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## NBAA EVENT HELPS BUSINESS AVIATION SOAR AT WESTCHESTER

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After a hiatus during the height of Covid-19, the National Business Aviation Association (NBAA) returned to Westchester County Airport on June 22 for an NBAA Regional Forum. The event attracted business aircraft owners, operators and representatives from companies that use business aviation as well as others interested in learning what aviation can do for business.

Million Air, a fixed base operator (FBO) at the airport, which operates hangar, fueling and passenger support facilities, hosted the event. There were educational sessions, about 200 exhibitors in Million Air's main hangar and outdoor displays of various aircraft.

"We recognize that White Plains is an important area and the facilities are good. It's always been a very well-received place for us to host the Regional Forum," Ed Bolen, president and CEO of the

NBAA, told the Business Journals. "We had a strong turnout. The hangar space was sold out and while the weather was damp it was not excessively warm. I don't think the weather dampened any spirits."

Bolen said the registered attendance was more than 3,000. He noted that the meeting sessions covered subjects such as environmental sustainability, career paths in business aviation and the political outlook for the industry.

"Business aviation has always been about getting people where they need to go when they need to go there and doing so safely, securely, flexibly," Bolen said. "Those benefits have always been understood. What we are seeing as airlines reduce the number of places where they fly and some of their frequencies, business aviation is in some cases becoming the only choice to get to where they have lost service. In some cases, business aviation can be the best mode of transportation. In some cases, it can be the only mode of transportation."

Bolen said that business avia-



Aircraft on display at Million Air during NBAA Regional Forum at Westchester County Airport.

tion has proven to be an important tool for productivity and efficiency.

"We've run studies through the years that showed that top companies routinely utilize business aviation to handle a portion of their transportation challenges," Bolen

said. "The vast majority of the companies that rely upon business aviation are small and midsize companies. At NBAA, over 80% of our members are small and midsize companies typically operating a single aircraft and it's often a turbo-

prop or an entry-level business jet."

Bolen said that business aircraft help users turn travel time into productive work time.

"You can discuss business matters, proprietary business mat-

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## Bridgeport puts renewed focus on culture and tourism as an economic engine

BY JUSTIN MCGOWN

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The Bridgeport Regional Business Council (BRBC) held its 2022 Annual Meeting & Luncheon on June 21 at Knowlton's Boathouse in Bridgeport, overlooking the Pequonnock River. The meeting's theme was "Arts, Culture & Tourism as an Economic Driver," and the adjacent Armstrong Gallery was the site of an exhibitor showcase centered on businesses and organizations with a connection to the theme – this included

Connecticut's Beardsley Zoo, the Discovery Science Center, The Entrepreneurship Foundation, Magnolia Chocolatier and Bradley International Airport, among others.

Dan Onofrio, president and CEO of the BRBC, welcomed guests as they enjoyed a buffet lunch.

"I love this job – it's the hardest one I've ever had but I love it," Onofrio told the gathered crowd as he kicked off the program.

In addition to some procedural votes to appoint new directors, Paul Antonozzi of Antonozzi

and Associates was honored with a lifetime achievement award for his long-time support of the BRBC and the contributions of his architecture firm. A short video of BRBC members recalling his hard work and dedication was played, highlighting his work with numerous members of the area's business community.

Bridgeport Mayor Joe Ganim was unable to attend, citing that he felt under the weather, and keynote speaker Noelle Stevenson, the new director of the Connecticut Office of Tourism, was recovering from

an injury and could not deliver her remarks. Stevenson sent a recorded message and asked Jill Adams, CEO of the Avon-based public relations agency Adams & Knight, to share the Office of Tourism's new advertising campaign with attendees.

"Thank you for asking me to address the regional business council's annual meeting," Stevenson said in a recorded message. "I'm disappointed that I cannot be there with you in person while I'm still recovering. That said, I was so thrilled to hear that you were focusing your

annual meeting towards tremendous cultural tourism opportunities in the Bridgeport region."

Stevenson also praised Bridgeport's efforts to become a "musical mecca."

"There's definitely a new buzz in this area," Stevenson continued, "and I echo your enthusiasm for leveraging our incredible music offerings to attract more visitors to Bridgeport. As a matter of fact, one of our key cultural initiatives is to expand our efforts as to lure music festivals to Connecticut and Bridgeport

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# Sacred Heart University's new business school dean encourages leadership and collaboration

BY EDWARD ARRIAZA

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**S**acred Heart University (SHU) welcomed its newest dean of the Jack Welch College of Business & Technology (WCBT), Dr. Catherine McCabe, on July 1.

McCabe comes to SHU after a 22-year history at the Sawyer Business School at Suffolk University in Boston, first as associate professor and chair of its department of marketing and during the last six years as associate dean. In addition, McCabe brings with her knowledge gained from being faculty and affiliate at the Institute for Experiential Learning since 2018.

"As I progressed in my leadership positions and my career at Suffolk, Sacred Heart was one of those schools that I was watching and seeing how it was growing and developing," McCabe said, detailing what attracted her to SHU and the dean position at WCBT, located in the university's Fairfield-based West Campus. "When it came time for me to make a decision about that next step in my career, it was a school I was very interested in. And the timing was perfect. When I was ready, they were looking for a dean."

SHU leadership's handling of curriculum at WCBT, especially impressed McCabe, as for the past 10 years the college had integrated computer science and engineering with business, a vital combination to understand in today's market, according to McCabe.

"Right now, you can't separate technology from business," she said. "With Sacred Heart, they are together. And not just under the one roof, but we have faculty who have embraced this, and they understand this."

As part of her empathetic approach toward leadership and collaboration, McCabe believed strongly that all individuals have valuable insights and, thus, one must listen to and empower



Dr. Catherine McCabe. Photo courtesy of Sacred Heart University.

everyone, particularly experts in their field. As such, she strives for close collaboration with faculty and staff.

"I've already had conversations with them, their ideas and what they want to do and how do they continue to bring the two together throughout the community," McCabe said.

The new dean noted that, increasingly, today's students take great interest in a school's implementation of social issues or "JEDI" (justice, equity, diversity, inclusion) in its teachings, such as lessons on ethical leadership and responsible management.

"They're asking, 'Do you have these things within your curriculum?' and Sacred Heart has those things," she said. "That's part of the DNA of Sacred Heart."

McCabe seeks to deepen the bond between technology and business and make WCBT a col-

lege of choice by incorporating Experiential Learning Theory. This learning cycle begins when a learner has an experience, which then leads to a period of reflection and analysis, which results in the arrival of new conclusions and is then followed by the implementation of said conclusions. The cycle then repeats itself with newly gained experiences and feedback, the learner iterating upon them. Essentially, this is a "meta-learning approach" – learning how to learn.

McCabe's goal is for students to have a "common framework" they may apply throughout their future careers, knowing how to utilize findings from past experiences in new, yet similar, contexts.

"We want students to be in an environment and be in the situations that we know they're going to experience once they

graduate, whether they're undergraduate or graduate students," she said.

In an increasingly technology-oriented business world, McCabe observed that the West Campus' labs and studios can offer students such an environment, augmented by cutting-edge teaching tools such as artificial intelligence. Virtual meetings also present an opportunity for WCBT students to collaborate on projects with other students and organizations from around the world.

"We have all of these wonderful facilities to give students the opportunity to experience this virtual reality," McCabe said, elaborating that the West Campus' facilities can give "our students the opportunity to actually engage in this and make it part of their learning experiences, whatever course of study they have."

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# Former Westchester journalist promotes the free press

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People who believe there is no attack on the free press in the U.S. need only read an opinion by U.S. Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas that was issued on June 27. Thomas dissented from a decision by a majority of the justices not to consider overturning the *New York Times v. Sullivan* case. *Times v. Sullivan* has protected the ability of news media to report on public figures without risking a libel suit whenever they report something negative.

The *Times v. Sullivan* protections allow the news media “to cast false aspersions on public figures with near impunity,” Thomas wrote. He claimed the Supreme Court should “not insulate those who perpetuate lies from traditional remedies like libel suits.”

It's no secret that Donald Trump and his enablers, before, after and during his four years as president, convinced millions of people that the news media are “the enemy of the people.” Countless people now shun professional journalism and instead voluntarily consume consistent diets of propaganda and outright lies.

This comes at a time when journalism at all levels, especially local, is under financial pressure that has brought about the shrinking of staffs at newspapers and broadcasting outlets, mergers and business closures. The internet provides a competing flood of information including from unknown, unprofessional and even sinister sources. Yet, faith in the ability of professional journalists to deliver what people need to know as well as what they want to know has not been entirely lost.

A former Westchester resident and journalism expert is at the forefront of encouraging support for local journalism and a rebirth of what had been an American compulsion to be well-informed and in touch with the local community, nation and world.

Ken Paulson, who used to live in Waccabuc, was editor-in-chief for the 13 titles of the Gannett Suburban Newspapers from 1992 to 1996 serving Westchester and



Ken Paulson

the Hudson Valley. He now is director of the Free Speech Center and a professor in the Recording Industry Department at Middle Tennessee State University (MTSU) based in Murfreesboro, Tennessee. He is the dean emeritus of MTSU's College of Media and Entertainment. When with Gannett, Paulson also served as editor-in-chief of USA TODAY and continues to serve as a columnist on USA TODAY's board of contributors, writing about media and First Amendment issues.

At Gannett, Paulson helped the company take the first tentative steps into the digital publishing world.

“The newspaper industry has had plenty of time to prepare for the transition to digital,” Paulson said. “Early conversations were about how there would be a decline in print revenue and an increase in digital revenue. There

are some extraordinary newspapers, The New York Times and The Washington Post among them, who are so deep in quality that they can transcend platforms.”

Paulson said that local newspapers will have to become hyperlocal and do a better job of covering their communities and provide a range of other services such as photo reprints.

“One shift that none of us in society really anticipated is that people would stop caring about the communities in which they lived,” Paulson told the Business Journals. “How did that happen? How is it that the public seems to no longer care whether someone sitting in a chair at their council meeting is going to be raising their taxes? How is it the public doesn't seem to care? When did it become cool not to know stuff?”

Paulson said there always was

a belief that local news would be supported because it is so essential.

“Increasingly, it appears the public is willing to roll the dice and just complain about anything the government does on Facebook,” Paulson said. “I often said you should buy a local newspaper not because you read it religiously every day but because you're hiring somebody to look after your interests.”

Paulson said that anyone who is willing to believe a politician who sells the idea that legitimate news organizations are publishing “fake news” probably can't be saved from their own biases. He said that parents have a responsibility to ensure that their children grow up with a good sense of what news coverage is all about, why it's important to know what's going on in the world, nation and their community and how to

determine that a news source is legitimate.

“What needs to happen is what has always been missing from news organizations. We have never made the case for what we do,” Paulson said. “Every industry that you can think of does institutional ads that remind Americans of their value in society. There has been a self-consciousness about promoting ourselves and not beating our chests. You do that enough and a lot of other people will be beating on your chests. This is something that I don't think can be turned around quickly.”

Paulson said that in any community in America, mayors come and go, city councils come and go, but in many communities the local newspaper has remained for decades.

“It was read by your parents; it was read by your grandparents. It is the one institution in town that always serves this particular community,” Paulson said. “That story needs to be told over and over again.”

Paulson said that local newspaper publishers need to convey to the business community just how fragile their service is these days and just how central it is to a community.

“Newspapers and the free flow of information drive a local economy,” Paulson said. “There was a time in America when every employer in that initial job interview would look for signs that an applicant was invested in the community. I've always asked people that I was considering hiring what they knew about the community and what their news diet was.”

Paulson said that when people are familiar with the news about what's going on in a community, they can help keep a company in touch and responsive and that leads to more business.

“Small towns and large cities alike would never think about not having a public library. It would be unthinkable. Or, a public swimming pool, that would be impossible,” Paulson said. “Yet, a stunning number are willing to let this extraordinary resource go, and we cannot allow that to happen.”

# SEC sanctions fraudster who scammed Curry Automotive

BY BILL HELTZEL

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The U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission has permanently barred Erin Verespy from the securities industry for stealing millions of dollars from Curry Automotive Group in White Plains.

Verespy, 51, of Trumbull, had pleaded guilty to bank fraud and conspiracy to commit wire fraud. On March 28, a federal judge in White Plains sentenced her to five and a half years in prison.



Erin Verespy

She was the chief financial officer of Employee Benefit Solutions, a Wilton, insurance firm that managed employee health care claims for Curry.

From 2015 to 2018, EBS billed Curry for \$26 million in claims that were mostly false, according to court records.

Verespy had worked for EBS as an outside accountant, and in 2017 she joined the firm and helped keep the scheme going.

The firm's owners, Anthony and Patricia Riccardi, have pleaded not guilty to charges.

Verespy was also an investment adviser for H.D. Vest Investment Services in Trumbull, from 2000 to 2019, and was subject to SEC oversight.

She admitted to wrongdoing in the Curry Automotive case and she consented to SEC sanctions imposed on June 17.

The agency barred her from associating with anyone involved in the securities industry or from participating in any penny stock offering.

Verespy can try to get back in the securities industry, the SEC ordered, conditioned on a number of factors, such as repayment of fines or penalties. When she was sentenced

to prison, she was also ordered to pay more than \$16 million in restitution and forfeit more than \$1 million she had personally collected in the scheme.

Verespy is scheduled to surrender to FMC Carswell, a federal medical center and minimum security satellite camp in Fort Worth, Texas, on Thursday, June 30.



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ters without fear of eavesdropping. You can visit multiple cities in a single day. You can move products with you that are maybe too sensitive to go into a cargo hold or too big to go into an overhead bin,” Bolen said. “You can reach communities that don’t have good airline service.”

Bolen pointed out that it’s not just airplanes but airports that contribute to the usefulness of aviation for business.

“Airports are enormous economic development tools and we certainly see that in Westchester County and all around the world. Companies often are locating headquarters and facilities based on their ability to access the global marketplaces,” Bolen said. “It’s an important economic tool for any community and certainly Westchester County is a good example of that.”

Bolen said that the message he delivered during the Regional Forum at Westchester County Airport was about the resilience of the aviation industry, the ability for the industry to evolve and adapt and to do so relying on technology and innovation. He highlighted the industry’s sustainability programs, including the development of clean aviation fuels and progress being made on electric-powered aircraft. He told attendees that aviation is good for the country because it creates jobs, stimulates economic development and performs humanitarian services. He cited as an example the Corporate Angel Network, which is based at Westchester County Airport and for 40 years has used corporate aircraft to take cancer patients for treatment by specialists in distant cities.

Roger Woolsey, CEO of Million Air, which operates at 31 airports in the U.S. and internationally, views hosting NBAA events as part of the company’s initiatives to help boost the communities and businesses where it operates. He described their 22,000-square-foot terminal building that opened in 2019,

designed with stone, wood, glass, fireplaces and art, as being as welcoming to visitors as it is architecturally impressive.

“We’re already excited about planning next year’s NBAA event,” Woolsey told the Business Journals. “We love showcasing so much, we jump at every opportunity. There have been three or four television series and a couple of movies that have filmed scenes at our Westchester site. Presidents of other nations have come through for a tour. We enjoy opening to the community. We like welcoming people to the airport. It’s obviously good for our business to have a pilot happy to come visit us but we also think it’s spectacular for a president of another country or dignitaries to use us as an example of a thriving community or something they wish they had in their own country.”

Woolsey said that business and private aviation is misunderstood by many people as being only for the wealthy and giant corporations.

“Businesses, in order to be competitive, need access to aviation to bring in customers, experts and investors,” Woolsey said. “Every aircraft based at Million Air creates so many jobs. The NBAA event was a great way to showcase that.”

Woolsey said that aviation activity at the airport creates a multiplier effect throughout the Westchester County economy that brings business to pilot schools, trade schools, parts suppliers, limousine services, restaurants, hotels and numerous other businesses large and small.

“During Covid, when the world was shut down, airlines were not moving and private aviation was keeping a lot of things going,” Woolsey said. “We know for a fact there were many flights bringing in personal protective equipment and medical team members and medicines. A biosciences company working on the Covid problem used business aviation for its scientists and researchers and to get to



Some of the exhibits inside Million Air’s hangar during the NBAA Regional Forum.

Washington for meetings with government officials.”

Woolsey said the benefits of business aviation are being better appreciated by some companies due to the recent upsurge in flight delays and cancellations by the airlines.

“We’re humble and grateful that we’re still staying busy,” Woolsey said. “The new facility is just getting lots and lots of compliments. No FBO at Westchester had ever been recognized in the top 100 private aviation terminals. The second year our new Westchester facility opened, we got recognized as the second best FBO in the nation and the most-improved FBO in the world by Professional Pilot magazine. Million Air got voted the number one brand in the industry.”

Woolsey said that Westchester is a very important airport for Million Air as well as being important for the entire region. As the county drafts an updated Airport Master Plan, he urged that people move away from criticism of the airport based on emotion and toward facts about what the airport can and has contributed to the community.

“It’s historically been one of the top five most important corporate aviation airports

that I can remember,” Woolsey said. “We really believe in being a great citizen, neighbor, friend of our communities. For example, our new hangar eliminated over 500 flights a year.”

He explained that before the new 50,000-square-foot hangar was built, some companies had to park their planes at other airports and fly into Westchester to pick up their executives, then fly to their destinations, then return to Westchester to drop off the executives and then fly back to the airport where they were parked.

“With the carbon footprint, everything got cut in half with that hangar for something like 13 aircraft,” Woolsey said. “Last year, because that hangar is heated and state of the art, we did not do a single deicing event on a single aircraft that is based in that hangar.”

He said that not having to deice aircraft eliminates the risk of pollution from deicing fluid.

“We’re hoping that the airport study will look at things like that to decipher between hyperbole, hype and fact. We want what’s best for the community and nothing less,” Woolsey said.

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is by far a key example of an extremely desirable footprint.”

“I hope I can reflect just a fraction of the Office of Tourism’s enthusiasm around this new vision that Noelle mentioned,” Adams said as she took the stage.

The new campaign paints Connecticut as the place to “Find your Vibe.” Citing a recent economic impact study that found arts and culture related tourism generates roughly \$15.5 billion in annual business sales, Adams reminded attendees “this is business that’s coming to people in this room.”

Adams also highlighted that the same data showed tourism brings the state around \$2.2 billion in tax revenue every



Dan Onofrio, president and CEO of the BRBC, welcoming guests. Photo by Justin McGown.

year and supported 147,000 jobs. To support this important industry, the Office of Tourism is revamping CTVisit.com and rolling out an ad campaign that will eventually expand to reach not just regional visitors, but people from across the country and overseas.

The new campaign will be focused on adrenaline junkies, lovers of the outdoors, multicultural events, and members of the LGBTQ community – demographics the Office of Tourism has identified as offering major potential for growth.

“We are too often known as quaint and white and stodgy,” Adams said, expressing hope that the new campaign will banish that outdated perception of the state.

# Nod Hill Brewery's latest offering is a 'friendraiser' for Friends of Weir Farm

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**N**od Hill Brewery has sold out of cans of their latest creation – a fruity and floral New England style IPA produced on-site at the company's Ridgefield-based solar-powered facility. And while the beverage could certainly move units on its own, the cans were also in high demand owing to brilliant label art crafted by local artist Bobbi Eike Mullen and its name: Friends of Weir Farm India Pale Ale.

The impetus for the collaboration came from the Friends of Weir Farm, a volunteer organization dedicated to protecting and promoting one of only two National Historic Parks in Connecticut.

"Friends of Weir Farm was established in about 2015," said Judy Wander, the group's president. "We were all volunteers for the park and recognized that there were several things that the park was not able to do for itself. We loved the place, so we started a nonprofit.

"At the time," she continued, "there had been some conversation about 'wouldn't it be fun to do a 'Weir Beer?'" Obviously, the rhyming is a good play off on that." Unfortunately, at the time, nobody was sure how to get started on such a project.

Though strictly created as a "friend-raiser" rather than a fundraiser, according to Wander, she was still pleased with the outcome.

"Nod Hill did the heavy lifting in the beginning, which was to come up with a custom brew that was appropriate, navigate the label, go through any of the government requirements,"



The cover of Nod Hill Brewery's Friends of Weir India Pale Ale. Contributed photo.

Wander said. "They actually took on the cost to print and to can, and then it came to us to do the promotion and create the tone."

David Kaye, a founding partner and general manager at Nod Hill Brewery, said that the partnership was an easy decision once they were approached.

"They showed us a kind of similar beer that a brewery up in Maine did with Friends of Acadia National Park, and we thought it was a really cool concept," he said. "The farm is just a two-minute drive from us and it's a really beautiful spot that's a little bit under the radar."

