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## **Allegany County, NY ART NEWS**

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Art News, for Spring, Summer, Fall and  
Winter arts activities, cultural and public  
events in Allegany County and at large.

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## **ALLEGANY ARTS ASSOCIATION SUMMER ARTS FESTIVAL 2022**



The Allegany Arts Association provided FREE Art for Youth classes in the county during July and August. Classes included Calligraphy, Intro to Dance, Art Exploration, Going with the Flow, Paper Making, Letterpress Printing, Painting Landscapes Around the World, Repurposing and Recycling, Trash Can Percussion and Watercolor Arts at local libraries.

*AAA programming and services are supported by our members, a grant from Arts Services Initiative of Western NY and with funds from the Statewide Community Re-grants Program, of the NYS Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the NYS Legislature and administered by the Arts Council for Wyoming County.*



# CREATOR'S CORNER

PAINTER/TEACHER

*A. Thomas O'Grady*

*1939 - 2022*



Austin Thomas O'Grady, 82, passed away on May 30, 2022. Tom was born August 11, 1939, in St. Louis, Mo.

He was raised in Cuba and attended Cuba Central School where he became interested in art and began his lifelong passion of painting, giving credit to his art teacher Cuba's Chet Swier. Upon graduation Tom enrolled in Buffalo State College majoring in Art Education and graduated in 1961. He began his teaching career with Allegany County BOCES teaching art in grades K-6 at Rushford Central School and grades 7-12 at Scio Central School. In 1962 he joined the Scio faculty full-time to establish a grade 7-12 art program. He earned his Master of Science degree in 1967 from Alfred University. Tom taught art at Scio for 34 years and grew the program to include photography, mechanical and architectural drafting, in addition to art. He was the founding chair of the Art Department and served until 1995 when he was named K-12 principal. He retired in 2000.

Tom was also an accomplished watercolor artist and received many national and international awards and recognition. His work has been exhibited in the NYS Governor's mansion, the Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C., United States Embassies in Rome, Italy and Australia, in the J. Barret Galleries in Toledo, Ohio, the Albright-Knox Gallery in Buffalo and the MGM Grand Gallery in Las Vegas, Nevada. In 1975, he was commissioned by Allegany County to design and sculpt the County's Bicentennial Medallion. His artwork is in many private collections including that of former President, Jimmy Carter.

Tom was an avid member of the community participating in many activities. He was the charter president of the Wellsville Art Association, a charter member of the Genesee Valley Chorus, and a charter member of the Great Wellsville Balloon Rally Committee. For 25 years his balloon poster paintings highlighted the Wellsville area and its rural landscape and set the standard for future artists. He has been credited with influencing the current Balloon Rally artist. Many former students also give credit to Tom O'Grady for their own art expertise and love of art.

He is survived by his wife, Roseanna, three sons, eight grandchildren, three great-grandchildren; and a sister, Ann Kubiniec as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

He is buried in St. Bonaventure Cemetery in Allegany,



Tom O'Grady's Great Wellsville Balloon Rally posters are collectors items and helped put the GWBR on the map.



## About us

Unifying creative minds to expand local access to the arts, the Allegany Arts Association, a nonprofit (501C3) founded in 1982, promotes participation in the arts by all residents of Allegany County NY supported by our members, a grant from ASI of Western New York and a NYS Council on the Arts Statewide Community Re-grants program with support from the Governor's Office and the New York State Legislature administered by the Arts Council of Wyoming County, we provide art programming and cultural activities for all ages working together with Allegany Co. libraries Allegany Artisans, the Wellsville Art Association, the Fountain Arts Center the Belfast Organization of Artists, Belvedere Cornerstone and many others to expand access to the arts in Allegany Co.

**The AAA Newsletter** is published quarterly. We welcome news and photos about cultural activities in the county. Announcements and content may not reflect the views of the AAA board.

