Celebrate the Arts on FRIDAY, April 8!

Spring for the Arts

Join your fellow arts supporters and Spring for the Arts at Terraview at Stroudsmoor Country Inn on April 8. A wonderful evening is planned that includes art, music, fine food and great company. PoconoArts is especially pleased this year to have First Keystone Community Bank return as our lead sponsor, as well as the continued support of the Pirone Family and Stroudsmoor Country Inn. Several additional sponsors have added their support to this annual event including:

**Gold Sponsors:** Adams Outdoor Advertising and Connoisseur Media - WSBG/ESPN; Pocono Pro Foods; and Wayne Bank;

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**Bronze Sponsors:** Bushkill Group; East Stroudsburg University; Farda Landscaping; Key Foods Marketplace; PNC Bank; Pocono Eye Associates; and Waste Management.

Thank you to all for your support of PoconoArts.

Several prominent artists have been selected as this year's “Hall of Fame” Award recipient. This year's honorees are Jill Elizabeth, Visual Art Hall of Fame; Susan Jordan, Performing Art Hall of Fame; and the Families of Stroudsmoor Country Inn (Pirone, Forte, Lebel & Ciaramella), Lifetime Achievement Award recipients. Additionally, PoconoArts will recognize two “Rising Stars,” students at the event. Victoria Scoto from Pocono Mountain East High School will receive the Visual Art Scholarship and Stephanie Fritz from Stroudsburg High School will receive the Performing Arts Scholarship. These students represent the future of the arts in our community.

The gala begins with a preview of the live and silent auction items from 6-7 p.m., followed by dinner and recognition of this year’s award recipients. The live auction follows, featuring wonderful art and other surprises. Silent auction items include visual and performing arts as well as items and services from local merchants and organizations.

If you are unable to attend the auction, raffle tickets are being sold to support PoconoArts with the winners pulled that evening. Raffle Prizes include A Delaware River Trip for Four, courtesy of Edge of the Woods Outfitters; Four Waterpark Day Passes from Great Wolf Lodge; and Two Tickets to Six Festivals at Shawnee Mountain. Raffle tickets are $5 each or 5 for $25. Tickets for the gala are a reasonable $60 per person for PoconoArts members and $70 for non-members. For further information, or to reserve your place, call the Pocono Arts Council at 570-476-4460 or visit www.poconoarts.org to reserve on line.

THE SINGLE MOST IMPORTANT ART EXHIBITION OF 2016!
Three Galleries! Scores of Artists! One Giant Art Walk!
ALL FOCUSED ON OUR PLANET & THE ENVIRONMENT!
Saturday - April 16, 2016
Galleries Open 3-8 PM/Artists’ Receptions 5-8 PM

ARTSPACE Gallery, “THE EARTH SPEAKS II”
18 N. Seventh Street, Stroudsburg PA

SoHo In The Burg Gallery, “FIFTY SHADES OF GREEN”
Sixth & Main Streets, Stroudsburg PA

Origins Gallery, “A VOICE FOR THE EARTH II – Found Object Art”
580 Main Street, Stroudsburg PA

Jill Elizabeth

Susan Moore Jordan
Congratulations to the Winners in the 2016 Student Exhibition

Best of Show: Devin Kagel (PV);
2-D – 1st: Richard Berwind (PV); 2nd: Victoria Scotto (PME); 3rd: Shannon Simpson (PV) & Mary Cebone (PV); HM: Joseph O’Connor (PV)
FINE CRAFTS (Functional) – 1st: Kevin Wimmer (PV); 2nd: Noel Anne Sama (PMW);
3rd: Sabrina Parisi (PMW)
3-D Works (Sculpture & Non-Functional) – 1st: Emilie Seda (PV); 2nd: Hailey Mager (PV);
3rd: Jenise McDonnell (PMW)
Best in Photography: Reesha Patel (PME)

Monroe County Conservation District and Monroe Campus Northampton Community College in Tannersville Announce 2016 Earth Day Celebration

On Saturday, April 23 from 10am – 4pm organizations, businesses and local agencies throughout Monroe County have organized a county-wide event to celebrate the conservation successes of the past 20 years in Monroe County.

A schedule of events for the day includes speakers John Wooding, Monroe County Planning Commission Director, Retired; Garrett Beers, Department of Conservation and Natural Resources Forester; Kathy Uhler, Director, Pocono Wildlife Rehabilitation and Education Center, Geoff Mehl, founder of the Pennystone Project; Dave LaPointe, owner of Sarah Street Grille and a Keynote address by Larry Schweiger (Past President, National Wildlife Federation). Musical Entertainment featuring Christian Porter and Regina Sayles, Nancy/Spencer Reed, Mike Pilgemeyer and Katie Rubino. There will be children’s activities, Give and Take Day sponsored by Close the Loop, Electronics recycling and tire amnesty sponsored by The Waste Management Authority, and exhibits highlighting local environmental business, organizations and agencies. It’s a day you won’t want to miss!

For more information about Earth Day, visit http://www.mcearthday.org or call the E. E. Center at (570) 629-3061,

Members’ Spotlight

Jill Swersie presents her first solo show at the Marquis Art & Frame Gallery, 515 Center Street, Scranton, during April. An opening reception is scheduled for April 1, 6PM.