According to Kaye, by the end of the June 12 event, every limited edition can

had been sold, although those interested in trying the "hazier, floral, fruity, super aromatic beer" with a 6.2% ABV could sample it in the tap room for a while after. He said that the event was a major success in their books and that they are contemplating an annual Weir Beer happening, and possibly finding other groups to collaborate with.

"We love brewing these kinds of beers," Kaye said of the recipe they developed. "And when we make these beers that are a collaboration with another business or organization, we want something that is going to have wide appeal because we oftentimes find our partners bringing in people to these events who

aren't necessarily huge beer drinkers."

"I'm not a beer drinker," Wander admitted. "But we were surprised when the information went out to the community what a sense of excitement and buzz it created in conversations at the Wilton library or other local venues. When people heard about it, they seemed genuinely excited for the opportunity."

The event also featured a live bluegrass band and opportunities to meet the artist behind the label and get to know members of Friends of Weir Farm. Also spotlighted was an emphasis on art and creativity. J. Alden Weir, the famous

Impressionist painter who once owned the farm, inspired Friends of Weir Farm to create both adult - and child-friendly coloring pages.

Friends of Weir Farm considered the event a rousing success.

"We exceeded any numbers that we would have anticipated," Wander said. "It was a new audience of people we had not seen before, people within our community of Ridgefield and Wilton and beyond who were aware of the farm but haven't been there in many years. It seemed to bring out a crowd of people that enjoy gathering together and celebrate having this special place in our backyard."

## Robbin Zella retires as director at Housatonic Museum of Art

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**R**obbin Zella announced that she is retiring at the end of June from her role as director of the Housatonic Museum of Art, located on the Housatonic Community College (HCC) campus in Bridgeport.

Zella has been the museum's director since 1998 and has coordinated more than 120 exhibitions at the museum's Burt Chernow Galleries and surrounding spaces on the college campus. Exhibitions included



Robbin Zella

iconic works by Rembrandt, Ansel Adams, Sol LeWitt and Chuck Close, as well as presentations by local artists.

HCC announced that Zella's legacy will continue via a scholarship that was created in her name.

"The museum, its collections, and its programs will forever bear the impact of Robbin's unwavering dedication," said Dr. Dwayne Smith, HCC's CEO. "She has enriched the lives of our students, faculty and the greater community, and Housatonic is grateful for her stewardship all these many years."

# Executives put future of 'deadlocked' Garthchester Realty in question

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**T**he parent company of Garthchester Realty, a major co-op and condominium management company in Westchester, could be dissolved if two executives have their way.

Craig Perusini and Brian Scally claim that Claudine Gruen has ignored management duties, according to a petition filed June 15 in Westchester Supreme Court, and refused to honor a deal that would give Scally 20% interest in the parent company, Core Alliance Real Estate Corp.

"It is impossible for Core Alliance to carry on business for the benefit of all shareholders," the petition states, "due to the deadlock between the petitioners and ... Gruen."

"On advice of counsel, I will not litigate in the press," Gruen replied in an email responding to a request for her side of the story. "I will be filing an answer with counterclaims setting out my position which will place the allegations in the complaint in a completely different light."

Garthchester was organized in 1981 by two residents of a co-op on Garth Road in Scarsdale, according to the company website. In 2015, Gruen, Perusini and Scally acquired the company through Core Alliance.

Gruen and Perusini each control 50% of the shares of Core Alliance, the petition states, and they agreed seven years ago to

transfer 20% of the shares to Scally in five years.

Garthchester had managed 45 properties in Westchester and six in Riverdale in the Bronx. Now the company manages 54 properties in Westchester, 11 in Queens, 10 in Riverdale and one in Manhattan. It has offices in Harrison and Forest Hills, Queens.

After the deal was struck in 2015, Gruen allegedly advised her partners that she would not participate in management of the Westchester and Riverdale properties. Instead, she would develop business in Queens.

"This came as a shock to Perusini and Scally," the petition states, because cultivating close relationships with co-op boards, shareholders and building superintendents is an essential part of the business.

The men also claim that she created a hostile work environment by treating employees disrespectfully, refusing to comply with the company dress code and dismissing longstanding policies and practices as useless and stupid.

She offended a job candidate so badly in 2017, the petition alleges, that the woman called the next day and said she would never work for the company as long as Gruen was associated with it.

Two years ago, having completed his fifth year of service, Scally asked for his 20% interest. But despite acknowledging the obli-



Claudine Gruen and Craig Perusini, c. 2015.

gation and stating in an email, "We made a deal and gave our word," the petition states, Gruen has refused to agree to the transfer.

Last month, Gruen demanded to inspect the company's books and records, according to the petition, and she has accused Perusini and Scally of breach of fiduciary duties, depriving her of opportunities with other property management companies, and treating her as an oppressed shareholder.

The men claim they would have welcomed more involvement by her, "but Gruen abandoned them and the company."

With the company controlled 50-50 by

Gruen and Perusini, and despite Scally's putative 20% interest, the petition states, "there is no mechanism to break the management deadlock."

Perusini and Scally are asking the court to order Gruen to approve a 20% transfer of shares to Scally, dissolve the company, and appoint a receiver to wind up its affairs.

Internal dissension and bitterness between the factions are so great, the petition states, "that dissolution would be beneficial to the shareholders."

Perusini and Scally are represented by White Plains attorney Peter S. Dawson.

## Monroe mapmaker subpoenaed in Texas voting rights case

BY BILL HELTZEL

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**T**he U.S. Department of Justice is demanding that an Orange County cartographer turn over records that were used by Texas lawmakers to create congressional districts that the feds claim are discriminatory.

The DOJ's Civil Rights Division filed a motion on June 15 in U.S. District Court, White Plains, to compel Eric Wienckowski, owner of MapGraphica in Monroe, to comply with a subpoena.

Wienckowski did not reply to an email asking for a response.

He was subpoenaed in two cases filed last year in federal court, El Paso, Texas, that have been consolidated: United States of America versus State of Texas and League of United Latin American Citizens versus Gov. Greg Abbott.

The complaints argue that the Texas legislature refused to recognize the state's

growing minority population and carved out congressional districts that favor white populations, in violation of the Voting Rights Act.

"It surgically excised minority communities from the core of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metroplex," for example, "by attaching them to heavily Anglo rural counties, some more than a hundred miles away ... where they would lack equal electoral opportunity."

The redistricting was led by Republican state Rep. Todd Hunter, who hired Butler Snow, a public policy law firm, to assist with the process. The law firm hired Wienckowski to provide mapping support.

He founded the cartography company in 1999, beginning with fishing maps and then expanding to "custom mapping solutions for any project," according to its website. His LinkedIn profile lists him as a senior cartographer for the New York State Task Force on Reapportionment.

Wienckowski was served with a subpoena on May 3 demanding documents about the redistricting plan, to be produced by June 2.

Butler Snow responded that Wienckowski would refuse to produce documents, according to the feds, and would not provide a "privilege log" describing why the documents may be withheld.

"Mr. Wienckowski has documents that are highly relevant to the United States' claims in this case," the government argues, "and he has failed to articulate a valid basis to withhold them."

Adam Foltz, another consultant involved in the redistricting process, did produce a privilege log. He said Wienckowski is protected by privileges for attorney-client work product and legislative deliberations. He described the records as "confidential analysis ... reflecting and implicating legislative thoughts, opinions and mental impressions" and including "contributions from outside counsel."

The government argues that Wienckowski has not established legitimate exemptions.

The United States is entitled to whatever discovery it may deem appropriate, the government says, because he was an active participant in the events, "namely, the passage of a redistricting plan alleged to have a discriminatory purpose and result."

On June 21, Wienckowski asked the White Plains court to transfer the government's motion to federal court in El Paso, where similar discovery rulings have been issued in the underlying lawsuit. He said the United States does not oppose a transfer.

Wienckowski is represented by Manhattan attorney David M. Cohen and Austin, Texas, attorney Scott K. Field.

The government is represented by assistant federal prosecutor David Kennedy in New York and several attorneys in the Department of Justice civil rights office in Washington.



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## Subway moves headquarters from Milford to Shelton

Subway has announced the relocation of its global headquarters from Milford to Shelton.

The sandwich chain will be moving into 1 Corporate Drive and occupy a nearly 90,000-square-foot space. All functions of the company's existing Milford-based team will transition to the new space and the move is slated for completion in spring 2023.

"We explored multiple options as we started on the journey to refresh our offices in Connecticut, taking into consideration the community we've been a part of for nearly 50 years, while also ensuring we're able to provide our employees an

exceptional workplace experience both professionally and personally," said CEO John Chidsey. "We're extremely excited about our new location in Shelton that will feature an upgraded, modernized workspace as well as outstanding amenities within the corporate complex."

Chidsey added that Subway has been headquartered in Connecticut since 1965, adding that "from what began in Milford and continues in Shelton, we are pleased to strengthen our commitment to the region as we look to the future of the brand."

## Mobster's horse farm listed for \$1.5 million

A Rhinebeck horse farm once owned by one of the most notorious chieftains in organized crime has been listed for sale at \$1.5 million.

The Real Deal reported the 98-acre Rhinebeck property 214 Oriole Mills Road was once owned by Anthony "Fat Tony" Salerno, the late boss of New York's Genovese crime family. Although Salerno died in prison in 1992, his connection to the property has persevered – the property is being marketed as

"Tony's Horse Farm."

The property is divided into two large parcels, one in Rhinebeck and the other in Red Hook, and consists of a caretaker's studio, a large 200-year-old timber framed chestnut barn – the listing suggests it could be dismantled and sold for lumber – a smaller four-stall barn with offices and a bathroom, an in-ground pool, an eight-stall barn with hay loft and an 8,200-square-foot steel indoor riding rink. A riding trail encircles the property and 89 of the 98 acres are in a 480a forestry program ending on April 1, 2026.



## Sikorsky inks five-year deal with Army for 255 aircraft

Sikorsky Aircraft has signed a five-year contract for a baseline of 120 H-60M Black Hawk helicopters, with

options to reach a total of 255 aircraft to be delivered to the U.S. Army and Foreign Military Sales customers.

According to the Stratford-based company, the "Multi-Year X" contract for UH-60M Black Hawk and HH-60M MEDEVAC aircraft marks the 10th multiple-year contract for Sikorsky and the U.S. government for H-60 helicopters.

The contract value for expected deliveries is approximately \$2.3 billion, with a potential value of up to \$4.4 billion, should options for additional aircraft be fully exercised. Multi-Year X deliveries are scheduled to begin in July and continue through 2027.

"Decades of Black Hawk production and enhancements, strong program execution and close partnership with the Army has kept the program thriving, and this contract is a testament to that success," said Nathalie Previte, vice president of Sikorsky's Army and Air Force programs. "Additionally, we continue to see strong international interest in the Black Hawk due to its versatility and proven record of providing unwavering support to the U.S. and nations around the globe."

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Bootcamp graduates pose with their graduation certificates.

## Newburgh offers small-business training

BY PAMELA BROWN

**T**he city of Newburgh is following through with a commitment it previously made to try to help small businesses. For a second year, Newburgh presented its Small Business Bootcamp program and on June 16 there was a graduation ceremony for the 30 participants. The event took place at the Newburgh Free Library.

“Through our strong partnership with the SBA (Small Business Administration), the Newburgh Free Library, the SBDC (Small Business Development Center) and the Orange County Chamber of Commerce, we are able to offer small businesses the tools they need to thrive,” said Ellen Fillo, director of community development for the city of Newburgh.

The Bootcamp program featured six online small business resource workshops. There was no charge to participate.

“Small-businesses are the foundation of a community,” Fillo said. “There’s been an increase in business requests from people who are looking for more information on starting a small business and other established businesses who are trying to make more connections and take their existing business to the next level.”

The Bootcamp’s 90-minute sessions provide information on the necessary tools, resources and steps needed to start or enhance an existing business. Local business owners and consultants covered topics such as how to build a business from a hobby, creating a brand, making connections, setting up a website and/or online store, writing a business plan and the process for setting up a food establishment.

“The Bootcamp educated us on what we needed to know to ensure our business foundation was solid and how to make our business profitable,” said Candace Fevrier, who with business partner Tameka Hunter operates Like Us: Sisters with Vision. “I learned so many new things that I had no clue about prior to the workshop. One major thing I learned was how to effectively set up an online store and how important it is to understand web platforms and their functions and how to use them effectively for your business.”

Fevrier said that she especially appreciated a presentation on business structures and the significance of having a business plan in order to secure funding and establishing concrete goals within a timeline.

“The Bootcamp will definitely help our

business get to the next level because the program provided us with practical tools for success,” Fevrier said. “The classes were detailed but simple enough for anyone to understand and follow.”

Mackie Rondon, owner of Mackie Rondon Shoes that offers private label shoes, materials for making shoes and shoe repairs, registered for the program because she felt shoe manufacturing was an almost non-existent trade and she wanted to obtain basic business knowledge and information on grants or loan assistance.

“Taking the Bootcamp will help me be a better leader with my core organization, not just on how my business should be run, but delegating skills and duties to others, to become a more efficient and profitable business,” Rondon said. “I gained more knowledge about how to set my online store. Determining which service and software to use was something I struggled with until after this seminar. Now I feel more prepared when selecting a host and online service. Branding was demystified in simpler and effective ways that I started branding my business across specific platforms and after taking the seminar I was able to hone into social media platforms and make all information cohesive.”

The Bootcamp is designed to help entrepreneurs set strategic goals and position their business for success in the marketplace.

“I finally understood that my customers and my brand go hand-in-hand with my business goals and my plan of action. Before, I thought I needed everyone to like my services and products and I always felt overwhelmed with the thought of having to rally on social media about my brand,” Rondon said. “I started to market my company with higher standards and vision, communicating a creditable message that there are many great reasons for people to use/buy my services.”

Since the launch of the Bootcamp, Fillo has received positive feedback and more interest in the program.

“It’s so great that we are able to respond to and meet the needs of the community,” said Fillo, who is already planning for the Fall 2022 program that will include information on starting a nonprofit. “The program is evolving. We’re hoping we can offer even more going forward and we’re looking at ways to add exciting features to make them more interactive. If we can help the businesses thrive, the city will thrive.”



## Conversion plan for former church under review in Beacon

BY PETER KATZ

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**A** plan to convert the former Reformed Church of Beacon property into a hotel, conference center and event space continues under review by the city of Beacon's Planning Board in Dutchess County. The 2.28-acre property at 1113 Wolcott Ave. is owned by Prophecy Theater LLC.

The applicant wants to construct a new 13,257-square-foot building on the site for the hotel that would be in the same location as the former church parsonage. The plan would create a 30-room hotel that would be 2-1/2 stories tall with 31 off-street parking spaces. The interior of the church would be renovated into an accessory-use space that would include a conference center and a food service section that would be used as a café, restaurant and bar. In addition, an on-premises cemetery abandoned for a century would be restored and opened as a public park.

According to attorney Taylor Palmer of the White Plains-based law firm Cuddy & Feder, the hotel and conference center would have a maximum capacity of 350 people, including employees. Although the applicant originally envisioned operating seven days a week with special programs, it now suggests that larger events would be limited to weekends with smaller functions such as seminars, workshops or retreats held on weekdays.

Palmer said that the café would have outdoor seating available, but the total number of indoor and outdoor seats would be 50. He said that the café would offer meals for guests of the hotel and also would be open to the public. He said that the plan "includes the use of on-site parking and traffic flow attendants, directional signage and providing information to event attendees on optimal parking areas and public transportation options." Palmer said they would try to reduce reliance on personal vehicles, offer shuttles, valet parking and facilitate walking and use of bicycles by people who attend events at the facility.

Palmer said that the 31 parking spaces that would be located on the rear portion of the property would be intended for use by hotel guests and employees. Parking required for attendees of events would be handled through public parking around



1113 Wolcott Ave., rendering showing restored church and proposed hotel.

the site and an agreement with a local funeral home to use its private parking lot that's close to the site.

"As indicated in a previously submitted Traffic & Parking Study, these public parking locations have been observed under existing conditions and have been found to have more than sufficient available parking spaces to accommodate the needs of the largest events anticipated at the site," Palmer said. "The applicant will provide a free shuttle service from any off-site parking location with a distance greater than 1,000 feet when needed for a larger event."

Gavin Hecker of Prophecy Theater LLC said, "The church use is compatible with the neighborhood and the building has stood as a place for the community to gather for close to 175 years. The neighborhood itself has been built around it, and now welcomes and supports this second iteration."

Hecker said that they believe what they're proposing is the best use for the existing 5,000-square-foot historic church.

"It was not built to be a 50-seat restaurant, and no one wants to see it turned into condos or a private studio. Any use that significantly decreases capacity will also severely jeopardize the ability to preserve such a large historic building and/or make the building less accessible to our



1113 Wolcott Ave., Beacon. Photo via Google Maps.

community," Hecker said.

The church was built in about 1860 as a new home for the Reformed Dutch Church of Fishkill Landing congregation that had been established in 1813. A Facebook page that had been maintained by the Reformed Church of Beacon dating from 2014 pointed out that "the steeple can be easily seen

rising above the Hudson." The church was placed on the National Register of Historic Places by the U.S. Department of Interior. The cemetery was the burial site of William Few Jr., who died in 1828 and was a signer of the U.S. Constitution for the State of Georgia. In 1973, his remains were moved to Augusta, Georgia.

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Len Schleifer at Regeneron groundbreaking.  
Photo by Peter Katz.

## Regeneron hopes for more medical breakthroughs at expanded campus

BY PETER KATZ

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**L**eonard S. Schleifer, founder, president and CEO of Regeneron, and George D. Yancopoulos, the company's scientific founder, president and chief scientific officer welcomed about 200 guests to the company's Tarrytown campus for the June 22 groundbreaking marking the official launch of Regeneron's \$1.8 billion expansion program.

New York Gov. Kathy Hochul was among a host of state and local officials who joined in the celebration.

In addition to creating about 900,000 square feet of new laboratory, development and office space along with parking facilities within the campus, the company has committed creating at least 1,000 new full-time, high-skill jobs in the mid-Hudson region over the next five years. The project is expected to take place in two phases over six years, with construction expected to be completed in 2027.

"We're pretty special among large-cap companies in America," Yancopoulos said. "We're the only one founded and still run by physician scientists. And, in part because of that, we are the only biopharma company in the world that invents and develops all

of its own medicines. Many have said that over the last 10 years or so we have been the most productive company in the history of biotech with 10 FDA approved or authorized medicines all coming from our own labs right here in New York."

Later, in an exclusive interview with the Business Journals, Schleifer said, "There's a lot of history here. We started here with just an idea and we built up a pretty big company. But we think there's a great future ahead of us and today marks that first step toward that future, to build more labs, more facilities where young, talented geniuses can come up with treatments that make a difference for people."

While many people know Regeneron from its monoclonal antibody cocktail that has been used against Covid-19 and was given to former President Donald Trump when he contracted the disease, the company has had other breakthroughs.

"Covid-19 was a problem, which we thought our technology could address, and we did," Schleifer said. "But we've been in this business a long time and we have an important drug, the leading drug that treats blinding diseases of the retina. We have a drug that treats a variety of allergic diseases such as really bad eczema, asthma and nasal polyps, eosinophilic esophagitis. We have a

drug for certain types of skin cancer, certain types of lung cancer. We have a drug that, I think, in the pipeline can really make a difference to a lot of new types of cancers and, of course, we had a drug that was able to cure Ebola and a drug that was able to deal with at least the initial strains of the Covid-19."

Schleifer said that as the company has grown, its unofficial motto has become something his father used to espouse.

"We want to do well by doing good," Schleifer said. "We see us going out and doing our jobs trying to make peoples' lives healthier, trying to help them live longer and, by doing that, that's our mission. There are unfortunately too many diseases, too many people suffering, and we need to work even harder to deal with this."

Schleifer would like the people of Westchester and the rest of the world to know that Regeneron is not the evil company that some people might think just because they're in the pharmaceutical field.

"I don't think there's any equal in the rest of the world, any country, that could compete in the biomedical world that we operate in – in the United States," Schleifer said. "The infrastructure, the investment at the NIH (National Institutes of Health) level, university level, training young scientists and physicians, men and women who want to

make a difference in the world and the whole capital markets structure that helps finance these enterprises and just our system you know, nobody worries when they wake up at night to read the news whether somebody in Russia invented some new drug. Their system doesn't do that. Our system works. Our system provides incentives and rewards to get things done and I think we're getting things done here at Regeneron and the whole industry is making a difference."

Schleifer said he hopes there is an appreciation for how difficult the process of creating, developing and bringing to market a new drug can be.

"It maybe looks easy but it's really, really hard and it takes super-talented people and this whole ecosystem that I referred to in the United States that's unequaled anywhere else in the world," Schleifer said.

Regeneron was founded by Schleifer in 1988 when he was a young neurologist and assistant professor at Cornell University Medical College. Yancopoulos was a young molecular immunologist at Columbia University when he joined Regeneron in 1989.

