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ALLEGANY ARTS ASSOCIATION IS OUR MISSION COMPLETE

By Kathryn Ross

Forty years ago, a group of people interested in expanding the arts across Allegany County got together and formed the Allegany Arts Association (AAA).

Today there is a membership list with more than 120 names on it. But in recent years the number of people who actually participate in the running of the organization has dwindled to just five active people.

For the last few years, the sleight of officers has been without a vice president. The current sleight of officers is serving well past their term limits yet continue their dedicated effort to bring art and related projects to the county. This past year alone the AAA participated in festivals in Wellsville, Angelica, and Cuba. It brought the ASI Arts Access Program to the county to provide transportation for individuals to attend artistic events. It also established a sponsorship program for art programs, hosted a Poetry Slam and conducted another free Summer Arts Program for kids. All this fell on the shoulders of the five participating members.

Perhaps the shrinking number of people willing to give time to the organization is due to three years of the Covid Epidemic, a lack of time for volunteering or is it because after 40 years the Allegany Arts Association has completed its original mission?

In this 21st Century it is no longer difficult for artists of all ilk to get their work in front of the public. There are several galleries throughout the area. Social media platforms make it easy for aspiring and established artists to display their work to the public. The Allegany Artisans have just completed another successful Artisans Tour. There are numerous farmer's markets and festivals where artists' works may be marketed. Art is offered in schools. Libraries provide arts and crafts programs. There are theatrical, musical and dance opportunities.

Yet, who will pick up the free, quality services AAA provides? Even if AAA has reached its goal, its services will be missed.

At the AAA's Dec. 7th meeting at 6 p.m. in the Wellsville library members are asked to attend and help decide whether the AAA will continue for its 41st year or disband. Please attend if you believe in the arts.



Current AAA Board
L to R standing
Lisa Robinson,
Sheila Kalkbrenner,
Susan Doran,
Kathryn Ross
and sitting
Molly Pike-Riccardi
and
Kay Eicher.

Celebrating 40 years of Art

WELLSVILLE – The Allegany Art Association celebrated its 40th Anniversary with an art exhibition, dance and musical programs Oct. 27th in the Exhibition Room at the David A. Howe Library.

More than 40 individuals attended the opening night of the three-week long exhibit which included a separate dance performance by the Steps Dance Studio accompanied by the Fountain Arts Orchestra Ensemble. Both groups also performed on opening night.

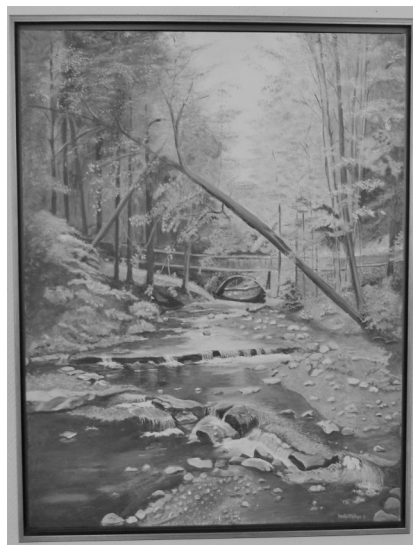
On opening night, the dance troupe included Hannah Wagner and Norah Joslyn who performed exercises on a dance bar.

The Fountain Arts Orchestra Ensemble included both brass and string performances. On opening night the musicians were Nora Kier, Grace Keir Hailey Gilebrun, David Peralta, Valentina Peralta, Sebastian Peralta, Amanda Robbins, Alyssandra Robbins, Robert Kier, Christopher Keir, and David Hardy.

The organizers who spent time hanging the show, getting up close and personal with each and every work of art, said the show was eclectic with a nice cross section of artists from across the county exhibiting.