The Art of Jim Smeltz is featured in the April/May issue of Pocono Living Magazines. poconomagazines.com

Ellen Silberlicht’s sculptures are featured in a solo exhibition: Raku/Fiber Fusion (April 27 – May 21), at the Phoenix Gallery, 545 West 28th Street, Suite 528, NY, NY 212-226-8711. Gallery Hours: Tuesday – Saturday, 1:30-5PM, Artist Reception: Thursday, April 28, 6-8PM). www.phoenix-gallery.com; www.ellensilberlicht.com

Congratulations to Bangor Area School District, Delaware Valley School District, East Stroudsburg Area School District and Pocono Mountain School District. They have been named to the 2016 NAMM Foundation Awards for Best Communities for Music Education (BCME). The list included 476 school districts across the country. These four districts from Monroe, Northampton and Pike Counties made the list as well as other schools in the region from the Lehigh Valley and Lackawanna! https://www.nammfoundation.org/articles/2016-best-communities-music-education-districts

The NEPTA Awards, presented by the Northeastern Pennsylvania Theatrical Alliance annually, highlight and honor the very best in Community Theater. The Worthington Players, the artistic arm of The Shawnee Institute and whose “home stage” is The Shawnee Playhouse, received a total of 20 nominations this year!
PoconoArts’ Annual Members’ Exhibition & Art on Main

The 2016 PoconoArts Members’ Exhibition will begin with delivery of artwork on Monday, May 2. The show is open to all members of the council and is an excellent opportunity for new, as well as seasoned, visual artists, photographers, sculptors and fine craftsmen to show off their work. Volunteers are always needed to help with this special show. Remember – you receive $5 off the $15 Members’ Exhibition entry fee if you volunteer. As an added incentive, volunteer prior to the May 2nd drop-off and receive $10 off the fee. What a Bargain!!! Contact Tassy at tassy@poconoarts.org to discover the many volunteer opportunities available. An application for the show is available online at www.poconoarts.org.

An artist reception, awards ceremony, and Art on Main celebration will be held on Saturday, May 14. Art on Main will feature artists, craftsmen and non-profits set up along the streets of downtown Stroudsburg from noon-5PM. Local businesses and performing artists will be part of the festivities as well and many visitors will be in attendance as they wait for the Run for the Red marathon on Sunday, May 15. An application for booths is available online at www.poconoarts.org. Interested performing artists should contact Lisa Diemer at pocsosaop@yahoo.com.

Mark your calendars now to participate in this fun annual event.

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Community Workshops

Burnt Toad Studios - 580 Main St., lower level, Stroudsburg
Life Drawing Classes, Wednesdays, 6-8PM
Drawing from life with nude models at 1 minute, 5 minutes, 10 and 20 minute poses. Class is $10, $5 for ESU students. For more information and current updates, check our Facebook page, Burnt Toad Studios.

Country Home Learning & Art Center – 1784 Route 209, Brodheadsville. (across from WalWa)
April Events: ALL EVENTS ARE ALL INCLUSIVE New! Walk - In Sippin’ Paint Sundays at the Studio - B.Y.O.B., 12-4PM
Mommy & Me Mondays! Story & Painting Class, 1-3 PM, $12
Wheel Throwing Wednesdays - Exclusive Special, 12- 5 PM, $20
Spring Canvas Painting Special - All Month $5 OFF Any Size Canvas

Cherry Blossom Canvas Painting Class & Pizza Lunch, Saturday, April 9 10-1 PM, $28
DIY Medallion Journal Design Week, April 10-16, Sunday – Saturday, $8
Rainbow Pig Canvas Painting Class & Pizza Lunch, Sunday, April 17, 12-3 PM, $28
Wine & Mud Night: Wheel throwing Experience: Cherry Blossom Etched Bowls, Saturday, April 23, 7-10 PM, B.Y.O.B., $30
Styrofoam Print Making Week, April 24-30, Sunday – Saturday, $10
Parent & Child Canvas Painting Night & Pizza Dinner, Friday, April 29, 5- 7 PM, $25
Information: 1-610-895-4090 or www. cs.org/index.cfm?e=event&eventId=22521&r-

Jean & Gordon Perry – Classes at Northampton Community College – Bethlehem Campus
Jean Perry, Impressioneer Spring (acrylics), Saturday, April 2, 10AM-2PM. They Painted Canals (Lunch & Learn Lecture), Thursday April 14, 11AM-2PM, Gordon Perry. Information: Jean Perry – 570-992-2598 or www.northampton. college/lifelearn

Pocono Watercolor Associates (PPA) Grants
Six-Session Spring Watercolor Workshop featuring Tim Weaver, instructor, Tuesday – Thursday, April 5- 7, 9AM-11AM, $270 (includes $10 for course materials). Information: Jean & Gordon Perry – 570-992-2598 or www.northampton. college/lifelearn

Grey Towers National Historic Landmark, Old Owego Turnpike, Milford. 4th Annual Grey Towers’ 8k Run/Walk, Saturday, April 23. Organized by the Grey Towers Heritage Association and the US Forest Service at Grey Towers, the race will start and end at Grey Towers and include parts of the Pinchot Greenway in the Borough of Milford and the Milford Beach in the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area. This is a certified USAUT 8K course. Entry and Chronotrack Fees: Adult Pre-registration: $25 (+$2 fees) before April 1; To register on-line, www.greytowers.org/race, call 570-296-9625 or info@greytowers.org