In a filing with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission for the year ended December 31, 2021, Regeneron reported revenues of \$16.071 billion with a net income of \$8.075 billion.

# Rockland doctor accused of diverting funds from bankrupt clinic

BY BILL HELTZEL

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**A** U.S. bankruptcy trustee has sued a Rockland doctor for allegedly diverting funds from a Bedford Hills medical practice before seeking bankruptcy protection.

Trustee Mark S. Tulis is demanding that Dr. Jyotindra Shah return \$120,000 to Amari Medical Scarsdale P.C. for the benefit of its creditors, in a June 21 complaint filed in U.S. Bankruptcy Court, White Plains.



Dr. Jyotindra Shah

Dr. Shah, of West Nyack, was trained in metabolic and nutritional medicine, according to online profiles, and Amari Medical, now on Central Park Avenue in Edgemont, offers disease prevention programs.

Amari Medical filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy liquidation last November, declaring \$14,730 in assets and \$992,416 in liabilities.

The trustee's complaint reaches back to 2018 when Shah was operating a wellness clinic in Bedford Hills. Amari Medical issued a \$50,000 check to Shah in December of that

year, and six months later issued a \$70,000 check to the doctor.

The trustee argues that Amari Medical was insolvent when the checks were issued and it received nothing of value in return.

Two weeks after the second check was issued, Dr. Shah stated in a letter to his landlord, Diamond Properties, that the "business has been struggling and has not been able to be profitable," according to the trustee's complaint.

The clinic closed on June 30, 2019.

Diamond Properties sued Amari Medical for the remaining rent on a 10-year lease, and it won a default judgment for \$392,416.

Dr. Shah was asked during a 2020 deposition to whom and why the two checks were issued. He replied, according to the trustee's complaint, that he did not know or had no recollection.

But this past April, an attorney for Amari Medical asserted in a bankruptcy pleading that Dr. Shah "was never able to take a salary" from the business and that the two checks totaling \$120,000 were for partial repayment of \$490,000 in loans the doctor had made to Amari Medical to build out the shell office it rented from Diamond Properties.

The pleading also claims that Diamond Properties has overstated Amari Medical's debt because the landlord has not deducted rents from a new tenant who leases the same office space.

The bankruptcy trustee argues that the checks issued to Dr. Shah were improper because, among other reasons, they were made to "hinder, delay, or defraud" creditors.







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# New law in Westchester to help ensure abortion access

BY PETER KATZ

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**W**estchester County took quick action on the night of June 27 to put into effect a new law that is designed to help ensure safe access to reproductive health care facilities. The measure, which had been under consideration by the Board of Legislators even before the U.S. Supreme Court's decision overturning *Roe v. Wade*, passed by a 15-2 vote.

After having voted to approve the measure, members of the legislature gathered at the ninth floor office of Westchester County Executive George Latimer at the County Office Building in White Plains for Latimer to sign the bill into law.

In a memo discussing the need for the legislation, a legislative committee wrote, "On March 17, 2022, three men were found guilty of unlawfully trespassing at All Women's Health & Medical Services, a reproductive health care facility in White Plains, in order to prevent patients from obtaining reproductive health care services on November 27, 2021. These defendants are affiliated with Red Rose Rescue, an anti-abortion activist group that has carried out similar unlawful actions all across the country. Indeed, the perpetrators convicted in White Plains have also apparently been involved in prior similar conduct --each has now been convicted multiple times of such conduct, and has faced (or is currently facing) criminal charges."

The new law, which took effect immediately, will protect health care workers and patients seeking medical treatment from being obstructed from entering or exiting a reproductive health care facility and from harassing behavior from persons within specific distances of the premises. It enacts a 25-foot no-harassment zone around a facility's perimeter and establishes the designation of an 8-foot personal space bubble surrounding the person within 100 feet of the facility.

The new law authorizes the county as well as people who feel that their rights have been violated to bring civil action against the alleged perpetrators in addition to whatever criminal charges may be filed.

It is expected that the Supreme Court's decision likely result in an increase of out-of-state residents coming to New York, including Westchester, seeking reproductive health care. That increased activity is expected to result in an increase in protests at clinics by pro-life advocates.

Catherine Borgia, chairwoman of the Board of Legislators, said, "Women will be looking to New York for sanctuary to reclaim their bodily autonomy, and we want to say Westchester is ready. Any person who travels to our county seeking reproductive care



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Westchester County Executive George Latimer, surrounded by members of the Board of Legislators, signs abortion access bill into law the night of June 27.

can access it safely without intimidation or provocation."

Legislator MaryJane Shimsky, main sponsor of the bill, called it "a strong, well-balanced piece of legislation that safeguards the rights of patients to receive their care without infringing on protected free speech."

When signing the bill, Latimer said the bill tells people they cannot "use the tools of democracy to destroy democracy. You cannot use your free speech and assembly to intimidate other people, to physically threaten them, to not just threaten them but to actually do bodily harm to them."

Latimer expressed a concern that the nation will see more instances of violence taking place as controversy over the reproductive rights issue continues to divide the country.

"We're taking a stand today, collectively, that says that there are certain processes by which items are made legal and, perhaps, illegal," Latimer said. "In this particular case when those items have been decided and adjudicated properly or that have been decided by an executive or legislative body that they have the power of law that we must respect. We can speak against it; we can assemble against it; but we cannot physically interdict against the law. Once we do that we stop being a democracy. Once we do that we stop being the special America that we always talk about."

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(Excerpted from the Westchester County Business Journal, Aug. 3.)

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Château de la Messardière, general view.

## A Riviera reverie

BY JEREMY WAYNE

If you're contemplating a post-Covid treat, a few delicious days in a place whose very name conjures up lotus eating and glamour set against a backdrop of exquisite beauty, let me suggest St. Tropez. The French Riviera town, about midway between Nice and Marseilles, became a magnet for the so-called jet set in the 1960s, but these days the former fishing village turned beau-monde resort, while retaining its essential Mediterranean character and charm, is far less exclusive and a great deal more welcoming to all.

That, of course, is a good thing, but it does mean that this jewel of the Riviera can sometimes feel it is bursting at the seams. Which is why last year I was thrilled to discover, in the hills just above the town, Château de la

Messardière, part of the uppercrust Airelles collection. Far from the masses who throng St. Tropez not only in summer but for a good eight months of the year, Messardière is a hotel resort of great charm, complete with swimming pools, tennis courts and fabulous restaurants, "class" oozing out of every pore.

White-jacketed staff with bright white smiles greet you at the hotel entrance and whisk you inside, where everything is white and pale cream, a vision of ethereal airiness. It is sheer heaven. Of course, you don't need to have lived the purest life to gain entry but merely possess a robust credit card on check-in at the elegant front desk.

My suite is an exercise in luminosity. It has its own terrace, too, with a little gate leading to one of the resort's four pools, this one quiet and relaxed, with chaise longues

on the surrounding lawn. Recovering your mental (as well, perhaps, as your physical) health post-Covid, you could sit around this pool for a week with a couple of good books, swimming the occasional laps and discreetly checking out your fellow guests through your Ray-Bans and never get bored for a moment.

Or, if the lower "Pampelonne" pool is a little quiet for your liking, you can join the beautiful people around the larger "upper" pool, which is livelier and more geared toward families. Messardière loves kids, just as it loves animals. (I had a snuffling Pekingese on one side of my room and a plaintive Cavalier King Charles Spaniel on the other, two pampered pooches for sure.) The hotel's third pool – located at the Airelles Summer Camp, or Kids Club – is a new addition to the property.

For true indulgence and also well-being, there is a luxurious Valmont Spa for donkey-milk treatments with lavender, rosemary and pine – all the scents of Provence – or a Japanese sauna with its healing infrared light. You can even do a total detox, with four tons of salt used in the levitation bath, which is the closest thing you will ever experience to a return to the womb.

And then there are the bars and restaurants, nearly a dozen all told, including Matsuhisa, chef Nobu Matsuhisa's Riviera outpost. One not to miss is Auberge des Maures. Ninety years old, the Auberge was already the oldest restaurant in St. Tropez, before it recently relocated to Messardière. Set on the hotel's divine main terrace, this is the place for exceptional Provençal cuisine, prepared and served by an all-female kitchen





Château de la Messardière lobby.

and front-of-house team.

When I pay the bill, my server asks how long I am staying. Just one night, I tell her, adding that a night is certainly not long enough to experience paradise. “Oh monsieur,” she says, in her lilting French accent, “You are very – I don’t know how you say this in English – very cute” before bursting into a fit of the giggles. I’m flattered and blush like a teenager.

Next day, I move to Messardière’s sister property, Pan Deï Palais, a gorgeous honey-colored hotel particulier (grand private house) with Indian decorations, eau-de-nil (blue-green) shutters and a limpid swimming pool with diamond motifs, right in the middle of town. With just 12 rooms, the hotel was built in 1835 as a home for Bannu Pan Deï, an Indian princess, and although once inside the front door all is quiet and calm, in

terms of position it is in complete contrast to the Messardière – namely, in the heart of the action. The palais’ top-floor Ashanti suite has a view of the entire village, and the recent renovations, by sought-after Parisian designer Christophe Tollemer, are the last word in restrained good taste.

The swimming pool, more Eastern in appearance than “Hockney-esque,” is beautifully lit at night, and a splashing fountain and lanterns spilling over with Brazilian jasmine heighten the ambiance. At dinner there is also wonderful jazz, so that you just want to get up and dance between the vitello tonnato appetizer and saddle of lamb with eggplant entrée (served on the most exquisite Benardaud gold-rimmed Limoges plates.)

Lunch? That’s when you head for the Jardin Tropézina, of course, the extremely



Jardin Tropézina Beach Club.



“Pampelonne” lower pool at Château de la Messardière.

chic private beach club that Pan Deï Palais shares with Château de la Messardière, a few minutes’ drive from both. They do tangy ceviches, a terrific truffle pizza and spaghetti alle vongole, served on the terrace overlooking the beach. It’s a scene all right, a wonderful one, and it’s partly what you come to St. Tropez for.

At the end of the afternoon, I call for the shuttle to take me back to town and a Rolls-Royce arrives to pick me up. I take a selfie of myself in the back, for the kids really, because for myself I prefer Pan Deï’s hop-in, no seatbelt, open-air Moke.

In town meanwhile, everyone says St. Tropez has changed. But if you’ve never known it before, that cannot possibly bother you. It’s still a town of contrasts. Chanel has a long-established, summertime pop-up

store near the port, in baroque mansion La Mistralée, which in turn is next door to Monoprix, an unpretentious grocery store. Even St. Tropeziens have to eat.

At a table in Sénéquier’s bar on the port, a suave, tanned Frenchman is barking orders at some underling on his phone, trying to close a deal. On my other side, two inked and pierced youths are scratching away at scratchcards as if their lives depended on winning a few euros. Perversely, I desperately want Monsieur Smoothie to lose his deal and the inked boys to scratch off their lucky number.

Visiting St. Tropez and staying at these two wonderful hotels, I know I scratched off mine.

*For more, [airelles.com](http://airelles.com).*

## COMEDIAN AND BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF MOUNT VERNON ALUMNI JB SMOOVE APPEARS AT ANNUAL CORPORATE GOLF OUTING FUNDRAISER

The Boys & Girls Club of Mount Vernon honored Judith M. Watson, CEO of Mount Vernon Neighborhood Health Center, Inc. at their annual corporate golf outing fundraiser on June 13 at Leewood Golf Club in Eastchester.

Comedian, actor and Boys & Girls Club of Mount Vernon alumnus JB Smoove also appeared and spoke with the attendees at the award ceremony following the sold-out golf outing and offered words of support for the organization. Proceeds from funds raised at this event were to be provided to fund Club activities and programs.

"We were very pleased to honor Judith Watson at our golf fundraiser this year," said Mel Campos, CEO of the Boys & Girls Club of Mount Vernon. "It is people like her that serve as a role model for our kids at the club, including our Youth of the Year Janae Brown. A special thanks also to our staff and volunteers, our board of directors and our sponsors. We are so fortunate to have all of them work closely together in making this special annual event possible."



Janae Brown

## ANOTHER BIG-LAW ATTORNEY JOINS FIRM

Yankwitt LLP, Westchester County's go-to law firm for high-stakes, bet-the-company litigation, has added to its roster of former big-law attorneys and federal law clerks with the addition of Jonathan Ohring as counsel in the firm's White Plains office.

An attorney with more than a decade of litigation experience, Ohring joins Yankwitt from global law firm Milbank LLP. Prior to Milbank, he was an associate in the litigation department of Dechert LLP and served as a federal law clerk to Judge Charlene E. Honeywell of the United States District Court for the Middle District of Florida.

"He (Ohring) has the experience we require of our team: clerking for a federal court judge, working for a global law firm and handling complex, high-stakes litigations," said Russell Yankwitt, managing partner.

Ohring represents clients in complex commercial matters, including contractual disputes, business divorces, corporate governance matters, securities and class actions, shareholder de-



Jonathan Ohring

rivative actions, bankruptcy litigation, government and regulatory proceedings and appeals.

Ohring is admitted to practice in New York and New Jersey and before the United States Supreme Court; U.S. Court of Appeals, First and Second Circuits; and U.S. District Court, Southern and Eastern Districts of New York.

He earned his Juris Doctorate degree, with honors, from Emory University School of Law School, where he served on the Emory Law Journal.

## UNITED WAY AWARDS MORE THAN \$200,000 IN GRANTS TO LOCAL NONPROFITS



UWWP awarding Mount Vernon Neighborhood Health Center in 2021.

United Way of Westchester and Putnam (UWWP) awarded 28 grants to local nonprofits totaling \$210,000. The grants support the program and operational needs of organizations working to improve the quality of life of the underprivileged, marginalized or ALICE (those employed but living paycheck-to-paycheck) populations in Westchester or Putnam Counties.

Over 100 proposals were submitted for consideration. The funding will support initiatives related to mental health, violence prevention, food insecurity, workforce development, access to quality education and homelessness prevention.

"The United Way has a long tradition of working with and supporting the nonprofit community," said Tom Gabri-

el, president and CEO of UWWP. "We are thrilled to invest in so many wonderful nonprofits and the critical work they do. Through these community impact grants, we are supporting their ongoing efforts to serve the 40% of our neighbors living in poverty or paycheck-to-paycheck."

A complete list of the awardees is below.

### \$10,000 grant awardees:

Brewster Cares; CoveCare Center; El Centro Hispano, Inc; Family Ties of Westchester, Inc.; Feeding Westchester; Food Bank of the Hudson Valley; Greyston Foundation; Kool Nerd Foundation; Mount Vernon United Tenants; Pro Bono Partner-

ship; Student Advocacy; Westchester Residential Opportunities, Inc.; Youth Shelter Program of Westchester, Inc.; YWCA White Plains & Central Westchester.

### \$5,000 grant awardees:

Caring for the Hungry & Homeless of Peekskill; Community Center of Northern Westchester; Hearts & Homes for Refugees; Hit a Home Run Against Drugs, Inc.; Latino U; Legal Services of the Hudson Valley; Mount Vernon Neighborhood Health Center; My Sisters' Place, Inc.; Open Door Foundation; Second Chance Foods; Westchester Alphas Educational Foundation; Yes, She Can Inc.; YMCA of Yonkers Inc.; Yonkers Partners in Education.

## OLA CONSULTING ENGINEERS PROMOTES MATTHEW AMICONE TO PRINCIPAL

OLA Consulting Engineers has promoted Matthew Amicone to principal in charge of the firm's New York City office.

An electrical engineer, Amicone's expertise includes the design of electrical systems for various building types. During his 20-year tenure with OLA, he managed many of the firm's significant projects for clients such as New York-Presbyterian, ArchCare, City of Hoboken, NYC Department of Construction & Design and Touro College.

Amicone, a resident of Yonkers, first joined OLA Consulting Engineers as a summer intern and then began full-time in 2002 after graduating from Villanova University.

In 2017, after more than 40 years of engineering projects throughout New



**MATTHEW AMICONE, P.E.**  
Principal in Charge  
NYC Office

York City, OLA opened an office in Manhattan. The firm tasked Amicone with leading the New York City team and managing the day-to-day operations – including marketing and business development, client relationship management, project

management and quality assurance.

OLA Consulting Engineers' expertise ranges from HVAC, electrical, plumbing and fire protection, with knowledge in mechanical, electrical and energy engineering.



## WHITE PLAINS HOSPITAL, TOP 10% OF U.S. HOSPITALS

The Healthgrades 2022 Outstanding Patient Experience Award was awarded to White Plains Hospital for the seventh time, placing it among the top 10 % of hospitals nationwide for patient experience, according to Healthgrades. White Plains Hospital is one of only six hospitals in New York, and the only one in Westchester County, to be recognized with this honor in 2022.

“As we continue to add world-class services and physicians, as well as the latest in cutting-edge technology, we remain dedicated to our mission of providing the highest-quality care to our community,” said Susan Fox, president and CEO of White Plains Hospital.

Healthgrades evaluates performance by applying a scoring methodology to 10 patient experience measures, using data collected from HCAHPS surveys of the hospital’s own patients.

“We applaud all recipients of the Healthgrades 2022 Outstanding Patient Experience Award for putting patient experience at the front and center within their organizations,” said Brad Bowman,



White Plain Hospital.

M.D., chief medical officer and head of data science, Healthgrades. “We commend these hospitals for their ongoing commitment in prioritizing an exceptional patient experience, while ensuring the health and safety of their patients.”

White Plains Hospital is a member of the Montefiore Health System, serving as its tertiary hub of advanced care in the Hudson Valley.

Visit [healthgrades.com](http://healthgrades.com) for more information.



From left: Kelly A. Pressler, Michele L. Babcock, Rebecca C. Johnson and Cynthia J. Hand.

## THREE FIRM ATTORNEYS ELECTED OFFICERS OF BAR ASSOCIATIONS

Rebecca Johnson, an associate concentrating in matrimonial and family law at Jacobowitz and Gubits LLP (J&G) of Walden and Monticello, was installed as president of the Women’s Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties (WBAOSC). Cynthia Hand, a J&G associate concentrating in estate planning, was elected as president-elect and delegate to the Women’s Bar Association of the State of New York, and Kelly Pressler, J&G partner, was elected as treasurer and immediate past president.

Johnson earned her Bachelor of Arts degree, magna cum laude, from Stony Brook University Honors College in Stony Brook, New York in 2012. She earned her Juris Doctorate in 2015 from Boston University School of Law and is the recipient

of the 2021 Outstanding New Lawyer Award from WBAOSC.

Hand earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in 2002 from Muhlenberg College in Allentown, Pennsylvania, and her Juris Doctorate in 2006 from Quinnipiac University School of Law in Hamden, Connecticut, and is the recipient of the 2022 Outstanding New Lawyer Award from WBAOSC.

Pressler received her Bachelor of Arts degree, magna cum laude, in 2006 from Siena College in Loudonville, New York, and her Juris Doctorate, magna cum laude, in 2009 from Albany Law School in Albany. She is the recipient of the Orange County Rising Star, 2019, and the 2016 Outstanding New Lawyer Award.

## BOWL FOR KIDS’ SAKE EVENT RAISES \$20K FOR POPULAR YOUTH MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Big Brothers Big Sisters finally held its first in-person, annual “Bowl for Kids’ Sake” fundraiser since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic on June 7. The fundraiser rolled in 85 bowlers, as well as \$20,000 for the non-profit organization that is committed to making positive change for children facing adversity in the counties of Westchester and Putnam, New York.

“We’re tremendously happy that we could bring back our beloved bowling event that the whole community anticipates and enjoys,” said Valerie Brown, Executive Director of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Westchester County, Inc. “Covid may have sidelined us for in-person gatherings during the past two years, but it failed to stop the human spirit and underlying Big Brothers Big Sisters’ purpose.”

Brown notes that the \$20,000 will be used for the non-profit organization’s Big Futures Program, which provides educational and career counseling to high school Littles during the school year and structured internship opportunities for rising seniors and college-age Littles during the summer.

Among the various youth, adults,



families and supporter attendees, two people in particular ruled the lanes. Big and Little Team Jeff and Trenton took the first-place position with Trenton rolling the highest score of 118 points.

“We’re especially grateful to our top fundraisers and sponsors: PerenniAL, Rakow Commercial Realty Group, RPW

Group, Simone Development Companies and Ebonette Bates Hudson, as well as all of our donors and participants,” added Brown. “Their enthusiasm and generosity truly bowled us over and our event would not have been possible without them.”

The next “Bowl for Kids’ Sake” fundraiser will take place on June 6, 2023.

