, November 12 and 13, at 7:30; Friday, November 14, at 9:45 p.m.; Saturday, November 15, at 2 & 9:45 p.m.; and Sunday, November 16, at 2 p.m. Times for the late movies are approximate. Please call the theater for exact times. Admission is \$6.50. One dollar from each admission and a percentage of the profits benefit DVAA's programs and services. The Callicoon Theater is located on Upper Main Street in Callicoon, NY.

For more information, please call the theater's 24-hour Movieline at 845/887-4460.

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Opportunities



Grants for Artists

Special Opportunity Stipends (SOS) distributes grants of \$100 to \$600 to New York State artists in all disciplines wishing to take advantage of specific career opportunities. SOS is a regional funding program that puts money into the hands of artists quickly, so they can act on outside offers that may give their artwork or career a significant lift. In addition, both interpretive and originating artists are eligible to access these awards. There are three deadlines per year in SOS; monies are in the artists' hands within a month of the deadlines.

SOS review panels are comprised of artists and administrators from the artists' own communities. The program is administered by regional partners, usually arts councils, which allows NYFA to benefit from existing relationships within a given community. For artists, serving on an SOS panel provides a powerful tool for their own funding searches. Panelists receive invaluable insight into the application process and this panel service may be the artist's first opportunity to see behind the scenes in a grants program.

For opportunities occurring between March 1 and June 30, the application deadline is February 2, 2004. And for opportunities occurring between July 1 and October 31, the application deadline is May 24, 2004. Application forms can be obtained on the web at www.nyfa.org.

CLASSES/WORKSHOPS

Carolyn Duke of Duke Pottery in Roscoe, NY will offer a series of pottery classes for children and adults on Saturdays, November 1, 8, and 15 at **Braman Arts Conservatory**. Carolyn will teach Hand Building Fundamentals to children (ages 7-18) from 2:00-3:30 p.m. and to adults from 4:00-5:30 p.m. The fee for the 3 classes is \$45 plus a \$15 supplies fee (10 lbs. high fire clay, glazes, a bisque and glaze firing). The classes will be held at **BAC**, 79 Main Street, Callicoon, NY. Call (845) 887-1901 to pre-register (required by Oct. 31st).

BENEFITS

Eric Lewis, Andy Ratliffe and The Tennessee Boltsmokers (Mark McKinney) are appearing on November 21 at the Western Hotel's Harmonie Hall in a benefit performance for **Braman Arts Conservatory**. The evening will surely be a treat for classic old time country music and bluegrass fans. Call (845) 887-1901 for information or reservations.

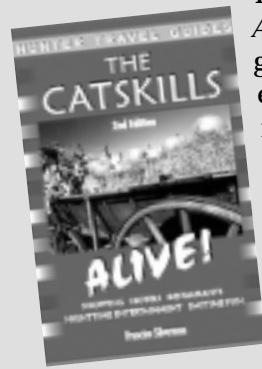
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The "Gazetteer and Business Directory of Sullivan County, NY, for 1872-73" is now available on CD-ROM, the fourth in a series on Sullivan County. Republished by Between the Lakes Group, LLC, this completely indexed Gazetteer is offered at \$20, including shipping and handling. For more information, visit www.between-thelakes.com or order at POB 13, Taconic, CT 06079.



Francine Silverman's second edition of *Catskills Alive* has been published, the only comprehensive guide to the Catskills' four counties. Geared to travelers and residents alike, it is packed with first-hand information on where to stay, eat and play. Every entry includes days of operation, driving directions and website. *The New York Post* called the first edition "A fun, insightful, thorough guide," and Joan Hamburg on WOR 710 radio, New York City, lauded *Catskills Alive* as "A great guide for any family." The book is available on-line at Amazon.com and BN.com, or locally at Oracle Books & Cafe in

Liberty and The Potager in Wurtsboro.

"**PAINT WITH ME,**" an outdoor painting and sketch group, will be featured in a special art show and sale sponsored by the **Hemlock Farms Cultural Arts** Department and Davis R. Chant Realtors at Lords Valley. The show, at the Route 739 office/gallery (off Exit 34 on I-84), will run from Nov. 1 - 28. A Meet-the-Artist reception will be held on Friday, Nov. 7 from 5 - 7 p.m. The public is cordially invited to attend this event.

The Callicoon Writer's Circle at Braman Arts Conservatory is offering the following weekend Creative Writing workshops for adults and children, taught by Liz Huntington:

Adult : Saturday mornings, 9:30 a.m. - 12 noon. Offered individually or as a series. Pre-registration before the day of the session required (minimum enrollment of 5). All levels of writing experience are welcome. \$15 per session.

November 8. Revision and re-envisioning. Everything you need to know about response and critique. How to know when you're done. What to do with a finished piece of writing. This session includes the opportunity to get the class to "workshop" (i.e. discuss) your writing.

November 15. Common language and sacred speech. The nature of the art. Taking your writing to the next level. Writing away from the rules. Suggested reading and resources for continued study and inspiration.