Pocono Environmental Education Center (PEEC), 538 Emery Rd., Dingmans Ferry, PA. A Spring Watercolor Workshop Series, April 21-24. Join Patti Conos. Knit a Twisted Hug Moebius Wrap or a warm Thrummed Hat. Fiber enthusiasts of all stripes (knitting, crochet, quilting, spinning, rug hooking, etc.) are also welcome to work on their own projects. Supply list will be provided. Includes lodging and meals. $70 per day. Call for Commuter Rates: 570-828-2319 or www.peec.org

Monroe County Environmental Education Center, 8050 Running Valley Rd, Stroudsburg. Summer Day Camps for all ages. Visit www. mcconservation.org or call 570-629-3061 for more information. $10 off camp fee if paid by May 6.

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QuillEssence Writing Collective
Opening Your Heart Box and Listening to Your Heart Songs – A Women Writers Retreat, September 16-18, Kirkridge Retreat Center, Bangor. QuillEssence Writing collective was created to provide women writers of all genres a safe space and time to listen to their authentic voice and write about their heart’s desires. Together, we will uncover the power of words through writing exercises, prompts, breathing and music. Workshops – Activities – Meals included. Information & registration: http://www.kirkridge. org/index.cfm?f=events&eventId=22521&end=1473980400&contact Dr. Juanita Kirton at 570-269-6497 or juanita.kirton@gmail.com.

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1. **Shawnee Playhouse**  
   8th Annual Shawnee Original Playwright Series, Play Readings, River Road, Shawnee, 7PM. 570-421-5093 or www.theshawneeplayhouse.com

2. **Sherman Theater**  
   The Wonder Years, 524 Main St., Stroudsburg, 7PM. 570-420-2808 or www.shermantheater.com

3. **Marquis Art & Frame**  
   Opening Reception: Jill Swersie, 515 Center St., Scranton, 6PM, 570-344-3313 or http://marquisartframe.com/

4. **Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center**  
   Amazing Amphibians, 8050 Running Valley Rd., Stroudsburg, 10AM. 570-629-3060 or www.mcconservation.org

5. **Kettle Creek Gallery**  

6. **Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center**  
   Signs of Spring on the Farm, Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm, 347 Quiet Valley Rd., Stroudsburg, 2-4PM. 570-629-3060 or www.mcconservation.org

7. **Anita Shapolsky Art Gallery**  
   Opening Reception: “Matter Painting” Gallery 1: Jeonghun & Choonyang Yoon; Gallery 2: Thomas Nonn, 152 E. 65th St., New York NY, 3-6PM. 212-452-1094 or www.anitascholpskygallery.com

8. **First Saturday ArtWalks**  
   Andrei Art, 7 North 6th St.; ARTSPACE Gallery, 18 North 7th St.; D.R’s Custom Framing Design & Art Gallery, 730 Main St.; Origins Gallery, 580 Main St., (lower level); SOHO in the ‘Burg Fine Art Gallery, 600 Main St., Stroudsburg, 5-8PM.

9. **Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center**  
   Early Spring Bird Walk, 8050 Running Valley Rd., Stroudsburg, 9:30AM. 570-629-3060 or www.mcconservation.org

10. **Pocono Environmental Education Center (PEEC)**  
    Bridge the Gap: Edible & Medicinal Plant Walk, 538 Emery Rd., Dingmans Ferry, 10AM-11AM. 570-828-2319 or www.peec.org

11. **Silvery Moon Guest House**  
    April in Paris Fashion Show and Sale, Wing and a Prayer Chapel, 6257 Route 209, Stroudsburg, 10AM-5PM. 607-644-0596 or elisearts@gmail.com

12. **Shawnee Community Concerts**  
    Hickory Rose Band, Shawnee Inn, River Road, Shawnee-on-Delaware, 7PM. 570-424-4000 or www.shawneeincm.com

13. **Grey Towers Heritage Assoc.**  
    Winter Warm-up Practice Walks for 8K, Grey Towers, Old Owego Turnpike, Milford, 10AM. 570-296-9625 or info@greytowers.org

14. **Silvery Moon Guest House**  
    Paint the Town! Girls Night of Shopping, Painting & Dinner on Crystal St, East Stroudsburg, 5 - 8PM. 607-644-0596 or elisearts@gmail.com

15. **Smithfields Library**  
    Ornithologists Readers Book Club, R&B Plaza Building, 507 Seven Bridge Road, East Stroudsburg, 7PM. 570-223-1881 or cyoung@mcconservation.org

16. **Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center**  
    Gallery at Stroudsmoor Country Inn, Stroudsmoor Rd., Stroudsburg, 2-4PM. 570-476-4460 or www.peec.org

17. **First Presbyterian Church of Stroudsburg**  
    Shippensburg University Concert Choir, Spring Tour, 579 Main St., Stroudsburg, 7PM. 570-421-7751 or www.fpcstroudsburg.org

18. **Winter Warm-up Practice Walks for 8K, Grey Towers, Old Owego Turnpike, Milford, 11:30AM. 570-296-9625 or info@greytowers.org