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## EMPIRE CITY HOSTS SUCCESSFUL COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE SUPPORTED BY AREA ELECTED OFFICIALS



From left: Brendan Landy, David Solis, Ryan Munroe, Chia Chia Yeh, J. Gary Pretlow, Shelley Mayer, Ed Domingo, Nader Sayegh, Chris Kelley, Taryn Duffy, Lauren Douglas, Jonathan Cocchiola, Danette Jordan-Woods.

With local blood supplies at their lowest recent levels in the New York region, Empire City Casino by MGM Resorts once again partnered with the New York Blood Center (NYBC) to host a community blood drive on Wednesday at Empire City Casino. Also supporting the cause were state, county and local elected officials from around the region including New York State Assembly Member Nader Sayegh, New York State Assembly Member Yudelka Tapia, New York State Assembly Member Michael Benedetto, New York State Senator Shelley Mayer, New York State Senator Alessandra Biaggi, Westchester County Executive George Latimer, County Legislator James Nolan, Mount Vernon Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard and Yonkers City Council Minority Leader Michael Breen.

"We are grateful to Empire City Casino and the New York Blood Center for hosting this blood drive, which addresses a critical problem," said Westchester County Executive George Latimer. "The need for blood is constant – and is essential to help patients survive surgeries, cancer treatment, chronic illnesses and traumatic injuries. Lifesaving care can be-

gin with just one person making a donation, and the County is honored to support such an important cause."

As the region works to recover from the ongoing pandemic, the blood drive provided an opportunity to raise awareness on the importance and vital need for regular blood donations. Wednesday's blood drive resulted in nearly 50 donations that will make it to local area hospitals in the next 24 to 48 hours to treat patients in need.

MGM Resorts acquired Empire City Casino in January 2019 and has a strong commitment to corporate social responsibility. Through this commitment, Empire City continues to support the critical need for donor participation. New York Blood Center currently only has a two to three-day supply of blood, which is well-below what is typically needed by local area hospitals to treat patients ranging from trauma victims, newborn babies and their mothers, to cancer patients and beyond.

One state elected official that has supported this initiative year after year not only by co-sponsoring but also donating at the blood drive is New York State Senator Shelley Mayer. She also regularly

donates blood at drives held throughout her district.

"Thank you to Empire City Casino by MGM Resorts and New York Blood Center for organizing this blood drive," said New York State Senator Shelley Mayer. "Donating is an important way we can show our support for our community, especially as we face a severe blood shortage. I encourage all my neighbors who are eligible to donate."

"Every day, our families and friends along with those who we may not know are in need of blood due to a medical procedure or a chronic illness," said Mount Vernon Mayor Shawyn Patterson-Howard. "I am thankful to the New York Blood Center and Empire Casino for raising awareness and fulfilling their civic duty to ensure that the local blood supply in our region is sufficient enough to meet the demands of those who are in need of this precious gift of life." Nationally, over 4.5 million Americans require a blood transfusion annually, with an individual needing blood every two seconds. Despite this extensive need, only 10 percent of eligible blood donors in the United States actually donate.



From left: Roberta Bangs, HG Realtor Foundation; LuAnn Kelley, Associate Director, CCCSR; and Mary Prenon, HG Realtor Foundation.

## HUDSON GATEWAY REALTOR FOUNDATION PRESENTS \$1,500 DONATION TO CATHOLIC CHARITIES COMMUNITY SERVICES OF ROCKLAND

The Hudson Gateway REALTOR Foundation, the charitable arm of the Hudson Gateway Association of REALTORS, recently presented a check for \$1,500 to the Catholic Charities Community Services of Rockland (CCCSR) in Haverstraw.

CCCSR provides quality human services to any resident of Rockland County who needs help, non-Catholics and Catholics alike. They work to assure that the needy and vulnerable in Rockland have the basic necessities of life – food, shelter and emergency assistance in times of crisis. Their services include homelessness and eviction prevention, a food pantry, nutritional outreach education programs, a community garden, emergency financial assistance, money management workshops, emergency warming center, immigration legal services and much more.

On average, CCCSR serves over 4,000 families and over 12,000 individuals each year. Over 8,000 pounds of fresh vegetables were distributed to food pantry participants, much of which was grown in their own garden last year. More than 160 struggling

families and 700 children were "adopted" for the back-to-school season and Christmas holidays as part of their "Adopt-A-Family" program. "The support from the Hudson Gateway Realtor Foundation makes a very real difference for our families who now face inflation as yet another barrier to getting what they need," said Dan Eudene, executive director. "We are grateful to the Foundation for their commitment to our community and for including CCCSR again this year as one of their partner agencies."

Since 2014, the Hudson Gateway Realtor Foundation has donated thousands of dollars to charities and non-profits throughout the Hudson Valley. As concerned members of the communities we work in, the Hudson Gateway REALTOR Foundation participates in qualified community-based charities who serve the housing, hunger, health, happiness and humane needs of citizens everywhere.

For more information or to apply for funding from the Hudson Gateway REALTOR Foundation, please visit [hgrealtorfoundation.com](http://hgrealtorfoundation.com).

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Gail Melanson, executive director, Child Guidance Center, with Jagjiwan Singh, AVP, business development officer, First County Bank.

## FIRST COUNTY BANK FOUNDATION DONATES \$518,000 TO LOCAL NONPROFITS

First County Bank Foundation announced that it is donating \$518,000 in grants to over 100 Fairfield County nonprofits through its annual CommunityFirst Grant Program.

The focus of the First County Bank Foundation is to support Fairfield County nonprofits based within the Bank's footprint, that focus on supporting the following critical issues: affordable housing, economic development and educational enrichment for families and children.

"As the needs in our community continue to increase during these challenging times, First County Bank Foundation ap-

plauds the resilience and determination of our local nonprofit leaders and their teams" stated Robert J. Granata, chairman and CEO of First County Bank and president of First County Bank Foundation. "The Bank's Board of Directors, Corporators and employees are committed to supporting those organizations that provide services for important and growing social causes such as food insecurity, affordable housing and educational enrichment."

For more information about First County Bank Foundation, visit [firstcountybank.com/community/](http://firstcountybank.com/community/).

## RELAY FOR LIFE



From left: Sue Musumeci, vice president and branch manager, Red Mills and Southeast, Relay for Life team co-captain; Kate Corsitto, senior development manager, American Cancer Society; Kristen O'Keeffe, associate vice president and community banking officer Relay for Life Team co-captain; and David DeMilia, president, Hudson Valley.

Tompkins Community Bank recently participated in Relay for Life of Mahopac, raising more than \$31,000 in total donations for the organization. Since Tompkins began participating in 2018, the bank has raised over \$125,000 in cumulative funds

for Relay for Life from employees and Tompkins customers across the Hudson Valley. The Relay for Life annual event rallies raise awareness, fundraising and community support for those whose lives have been impacted by cancer.

## SCOUTS OF CONNECTICUT GOLD AWARD



From left: Alexis Nuenteufel of Easton, Natasha Dinshaw of Wilton, Madeline Beck from Stamford, Rebecca DePietro of Stratford, Anna Gedacht of Fairfield and Haven Sushon of Old Greenwich were among the 58 Gold Award honorees at the recent annual Girl Scout Gold Award Ceremony. Photos courtesy Girl Scouts of Connecticut.

Girl Scouts of Connecticut (GSOFT) recognized exceptional Girl Scouts who earned the organization's highest award at the Girl Scout Gold Award Ceremony on June 5. The annual celebration at the Courtyard by Marriott in Waterbury honored the dreamers and the doers who take the organization's mission "make the world a better place" to the next level. The day-long event included a public Gold Award Expo that showcased the 2022 Gold Award Girl Scout projects, along with the official award and scholarship presentation.

Gold Award achievers from the Fairfield area included Alexis Nuenteufel, Easton; Natasha Dinshaw, Wilton; Madeline Beck, Stamford; Rebecca DePietro, Stratford; Anna Gedacht, Fairfield; Haven Sushon, Old Greenwich; and Caitlin May of Fairfield.

To earn the Gold Award, a high school Girl Scout identifies an issue affecting the community, investigates solutions, formulates a plan of action, then builds a team to ensure sustainable impact that lasts beyond their involvement.

"A Gold Award Girl Scout's accomplishments reflect leadership and citizenship skills that set her apart as a community leader," explained Diana Mahoney, CEO of Girl Scouts of Connecticut. "The Gold Award is a major milestone in a girl's life and a culmination of all she has learned through her Girl Scout experience."

Mahoney noted that the accomplishment positively impacts the Girl Scout's future education and career plans, as a



Caitlin May of Fairfield.

growing number of colleges and universities recognize the national Gold Award through admission and scholarships. A Gold Award Girl Scout is also entitled to enlist in the armed forces at a higher pay grade than an individual who has not earned the award.

Additionally, GSOFT awarded \$1,000 scholarships to seven of the Gold Award recipients. To be eligible, the Girl Scout must be a current high school senior or college

freshman and have earned the Gold Award. This year's winners were Rachael Amatruda of Guilford, Alexia Anglade of Ridgefield, Erin Dalton of Colchester, Neya Kidambi of Trumbull, Libby Riggs of Haddam, MJ Taylor of Sandy Hook and Maeve Tucker of Burlington. The Connecticut Elks Association selected Francesca Foster of Mystic for its 2022 Connecticut Elks Girl Scout Award Scholarship.



Event honorees and sponsors John and Karen Zanzarella.

## NONPROFIT HONOR THE ZANZARELLAS

Hundreds of business and community leaders participated in the Hospice of Westchester (HOW) 20th annual Golf Invitational at Westchester Hills Golf Club in White Plains on June 14. This year's event honored Karen and John Zanzarella, longtime supporters, who have been volunteer coordinators and managers for the Golf Invitational since its inception. Proceeds from the event will support HOW's commitment to providing compassionate

end-of-life care.

Mary K. Spengler, MS, LHNA, CEO of HOW, said, "We were humbled to honor Karen and John Zanzarella."

Hospice of Westchester (HOW) is a private, not-for-profit health-care agency that provides skilled, compassionate and comprehensive end-of-life home care to patients diagnosed with any serious or life-limiting illness and gives support to their families and loved ones.

## BANK PRESIDENT AND CEO JOINS THE HVEDC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Ulster Savings Bank's President and CEO Bill Calderara has recently joined the Hudson Valley Economic Development Corp. (HVEDC) Board of Directors. William "Bill" Calderara is an accomplished bank executive with over 30 years' experience in leadership, strategic planning, business development, operations, risk management, finance and lending.

The HVEDC is a resource for businesses relocating or expanding to the Hudson Valley. They work closely with business, academic, government and community leaders to shape a brighter economic future by driving business innovation, attraction and expansion throughout the region. Offering an array of services, the HVEDC helps businesses succeed.

"We are super excited to have Bill as part of our team. His banking and business expertise will be a valuable addition to our board and help businesses grow here in the Hudson Valley," said Mike Oates, president and CEO of HVEDC.

Bill received his education at Fordham University and Iona College, graduating with a bachelor's degree in Business Administration after double-majoring in accounting



Bill Calderara

and computer science. Mr. Calderara has also been very involved in community and industry leadership serving on numerous Boards.

Mr. Calderara has received numerous awards and recognitions. Most recently, he was inducted into the SUNY New Paltz School of Business Hall of Fame as the 2019 Business Person of the Year and the National Eagle Scout Association's Outstanding Eagle Scout Award recipient also in 2019, just to name a few. He and his wife, Patti, reside in Kingston and have three adult children and four grandkids.

## LOCAL ORGANIZATIONS UNITE TO HELP AFGHAN REFUGEES LEARN ENGLISH

Each year, refugees seek safety in the US, often arriving with nothing more than a suitcase and struggling with our language. That's why the Interfaith Refugee Resettlement Committee (IRRC), Fairfield County's Community Foundation (FCCF), Housatonic Community College (HCC) and its Foundation banded together to help develop the English communication skills of an Afghan family fleeing the Taliban.

This summer, three members of this family are taking English as a Second Language (ESL) courses at HCC to improve their English and progress towards their longer-term professional goals. Six family members also completed ESL classes this past spring at HCC. Funding for their tuition was provided by the Immigrant Success Fund at FCCF, as well as via student summer scholarships provided by the HCC Foundation.

For refugees of non-English speaking countries, language is a crucial means of assimilating into their new culture here in America. However, learning a new language is not an easy task.

"We are honored to play a role in helping this newly arrived refugee family successfully integrate into our community. Some of our HCC scholars come to campus needing ESL support, and our passionate educators are dedicated to academic instruction to improve their English communication skills," said Dr. Dwayne Smith, CEO of Housatonic Community College.

Many of the adults in the Afghan family here, which consists of a father, mother, five adult daughters (ages 18 - 28), a son in-law and three young children (ages 2, 5 and 8), held professional positions. The father held a senior position with a women's rights organization, and the young adults were human resources and communications professionals, teachers, doctors in training and college students. Their efforts contributed to strengthening Afghanistan's democracy, and attracted the wrath of the Taliban.

The IRRC is run under the auspices of IRIS (Integrated Refugee and Immigrant Services), New Haven. IRIS pioneered a new model called 'community co-sponsorship' as a private sector



response to refugee support. The IRRC, consisting of volunteers from three churches, two synagogues and two mosques across Norwalk, Westport and Fairfield, is working to provide services such as housing, social services, medical services and employment for the family.

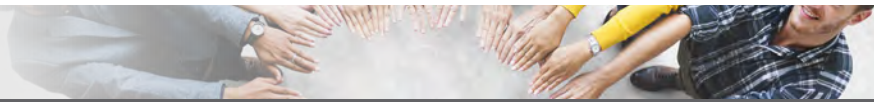
"Our team of volunteers has provided guidance as family members became acclimated, found employment in their fields and studied English. We have continually been inspired by their determination, keen intelligence, kindness, hospitality, graciousness and optimism. While the family has coped with immense change over a very short period of time, we have been the beneficiaries, sharing cups of tea and learning about Afghan culture and traditions from our Afghan friends," said Ann Marshman, IRRC volunteer and team leader.

The FCCF, which seeks to close the

opportunity gap in Fairfield County, addresses the structural and cultural issues that contribute to disparities, particularly for Fairfield County's immigrant population. Its Immigrant Success Fund concentrates on improving wellbeing, building capacity and positioning immigrants to achieve success.

"Strong communities make it possible for their newest members to succeed and thrive," said FCCF President and CEO Juanita James. "That's why we're committed to supporting Fairfield County's refugees and why we're proud to partner with the Interfaith Refugee Resettlement Committee and Housatonic Community College on this important and timely effort," said James.

The IRRC, FCCF and HCC and its Foundation banded together to help improve the English communication skills of an Afghan refugee family that fled the Taliban.



PCSB Bank corporate headquarters

## PCSB LAUNCHES EXPRESS LOANS FOR BUSINESSES

PCSB Bank has announced the launch of Express Loans for small businesses, which feature streamlined online applications and quick turnaround. The product engages new technology to enable business owners to obtain fast and flexible financing to meet evolving needs such as financing equipment, working capital and payroll.

“As an institution that always puts customers first, we are committed to investing in new technology,” said Dominick Petramale, PCSB Bank’s senior VP, retail banking officer. “This new lending platform provides the convenience of an enhanced digital commercial lending experience while still offering the personal service that our customers value.”

With options of borrowing \$15,000 - \$150,000, the Express Loans offer a solution to crucial business needs, including:

- Meeting the short-term cash requirements of a business to finance working capital such as accounts receivables and inventory.
- Financing the purchasing of equipment.
- Making upgrades to the business

facility.

- Meeting payroll promptly each month.

Through a fintech collaboration that benefits its customers, PCSB Bank is utilizing the Numerated platform for its Express Loans. Numerated is a modern loan origination system that transforms the way financial institutions lend to businesses. The platform pulls in data at each stage of origination, saving time for lenders and customers. Efficiencies include pre-filling applications, automating spreading, aggregating data and scoring applications, and fully automating the preparation of document packages. More than 140 lenders have used the award-winning platform to process more than \$50 billion in lending.

According to Michael Goldrick, executive VP, chief lending officer, “Through the use of this innovative system, we can offer new opportunities for businesses to grow and thrive – while also benefitting the Lower Hudson Valley region through overall economic expansion. It is a win for the owners along with their customers and employees as well as the communities we serve.”

## J&G GAINS ATTORNEY AND STAFF

Jessica M. Mahoney and staff have joined Jacobowitz and Gubits, expanding its real estate team. A partner concentrating in residential and commercial real estate transactions, Mahoney represents clients in all aspects of real estate. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in 2011 from Berkely College in New York and earned her Juris Doctorate in 2014 from Albany Law School. She established her private practice in 2017 and has devoted almost eight years to serving clients in the residential and commercial law areas. She is a member of the New York State Bar Association and was admitted to the New York State Bar in 2015. She is also a member of the Women’s Bar Association of Orange and Sullivan Counties.



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Local business cases, June 22 - 28

**414 North Fulton LLC, Mount Vernon, owner Dave Peart,** 22-22381-SHL: Chapter 7, assets \$0, liabilities \$1,197,723. Attorney: pro se.

**Ziad and Mihaela Nassradin, re. Naglaa R.E. Corp., et al, Yonkers,** 22-22383-CGM: Chapter 13, assets \$1,303,000, liabilities \$312,444. Attorney: Farva Jafri.

**Kathryn Walsh MacPhail, re. Takoda Farm LLC, Wingdale,** 22-35402-CGM: Chapter 7, assets \$23,406, liabilities \$746,208. Attorney: Andrew G. Balbus.

**Meso Delray LLC doing business as Beach House, Rye, managing member Alan Schoening, Westport, Connecticut,** 22-22388-SHL: Chapter 11, assets \$2,823,153, liabilities \$3,697,657. Attorney: H. Bruce Bronson Jr.

**79 West Lake Blvd LLC, Mahopac, member Christopher Plath,** 22-35405-CGM: Chapter 11, assets and liabilities from \$500,000 to \$1 million. Attorney: Harold Johnson.

**Thomas J. Riconda, Brewster re. JEK Consulting LLC, Brewster, et al,** 22-35408-CGM: assets \$464,969, liabilities \$929,37. Attorneys: James B. Glucksman, Robert L. Rattet.

## U.S. DISTRICT COURT,

## White Plains

Local business cases, June 22 - 28

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**Salvatore Trentecoste, Ballston Spa vs. Mavis Tire Supply LLC, Millwood,** 22-cv-5257-PMH: Fair Labor Standards Act. Attorneys: Alexander T. Coleman, Michael J. Borrelli, Caitlin Duffy.

**Maria Gil, Yonkers vs. Hersheys Auto Inc., Monroe, et al,** 22-cv-5263-KMK: Truth in Lending. Attorney: Daniel A. Schlanger.

**Tyrell King, Mississippi, vs. PepsiCo Inc., Purchase,** 22-cv-5351: Denial of overtime compensation. Attorney: Matthew S. Parmet.

**Trustees of Teamsters Local 282 Funds, Lake Success vs. PCI Industries, Mount Vernon, et al,** 22-cv-5423-VB: Employee Retirement Income Security Act. Attorney: Christopher A. Smith.

**Estate of Felice Palma, Westchester, et al. vs. St. Cabrini Nursing Home, Dobbs Ferry, et al,** 22-cv-5430-VB: Personal injury, removal from Westchester Supreme Court. Attorney: Fiachra P. Moody.

**Nelson Ramirez, Spring Valley vs. Tiferes Gedalia Inc., Ramapo, et al,** 22-cv-5444-PMH: Fair Labor Standards Act. Attorney: Daniel Schlade.

**Jose A. Alonzo, Westchester vs. Peekskill Automotive Inc.,** 22-cv-5486: Fair Labor Standards Act. Attorney: Daniel Schlade.

**Travelers Casualty Insurance Co., Hartford, Connecticut vs. BJB Construction Corp., Bedford, et al,** 22-cv-5496: Insurance. Attorney: Thomas A. Martin.

**Joseph Charles, Hyde Park vs. Lowe's No. 0541, Poughkeepsie, et al,** 22-cv-5506: Personal injury, removal from Dutchess Supreme Court. Attorney: pro se.

**Hudson Private LP, Pearl River vs. Creative Wealth Media Finance Corp., Toronto,** 22-cv-5520: Default of promissory note, removal from New York County Supreme Court. Attorney: pro se.

## DEEDS

## Above \$1 million

**9 Northway LLC, Bronxville,** Seller: Francesca Eleni Coutsodontis, Westport, Connecticut. Property: 9 Northway, Eastchester. Amount: \$4.7 million. Filed June 23.

**76 East Ridge LLC, Mount Kisco,** Seller: Jonathan Mazella and Vivecca Mazella, Waccabuc. Property: 76 East Ridge Road, Lewisboro. Amount: \$1.3 million. Filed June 22.