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Thursday: 10am-5pm

Friday: 10am-5pm

Saturday: 10am-5pm

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and major holidays

@alfredceramicartmuseum  
ceramicsmuseum.alfred.edu  
607-871-2421



## Arts Access

### ARTS ACCESS PASS PROGRAM

The Allegany Arts Association is proud to be working with SheilaLynnK Art Studio to bring the Arts Services Inc. - ASI Arts Access Pass program to Allegany County, NY because: "Harnessing the power of our network and resources, ASI has been connecting Western New Yorkers to a wide array of arts and cultural programs and events through the Arts Access program since 2013. We believe that art is not a luxury but a necessity. The Arts Access program was created to remove the barriers that prohibit many Western New Yorkers from experiencing the arts, including cost, transportation, language, and effort. Any individual or family who receives income based public assistance in WNY is eligible to apply. Arts Access passes can be used at any of our 45 partner locations, all of which believe that the arts belong to everyone. ASI will also provide safe and accessible transportation to and from partner events at the passholder's request. Arts Access passholders can expect to be welcomed as we all work together to make WNY arts a more inclusive space." Find out more about the ASI Arts Access Program here: <https://www.arts-access.org/> To find out how your Allegany County cultural event or organization can become an ASI Arts Access Partner, too CONTACT: [alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com](mailto:alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com)

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and feel fine  
when art  
is a part  
of your life  
it will help overcome strife

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Painter/Sculptor  
"To Draw you must close your eyes  
and Sing"

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Winter Newsletter

Deadline

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By November 14th

### 40th Anniversary Art Exhibit

at David A. Howe Library

OPENING RECEPTION & REFRESHMENTS

in the DAHL Exhibition Room

Thurs. October 27, 2022

5-7:30pm

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### THE CALL FOR ARTISTS

PRE-REGISTRATION REQUIRED

Registration forms are available online  
and at participating locations.

Pre-registration deadline: October 15th

#### CONTACT:

[alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com](mailto:alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com)

#### The Schedule

Oct. 21, 2022 Noon to 5pm ~ Accepting  
entries at the DAHL Exhibition Room.

Oct. 22, 2022 ~ Hanging the show

Oct. 24, 2022 Late afternoon ~ Open

Oct. 27, 2022 ~ Opening Reception

Nov. 17, 2022 ~ Show closes

Nov. 18th & 19th ~ Artists pick up their  
work during open library hours

**WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO  
PARTNERING WITH OUR LOCAL  
CREATORS, THE DAVID A. HOWE  
LIBRARY, THE FOUNTAIN ARTS  
CENTER ORCHESTRA ENSEMBLE,  
AND STEPS DANCE STUDIO TO  
MAKE THIS EXHIBIT A FESTIVE  
CULTURAL EVENT FOR EVERYONE.**

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wellness of our community*

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Contact your local library to find out more

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Almond 20th Century Club Free Library  
607-276-6311

Andover Free Library 607-478-8442

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**Every Tuesday: Genesee Valley Chorus** rehearsal at 7 p.m. at Grace United Church, N. Main, Wellsville. All singers welcome! Call Sharlet Fuller, 593-3173

**1st Wednesday Allegany Arts Association** board meeting 4:30 pm at the David A. Howe Library, Wellsville.

**1st Wed., Wellsville Historical Society (TRGHS)** every other month, at 6:30 p.m. at the David A. Howe Library, Wellsville.

**1st & 3rd Thursdays, 1-4 pm**, the **Northern Allegany Quilters** at Wesleyan Family Center, Fillmore, all skills welcome. 585-365-8856.

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

**3rd Monday Baker's Bridge Historical Society**, 7:30 pm 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. Creators work on unfinished objects. Info: Belfastorganizationforartists@gmail.com  
BYO materials. Masks required.

**Wed. & Sat, Allegany County Historical Society, 10 to 3** Andover. Free! Open to all. 585-610-8668.

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Featured Creators Local creators are invited to submit news, projects, images, and tutorials to [alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com](mailto:alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com) (subject: AAA Creator) to be posted on the Allegany Arts Association Facebook page.

In the text of your email, please include a brief description to accompany the post.

## PAINTED CHAIR & TABLE AUCTION

In partnership with the Belvidere Cornerstone, AAA is accepting painted chairs & tables from registered artists at scheduled drop-off times on September 1st at the Belvidere Cornerstone.

Contact Susan Doran 585-419-5620 or [doransusan57@gamil.com](mailto:doransusan57@gamil.com) to schedule a drop off time that day.

Contact [alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com](mailto:alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com) to register to paint an item for the auction.

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By  
Wanda Dean



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