19. **Shawnee Community Concerts**  
    Tamir Cousins, Shawnee Inn, River Road, Shawnee-on-Delaware, 7PM. 570-424-4000 or www.shawneeincm.com

20. **Grey Towers Heritage Assoc.**  
    Lunch & Learn Program: Cornelia Pinchot’s Political Activist & Wife, Grey Towers, Old Owego Turnpike, Milford, 11:30AM. 570-296-9625 or info@greytowers.org

21. **East Stroudsburg University**  
    Artists’ Reception: Senior Seminar and Senior Portfolio Review, Madeon Powers Gallery, Fine & Performing Arts Center, 4-PM. 570-422-3483 x. 1 or esuarts@esu.edu

22. **Shawnee Playhouse**  
    Gordon Lightfoot in Concert: The Legend Lives On. . . ., 524 Main St., Stroudsburg, 7PM. 570-420-2808 or www.shermantheater.com

23. **Stroudsmoor Country Inn**  
Eastern Monroe Public Library
Bookhouse Series: Marc Black – Folk Rocker: The History of the 1950s & 60s Through the Lens of Popular Song, North Ninth St., Stroudsburg, 7:30PM. 570-421-0800 ext. 312 or www.monroepl.org

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Grey Towers Heritage Assoc.
8K Walk/Run from Grey Towers – Milford Beach – Grey Towers, Old Owego Turnpike, Milford, 9AM. 570-296-9625 or info@greytowers.org

Monroe County Earth Day
Northampton Community College, Monroe Campus, Warner Road, at 2411 Rte 715, Tannersville, 10AM-4PM. 570-629-3060 or www.mcearthday.org

Arts Community of Easton
18th Annual Arts Tour, Downtown Easton, 11AM – 5PM.

Centenary Stage Company
Great Authors Out Loud Series, Randall Duk Kim, Anne Ochigrossi, Kutz Black Box Theatre, 715 Grand Ave. Hackettstown, NJ 3PM. 908-979-0900 or www.centenarystageco.org

Origins Gallery
Artists’ Reception: Monroe County Technical Institute Student Exhibition, 580 Main St., Lower Level, Stroudsburg. 6:30-9PM. 570-507-7571 or www.originsgallery.org.

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Shawnee Community Concerts
Cherry Valley Folk Ensemble, Shawnee Inn, River Road, Shawnee-on-Delaware, 7PM. 570-424-4000 or www.shawneeinn.com

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East Stroudsburg University
Spring Jazz Concert, Cecilia S. Cohen Recital Hall, Fine & Performing Arts Center, 7:30PM. 570-422-3483 x. 3 or esuarts@esu.edu

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East Stroudsburg University
New York, New York: A Musical Cabaret presented by ESU Musical Theatre Organization, Cecilia S. Cohen Recital Hall, Fine & Performing Arts Center, 7PM. 570-422-3483 x. 4 or esuarts@esu.edu

The Shawnee Playhouse
Day of Acting + Headshots, Barry Morgenstein & Lisa Regina, Shawnee Inn & Golf Resort, River Road, Shawnee-on-Delaware, 9AM-5PM. lisa@lisaregina.com

Kettle Creek Environmental Education Center
Signs of Spring, 8050 Running Valley Rd., Stroudsburg, 10AM. 570-629-3060 or www.mcconservation.org

East Stroudsburg University
Community on the Quad, ESU Noon-4PM. 570-422-3607 or www.esu.edu/studentlife

Pocono Mountains Theater Company & ESU

Upcoming May Events
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Totts Gap Arts Institute
Free Classes Week, Call to Register, 1494 Totts Gap Rd., Bangor, 11AM-4PM. 610-588-5817 or www.tottsgap.org

Pocono Arts Council
Drop-off for the 2016 Members’ Exhibition, 18 N. Seventh St., Stroudsburg, 1-3PM & 6-8PM. 570-476-4460 or www.poconoarts.org

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Shawnee Community Concerts
Juggernaut String Band, Shawnee Inn, River Road, Shawnee-on-Delaware, 7PM. 570-424-4000 or www.shawneeinn.com

Sherman Theater
USAF Heritage of American Band FREE CONCERT, 524 Main St., Stroudsburg. 570-420-2808 or www.shermantheater.com

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Grey Towers Heritage Assoc.
Gifford Pinchot & Fly Fishing, Grey Towers, Old Owego Turnpike, Milford, 9AM. 570-296-9625 or info@greytowers.org

Sherman Theater
Buckcherry, 524 Main St., Stroudsburg, 8PM. 570-420-2808 or www.shermantheater.com

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Silvery Moon Guest House
Artist’s Reception: Yvonne Lucia “RE-Visioning Mary: Contemporary Icons of the Feminine Divine”, Wing and a Prayer Chapel, 6257 Route 209, Stroudsburg, Noon-6PM. 607-644-0596 or elisearts@gmail.com

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Local Galleries & Museums

D.R.'s Framing & Artworks
Featured Artist: Sean Turell, Oils & Sculptures (thru May) Local In-House Artists: Marlan Holstein, Alice Prall. Gallery Hours: Mon-Sat (closed Wednesdays), 10AM-5PM, 730 Main St, East Stroudsburg. 570-476-7666 or www.drsgallery.com