**Bauman, Jillian and Kevin Kulikowski, Tuckahoe,** Seller: CCA Westchester Inc., Jersey City, New Jersey. Property: 43 Hutchinson Blvd., New Rochelle. Amount: \$1.2 million. Filed June 23.

**Burger, Thomas and Sheila Burger, Long Island City,** Seller: LL Parcel E LLC, Fort Washington, Pennsylvania. Property: 329 Palisades Blvd., Mount Pleasant. Amount: \$1.2 million. Filed June 24.

**Mach4 RE LLC, Larchmont,** Seller: Globo Real Estate Holdings LLC, Larchmont. Property: 9 Clark Court, Mamaroneck. Amount: \$1.6 million. Filed June 22.

**Magnolia Fields LLC, White Plains,** Seller: Hamlet Fields LLC, Pound Ridge. Property: 6 Pound Ridge Road, Pound Ridge. Amount: \$3.4 million. Filed June 23.

**Mount Vernon Storage JV LLC, Philadelphia,** Seller: TAC CG Mount Vernon LLC, Atlanta, Georgia. Property: 275 Washington St., Mount Vernon. Amount: \$41.6 million. Filed June 24.

**Nelson, John and Sharon Tamberino, Greenwich,** Connecticut. Seller: DB Realty Holdings LLC, Kelly, Wyoming. Property: 28 Carol Court, Rye. Amount: \$1.8 million. Filed June 22.

**Oberg, Jason and Caitlin Oberg, Brooklyn,** Seller: 9 Thorne Place LLC, Rye. Property: 9 Thorne Place, Rye. Amount: \$2.5 million. Filed June 21.

**Polster, Jeremy and Alyssa Simler, New York City,** Seller: 138 Fox Meadow LLC, Mamaroneck. Property: 138 Fox Meadow, Scarsdale. Amount: \$3.2 million. Filed June 22.

**RA MV Properties LLC, Mount Vernon,** Seller: HDW Stone Place LLC, Nanuet. Property: 30 Milburn St., Eastchester. Amount: \$3.6 million. Filed June 22.

**Reach all Investments LLC, Miami, Florida,** Seller: 5 Cornell LLC, Scarsdale. Property: 3 Cornell St., Scarsdale. Amount: \$4.9 million. Filed June 24.

**RJR 2525 Properties LLC, Yonkers,** Seller: 11-13 North Broadway Realty LLC, Yonkers. Property: 11 N. Broadway, Yonkers. Amount: \$1 million. Filed June 23.

**Rotter, Lori and Steven Rotter, New Canaan,** Connecticut. Seller: 32 Hickory Lane LLC, Bedford. Property: 22 Hickory Lane, Bedford. Amount: \$3.1 million. Filed June 24.

**Tuckahoe Wallace LLC, Mamaroneck,** Seller: Broad and Bailey Inc., Valhalla. Property: 39 Maynard St., Eastchester. Amount: \$3.6 million. Filed June 21.

## Below \$1 million

**22 Sussex Road LLC, Bronx,** Seller: Teslane McCann, New Rochelle. Property: 22 Sussex Road, New Rochelle. Amount: \$850,000. Filed June 22.

**128 Parkway Homes LLC, Cross River,** Seller: Roberto Gutierrez, White Plains. Property: 84 Longview Ave., White Plains. Amount: \$358,000. Filed June 21.

**654 Blue LLC, Bronx,** Seller: Nicholas Cicchetti and Antoinette M. Cicchetti, Mount Vernon. Property: 654 N. Terrace Ave., Mount Vernon. Amount: \$532,500. Filed June 22.

**A&I Saw Mill Road LLC, Yonkers,** Seller: Ronald J. Garan, Yonkers. Property: 413 Saw Mill River Road, Yonkers. Amount: \$999,999. Filed June 22.

**Abrar, Dimir and Neema Hug, New York City,** Seller: Buckout Developers LLC, New Rochelle. Property: 6 Hayden Lane, Harrison. Amount: \$950,000. Filed June 22.

**Alessandra Realty Inc., White Plains,** Seller: Nick J. DeMarte, Madison, Alabama and Suzanne Erhard, White Plains. Property: 31 Merritt Ave., White Plains. Amount: \$630,000. Filed June 22.

**Brickman, Peter and Jean Brickman, South Salem,** Seller: Somers Crossings LLC, Goldens Bridge. Property: 3 Amber Lane, Somers. Amount: \$899,000. Filed June 21.

**BSD Ashford Avenue Dobbs Partners LLC, Brooklyn,** Seller: Rosemarie A. Casey, Dobbs Ferry. Property: 182 Ashford Ave., Greenburgh. Amount: \$560,000. Filed June 22.

**Cam RE Ventures I Reo LLC, Eureka, California,** Seller: Michele L. Bermel, Chappaqua. Property: 87 Ethelton Road, Greenburgh. Amount: \$350,000. Filed June 23.

**Cemarx Properties LLC, Pelham,** Seller: Stephen Gold, White Plains. Property: 82 Hanson Lane, New Rochelle. Amount: \$575,292. Filed June 23.

**College of Mount Saint Vincent, Bronx,** Seller: The Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent DePaul of New York, Bronx. Property: 69 Fanshaw Ave., Yonkers. Amount: \$800,000. Filed June 24.

**Collins, Martin Joseph and Coleen Collins, New York City,** Seller: Steve Giordano Builders Inc., Yorktown Heights. Property: 1 Flanders Lane, Cortlandt. Amount: \$1.4 million. Filed June 23.

**Deutsche Bank National Trust Co., Mount Laurel, New Jersey,** Seller: Andrea DeGaetano, Port Chester. Property: 402 Irving Ave., Rye. Amount: \$754,924.31. Filed June 22.

**Dinardi, Antonio and Michael Ferro, Bronxville,** Seller: Alexander Owners LLC, Yonkers. Property: 155 Lake Ave., Yonkers. Amount: \$750,000. Filed June 22.

**DREM Holdings LLC, Albany,** Seller: Rene Aguilar, White Plains. Property: 14 Washington Ave., North Castle. Amount: \$385,000. Filed June 23.

**Hedgerow Properties LLC, Weston, Connecticut,** Seller: Eileen P. Prizeman and Stephen J. Prizeman, Pleasantville. Property: 269 Pleasant Ave., Mount Pleasant. Amount: \$505,000. Filed June 24.

**Kalloor Royal Properties Inc., Bardonia,** Seller: Anthony Melendez, Yonkers. Property: 53 Valerie Drive, Yonkers. Amount: \$330,000. Filed June 21.

**KBJB Temp LLC, Mount Vernon,** Seller: Markland 122 LLC, Bronx. Property: 122 S. Fourth Ave., Mount Vernon. Amount: \$558,947. Filed June 21.

**KBJB Temp LLC, Mount Vernon,** Seller: Markland 133 LLC, Bronx. Property: 133 S. Fourth Ave., Mount Vernon. Amount: \$543,421. Filed June 21.

**Pezzella, Frank and Patricia Pezzella, White Plains,** Seller: 46 Mystic Drive LLC, Mount Kisco. Property: 46 Mystic Drive, Ossining. Amount: \$620,000. Filed June 23.

**Scott Circle Equities Group LLC, Purchase,** Seller: Scott Circle LLC, Rye Brook. Property: 20 Scott Circle, Harrison. Amount: \$900,000. Filed June 23.

**Trustc Inc. and Trustwind Inc., Tokyo, Japan,** Seller: Kaori Matsui, Tokyo, Japan. Property: 33 Clifford Place, Harrison. Amount: \$998,000. Filed June 24.

**Uva Premier LLC, Yonkers,** Seller: Andrea J. D'Addario and Thomas A. Avitable, Marlboro. Property: 98 Storer Ave., New Rochelle. Amount: \$560,000. Filed June 22.

**Ventura, Ismael, Bronx,** Seller: 303 Roundhill Drive LLC, Valhalla. Property: 303 Roundhill Drive, Yonkers. Amount: \$845,000. Filed June 23.

**Zemen, Jozef and Lynne Zeman, Cortlandt Manor,** Seller: Spectacle One Holdings LLC, Tarrytown. Property: 168 Union Ave., Greenburgh. Amount: \$630,000. Filed June 21.

## JUDGMENTS

**779 Riverside Properties LLC, Dobbs Ferry,** \$17,262.87 in favor of Total Restoration LLC, Syosset. Filed June 24.  
**APG Construction,** Croton-on-Hudson, \$25,646.90 in favor of 1926 83rd Realty Corp., Croton-on-Hudson. Filed June 24.

**Artwin Construction LLC, Ridgewood,** \$62,246.20 in favor of Bayside. Filed June 24.

**Bachmann, Michael A. and Rachel Bachmann, Armonk,** \$73,055 in favor of WNW Holdings LLC, El Dorado, California. Filed June 24.

**Costello, Nicky, Yonkers,** \$36,995.29 in favor of LVNV Funding LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada. Filed June 21.

**Erber, Greg, Mamaroneck,** \$66,700.21 in favor of Johnson and Cohen LLP., Pearl River. Filed June 24.

**Fahey, Thomas, Yorktown Heights,** \$12,5994.74 in favor of Johnson and Cohen LLP., Pearl River. Filed June 24.

**Liu, Eugene J., Scarsdale,** \$29,052 in favor of 18 Ashford LLC, Dobbs Ferry. Filed June 24.

**McFadden, Ernest L., Ossining,** \$14,342.11 in favor of Capital Communications Federal Credit Union, Albany. Filed June 24.

**Mead, Mathew K., Ridgefield, Connecticut,** \$17,733.10 in favor of Karolyn Prisciandaro Speech Pathology P.C., Tuckahoe. Filed June 24.

**Miller, William, Rye,** \$392,279.25 in favor of New York Yankees Partnership, Bronx. Filed June 22.

**Milo, Thomas, Hartsdale,** \$74,939.42 in favor of New York Weight Loss and Surgery P.C., Ardsley. Filed June 24.

**Pace, Naomi, New Rochelle** \$21,289 in favor of LVNV Funding LLC, Las Vegas, Nevada. Filed June 21.

**Pop Displays U.S.A. LLC, Rye Brook,** \$6,686.50 in favor of Great Neck Saw Manufacturers Inc., Mineola. Filed June 24.

**Rios, Millie, Yonkers,** \$7,430.90 in favor of NCB Management Services Inc., Trevoise, Pennsylvania. Filed June 24.



# Facts & Figures

**Simon, Jeannette**, Manhasset. \$83,309 in favor of 650 Realty Inc., New York City. Filed June 24.

**Topside Shipping Inc.**, New York City. \$19,468 in favor of American Express National Bank, Sandy, Utah. Filed June 24.

**Zegarra, Juan C.**, Yonkers. \$15,966 in favor of American Express National Bank, Sandy, Utah. Filed June 24.

## LIS PENDENS

*The following filings indicate a legal action has been initiated, the outcome of which may affect the title to the property listed.*

**Efiong, James, Eme Efiong and Enbong Efiong**, as owners. Filed by Deutsche Bank National Trust Company. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$450,000 affecting property located at 171 Hanson Lane, New Rochelle. Filed June 22.

**Falk, Gregory and Rita A. Falk**, as owners. Filed by The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company National Association. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$922,500 affecting property located at 109 Ridgely Ave., South Salem. Filed June 22.

**Fox, Laura**, as owner. Filed by Wells Fargo Bank National Association. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$357,737.85 affecting property located at 156 Timberlane Court, Yorktown Heights. Filed June 20.

**Lopez, Victor**, as owner. Filed by Pennymac Loan Services LLC. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$507,478 affecting property located at 251 Glenbrook Ave., Yonkers. Filed June 21.

**Martinez, Fernando and Alba Carrasco**, as owners. Filed by The Bank of New York Mellon. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$310,000 affecting property located at 525 Irving Ave., Port Chester. Filed June 20.

**Monica, Frank**, as owner. Filed by HSBC Bank U.S.A. National Association. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$182,113.86 affecting property located at 23 Water Grant St., Unit 1H, Yonkers. Filed June 21.

**Rose, Curtis and Alex Rose**, as owners. Filed by Lakeview Loan Servicing LLC. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$417,302 affecting property located at 498 E. Third St., Mount Vernon. Filed June 17.

**Saintil, Natacha**, as owner. Filed by Wells Fargo Bank National Association. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$650,000 affecting property located at 457 West St., Port Chester. Filed June 20.

**Wallace, Eloise Marrow**, as owner. Filed by Fareverse LLC. Action: Foreclosure of a mortgage in the principal amount of \$747,000 affecting property located at 275 Claremont Ave., Mount Vernon. Filed June 24.

## MECHANIC'S LIENS

**Ciavardini, Nicole**, Somers. \$44,585.32 in favor of Pink Shirt Construction Inc., Cross River. Filed June 23.

**Giardini, Heidi and Jerry Giardini**, North Castle. \$5,642.02 in favor of Platinum Propane LLC, Mount Kisco. Filed June 22.

**Opra III LLC**, Rye. \$25,772.19 in favor of Norberto Construction Inc., Cammack. Filed June 22.

**Parkview Station at Mamaroneck LLC**, Mamaroneck. \$19,372 in favor of TK Elevator Corp., Atlanta, Georgia. Filed June 24.

**Sanchez, Daniela and Adelayada Sanchez**, Eastchester. \$22,858.50 in favor of Minch Construction Corp., Bronx. Filed June 23.

## NEW BUSINESSES

*This newspaper is not responsible for typographical errors contained in the original filings.*

### Partnerships

**Aghili Engineering**, 50 Dekalb Ave., E-8, White Plains 10605. c/o Mino Aghili and Mansour Aghili. Filed June 24.

### Sole Proprietorships

**Alexander Landscaping**, 68 Livingston Ave., Yonkers 10705. c/o Alexander Gethran. Filed June 21.

**An Even You**, 49 Croton Point Ave., Croton-on-Hudson 10520. C/O Trish Morrison. Filed June 24.

**Be Chic**, 294 New Main St., Unit 2S, Yonkers 10701. c/o Steve A. Urteaga. Filed June 21.

**Calderon Landscaping**, 11 Leather Stocking, White Plains 10603. c/o Marco A. Calderon and Antonio Calderon. Filed June 21.

**Cesar A Perdomo**, 1077 Nepperhan Ave., Yonkers 10703. c/o Cesar A. Perdomo. Filed June 22.

**Ernie**, 6 Primrose St., Katonah 10536. c/o Ernest J. Saccomanno. Filed June 21.

**Great Treasure Hunt**, 150 Neptune Ave., New Rochelle 10805. c/o Ileana Villanueva. Filed June 24.

**Jay Street**, 35 Lenox Ave., Unit 2, White Plains 10603. c/o James A. Street. Filed June 21.

**Julies Custom Crafts**, 53 Caroline Ave., Yonkers 10705. c/o Wendy Jimenez. Filed June 22.

**Musicauditions.com**, 109 Charter Circle, Ossining 10562. c/o Alexis Cole. Filed June 21.

**N&N Heating & Cooling**, 382 Bedford Center Road, Bedford Hills 10507. c/o Noah Berkson Applebome. Filed June 24.

**New England Wallpapering & Painting**, 520 Orchard St., Mamaroneck 10543. c/o Jeffrey J. Haviland. Filed June 22.

**Rema Stucco & Stone Construction**, 15 Oakwood Drive, Peekskill 10566. c/o Freddy Geovanny Quinche. Filed June 23.

**Rise Health & Wellness**, 3 Morgan Drive, Mount Kisco 10549. c/o Kaitlyn Flaitz. Filed June 23.

**Rock-a-bye Baby Sleep**, 455 Chappaqua Road, Briarcliff Manor 10510. c/o Liza Kaplan Montanino. Filed June 21.

**Sanchez Handyman**, 26 Elinor Place, Apt. 2, Yonkers 10705. c/o Sergio Sanchez Garcia. Filed June 22.

**Sheyla's Cosmetic & Fashion**, 345 Lexington Ave., Mount Kisco 10459. c/o Shayla Judith Martinez Berganla. Filed June 24.

**Toki Swan Speaks**, 66 Main St., No. 504, Yonkers 10701. c/o Toki Swan. Filed June 22.

**Top Aesthetics Laser**, 222 Westchester Ave., West Harrison 10604. c/o Sue Reynoso. Filed June 23.

**Zenjo Candles**, 300E Prospect Ave., Apt. 1E, Mount Vernon 10553. c/o Gloria R. Bajjo. Filed June 23.

# HUDSON VALLEY

## BUILDING LOANS

### Above \$1 million

**30 Argenio Drive LLC and 45 Argenio Drive LLC**, as owners. Lender: JPMorgan Chase Bank. Property: 30 and 42 Argenio Drive, New Windsor. Amount: \$1.4 million. Filed June 20.

**Homes For Heroes Inc.**, as owner. Lender: New York State Homeless Housing and Assistance Corp. Property: in Orangetown. Amount: \$2.8 million. Filed June 21.

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# Facts & Figures

**Rockland Homes for Heroes,** as owner. Lender: Leviticus 25 23 Alternative Fund Inc. Property: 335 West Highway, Orangetown. Amount: \$1.4 million. Filed June 22.

**Suresky at Hatfield Lane LLC,** as owner. Lender: M&T Bank. Property: in Goshen. Amount: \$10 million. Filed June 20.

## Below \$1 million

**10M Suites LLC,** as owner. Lender: Sachem Capital Corp. Property: 1 Old Middletown Road, Pearl River. Amount: \$943,000. Filed June 24.

**Boyles, Erica and Michael George,** as owners. Lender: Bank of Millbrook. Property: in Pine Plains. Amount: \$260,000. Filed June 23.

**Collins, Gerard M.,** as owner. Lender: Guaranteed Rate Inc. Property: in Warwick. Amount: \$269,975. Filed June 24.

**DiBenedetto, Melissa, Christine A. DiBenedetto and Joseph A. DiBenedetto,** as owners. Lender: Rhinebeck Bank. Property: in Pleasant Valley. Amount: \$472,000. Filed June 20.

**Gold Score Developers LLC,** as owner. Lender: Icecap Real Estate Loan Fund I LLC. Property: in Poughkeepsie. Amount: \$63,800. Filed June 23.

**Kastrinos, Nicole,** as owner. Lender: Homestead Funding Corp. Property: in Red Hook. Amount: \$490,577. Filed June 23.

**Kata, Meghan K. and Michael Kata,** as owners. Lender: Mid-Hudson Valley Federal Credit Union. Property: in Chester. Amount: \$300,000. Filed June 20.

## DEEDS

## Above \$1 million

**12 Augusta LLC,** Monsey. Seller: Augusta Realty Holdings LLC. Monsey. Property: 12 Augusta Ave., Ramapo. Amount: \$1.1 million. Filed June 24.

**18 East Lane LLC,** Miami, Florida. Seller: Emily Birnbaum. Spring Valley. Property: 18 East Lane, Wesley Hills. Amount: \$3.1 million. Filed June 21.

**529 West Central Avenue LLC,** Spring Valley. Seller: Abraham Sompolinsky, Spring Valley. Property: 531 Central Ave., Ramapo. Amount: \$1.5 million. Filed June 23.

**Augusta Realty Holdings LLC,** Chester. Seller: David Loebenberg and Deborah Loebenberg. Monsey. Property: 37 Olympia Lane, Ramapo. Amount: \$1.2 million. Filed June 21.

**Eastcoast BLR 1993 LLC,** Closter, New Jersey. Seller: Producto Electric Corp., Orangeburg. Property: 11 Kings Highway, Orangetown. Amount: \$5.5 million. Filed June 21.

**TYH Greenbriar Propco LLC,** Brooklyn. Seller: Eileen B. Berenyi, Millbrook. Property: in Washington. Amount: \$1.2 million. Filed June 22.

## Below \$1 million

**14 Cooper LLC,** Brooklyn. Seller: Zhiyong Shi, Chestnut Ridge. Property: 14 Cooper Drive, Clarkstown. Amount: \$505,000. Filed June 21.

**15 Lane Street LLC,** Monsey. Seller: Michael Meisner and Bonnie Rae Meisner, Monsey. Property: 15 Lane St., Ramapo. Amount: \$1.5 million. Filed June 23.

**19X Broadway Holdings LLC,** Nanuet. Seller: FLS Realty of Haverstraw LLC, Old Tappan, New Jersey. Property: 19 Broadway, Haverstraw. Amount: \$300,000. Filed June 23.

**24 Memorial Park LLC,** Brooklyn. Seller: Sonja Jones, Spring Valley. Property: 22 Memorial Park Drive, Spring Valley. Amount: \$460,000. Filed June 21.

**35 Orange TPK LLC,** Monsey. Seller: Susan Granholm, Sloatsburg. Property: 35 Orange Turnpike, Sloatsburg. Amount: \$305,000. Filed June 24.