Young Writer's Circle: Sundays, 2:30 - 4:00 p.m. (with exception of Saturday, November 15. See details below). For writers between the ages of 10 and 14. Pre-registration before the day of the session required (minimum enrollment of 5). \$15 per session.

November 2: The sound of writing. Can you really hear what you wrote?

November 9: The taste and smell of writing. Eating your words and liking it!

November 15: Saturday cook out with evening bonfire and storytelling in Galilee, PA. 6:30-9:00 p.m. Reunion of old and new members of the Young Writer's Circle. Parents welcome.

November 16 The feel of writing. Making words do things you never knew they could do.

November 23 The vision of writing. Words as windows and doors into strange, wonderful new worlds.

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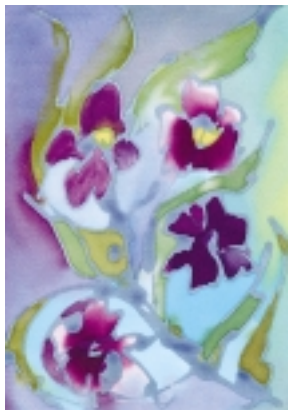
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Member News

The Lake Huntington Center for the Arts presented a "Fall 2003 Art Exhibition" from October 4 - 19. Member artists included **Joan Giordano, Peter Greene, Christopher Hughes, Nancy Lew Lee, Allan Rubin, Fred J. Sklenar, Candy Spilner, and Paul Vazquez.**

The craft work of **Buff McAllister** and **Barbara Brown** is featured in a Catskill Artists Gallery exhibit which opened on October 11 at 38 South Main St., Liberty, NY



Jane Blake is exhibiting work at The Artery in Milford from October 25 through the end of November.

Myrna Charry & LaVerne Black are among artists showcased in a photography exhibition, "Splendor--Real & Surreal," at Orange County Community College, Orange Hall Loft Gallery, Middletown NY, from October 3 through November 6.

Bernarducci-Meisel Gallery on 37 West 57 Street, New York, is showing "New Paintings" by Guy Johnson and "Painting Glass: Still Life and Architectural Subjects" from October 9 - November 1.

Jane Blake, Anne Nocera, Edward Nocera and Sally Utley were among the featured artists at the **Catskill Art Society's** Craft

Invitational Exhibit held from October 4 - 26 at the Sullivan County Museum in Hurleyville.

WJFF's Annual Music Sale will take place on November 22. CDs, LPs, 78s, instruments, sheet music, stereo equipment and more. Tax deductible donations are accepted. For more information (845) 482-4141 or www.wjffradio.org. On October 25 WJFF presented Chamber Music at **Big Twig Studio** featuring Juny Jung on piano and Rafal Jeziersky on cello.

Big Sky Productions presents "Proof" at Sullivan County Community College on Friday, November 21, Saturday, November 15 & 22, and Sunday, November 16 & 23. **Big Sky's Carol Montana** also is directing the Third Annual Holiday Extravaganza to benefit SCCC's Cultural Arts Program on December 13 at the college.

Braman Arts Conservatory presents "The Nipper's Dream," an original historical performance piece, at SCCC's Seelig Theatre on December 5 & 6.

Shandelee Music Festival, Fall 2003, is presenting two concerts in New York City: "An Evening of Latin Music" on November 5 and "An Evening of Solo Piano" on December 11. Call 212/288-4152 for information or reservations.

The **Valley Chorus** annual winter concert on November 23 at the Tusten Theatre will feature "Canticles of America" by John Rutter, as well as excerpts from Handel's "Messiah" and holiday songs. Soloists include Carla Casterline, Terry Knickerbocker, Gordon Wall, and Chris Ridley.

Decentralization Spotlight



Artist / teacher Erica Hart (right) shown with her mother during Elder Arts workshop.

Courtesy of the Sullivan County Democrat
Photo by: Ted Waddell

The Roscoe Free Library, with major support from the Roscoe Community Nursing Home and the dedication of collage artist/teacher Erica Hart, fulfilled its 2003 Decentralization Grant project on October 1 by opening an exhibit of elder art, the fruit of "Summer in the Arts for Elders," a May to September workshop series conducted at the nursing home free of charge for any interested area senior citizens. The exhibit ran through October 21.

Hart brought a core group of twelve students through the program, modeled on "Elders Share the Arts" (ESTA), a project of the Center for Creative Aging, a national organiza-

tion dedicated to providing opportunities for creative expression of the life experiences and memories of older adults. Trained and certified by the Center, she evokes personally meaningful subject matter from her students which is then executed as images in original paintings, drawings or sculptures, sometimes enhanced with photos, fabrics and memorabilia of a particular era. "Older people don't usually have adequate opportunity for creative expression," says Erica. "In teaching this workshop, I saw how much our older generation has to say when given the right materials, encouragement and assistance. It was also gratifying to see how excited and pleasantly surprised others were in viewing the students' artwork."

Erica believes strongly in the need to honor the contributions of older adults and to celebrate them creatively. She would like to open future workshops to children, teaming them with their elders in joint projects in order to foster intergenerational understanding.

Library staffperson Judie Smith praised the exhibit, citing the efforts of both students and teacher in bringing it about. "People think it's great," she affirmed.

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