Findings Jewelry & Art Gallery
New Work by Penny Ross! Also offering the Gold, Silver, and Gemstone Creations of Jeweler & Owner Daniel Varipapa. Gallery Hours: Mon-Fri, 10:30AM-5PM; Sat, 11:30AM-3:30PM, 39 N. 7th St., Courthouse Square, Stroudsburg. 570-426-1888

Gallery at Creekside Country Store
Works by local artists. Gallery Hours: 10-5PM Daily, Sunday, Noon-5PM, closed Tues/Wed. 2300 Rimrock Drive, Snydersville. 570-977-9400 or creeksidecountrystore@gmail.com

Gallery at Liztech
Gallery Hours: Tues-Sat 10AM-6PM, 95 Crystal Gallery at Liztech 2107 Rimrock Drive, Snydersville. 570-674-6250 dposatko@msiercic.edu or www.msiercic.edu

Monroe County Historical Association
You Are Here: 200 Years of Stroudsburg’s Main Street. Gallery Hours: Tues-Fri, 10AM-4PM, First & Third Saturday, 10AM-4PM. One-hour Guided Tours: 11AM & 2PM daily. 900 Main St, Stroudsburg. 570-421-7703 or www.monoehistorical.org

MudWorks Pottery
Hours: 11AM-5PM, M-W; 11AM-7PM, Thurs; 11AM-5PM, Fri; 10AM-5PM, Sat; Noon-4PM, Sun, Route 115, Effort. 570-872-9683 or www.MudWorksPotteryPA.com 10% Discount for PoconoArts Members.

Northampton Community College
Monroe Campus – Dunnng Art Gallery. “Living the Good, Green Life” (thru May 26) Gallery Hours: Monday-Thursday, 8AM-9PM, 201 Keystone Hall, 2411 Route 715, Tannersville. 610-861-5062 or tshillia@northampton.edu

Origins Gallery on Main
A Voice for the Earth II, Recycled and Found Object Art Exhibition. Intake, Wednesday, April 5, 8-9PM, and Thursday, April 6, 2-6PM, Reception, April 9, 6-9PM. “Outta Space Exhibition” Intake, Wednesday May 4, 8-9PM, and Thursday, May 5, 2-6PM, Reception: May 7, 6-9PM. “A Picture is Worth a Thousand Words”, Intake, Wednesday, May 18, 5-8PM and Thursday, May 19, 2-6PM, Reception: May 21, 6-9PM. 580 Main St., Lower Level, Stroudsburg, 6:30-9PM. 570-507-7571 or www.originsgallery.org

Pocono Mountain Arts Council
ART UNDER THE BIG TOP - Please join PMAC at the Blue Ridge winery in Slaybourn on July 3rd for Art and wine. This is our annual summer show and we have moved to a beautiful new location. The show is outdoors with spaces under large tents or you may bring your own tent. Spaces are 10x10, either under the big top or in your own tent. Contact information, application and cover letter available on the PMAC website at www.poconomac.com or you can contact Mira Hensley at 570-269-5970 or Nancy Pitcher at nphitch2@gmail.com. All fine crafts and art accepted on a first come first served basis.

PoconoArts/On Going
Class Instructors - PoconoArts is always seeking qualified instructors to teach in its studio program. If you are interested in teaching, or know of someone who is, please contact our Studio Coordinator, Carolyn Hetherington at 570-476-4460 or e-mail carolyn@pocoonoarts.org. The Council is interested in providing instruction in a variety of disciplines, levels and age groups. PoconoArts is also seeking individuals who are interested in modeling for figure/portrait drawing & painting classes. Interested parties should call PoconoArts, 570-476-4460, or e-mail carolyn@pocoonoarts.org

Opportunities

Visual Arts

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SOHO in the Burg – “50 Shades of Green” - Drop off thru April 2nd. Artists’ Reception 5-8PM, April 16th. Exhibition runs thru May 6, Main St., Stroudsburg. Information: 570-460-1673, 570-807-1623 or andrea@sohointheburg.com. www.sohointheburg.com

Silvery Moon Guest House - Wing and a Prayer Chapel is a beautiful unique space for displaying your artwork. Themed events every month will dictate what kind of work will be accepted, and showings will be for that event or by appointment. Regular summer hours will be announced. Please contact Lizzy at Silvery Moon guest house, elisesarts@gmail.com or facebook at Silvery Moon Guest House. 6257 Route 209, Stroudsburg (near Snyderville Diner).

The AFA Gallery in Scranton is accepting exhibition proposals for review for the 2017 calendar. Proposal guidelines can be found at www.artistsforartgallery.com or by emailing artistsforartgallery@gmail.com or calling 570-969-1040. Proposals will be accepted through August 31, 2016.