**443 West Central LLC,** Spring Valley. Seller: Falvie E. Moise and Rose B. Moise, Spring Valley. Property: 443 W. Central Ave., Spring Valley. Amount: \$999,999. Filed June 23.

**Alex Builders LLC,** Poughkeepsie. Seller: Andrew James Abbott, Poughkeepsie. Property: in Poughkeepsie. Amount: \$100,000. Filed June 23.

**Ann Costigan Real Estate LLC,** Wappingers Falls. Seller: Janice M. Heath, Fishkill. Property: in Hyde Park. Amount: \$60,000. Filed June 24.

**Blinn Mazzuca Realty LLC,** New Fairfield, Connecticut. Seller: Snowflake LP, New City. Property: 7 Moorea Court, Haverstraw. Amount: \$262,500. Filed June 23.

**Brasher, Michael W. and Mark E. Langan,** New York City. Seller: S&A Limitless LLC, Salt Point. Property: in Amenia. Amount: \$695,000. Filed June 20.

**Bruhstone LLC,** Beacon. Seller: David Ferenz, Poughkeepsie. Property: in Beacon. Amount: \$264,000. Filed June 22.

**Buluson, Don Roy and Christine Buluson,** Haverstraw. Seller: 52/54 Hillside Avenue LLC, Haverstraw. Property: 54 Hillside Ave., Haverstraw. Amount: \$400,500. Filed June 23.

**DeMaio Builders Inc.,** New City. Seller: Kaarlo Hentila, Airmont. Property: 115 Wilwood Drive, Orangetown. Amount: \$425,500. Filed June 21.

**Hickory Equities LLC,** Airmont. Seller: Binn Mazzucca Realty LLC, New Fairfield, Connecticut. Property: 7 Moorea Court, Haverstraw. Amount: \$425,000. Filed June 23.

**Lebowitz, Moses,** Spring Valley. Seller: Ortego Realty 3707 LLC, Brooklyn. Property: 9 Pratt St., Haverstraw. Amount: \$305,000. Filed June 21.

**Lynch, Charles G.,** Suffern. Seller: 9 Pleasant Avenue Suffern New York LLC, Suffern. Property: 9 Pleasant Ave., Suffern. Amount: \$365,000. Filed June 24.

**Salamon, David,** Monsey. Seller: Gell Properties Inc., Nanuet. Property: 81-83 Division Ave., Spring Valley. Amount: \$710,000. Filed June 24.

**Salt Box Path LLC,** Rhinebeck. Seller: Donna L. Cartelli, Bronx. Property: in Rhinebeck. Amount: \$599,000. Filed June 23.

**Schapiro, Aaron,** Spring Valley. Seller: Viola Gardens LLC, Monsey. Property: 10 Garden Terrace, Ramapo. Amount: \$828,000. Filed June 21.

**U.S. Bank Trust National Association,** Scottsdale, Arizona. Seller: Joseph Anderson and Gladys Vasquez, Hyde Park. Property: in Hyde Park. Amount: \$254,000. Filed June 24.

**Vargas, Jose,** Stony Point. Seller: Claro Road LLC, Tompkins Cove. Property: 337 and 327 N. Liberty Drive, Stony Point. Amount: \$750,000. Filed June 22.

**Vergara, Dylan Brown and Emma Katherine Reid,** New York City. Seller: Dominic Properties LLC, West Haverstraw. Property: 20 Gypsy Camp Road, Clarkstown. Amount: \$615,000. Filed June 21.

**Yerchiel Grunberger LLC,** Monsey. Seller: Elmer L. Washington, Spring Valley. Property: 27 Andover Road, Ramapo. Amount: \$410,000. Filed June 23.

## JUDGMENTS

**Benjamin, Thomas H.,** Middletown. \$17,414 in favor of Capital One Bank, Richmond, Virginia. Filed June 20.

**Brian, Jacklyn,** New Windsor. \$3,978.51 in favor of New City Funding Corp., Stony Point. Filed June 20.

**Brown, Kaitlin and Carlos Gonzalez,** Middletown. \$8,510 in favor of East Coast Imperial Gardens LLC, Middletown. Filed June 20.

**Brown, Mark,** Newburgh. \$2,500 in favor of Newburgh SHG 13 LLC, Newburgh. Filed June 20.

**Dombal, Craig J.,** New Windsor. \$8,000 in favor of Midland Credit Management Inc. Filed June 20.

**Douglas, Lauren and Patrick D. Kleman,** Newburgh. \$15,950 in favor of Newburgh SHG 13 LLC, Newburgh. Filed June 20.

**Gastillo, Rios,** Newburgh. \$8,050 in favor of Newburgh SHG 13 LLC, Newburgh. Filed June 20.

**Glisson, Clarence,** San Diego, California. \$13,651 in favor of Midland Credit Management Inc., San Diego, California. Filed June 20.

**Morales, Joann,** Middletown. \$2,219 in favor of Cavalry SPV I LLC, Greenwich, Connecticut. Filed June 20.

**Oflanagan, Dale,** Harriman. \$5,429 in favor of Synchrony Bank, Draper, Utah. Filed June 23.

**Ramirez, Iris,** Tuxedo Park. \$1,357.04 in favor of Midland Credit Management Inc., San Diego, California. Filed June 20.

**Triple T Construction LLC,** Florida. \$818,782 in favor of Leah Solomon and Mark Solomon, Basking Ridge, New Jersey. Filed June 20.

## MECHANIC'S LIENS

**Bers, Nadia M. and Khalif Salib,** as owners. \$8,280 in favor of BSB Construction Inc., Milton. Property: in Highlands. Filed June 20.

**Legoland LLC,** as owner. \$304,000 in favor of Stantec Architecture Inc., Chicago, Illinois. Property: in Goshen. Filed June 23.

**Metri Realty LLC,** as owner. \$38,900 in favor of Richard Orsini Inc., New City. Property: 500 Route 304, New City. Filed June 23.

## NEW BUSINESSES

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## PARTNERSHIPS

## SOLE PROPRIETORSHIPS

**Alternative Healing Clinic,** 78 Secor Road, Mahopac 10541, c/o Gordon Updegraff. Filed June 20.

**Hummingbird Properties,** 14 Hawthorne Ave., Newburgh 12550, c/o Jennifer Ray Wetsell. Filed June 20.

**Jovian Risk Management,** 99 Dykeman Road, Carmel 10512, Joseph Mazzei. Filed June 23.

**Lucvizion Entertainment,** 25 Center St., Highland Falls 10928, c/o John Frank Njoga. Filed June 20.

**Moose Property Maintenance,** 22 Last Road, Middletown 10941, c/o Matthew E. McGrath. Filed June 23.

**Outdoor Images Landscape,** 203 Greycourt Road, Chester 10918, c/o Andrew S. Alter. Filed June 20.

**Quality N Value International,** 75 Center St., Highland Falls 10928, c/o Anthony Obondi Njoga. Filed June 20.

**Super Housekeeping,** 143 William St., Apt 3, Newburgh 12550, c/o Jose S. Vimos Lluilema. Filed June 24.

**Treats By Lu,** 42 Longwood Road, Mahopac 10541, c/o Annmarie Santaniello. Filed June 20.

## BUILDING PERMITS

## Commercial

**Cove Tent Company Inc.,** Stamford, contractor for Bernardine Sisters of Third Order of St. Francis Stamford. Install tents with emergency lighting and battery-powered general lighting at 161 Skymeadow Drive, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$10,000. Filed May 10.

**Cruz Roofing and Siding LLC,** Milford, contractor for One Way Church of Christ. Install asphalt shingles on church at 98 Richmond Hill Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$31,357. Filed May 24.

**Custom Builders Group LLC,** Stamford, contractor for 71 Vincent Avenue LLC. Convert garage into a family room at 71 Vincent Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$10,200. Filed May 10.

**Eastern Communications Corp.,** Bloomfield, contractor for American Towers Inc. Remove antennas and remote radio heads from the tower and add new antennas and remote radio heads leaving surge suppressors and hybrid cables in place at 168 Catoona Lane, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$64,000. Filed May 11.

**Fabrizio, William J.,** Orange, contractor for Stamford Gas LLC. Install 36 barbeque propane cages at 565 Newfield Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$250. Filed May 25.

**First Street Properties LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for Anthony Piro. Perform replacement alterations at 21 First St., Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$1,000. Filed May 31.

**Fischer Roofing LLC,** Jackson, New Jersey, contractor for Cue Glenbrook Limited Partnership. Install shingle roof at 60 Glenbrook Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$180,000. Filed May 9.

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**Gilbane Building Co.,** Norwalk, contractor for Norwalk Hospital Association. Perform interior alterations from basement through fifth floor at 34 Maple St., Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$1,401,393. Filed May 31.

**Green Us Builders Inc.,** Stamford, contractor for USA Equity Trust LLC. Repair proposed facade at 1010 Summer St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$50,000. Filed May 11.

**Hulse, Brian H.,** Bridgeport, contractor for Corner Enterprises LLC. Remove existing underground fuel storage tanks and associated piping. Install new tanks and piping at 1199 High Ridge Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$245,000. Filed May 13.

**Infinitive Property Services LLC,** Bristol, contractor for CH Realty VIII/Cg Connecticut Atlantis LLC. Perform new floor and wall finishes, install new equipment, larger walk-in cooler, new office, front counter, utility room and restroom at 953 Hope St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$65,000. Filed May 17.

**JFC Real Estate Development LLC,** Stamford, contractor for 1114 Hope Street LLC. Convert place of worship to six apartment units at 1114 Hope St., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$1,000,000. Filed May 3.

**North Ridge Contractors LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for North Ridge Contractors LLC. Construct new single-family residence at 29 N. Ridge Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$636,640. Filed May 9.

**Oross, Michael J.,** Norwalk, contractor for AMERCO Real Estate Company. Install standby generator at side of property at 1 Selleck St., Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$55,000. Filed May 31.

**Senerchia, Russell,** Norwalk, contractor for Bridgeport Roman Catholic. Install passenger elevator at 139 W. Rocks Road, Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$129,000. Filed May 31.

## Residential

**A.James Construction LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for Philogene Horisque. Remodel three bathrooms, construct handrail for stairs and install new HVAC system at 68 1/2 Lexington Ave., Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$37,000. Filed May 31.

**Holzner, Louis,** Newtown, contractor for Victoria S. Khazzam and Scott D. Karpf. Install a 24kw Generac generator at 33 Miramar Lane, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$17,127. Filed May 27.

**The Home Depot USA Inc.,** Atlanta, Georgia, contractor for Piterson and Noelly Juste. Replace 16 windows and one patio door, same size, no structural change at 28 Nob Hill Lane, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$17,619. Filed May 24.

**The Home Depot USA Inc.,** Atlanta, Georgia, contractor for Wenping Dai and Wen Quan. Replace 10 windows, same size, no structural change at 123 Harbor Drive, Unit 312, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$12,533. Filed May 18.

**Home Renovation & Design LLC,** Trumbull, contractor for Sophia A. Muirhead and Bruce A. Rossow. Remodel kitchen at 580 Westover Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$32,000. Filed May 9.

**JS Home Improvement Services LLC,** Greenwich, contractor for Piterson Juste. Construct and refinish flush oak saddles at 28 Nob Hill Lane, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$41,000. Filed May 3.

**Kostrzewski, Karol,** Norwalk, contractor for Katherine L. Lynch. Remodel kitchen, close porch to make into living space using existing foundation at 46 Nathan Hale Drive, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$95,000. Filed May 26.

**Larkin, Larry E.,** Stamford, contractor for Michael P. and Caroline L. Chute. Add 40 square feet to existing kitchen and construct new exterior landing and staircase at 34 Lanark Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$50,000. Filed May 17.

**Lee Schettino Construction LLC,** Easton, contractor for Steven B. and Lee Block Steinmetz. Renovate kitchen pursuant redesign layout and add laundry room to second floor at 141 East Lane, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$160,000. Filed May 17.

**Long Island Power Solutions Inc.,** Ronkonkoma, New York, contractor for Bryant John Landrum and Bauman Patricia. Install roof-top solar system with batteries at 68 Deep Valley Trail, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$47,500. Filed May 16.

**Lonol Home LLC,** Stamford, contractor for Rivera Zulma. Renovate existing barn into a pool house with plumbing and electrical at 1569 High Ridge Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$15,000. Filed May 23.

**LRC Construction LLC,** White Plains, New York, contractor for Tony Dalto. Perform replacement alterations at 355 Atlantic St., Unit Ascai-1, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$250,002. Filed May 17.

**Lueders, Matthew K.,** Stamford, contractor for Gary and Dena Zarra. Construct an in-ground pool at 115 Westover Lane, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$130,000. Filed May 19.

**M&E Innovative Home Solutions LLC,** Stamford, contractor for Dufflos Bertille Revocable Trust. Construct new footing and deck and relocate air conditioner condenser on raised platform at 190 Davenport Drive, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$7,900. Filed May 24.

**Marrs Home Improvement LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for Mark L. Melanson and Deborah A. Melanson. Expand deck and partially cover existing deck at 12 Mill Brook Drive, Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$40,000. Filed May 31.

**Mukhtar, Umer,** Norwalk, contractor for Umer Mukhtar. Replace door and roof over door at rear entrance of accessory apartment at 25 Fitch St., Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$36,583. Filed May 26.

**New England Oil Co.,** Greenwich, contractor for Anthony J. Aiello and Camille V. Aiello. Install three above-ground 120-gallon leased propane tanks, a 24-kw generator at right side of house at 14 White Birch Road South, Long Ridge Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$14,714. Filed May 24.

**Nexius Solutions Inc.,** Frisco, Texas, contractor for Nexius Solutions Inc. Modify antenna equipment at the existing cell site. Install three new antennas and one cable at 208 Harbor Drive, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$45,000. Filed May 13.

**One Stop 360 LLC,** Darien, contractor for Jonathan G. and Lauren B. Simblist. Construct framing and decking for a new 432-square-foot deck using timbertech composite in slate gray from the Harvest Collection. Remove existing stairs and build a new set of 20'x4' stairs with timbertech composite. Install new cable railings on deck and stairs and fascia boards on deck and stairs at 124 Surrey Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$30,554. Filed May 17.

**Pelayo Contracting Corp.,** Stamford, contractor for Charles J. Cuesta and Rachel A. Bernstein-Cuesta. Remove siding from entire house, replace any rotten wood, rewrap house and replace with new siding; replace outside faucets, and doors and windows leading to the deck and replace existing fireplace insert with new unit at 71 Fieldstone Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$57,850. Filed May 6.

**Peoples Products Inc.,** Newington, contractor for Marian Nangle. Install seven double-hung vinyl replacement windows and one storm door at Sylvan Knoll Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$11,392. Filed May 4.

**Peoples Products Inc.,** Newington, contractor for Kanan S. Parikh. Install four vinyl replacement windows at 65 Glenbrook Road, Unit 6C, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$5,127. Filed May 19.

**Perry Verrone LLC,** Pleasantville, New York, contractor for Michael and Yelena Klompus. Perform roof removal and replacement and install copper chimney flashing at 671 High Ridge Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$9,800. Filed May 5.

**Posigen Connecticut LLC,** Jefferson, Louisiana, contractor for Clarence and Christopher Freycinet. Install roof-mounted solar panels at 68 Highview Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$5,000. Filed May 23.

**Power Home Remodeling Group LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for Nicholas T. and Alison C. Massaro. Remove and replace siding with insulated vinyl at 5 Murray St., Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$58,291. Filed May 26.

**Power Home Remodeling Group LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for Rene Roldan and Gabriela Oliva. Remove and replace 13 windows at 24 Southwind Drive, Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$16,924. Filed May 26.

**Power Home Remodeling Group LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for Karen A. and Dwight Ormsbee. Remove and replace house wrap at 23 Betmarlea Road, Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$27,335. Filed May 26.

**Power Home Remodeling Group LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for Yolene Bottex. Remove and replace six windows and replace house wrap at 5 Armstrong Court, Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$39,255. Filed May 26.

**Prescott, Jennifer B. and Edward,** Norwalk, contractor for Jennifer B. and Edward Prescott. Extend existing deck at rear and around right side of pool at 28 1/2 Adams Ave., Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$20,000. Filed May 31.

**Pro Custom Solar LLC,** South Plainfield, New Jersey, contractor for Lucille G. Taylor. Install roof-mounted solar panels at 30 Cook Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$25,898. Filed May 3.

**R. Pelton Builders Inc.,** East Berlin, contractor for Christopher M. Shortsleeve and Gawad Aisha. Install roof-mounted solar panels at 21 Hubbard Court, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$20,000. Filed May 26.

**Residential Resq LLC,** Wolcott, contractor for Michael Phillips and Katharine Nareski. Underpin existing garage foundation to prevent further settlement at 380 Den Road, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$18,000. Filed May 12.

**Reyes Home Improvement LLC,** Stamford, contractor for Eusebio Reyes. Install new shed at 18 Leona Drive, Stamford. Estimated cost: \$10,309. Filed May 12.

**Roofing Solutions of Connecticut LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for Nathan Levitt and Fenner Bran. Re-roof 51 Klondike Ave., Stamford. Estimated cost: \$10,800. Filed May 5.

**Sound Renovation LLC,** Norwalk, contractor for Julia Douk and Oscar Lopez. Install new roof at 46 Stevens St., Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$9,000. Filed May 31.

**Valenzi, Elisa Isabella,** Norwalk, contractor for Elisa Isabella Valenzi. Construct new deck at rear of single-family residence at 8 Douglas Drive, Norwalk. Estimated cost: \$13,248. Filed May 31.

## COURT CASES

## Bridgeport Superior Court

**Covington, Charles, et al,** Bridgeport. Filed by James Young, Fairfield. Plaintiff's attorney: Cohen & Wolf PC, Bridgeport. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendants and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FBT-CV-22-6115063-S. Filed May 4.

**Crescent Crossings LLC, et al,** Stamford. Filed by Carol Gray, Bridgeport. Plaintiff's attorney: The Flood Law Firm LLC, Middletown. Action: The plaintiff was lawfully on the premises maintained by the defendants. She was walking on the parking lot when she was caused to fall due to icy conditions on the surface. As a result, the plaintiff sustained injuries and now seeks monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FBT-CV-22-6114990-S. Filed May 2.

# Facts & Figures

**Sewell-Morgan, Shelly, et al**, Trumbull. Filed by Sharon Porter, Bridgeport. Plaintiff's attorney: Eddy & Associates PLLC, Westport. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendants and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FBT-CV-22-6115086-S. Filed March 29.

**St. Vincent's Medical Center**, Bridgeport. Filed by Maria C. Lei, Trumbull. Plaintiff's attorney: Umeugo & Associates PC, West Haven. Action: The plaintiff was on the premises maintained by the defendant, where one of the employees was mopping the floor. When plaintiff was walking to get out of her way by walking to the other side of the room she slipped and fell on the floor, which was wet also. As a result, the plaintiff suffered injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FBT-CV-22-6115052-S. Filed May 3.

**Vine Street LLC, et al**, Bridgeport. Filed by Aaron Herring, Bridgeport. Plaintiff's attorney: Goff Law Group LLC, West Hartford. Action: The plaintiff notified the defendants about a defective condition in the roof and stairway. While cautiously walking down the stairway, the plaintiff stepped onto a wet and defective and board on the stairs, lost his balance and fell violently down the wooden stairway. As a result, the plaintiff suffered injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FBT-CV-22-6114848-S. Filed April 26.

## Danbury Superior Court

**Brady, Terence, et al**, Sherman. Filed by Webster Bank, National Association, Southington. Plaintiff's attorney: Halloran & Sage LLP, Hartford. Action: The plaintiff is the current holder of the defendants' note and mortgage for they have defaulted and failed to pay the plaintiff the amount due. The plaintiff claims foreclosure of the mortgage, possession of the mortgage premises, monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. DBD-CV-22-6042620-S. Filed March 29.

**Ceresna, Brian Keith, et al**, New Fairfield. Filed by Herson Gonzalez, Bristol. Plaintiff's attorney: The Flood Law Firm LLC, Middletown. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly by the defendant and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. DBD-CV-22-6042921-S. Filed May 6.

**Napoles, Fabian N.**, Danbury. Filed by Citibank NA, Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Plaintiff's attorney: Rubin & Rothman LLC, Islandia, New York. Action: The plaintiff is a banking association which issued a credit account to the defendant who agreed to make payments for goods and services. The defendant failed to make payments. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages of less than \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs. Case no. DBD-CV-22-6042772-S. Filed April 9.

**Peralta Pena, Albanery A.**, Danbury. Filed by Francis Light, Danbury. Plaintiff's attorney: Mario Carter Law Firm, North Haven. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision caused by the defendant and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. DBD-CV-22-6042861-S. Filed April 29.