Some 22 artists, ceramicists and sculptors displayed their work - Adrian Pike-Riccardi, Amber Shuson, Beverly Amborski, Bonnie Leigh, Carol Beato Smith, Elaina Pike-Riccardi, Felicity Mattison, Joanna Bachman, Karen Barber, Kimberly Merritt, Lillian Theill Milliman, Lisa Robinson, Pat Shannon Gay, Rachel Blew, Rita Peangatelli, Sarah Phillips, Sharon Nestoryak, Wanda Dean Sheila Kalkrenner, Susan Doran, and Wendy Skinner. Most artists contributed three works to the exhibition for a total number of 62 works of art.

The AAA thanks the David A. Howe Library for their help with the set up and the artists for their contributions.



Sarah Phillips "Wolf Creek"



"The Three of Us"
Carol Beato Smith



Steps Dance Studio
Dancers— Hannah
Wagner and Norah
Joslyn



Fountain Arts Center Childrens' String Ensemble directed by David Peralta.

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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Arts Access

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"Music should be something
that, makes you gotta move."



Kalkbrenner Steps Away

"As I have already served as editor, secretary, vice president and president, though I will continue my work to expand local equitable access to the arts, I will not be serving another term as an AAA officer in 2023. As an active member of the Allegany Arts Association I am thankful that I've enjoyed enriching community minded creative experiences which have expanded equitable local access to the arts and planted the seeds for local creative unity while getting to know dedicated local advocates for the arts. In 2023 I will resume my own creative practice and program management at my studio as I wish AAA and its members the best of luck with their transition into future endeavors.

Many Blessings,
Sheila Kalkbrenner,
Allegany Arts Association
President

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Spring Newsletter

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By February 15th

AAA New Officers/Boardmembers

The AAA December 2022 Annual meeting will be held December 7th at 6pm. (NOT 4:30) at the David A. Howe Public Library

Members, We are very thankful for the dedicated service of our numerous active members, subscribers, instructors, host sites, class sponsors, and advertising sponsors over the last forty years.

*Always open to the public, local residents who would like to continue the AAA mission to expand equitable access to the arts for the wellness of our community in 2023 are invited to attend this meeting to let us know that you would like to help preserve this valuable asset for Allegany County creators and residents. RSVP by Dec. 5th to:
alleganyartsassociation@hotmail.com*

As their current terms end in December 2022, this meeting will include a vote for AAA officers to serve on the Board in 2023.

If you would like to volunteer for an office or nominate a member, please notify any Board member by Dec. 5th.

The membership list is on the website

<http://www.alleganyartsassociation.com/members.html>

2022 Board of Directors

President - Sheila L. Kalkbrenner (Term ends 12/31/2022, Transitional AAA services end 1/31/2023)

Vice President - Vacant

Treasurer - Kay Eicher

Secretary - Kathryn Ross

I look forward to future partnerships as I continue to create art & equitable access to local creative things and promote creative unity at SheilaLynnK Art Studio and the Belfast Organization for Artists.

Sheila L. Kalkbrenner

Allegany Arts Association President

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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 to 2 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 470 N. Main St., Wellsville. Call 607-587-9270 or 585-593-4799 for information. All fiber artists welcome.

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Pending Re-opening, 1-4 pm at Belfast Town Hall. Creators work on unfinished objects.

Info: Belfastorganizationforartists@gmail.com

BYO materials. Masks required.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR CREATORS

Featured Creators Local creators are invited to submit news, projects, images, and tutorials to 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.

Upcoming at the Howe

Dec. 2nd at 2 p.m. "The Nutcracker"

Dec. 7th at 5:30 p.m.

Chronicles of Courage Book Club

"Countdown to Pearl Harbor" by Steve Twomey

Dec. 9th at 7 p.m. "The Nutcracker"

Dec. 10th from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Holiday Event (crafts, raffles, and free giveaways)

Dec. 14th at 6 p.m.

Amanda Woomer's "Creepy Christmas Stories"

Dec. 20th at 10:30 p.m. Holiday Book Club

"Holiday Yarn" by Sally Goldenbaum

Feb. 1st, 2023 at 5:30 p.m.

Chronicles of Courage Book Club

"The Woman with the Blue Star" by Pam Jenoff

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for the Spring newsletter

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