The Butternut Gallery
8th Annual FOCUS…. Exploring our regional sense of place – Call for Entries. May 21st, 2:30-7:30, a juried exhibition held in conjunction with the Chocolate & Wine Festival on Chestnut St in Montrose PA. Theme: the artists’ unique perspective of where they live – literally, figuratively and spiritually. Calendar: May 4-7: Intake between 11 & 5; May 10 – Notification; May 20 – Reception and Awards by invitation only; May 21, Open to the public until 7:30; June 4, exhibition closes at 3PM. Entry Fees: $25 first piece, $10 each additional (total of 4). Work will be juried from the original for quality, content and space.Awards: total $4,500. Best of Show - $1000. $250 prizes in the following: Painting (2); Photography (1); Sculpture (1); Graphic (drawings/prints) (1); Fiber (1); Clay (1); Wood (1); People’s Choice Award (2); Chocolate & Wine Festival Award (1). Numerous Honorable Mentions. Specification: All media (except electronic) are accepted. All work must be original and completed within the last two years. All work must be for sale (Gallery commission of 30%). All 2-D work must measure 60” or less and be properly wired for hanging. All 3-D work must weigh less than 100 lbs. Please contact the gallery if a pedestal is
**Opportunities**

**Dance**

**The Kathy Kroll Dance & Paper Theater** is seeking new dancers, teens and adults, both male and female. This non-profit community dance company is open to all levels. The Junior Company is also seeking new dancers, boys and girls, 9-12 years old. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings. Information: 570-424-5285 or www.kathykrolldanceandpapertheater.org

**Theater**

**Shawnee Playhouse** - Auditions for Adults and Children. **2016 Summer Season** Adult Auditions: Adults Over 18 - Sunday, April 10th, 1 - 4 pm at Shawnee Inn and April 12, 5-8 pm at the Shawnee Playhouse. Please come prepared with a song, at least 16 bars, of your choice. An accompanist is not provided, you can either sing a cappella or with a cd (cd player provided) Please make sure the cd has music only – no vocals. You do not have to sing a song from the show for which you are auditioning. Also, please provide a head shot and resume. Scheduled Shows: Honky Tonk Angels; The Addams Family Musical; Mary Poppins. Children’s Auditions — Ages 7 to 17 — April 10, 1-4 pm at Shawnee Inn and April 12, 5-8 pm, at Shawnee Playhouse. Please come prepared with a song, at least 16 bars, of your choice. An accompanist is not provided, you can either sing a cappella or with a cd (cd player provided) Please make sure the cd has music only – no vocals. You do not have to sing a song from the show for which you are auditioning. Please provide a head shot and resume if you have one. Children will be asked to audition without a parent present. Parents will be asked to wait in the holding room and will not be allowed to listen outside the audition room. Scheduled Shows: The Velveteen Rabbit; Sleeping Beauty; Seussical Jr.; and Mary Poppins. For audition forms, show dates and information please visit the website at www.TheShawneePlayhouse.com

**Literature**

**Clever Girl**, a new literary journal of women’s writing, based in Honesdale, PA, seeks fiction (any genre), creative nonfiction, and poetry by female writers. Submissions must be no more than 7,500 words and may be accompanied by illustrations. Also, female artists are encouraged to submit comic-strip stories (up to 10 pages), cartoon panels, and standalone artwork. Please send text as a Word attachment and artwork as JPEGs to clevergirl-mag@gmail.com; Website: https://clevergirl-mag.wordpress.com/ Facebook: Clever Girl Magazine

**The Forwardian Arts Society** invites writers, poets, artists, and/or photographers to submit their work to be considered inclusion in its Literary and Arts Magazine 12th Issue which is scheduled to be published on line in June 2016. Submissions will be accepted until April 15th. Please visit The Forwardian Arts Society at www.forwardianarts.org or call 570-629-3061 or 570-629-3061 for more information.

**Community Opportunities**

**Monroe County Conservation District** - 2016 Rain Barrel Sale, Saturday April 23. Rain Barrel features 58-Gallon, repurposed, food-grade plastic barrel and includes Brass, Ball Valve Spigot, Brass Bottom Drain. Fixtures are all garden-hose thread. Cost: $90 each plus tax. Pick-up Date: April 23rd between 11AM-3PM at Monroe County Earth Day, held at Monroe Campus of Northampton Community College, at Warner Road off of 715, Tannersville. Order Deadline: is Wednesday April 13. Link to Order form: http://www.mccconservation.org/downloads/PDFS/Rain%20Barrel%20Sale%20Order%20Form%202016_for%20website.pdf For more information: 570-629-3061 or www.mccconservation.org

**Meals on Wheels** is looking for drivers to deliver meals to seniors and shut-ins. Volunteers can work as little as one day per month, 10AM - 1PM. For further information, call the Meals on Wheels office at 424-8794. This is a great community service that can truly make a difference in someone’s life.

**Pocono Medical Center Complementary & Alternative Medicine Program** is looking for volunteer artists & musicians to aid in the healing environment. Hours are flexible and can be as little as one hour per month. Contact Jill Howell at 570-476-3443 or email JHowell@poconomedicalcenter.org

**Get Outdoors Poconos** – a new website from the Brodhead Watershed Association featuring preserves and trails in the Poconos gives hikers a comprehensive resource for finding outdoor adventures. Go to www.brodheadwatershed.org/gopoconos for event information, trail maps, hiker’s hints, photos and feature stories.