## Stamford Superior Court

**Levine, Benjamin Ian, et al**, Bridgewater. Filed by Linc Keil, Newtown. Plaintiff's attorney: Berkowitz and Hanna LLC, Shelton. Action: The plaintiff suffered a collision allegedly caused by the defendants and sustained severe damages and injuries. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FST-CV-22-6056647-S. Filed May 16.

**Ritter, Robert J.**, Norwalk. Filed by Cavalry SPV I LLC, Greenwich. Plaintiff's attorney: Tobin & Marohn, Meriden. Action: The plaintiff holds right, title and interest and is bona fide owner of a credit account held by the defendant. The defendant failed to comply with the payments terms and thereby breached the terms of the agreement. The plaintiff seeks monetary damages in excess of \$2,500, exclusive of interest and costs. Case no. FST-CV-22-6056480-S. Filed May 3.

**TGM Anchor Point LLC**, New York. Filed by Michelle McGuinness, Longmont, Colorado. Plaintiff's attorney: Goff Law Group LLC, West Hartford. Action: The plaintiff was walking on the premises controlled and maintained by the defendant when she was caused to trip and fall violently to the ground due to the presence of four large metal bolts protruding from the ground. As a result, the plaintiff suffered injuries and seeks monetary damages in excess of \$15,000, exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FST-CV-22-6056267-S. Filed April 20.

**Town of Greenwich**, Greenwich. Filed by Greenwich American Inc., Greenwich. Plaintiff's attorney: McCarter & English LLP, Hartford. Action: The plaintiff, owner of a real property, claims a relief against a wrongful assessment of its property for purpose of taxation by the town. The plaintiff appealed the defendants' taxation and its evaluation of the property stating they was grossly excessive, disproportionate and unlawful. The plaintiff seeks a new evaluation of the property and monetary damages exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FST-CV-22-6056381-S. Filed April 27.

**Town of Greenwich, et al**, Greenwich. Filed by United States Postal Service, Greenwich. Plaintiff's attorney: Updike Kelly & Spellaey, Hartford. Action: The plaintiff, owner of real property in town, claims a relief against a wrongful assessment of its property for taxation purposes. The plaintiff appealed its taxation and the valuation of property claiming they are not the true and actual value, but was grossly excessive, disproportionate and unlawful. The plaintiff seeks a new evaluation of the property and monetary damages exclusive of interest and costs and such other further relief the court deems appropriate. Case no. FST-CV-22-6056447-S. Filed May 2.

## DEEDS

## Commercial

**22-24 Dolsen LLC**, Stamford. Seller: Deutsche Bank Trust Company Americas, Coppell, Texas. Property: 22-24 Dolsen Place, Stamford. Amount: \$579,600. Filed May 23.

**8 Palmer Street LLC**, Riverside. Seller: Banama LLC, Cos Cob. Property: 8 Palmer St., Cos Cob. Amount: \$1,250,000. Filed May 25.

**AP GP LLC**, Stamford. Seller: Maria E. Glass, Greenwich. Property: 9 Bolling Place, Greenwich. Amount: \$1. Filed May 26.

**Baculima, Luis C. and Ecma Diaz**, Greenwich. Seller: Mapafence LLC, Sarasota, Florida. Property: 22 Homestead Lane, Greenwich. Amount: \$455,000. Filed May 24.

**Collins Construction Enterprises LLC**, Norwalk. Seller: William N. Brown and Janice R. Brown, Fairfield. Property: 59 Grace St., Fairfield. Amount: \$350,000. Filed May 26.

**Deb, Bishuja and Bisnu Dey**, Stamford. Seller: AHAA LLC, Trumbull. Property: 29 Limerick St., Stamford. Amount: \$750,000. Filed May 27.

**Flynn, Ryan V.**, Stamford. Seller: Sound Cove Property LLC, Old Greenwich. Property: 1525 E. Putnam Ave., Unit 101, Bldg. 1, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$349,000. Filed May 27.

**Guilfoyle, Denis**, Stamford. Seller: Dunwoodie LLC, Greenwich. Property: 110 Sheephill Road, Riverside. Amount: \$1,000,000. Filed May 23.

**Holand, Scott and Emma Holand**, Greenwich. Seller: Cliffe Dwellings IV LLC, Greenwich. Property: 35 Sound Beach Ave., Old Greenwich. Amount: \$0. Filed May 23.

**Jones, Seun Adeyemi and Olosoji Ojuola**, White Plains, New York. Seller: 46 Pope Street LLC, Fairfield. Property: 45 Vesper St., Fairfield. Amount: \$785,000. Filed May 24.

**Phoenix at 345 Reef Road Corp.**, Ridgefield. Seller: The Norwalk Hospital Association, Norwalk. Property: 345 Reef Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$1. Filed May 26.

**Pineda J., Oscar D.**, Norwalk. Seller: 48 Kent Street LLC, Stratford. Property: 54 Sunfield Lane, Fairfield. Amount: \$405,000. Filed May 23.

**The Ramirez Family Trust**, Greenwich. Seller: Ronald L. Glassman and Kimberly S. Glassman, Stamford. Property: 103 Arden Lane, Stamford. Amount: \$815,000. Filed May 26.

**Tselkov, Tseno and Erika Kurt**, Old Greenwich. Seller: GBL Real Estate Holdings LLC, Cos Cob. Property: 30 Lockwood Drive, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$2,000,000. Filed May 23.

## Residential

**Ball, Martyn Norman and Ellen Gurley Ball**, Greenwich. Seller: Jeffrey Spadone and Leslie Spadone, Greenwich. Property: 9 Park Place, Greenwich. Amount: \$1,000,000. Filed May 23.

**Banks, Jenifer and Steve Margolis**, Mamaroneck, New York. Seller: Christina Vanderlip, Greenwich. Property: 186 Field Point Road, Unit 5B, Greenwich. Amount: \$1,782,500. Filed May 24.

**Berger, Eve Lauren and Drew R. Blumenfeld**, Stamford. Seller: Brendan M. Broadbin and Dani Janelle Senft Broadbin, Stamford. Property: 19 Woodway Road, Unit 29, Stamford. Amount: \$449,000. Filed May 23.

**Birnbaum, Manfred E. and Charlotte Birnbaum**, Stamford. Seller: Vincent Rupolo and Nicol P. Rupolo, Stamford. Property: 143 Hoyt St. Unit 7J, Stamford. Amount: \$600,000. Filed May 27.

**Bruning, Monica L.**, Old Greenwich. Seller: Monica L. Bruning, Old Greenwich. Property: 11 Lighthouse Lane, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$1. Filed May 26.

**Carroll, Susan P.**, Greenwich. Seller: Elizabeth H. Hutchins, Greenwich. Property: 40 Park Ave., Greenwich. Amount: \$4,550,000. Filed May 26.

**Carter, Marianne**, Manlius, New York. Seller: John F. Rivera, Fairfield. Property: 104 Southport Woods Drive, Fairfield. Amount: \$425,000. Filed May 26.

**Castro Tello, Diana Maribel and Luis I. Aucay Duran**, Stamford. Seller: Jorge P. Farez, Stamford. Property: 27 W. Washington Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$530,000. Filed May 26.

**Colucci, Donna**, Stamford. Seller: Lisabeth Stoett and Gary Kahn, Stamford. Property: 195 Sylvan Knoll Road, Stamford. Amount: \$265,000. Filed May 24.

**Delany, Frank Joseph and Sandra Rose Delany**, Redding. Seller: Ilonka Conrad, Fairfield. Property: 713 Sturges Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$1,175,000. Filed May 24.

**Gaonach, Elizabeth and Stephen Gaonach**, Fairfield. Seller: Philip B. Bednarski, Fairfield. Property: 115 Marsh Drive, Fairfield. Amount: \$525,000. Filed May 26.

**Grascher, Hannes Christian**, Fairfield. Seller: Myra S. Lubeck, Marblehead, Massachusetts. Property: 107 Canterbury Lane, Fairfield. Amount: \$850,000. Filed May 25.

**Haggarty, Daniel S. and Cecilia Haggarty**, New Canaan. Seller: Aida Mancuso and Paolo Mancuso, Stamford. Property: 1019 Stillwater Road, Stamford. Amount: \$1,400,000. Filed May 23.

**Hoffman, Hayley E. and Michael Longo Jr.**, Stamford. Seller: Christopher Warren and Luisa M. Correa, Stamford. Property: 36 Cerretta St., Unit 30, Stamford. Amount: \$408,000. Filed May 26.

**Jeffers, Karen Ann**, Fairfield. Seller: Karen Ann Jeffers, Fairfield. Property: 202 Mine Hill Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$1. Filed May 23.

**Kaufman, Marc**, Bridgeport. Seller: Burton F. Hatheway, Fairfield. Property: 370 Stratfield Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$N/A. Filed May 26.

**Koh, Glenn and Jennifer Yu-Koh**, Greenwich. Seller: Robert P. Lyons and Brenda T. Lyons, Greenwich. Property: 47 Alpine Road, Greenwich. Amount: \$N/A. Filed May 23.

**Koka, Ajrush and Hidajete Koka**, Stamford. Seller: Hui Guan, Stamford. Property: 60 Strawberry Hill Ave., Unit 304, Stamford. Amount: \$165,000. Filed May 23.

**Laudico, Anthony**, Fairfield. Seller: Ken Davey and Elizabeth Davey, Fairfield. Property: 1810 Fairfield Beach Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$1,949,000. Filed May 27.

**Lemonier, Edward and Allison Lemonier**, Stamford. Seller: Laurie Dank, Stamford. Property: 86 Opper Road, Stamford. Amount: \$730,000. Filed May 25.

**MacConnell, Shelly and David Kunath**, Fairfield. Seller: Stephen J. D'Ambrisi and Ann L. D'Ambrisi, Fairfield. Property: 21 Round Hill Drive, Fairfield. Amount: \$1,400,000. Filed May 25.

**Marcangell, Sveva and Patrick F. Bucaria**, Greenwich. Seller: Ivana Farina, Greenwich. Property: 29 Division Street West, Unit 4, Greenwich. Amount: \$548,000. Filed May 26.

**Mathai, Phebe and David Mathew**, Stamford. Seller: Richard Lucherini, Stamford. Property: 9 Maple Tree Ave., Unit B1, Stamford. Amount: \$360,000. Filed May 26.

# Facts & Figures

**Mayerson, Lilli Z. and Gary Mayerson**, New York, New York. Seller: John Paul Ross, Southport. Property: 739 Mill Hill Road, Southport. Amount: \$2,000,000. Filed May 25.

**McGuire, Harold and Iris McGuire**, Stamford. Seller: Benjamin L. Guinta and Kimberly M. Guinta, Stamford. Property: 167 Fox Ridge Road, Stamford. Amount: \$835,000. Filed May 25.

**Merz, Jean-Claude and Karen Merz**, Greenwich. Seller: John Scott Harvey and Sol Lisette Rodriguez-Harvey, Greenwich. Property: 349 Riversville Road, Greenwich. Amount: \$N/A. Filed May 25.

**Meyer, Jack Martin and Clare Elizabeth Meyer**, Fairfield. Seller: Lawrence R. Palaia III and Cynthia M. Palaia, Fairfield. Property: 81 Hunyadi Ave., Fairfield. Amount: \$589,900. Filed May 26.

**Moon, Milton and Victoria Moon**, Stamford. Seller: Josephine Ghiandoni, Stamford. Property: 59 Courtland Ave., Unit IU, Stamford. Amount: \$175,000. Filed May 27.

**Nweke, Maureen O. and Maureen T. Nweke**, New Rochelle, New York. Seller: Leonardo Garcia-Berg and Veronica Calomarde, New Canaan. Property: 87 Den Road, Stamford. Amount: \$1,462,500. Filed May 25.

**O'Neill, Michael**, Fairfield. Seller: Edmund C. Ross, Fairfield. Property: 473 Wormwood Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$625,000. Filed May 24.

**Popy, Papia Sultans and Towhid Ahmed**, Stamford. Seller: Robert Loglisci, Stamford. Property: 72 Plymouth Road, Stamford. Amount: \$400,000. Filed May 26.

**Powers, Christopher W.**, Greenwich. Seller: Frederick D. Smith and Caril A. Smith, Greenwich. Property: 97 Valley Road North, Cos Cob. Amount: \$0. Filed May 25.

**Purcell, Andrew and Samantha Brooke Purcell**, Greenwich. Seller: Gregory L. Hart and Briana J. Hart, Greenwich. Property: 415 Round Hill Road, Greenwich. Amount: \$5,000,000. Filed May 26.

**Rosenthal, Peter and Marisa Rosenthal**, New York, New York. Seller: Patrick Dalton, Cos Cob. Property: 420 North St., Greenwich. Amount: \$3,575,000. Filed May 27.

**Rotondi, Nicholas and Rosabeya Rotondi**, Stamford. Seller: Jessica E. Carta and Raymond J. Carta, Stamford. Property: Lot 130, Map 512, Stamford. Amount: \$630,419. Filed May 27.

**Salzman, Nina and Yory Teperman**, Fairfield. Seller: Tiffanie E. Wong and Mark J. Joyella, Fairfield. Property: 64 Shoreham Village Drive, Fairfield. Amount: \$760,000. Filed May 23.

**Schiavo, Jessica Lynn and Nathaniel Schiavo**, Fairfield. Seller: Janice. Covino, Fairfield. Property: 129 Alberta St., Fairfield. Amount: \$595,000. Filed May 26.

**Scorziello, Luciano and Marie Scorziello**, Bronx, New York. Seller: Paul J. Rybnick and Leigha Rybnick, Stamford. Property: Unit A, Spring Run, Stamford. Amount: \$300,000. Filed May 24.

**Simonton, William and Angela Walker**, Greenwich. Seller: Rainer J. Busch and Hilary C. Dayton Busch, Riverside. Property: 222 Riverside Ave., Greenwich. Amount: \$4,500,000. Filed May 24.

**Smith, Pamela**, Rye, New York. Seller: John R. Darvish and Vanessa Darvish, Greenwich. Property: 73 Orchard Place, Unit A, Greenwich. Amount: \$2,250,000. Filed May 26.

**Tapia, Fabian M.**, Greenwich. Seller: Maria Emperatriz Constante, Greenwich. Property: 15 Highland Road, Greenwich. Amount: \$880,000. Filed May 24.

**Vance, Tyler and Tiffany Vance**, New York, New York. Seller: Michael W. Bartlett and Danielle E. Bartlett, Southport. Property: 1305 Mill Hill Road, Southport. Amount: \$1,502,400. Filed May 23.

**Vanderhorn, Ian B. and Lindsey A. Santerian**, Greenwich. Seller: Douglas A. Vanderhorn and Maria A. Vanderhorn, Darien. Property: 6 View St., Greenwich. Amount: \$733,000. Filed May 27.

**Verona, Maria Elena and Andrei Verona**, Arcadia, California. Seller: Paulette Landes, Armonk, New York. Property: 40 Ettl Lane, Unit 1, Greenwich. Amount: \$1,030,000. Filed May 23.

**Wisniewski, Dominik and Estoine Chow Wisniewski**, New York, New York. Seller: Bruce D. Kopca and Kim R. Kopca, Fairfield. Property: 153 Moritz Place, Fairfield. Amount: \$577,000. Filed May 24.

## LIENS

### Federal Tax Liens Filed

**Amodeo, Matthew and Josephine Amodeo**, 30 Willowmere Ave., Riverside. \$3,024, civil proceeding tax. Filed June 3.

**Anderson, Frederick**, 10 Millbank Road, Westport. \$119,757, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 11.

**Anderson, Frederick**, 10 Millbank Road, Westport. \$390,069, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 11.

**Arenas, Fernando**, 230 Davis Ave., Greenwich. \$6,896, civil proceeding tax. Filed June 3.

**Baldwin III, John M.**, 115 Havemeyer Place, Greenwich. \$3,772, civil proceeding tax. Filed June 3.

**Berlingo, Mark A.**, 121 Towne St., Apt. 640, Stamford. \$6,463, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 6.

**DeFeo, Natalie**, 2435 Bedford St., Unit 10B, Stamford. \$142,958, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 10.

**Eoanou, John and Cathy Eoanou**, 338 Westport Road, Wilton. \$95,861, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 13.

**Green, Stacey**, 10 Suburban Ave., Cos Cob. \$4,493, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 23.

**Jagodzinski, Rita**, 59 Glen Ave., Stamford. \$16,864, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 2.

**Ludington, William K.**, 111 Morgan St. Unit 624, Stamford. \$87,880, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 18.

**Malabar Bay LLC**, 50 Greens Circle, Stamford. \$17,750, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 16.

**Moorman, Jeffrey L.**, P.O. Box 321132, Fairfield. \$187,795, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 17.

**Weisel, Michael N.**, 96 Lawrence Hill Road, Stamford. \$8,059, civil proceeding tax. Filed May 16.

## LIS PENDENS

**Altman, Charles, et al**, Greenwich. Filed by Bendett and McHugh PC, Farmington, for Wilmington Savings Fund Society. Property: 80 Weaver St., Greenwich. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 17.

**Armstrong, Gordon L., et al**, Stamford. Filed by Bendett and McHugh PC, Farmington, for Deutsche Bank National Trust Company. Property: 193 Sun Dance Road, Stamford. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 10.

**Case, Melissa, et al**, Fairfield. Filed by McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce LLC, Hartford, for Midfirst Bank. Property: 147 Crane St., Fairfield. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 26.

**Doonan, Denise Dawn, et al**, Stamford. Filed by Korde & Associates PC, New London, for JPMorgan Chase Bank National Association. Property: 114 Pine Hill Ave., Stamford. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 10.

**Dunoyer Vinasco, Paola A., et al**, Stamford. Filed by McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce LLC, Hartford, for M&T Bank. Property: 60 Strawberry Hill Ave., Unit 1102, Stamford. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 4.

**Ekinci, Omer**, Stamford. Filed by Pyetranker PC, Stamford, for Tulay Ekinci. Property: 51 Westover Lane, Stamford. Action: to foreclose defendant's mortgage. Filed May 10.

**Johnson, Matthew L., et al**, Greenwich. Filed by Marinosci Law Group PC, Warwick Rhode Island, for US Bank Trust National Association. Property: Lot 34, Map 4207, Greenwich. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 20.

**Lauture, Jean, et al**, Stamford. Filed by Bendett and McHugh PC, Farmington, for US Bank NA. Property: 61 Waterbury Ave., Stamford. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 10.

**Lecuyer, Marilyn L., et al**, Fairfield. Filed by McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce LLC, Hartford, for Narre Tirling Trust. Property: 99 Sunnyridge Ave., Fairfield. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 19.

**Morse, Matthew J., et al**, Fairfield. Filed by Korde & Associates PC, New London, for Newrez LLC. Property: Lot 41, Map 1372 South Pine Creek Road, Fairfield. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 23.

**Mortenson Jr., Robert L.**, Greenwich. Filed by McCalla Raymer Leibert Pierce LLC, Hartford, for The Bank of New York Mellon. Property: 47 Grey Rock Drive, Greenwich. Action: to foreclose defendant's mortgage. Filed May 19.

**Murphy, Richard, et al**, Fairfield. Filed by Neubert, Pepe & Monteith PC, Hartford, for Community Loan Servicing LLC. Property: 215 Saxonwood Road, Fairfield. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 16.

**Tallon, Clare M.**, Fairfield. Filed by Brian S. Cantor, Fairfield, for Valerie E.M. Connor. Property: 99 Judd St., Fairfield. Action: to foreclose defendant's mortgage. Filed May 20.

**The Unknown Executor, et al**, Greenwich. Filed by Bendett and McHugh PC, Farmington, for US Bank NA. Property: 6A Lockwood Drive, Greenwich. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 31.

**Viveros, Carlos, et al**, Stamford. Filed by Bendett and McHugh PC, Farmington, for Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. Property: 17 Aberdeen St., Stamford. Action: to foreclose defendants' mortgage. Filed May 10.

## MORTGAGES

**Agulay, Cecile**, Stamford, by Mark Wilcox. Lender: People's United, 850 Main St., Bridgeport. Property: 102 Old Barn Road West, Stamford. Amount: \$256,000. Filed May 13.

**Alfiere, Eric and Megan Alfiere**, Fairfield, by Patricio Munoz. Lender: Mutual Security Credit Union, 12 Progress Drive, Shelton. Property: 227 Woodridge Ave., Fairfield. Amount: \$60,000. Filed May 17.

**Aspesi, Jacqueline N.**, Stamford, by Jeremy E. Kaye. Lender: Prosperity Home Mortgage LLC, 14501 George Carter Way, Suite 300, Chantilly, Virginia. Property: 1070 Westover Road, Stamford. Amount: \$325,000. Filed May 19.

**Baske, Joseph A. and Michelle M. Baske**, Stamford, by Maria Szebeni. Lender: Webster Bank NA, 1959 Summer St., Stamford. Property: 5 Old Long Ridge Road, Stamford. Amount: \$150,000. Filed May 17.