**Pocono Community Calendar** – The Pocono Community Calendar is an online literary community service that allows non-profits to share, review and promote their events free of charge. For further information, visit www.poconocommunitycalendar.com.
ON GOING ADULT CLASSES

Oil Painting
Thursdays 6:30-8:30pm
April Classes 7, 14, 21, 28
May Classes 5, 12, 19, 26
This ongoing workshop focuses on the individual, helping them to develop their own personal style and technique working with the oil medium. Learn how to develop your painting by understanding drawing and composition, light and shadow, color, preparation of materials and the application of paint. Working at your own pace, you pick the subject while the instructor guides you through the painting process.
Instructor: John McAllister is a graduate of York Academy of Arts and works as a freelance artist and videographer.
Tuition: Member $75/Non-member $85:
Senior Member $65/Non-Member $75.
Materials List

Intermediate Watercolor
Sundays 1-4pm
April Classes 3, 10, 17, 24
May Classes 1, 8, 22, 29 (no class on May 15)
This class will cover composition, how to avoid "making mud", rules of portraiture, using a photograph and various techniques, along with other varied techniques.
Instructor: Joan Rauzi attended the New School, The Parsons School of Design and the New York Art League. She has been teaching watercolor painting for many years. Her works hang in private and corporate collections with notable clients such as Malcolm Forbes and David Rockefeller.
Tuition: Member $100/Non-Member $110:
Senior Member $90/Non-Member $100.
Materials List

APRIL CLASSES AT POCONO ARTS

Children’s Artist a Day Series
Artist Frida Kahlo
Children Grades 3rd 06th
April 2, Saturday, 1-3pm
This workshop will review the work of Frida Kahlo. A self-portrait will be created, learning the proportions of the face while the students learn how they see themselves. Dress for a Mess!
Instructor: Susan Field teaches a wide range of arts, photography, crafts and theater classes to adults and children of all ages. Susan has conducted classes year round at Northampton Community College – Horizons for Youth and Center for Adult Learning programs since 2001 and the Pocono Arts Council since 2005. Formal training is in Photography from Fashion Institute of Technology and for Theater at Brooklyn College.
ALL MATERIALS SUPPLIED!
Tuition: $30.00

Blues Guitar
One Evening, April 5, Tuesday 6:30-8:30pm
This workshop will provide a practical, hands-on approach to jamming. Attendees perform together in a casual, friendly setting. No stage audience.
Instructor: Spencer Reed instructs at Blair Academy, is an instructor/mentor at Camp Jazz in DWG, the director of the Elementary and High School band/orchestra program at Notre Dame in East Stroudsburg and, along with Nancy Reed, has conducted two jazz seminars at ESU.
Tuition: Member $20/Non-Member $30:
Senior Member $15/Non-Member $25

Mixed Media
4 weeks, April 7, 14, 21, 28, Thursdays, 1-3pm
Learn a new painting technique using a tempera and india ink resist and then painting back in with tempera and acrylics. Wonderful textures and surprise forms surface when utilizing this technique. A collage element with tissue paper can also be used. There are many possibilities. Work from a favorite photo.
Instructor: Iraina Caramelli graduated from the Parsons School of Design in NYC. She also studied fine and graphic arts at Pratt Institute. She works in a number of mediums including mixed media, acrylics, watercolor, pen and ink and pastels. Iraina is listed in Who’s Who of American Women.
Tuition: Member $75/Non-Member $85:
Senior Member $65/Non-Member $75.
Materials List

Painting Workshops
One Evening, April 6, Wednesday, 6:30-8:30pm
This workshop is open to any water media, acrylic, watercolor and water based oils. The choice is yours! Painting a landscape will be the focus of this evening. Tuition: $10.00
One Evening, April 20, Wednesday, 6:30-8:30pm
This workshop is open to any water media, acrylic, watercolor and water based oils. The choice is yours! Painting florals will be the focus of this evening. Tuition: $10.00
Instructor: Jim Smelts has been painting for 35 years and is experienced in acrylics, oils and watercolor. Jim paints in a loose, impressionistic style using drips and splotters to paint landscapes, seascapes and colorful florals. He has exhibited in numerous shows including Bethlehem Music Fest, Marywood College Contemporary Gallery, Buck Hill Art Association and the State Theater in Easton. Solo shows include the Dutot Museum, Neglia Gallery and the Ashley Scott Gallery. Jim is currently the Historian for the Pocono Mt. Art Group and is represented by many galleries in the Pocono Area.

How to Pose (males & females)
Photography Workshop
One Day, April 9, Saturday, 1-5pm
Learn how to pose individuals and couples to look their best. Tips and tricks on how to minimize flaws (hide a large nose; make a small eye appear equal to the other; avoid glare in glasses.) This is a great workshop for amateurs and new professionals. Flood lighting will be provided. Students will model for each other for reference material only. No need to be bashful…just bring your camera and enjoy!
Instructor: Susan Field (see bio under Clay Sculptures for a Fairy Garden)
Tuition: Member $25/Non-Member $35:
Senior Member $15/Non-Member $25

Figurine Drawing w/ Professional Costumed Model
One Evening, April 11, Monday 6-9pm
This energetic workshop will focus on direct drawing, from the theatrically costumed and fashionably dressed model. Participants will draw through a range of exciting approaches, learning to draw more freely, confidently and courageously. This workshop is for teens and adults at all skill levels.
Instructor: Ted Michalowski graduated from Marywood University with a Bachelor of Fine Arts in Illustration and Literature in 1988. Ted went on to attend Syracuse Independent Study Program to receive his Masters Degree in Illustration in 2002. Ted is currently an instructor at Marywood University where he teaches figure drawing, History of American Illustration, Two Dimensional Design and Color, and coordinates figure drawing studio programs. Ted is also a courtroom artist for media coverage of high-profile trials and has been broadcasted by CNN, CBS News, ABC News and FOX News. He is a roster Artist in Residence for various schools and teaches in the Arts Alive and Ever Art Programs.
Tuition: Member $40/Non-Member $50:
Senior Member $30/Non-Member $40.
Materials List

Monoprinting Workshop
One Day, April 12, Tuesday, 1-4pm
Have a fun day creating one time prints, called Monoprints while exploring your drawing and line techniques. This workshop is for beginners and the more advanced artist.
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Tuition: Member $40/Non-Member $50:
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Make and Take Workshop-Polymer Clay Sculptures for a Fairy Garden
One Day, April 13, Wednesday, 1-4pm
April showers bring May Flowers! Get your herb planters ready with some original mini sculptures. An assortment of creations will be made for fairy gardens. Pieces will be baked and ready for you to take home. No experience necessary.
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Fairy Garden
Polymer Clay Sculptures for a Make and Take Workshop–

How to Pose (groups-3 subjects)
One Day, May 21, Saturday, 1-3pm
Learn to communicate with children of different ages. Headshots, arm poses and full lengths will be shot. This is a great workshop for amateurs to new professionals. Flood lighting will be utilized. Child models will be included for reference only. Just bring your camera.

Instructor: Susan Field (See bio under Make & Take Frames)

Tuition: Member $25/Non-Member $35:
Senior Member $15/Non-Member $25

May Classes At Pocono Arts
Children’s Artist a Day Series
Artist M.C. Escher
Children Grades 3rd – 6th
May 7, Saturday, 1-3pm
Learn about the artist and try your hand at applying a technique to make art. A tessellation is created when a shape is repeated over and over again.

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Make & Take – Spring Frames
One Day, May 11, Wednesday 1-4pm
We will be starting with a wood base and will hand paint & embellish with spring designs using mixed media. It will be ready your favorite 4x6 photo.

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This workshop is open to any water media, acrylic, watercolor and water based oils. The choice is yours! Painting Lilacs will be the focus of this evening.

Tuition: $10.00

One Evening, May 18, Wednesday, 6:30-8:30pm
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PoconoArts 2016 Events & Activities
Spring for the Arts Gala
Friday, April 8, 2016 6PM
The Earth Speaks II: A Juried Exhibition on the Environmental Crisis
ARTSPACE Gallery, April 1 – 30, 2016
Artists’ Reception, April 16, 2016

PoconoArts Annual Members’ Exhibition
May 6-28, 2016
Artists’ Reception, May 14, 2016

Festival of Wood, Grey Towers
National Historic Site
August 6 & 7, 2016

Pocono State Craft Festival, Quiet Valley
August 20 & 21, 2016

Welcome New Members
Luigi Acquati, Saylorsburg
John Brandes, Bushkill
Loretta Gearhart, South Sterling
Helene Hartig, Bushkill
Garrett James, Tannersville
Monroe Farmers Market, Stroudsburg
Evelina Sturzeneker, East Stroudsburg

Students participating in 2016 Juried HS Exhibition
Elina Acevedo, Tobyhanna
*Jordan Allen, Tobyhanna
Jared Archibald, Pocono Pines
Richard Berwind, Saylorsburg
Sara Braun, Pocono Pines
Amelia Bray, Pocono Pines
Samantha Catania, Kunkletown
Mary Cerverne, Kunkletown
Kelsey Diabo, Stroudsburg
Britney Diaz, Tobyhanna
*Alessandra Ferraro, Brodheadsville
Madison Friedland, Stroudsburg
Hannah Gruber, Saylorsburg
Devin Kigel, Saylorsburg
Angela Kimmins, Tobyhanna
Kataryn LaBar, Stroudsburg
*Christopher Lee, Blakeslee
*Cristie Lee, Stroudsburg
Sabrina Lorenzo, Tobyhanna
Bianca Lorusso, East Stroudsburg
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Sabrina Parisi, Pocono Lake
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Melanie Reyes, Stroudsburg
Jared Archibald, Pocono Pines
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- East Stroudsburg University
- Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau*
- Ray Price Dealerships
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Culture Builds Community. The Mission of the Pocono Arts Council is to build our community artistically and culturally by providing leadership, service, and education.

Leadership: The Pocono Arts Council will be the leading advocacy organization offering inspiration, direction and coordination for arts and cultural activities in the Pocono region.

Service: The Pocono Arts Council will foster communication, cooperation and collaboration between the arts community and the public through funding, information services and support.

Education: The Pocono Arts Council will provide art education opportunities and nurture growth in individuals and organizations offering instruction and participation in arts and cultural activities.

Submission Deadline

If you would like to have news of an arts related event published, details must be received in the PoconoArts office by the 8th of the previous month. (Due to space limitations, PoconoArts reserves the right to edit copy.) The newsletter reaches over 830 arts enthusiasts in the county.

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