**Benevelli, Richard J. and Susan E. Benevelli**, Fairfield, by Douglas Seltzer. Lender: Wells Fargo Bank NA, 101 N. Phillips Ave., Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Property: 245 Sunnyridge Ave., Apt. 19, Fairfield. Amount: \$225,000. Filed May 16.

**Brusky, David and Tracy Brusky**, Stamford, by Loren Patrick Wells. Lender: KeyBank National Association, 4910 Tiedeman Road, Suite C, Brooklyn, Ohio. Property: 73 Ledge Lane, Stamford. Amount: \$50,000. Filed May 18.

**Budetti, Hillary and Thomas Budetti**, Stamford, by Charles P. Abate. Lender: Better Mortgage Corp., 175 Greenwich St., 59th floor, New York, New York. Property: 235 Westwood Road, Stamford. Amount: \$598,500. Filed May 20.

**Chiappetta, Paul J. and Ghislaine A. Lusby**, Stamford, by Konstantin Vayneris. Lender: Webster Bank NA, 1959 Summer St., Stamford. Property: 113 Dannell Drive, Stamford. Amount: \$124,000. Filed May 13.

**Cullen, Anne and Jamie Unruh**, Fairfield, by Victoria M. Hinds. Lender: GuardHill Financial Corp., 140 E. 45th St., 31st floor, New York, New York. Property: 151 Rakoczy Ave., Fairfield. Amount: \$680,720. Filed May 19.

**Duffy, Aaron Aborn and Catherine Duffy**, Greenwich, by Jeremy E. Kaye. Lender: JPMorgan Chase Bank NA, 3050 Highland Pkwy., Fourth floor, Downers Grove, Illinois. Property: 8 Tomac Ave., Old Greenwich. Amount: \$1,870,000. Filed May 17.

**Duffy, Christopher G. and Debra I. Segal**, Stamford, by Andrew L. Wallach. Lender: Ridgewood Savings Bank, 1981 Marcus Ave., Suite 110, Lake Success, New York. Property: 83 W. Hill Circle, Stamford. Amount: \$280,000. Filed May 16.

**Frohlich, Matthew D. and Annemarie F. Kropf**, Greenwich, by Douglas I. Bayer. Lender: Tower Federal Credit Union, 7901 Sandy Spring Road, Laurel, Maryland. Property: 11 Rockland Place, Greenwich. Amount: \$169,000. Filed May 20.

**Gallace, Anna Marie**, Fairfield, by Anna Chmarzynska. Lender: First County Bank, 117 Prospect St., Stamford. Property: 85 Cross Highway, Fairfield. Amount: \$250,000. Filed May 18.

**Graham, Colin and Sarah Graham**, Greenwich, by Deidre Turner Bailey. Lender: Wells Fargo Bank NA, 101 N. Phillips Ave., Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Property: 70 Old Mill Road North, Greenwich. Amount: \$3,120,000. Filed May 17.

**Guarneri, Gina M. and Joseph J. Guarneri**, Stamford, by Debra A. Gasbarri. Lender: Bank of America NA, 101 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, North Carolina. Property: 72 Gerik Road, Stamford. Amount: \$150,000. Filed May 20.

**Gudis, Mark and Mary Grace Gudis**, Fairfield, by Laura A. MacLean. Lender: First Republic Bank, 111 Pine St., San Francisco, California. Property: 1533 Fencerow Drive, Unit 14, Fairfield. Amount: \$1,432,000. Filed May 17.

# Facts & Figures

**Hauben, Micah and Anne Marie Hauben**, Stamford, by Francisco Alberto Cabreja Pena. Lender: Citizens Bank NA, 1 Citizens Plaza, Providence, Rhode Island. Property: 19 Willoughby, Stamford. Amount: \$121,000. Filed May 18.

**Herz, Peter and Jacqueline Herz**, Stamford, by Nicole Beckford. Lender: Webster Bank NA, 1959 Summer St., Stamford. Property: 56 W. Hill Lane, Stamford. Amount: \$457,500. Filed May 16.

**Kanchaveli, David and Nana Kavteladze**, Greenwich, by Ricky M. Capozza. Lender: Bank of America NA, 101 S. Tryon St., Charlotte, North Carolina. Property: 17 Hartford Ave., Greenwich. Amount: \$596,000. Filed May 18.

**Karetsky, Bernice**, Stamford, by Kathy M.L. Braun. Lender: JPMorgan Chase Bank NA, 1111 Polaris Pkwy., Columbus, Ohio. Property: 1 Strawberry Hill Ave. Apt. 11E, Stamford. Amount: \$221,000. Filed May 18.

**Katzovitz, Loren and Kimberly Katzovitz**, Greenwich, by N/A. Lender: Citizens Bank NA, 1 Citizens Plaza, Providence, Rhode Island. Property: 172 Milbank Ave., East, Greenwich. Amount: \$2,880,000. Filed May 18.

**Kozelsky, Zbynek**, Stamford, by Clare Bolduc. Lender: CrossCountry Mortgage LLC, 6850 Miller Road, Brecksville, Ohio. Property: 54 Woodbury Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$589,000. Filed May 17.

**Loyero, Rodolfo**, Stamford, by Mario P. Musilli. Lender: Savings Bank of Danbury, 220 Main St., Danbury. Property: 41 Highland Road, Stamford. Amount: \$315,000. Filed May 16.

**Maguire, Thomas and Ashley Maguire**, Fairfield, by Christina Anthony. Lender: Webster Bank NA, 1959 Summer St., Stamford. Property: 81 Ridgedale Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$150,000. Filed May 17.

**Mastoloni, Edward and Judith M. Mastoloni**, Greenwich, by Dorian Arbelaez. Lender: TD Bank NA, 2035 Limestone Road, Wilmington, Delaware. Property: 10 Rincard Terrace, Greenwich. Amount: \$500,000. Filed May 19.

**Morin, Tyler James and Lindsey Morin**, Fairfield, by Jonathan T. Hoffman. Lender: Home Point Financial Corp., 2211 Old Earhart Road, No. 250, Ann Arbor, Michigan. Property: 207 Barlow Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$480,000. Filed May 16.

**Pacheco, Justin Joseph**, Stamford, by Morris L. Barocas. Lender: CrossCountry Mortgage LLC, 6850 Miller Road, Brecksville, Ohio. Property: 96 Woodbury Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$477,500. Filed May 13.

**Pazda, Adam and Chanel Pazda**, Greenwich, by Jeremy E. Kaye. Lender: Bank of America NA, 101 S. Tryon St., Charlotte, North Carolina. Property: 22 Widgeon Way, Greenwich. Amount: \$2,475,000. Filed May 19.

**Pestone, Daria**, Greenwich, by Robert E. Murray. Lender: US Bank National Association, 4801 Frederica St., Owensboro, Kentucky. Property: 11 Crawford Terrace, Greenwich. Amount: \$1,100,000. Filed May 19.

**Phillipson, Tyler**, Stamford, by John R. Fiore. Lender: First County Bank, 117 Prospect St., Stamford. Property: 125 Soundview Court, Stamford. Amount: \$400,000. Filed May 17.

**Pila, Daniela Jan T. and Ari Samuel Rosenbach**, Stamford, by John B. Devine. Lender: TD Bank NA, 2035 Limestone Road, Wilmington, Delaware. Property: 27 Hilltop Ave., Stamford. Amount: \$625,000. Filed May 20.

**Raymond, Jeannine M. and Kathleen M. Raymond**, Fairfield, by CH Barrington. Lender: First Technology Federal Credit Union, 5100 NE Dawson Creek Drive, Hillsboro, Oregon. Property: 18 Clinton St., Fairfield. Amount: \$70,000. Filed May 20.

**Repenning, Stephan H. and Angela P. Repenning**, Greenwich, by Rory McGuinness. Lender: People's United, 850 Main St., Bridgeport. Property: 34 Nearwater Lane, Greenwich. Amount: \$600,000. Filed May 16.

**Russell, Kevin Patrick and Katherine Russell**, Fairfield, by Raymond Rizio. Lender: Bank of America NA, 101 S. Tryon St., Charlotte, North Carolina. Property: 44 Newport Place, Fairfield. Amount: \$800,000. Filed May 20.

**Schneider, Christine**, Riverside, by Clare Bolduc. Lender: Home Trust Bank, P.O. Box 10, Asheville, North Carolina. Property: 54 Center Drive, Old Greenwich. Amount: \$110,500. Filed May 16.

**Shaw, Elizabeth and Jesse W. Shaw**, Greenwich, by Annemarie F. Stern. Lender: Citizens Bank NA, 1 Citizens Plaza, Providence, Rhode Island. Property: 25 Wesskum Wood Road, Riverside. Amount: \$550,000. Filed May 20.

**Storch, Matthew**, Fairfield, by Raymond T. Giovanni. Lender: Union Savings Bank, 226 Main St., Danbury. Property: 161 Flax Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$150,000. Filed May 16.

**Taylor, Stephen F. and Catherine A. Taylor**, Fairfield, by Ethel Pinto. Lender: Bank of America NA, 100 N. Tryon St., Charlotte, North Carolina. Property: 219 Old Black Rock Turnpike, Fairfield. Amount: \$155,000. Filed May 18.

**Valcin, Sophonie and Travis W. Stewart**, Stamford, by Jonathan T. Hoffman. Lender: Loandepot.com LLC, 26642 Towne Centre Drive, Foothill Ranch, California. Property: 50 Alvord Lane, Unit 15, Stamford. Amount: \$334,000. Filed May 19.

**Valerio Gomez, Bolivar Radame**, Stamford, by Jessica Villaplana. Lender: Quontic Bank, 1 Rockefeller Plaza, Ninth floor, New York, New York. Property: 4 Barnstable Lane, Stamford. Amount: \$312,000. Filed May 19.

**Vezmar, Daniela**, Greenwich, by Wendy Sue Delales. Lender: US Bank National Association, 4801 Frederica St., Owensboro, Kentucky. Property: 61 Sinawoy Road, Cos Cob. Amount: \$880,000. Filed May 17.

**Weitzman, Hervey and Patricia L. Weitzman**, Fairfield, by Pamela I. Baekey. Lender: Stifel Bank & Trust, 12655 Olive Blvd., Suite 250, St. Louis, Missouri. Property: 224 Oldfield Road, Fairfield. Amount: \$812,500. Filed May 18.

**Whiteford, Barbara**, Greenwich, by Jeremiah N. Ollennu. Lender: Wells Fargo Bank NA, 101 N. Phillips Ave., Sioux Falls, South Dakota. Property: 6 Hilltop Road, Greenwich. Amount: \$100,000. Filed May 18.

**Woodbridge, William P. and Heather R. Woodbridge**, Greenwich, by Robert V. Sisas. Lender: Citizens Bank NA, 1 Citizens Plaza, Providence, Rhode Island. Property: 10 Wynn Lane, Greenwich. Amount: \$1,740,000. Filed May 16.

**Woods, Theolene**, Fairfield, by Eric Willinger. Lender: Webster Bank NA, 1959 Summer St., Stamford. Property: 32 Pond St., Fairfield. Amount: \$25,000. Filed May 19.

## NEW BUSINESSES

**AS Construction**, 22 Bayview Ave., Norwalk 06854, c/o Athanasios Symeonidis. Filed May 20.

**Andrade's Painting**, 95 Richmond Hill Ave., Stamford 06902, c/o Selvin Andrade. Filed May 11.

**DK Travel Consulting**, 28 MacGregor Drive, Stamford 06902, c/o Donna Katz. Filed May 11.

**Hanesie Clothes**, 40 Richards Ave., Unit 207, Norwalk 06854, c/o Elizabeth Haney. Filed May 20.

**Home Team Mortgage**, 330 Passaic Ave., Suite 204, Fairfield, New Jersey 07004, c/o Absolute Home Mortgage Corp. Filed May 11.

**LIDS (No. 6707)**, 100 N. Water St., SP 3015, Norwalk 06854, c/o Nick Corthier. Filed May 16.

**Menard Electric LLC**, 81 Lafayette St., Stamford 06902, c/o Jean B. Menard. Filed May 11.

**No Place Like Home Pet Care**, 97 Sunrise Hill Road, Norwalk 06851, c/o Diane Mammone. Filed May 18.

**Otto's & Son Services LLC**, 149 Hamilton Ave., Stamford 06902, c/o Otoniel Garcia. Filed May 12.

**Otto's Services**, 42 W. Washington Ave., Stamford 06902, c/o Otoniel Garcia. Filed May 12.

**Popeyes**, 448 W. Main St., Stamford 06902, c/o Stamford Chicken LLC. Filed May 13.

**Quantigic Genomics LLC**, 980 Hope St., Stamford 06907, c/o Quantigic Solutions LLC. Filed May 16.

**RCH Electrician Services LLC**, 53 N. Bridge St., Norwalk 06855, c/o Rolban Chinchilla. Filed May 24.

**Sam's Painting & Services**, 21 Woodland Place, Apt. 2, Stamford 06902, c/o Samuel A. Picon-Lemus. Filed May 11.

**Turning Point Coffee & Wine Bar**, 1 Greyrock Place, Stamford 06901, c/o Chris Hallowell. Filed May 16.

**Software Engineer (Citadel Americas Services LLC - Greenwich, CT);** Mult. Pos. Avail. Design, develop, test & deploy next gen software solutions for research, trad'ng and business operat'ns activities across the firm. F/T Rq. a Bachelor's (or foreign eq.) in Computer Science, Engineer'g, or a rlt'd. field. Edu., train'g, or exp. must include the follow'g: end-to-end software developm't; object-oriented programm'g and design; C, C++, Python, C#, or JavaScript; data structures & algorithms; and distributed Comput'g, Natural Language Process'g, Machine Learn'g, Platform Developm't, Network'g, Systems Design, or Web Developm't tech. Resumes: citadelrecruitment@citadel.com. JobID: 6374079.

# LEGAL NOTICES

Steph Becca LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 12/17/2021. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to David M. Gladstone, Esq., One Barber Ave., White Plains, NY 10601. General Purpose #63159

Elm Park Group LLC. Filed 12/16/21 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 5 Renaissance Square, Unit 23B, White Plains, NY 10601 Purpose: All lawful #63160

Shala Build, LLC. Filed 11/17/21 Office: Westchester Co. SSNY designated as agent for process & shall mail to: 40 Jackson St, New Rochelle, NY 10801 Purpose: All lawful #63161

JBL Wine Consulting LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/11/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 11 Benedict Pl., Pelham, NY 10803. General Purpose #63163

Notice of Formation of The Cats and Crew, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/1/22. Offc. Loc: Westchester Cty. SSNY desig. as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 257 Central Ave. 2JP White Plains, NY 10606. Purpose: any lawful purpose. #63164

Notice of Formation of The Crew and Cats, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/27/22. Offc. Loc: Westchester Cty. SSNY desig. as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 257 Central Ave. 2JP White Plains, NY 10606. Purpose: any lawful purpose. #63165

Notice of Formation of APC PAINTING & RENOVATIONS, LLC filed Articles of Organization with the New York Department of State on 6/09/22. Office location: Westchester County. The New York Secretary of State is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served and is directed to forward service of process to 18 Pleasantville Road Apt 5, Ossining, NY 10562. Purpose: any lawful activity. #63168

Name of Limited Liability Company (LLC): BLENDED14 LLC. Date of filing Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State (SSNY) 02/24/22. The LLC is located in Westchester County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. The post office address to which the SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against it served is to the principal business location at c/o 7 Skyline Drive Suite 350, Hawthorne, NY 10532. Purpose of business of LLC is any lawful act or activity. #63169

Jlux Realty Consultants LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/23/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 11 Nile St., Yonkers, NY 107404. General Purpose #63170

Notice of Formation of 422W49ST LLC. Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 04/26/2022. Office Location: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 422W49ST LLC, 1600 Fox Tail Ln., Yorktown Heights, NY 10598. Purpose: any lawful purpose. #63172

Notice of formation of Sutton E.L.S Ent, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with the SSNY on 08/18/2021. Office: Westchester County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, 103 McLean Avenue Apt.# 3b, Yonkers NY 10467. Purpose: Any lawful activity. #63173

Notice of Formation of Belgique Boutique LLC. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 1/2/22. Offc. Loc: Westchester Cty. SSNY desig. as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 209 Fourth street, Buchanan, Ny, 10511. Purpose: any lawful purpose. #63174

Notice of Formation of Lawn Care & Gardening Services, LLC Art. Of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/28/22. Offc. Loc: Westchester Cty. SSNY desig. as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 6 Myrtle St.-2FL, White Plains, NY 10606. Purpose: any lawful purpose. #63176

Gkal Properties LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 6/1/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 12 Oak Pl., Croton on Hudson, NY 10520. General Purpose. #63175

1 Sunny Ridge Plaza LLC, Arts of Org. filed with Sec. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/12/2022. Cty: Westchester. SSNY desig. as agent upon whom process against may be served & shall mail process to 31 Premium Point, New Rochelle, NY 10801. General Purpose #63166

Sealed bids will be received as set forth in instructions to bidders until 10:30 A.M. on Thursday, July 21, 2022 at the NYSDOT, Office of Contract Management, 50 Wolf Rd, 1st Floor, Suite 1CM, Albany, NY 12232 and will be publicly opened and read. Bids may also be submitted via the internet using [www.bidx.com](http://www.bidx.com). A certified cashier's check payable to the NYSDOT for the sum specified in the proposal or a bid bond, form CONR 391, representing 5% of the bid total, must accompany each bid. NYSDOT reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

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Dear Readers, Happy Summer! Thank you for taking a few moments to read this newest edition of ArtsNews. As we relish in the warmer weather and look for activities to enjoy with family and friends, I want to encourage all of you to take advantage of the many events offered by our arts community. If you are looking for a family-fun activity or a Saturday afternoon outing, there are plenty of in-person arts happenings throughout our County. This summer, our friends at ArtsWestchester will be providing a new, robust schedule of programming outlined in these pages, including:

- outdoor arts events throughout Westchester (see pages A7-19)
• Enslaved Africans' Rain Garden in Yonkers (see pages A24-25)
• the restorative power of nature (see pages A28-29)

The arts give us meaning and help us to understand the world. Art appreciation improves our quality of life and makes us feel good. When we participate in the arts, we elevate our mood, improve our ability to problem-solve, and open our minds to new ideas. Please take advantage of these programs, outlined by ArtsWestchester, that are right here at our fingertips.

Sincerely, George Latimer Westchester County Executive

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## FROM THE CEO

by Janet Langsam,  
ArtsWestchester CEO



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# Public Art on the Cusp

June may be “busting out all over” in Westchester, but so is public art. Developers are teaming up with ArtsWestchester to commission temporary and permanent murals, and sculptures in downtown White Plains. All this creative activity coalesces in a five-day Serious Fun Arts Fest, taking place in White Plains from October 12-16.

The truth is, public art is a long time tradition in Westchester, which is currently being reinvented. We all have enjoyed the PepsiCo sculpture garden, established by the PepsiCo President Donald Kendall in 1965. It features such iconic 20th century artists as Alexander Calder, Henry Moore and Louise Nevelson. One can roam the grounds of the PepsiCo landscape and steep themselves in the most glorious examples of 20th century sculpture arranged in tandem with a garden design by Russell Page, which is in itself a work of art.

Not far away, actually across the street, is the phenomenal Henry Moore sculpture “The Large Forms,” which heralds the iconic Nelson Rockefeller at SUNY Purchase College, renowned for its programs in art, music, theater and dance. Nature was important to Henry Moore, and his work is often associated with shapes that are similar to the rolling hills near his childhood home. Also, iconic on the SUNY Purchase campus is Andy Goldsworthy’s “East Coast Cairn.”

Given this historic legacy of public art in Westchester, it is no wonder that artists and developers in Westchester have gathered together to expand its footprint in public art.

Now the Serious Fun Arts Fest touts White Plains as a major cultural destination, which earns it the designation as an “I Love New York” event. In fact, the festival is organized by ArtsWestchester, with a major grant from I LOVE NY/New York State’s Division of Tourism through the state’s Regional Economic development Council initiative. It has also received major sponsorship from Montefiore Einstein. Visitors



Mural at 50 Main Street by Raymond Saa

## spotlight



Sculpture by Georgi Minchev at 50 Main Street in White Plains (photo credit: Thompson & Bender)

will approach White Plains from the North and South via the Metro North train station, which has recently undergone a \$93 Million restoration. The art sightings begin right there. The station includes an extraordinary work of art in the lobby of the train station by artist Barbra Takenaga.

Leading the charge to bring the new public art to this major city is Martin Ginsburg of GDC, Ginsburg Development Companies. He has filled his corporate offices at 50 Main Street with original artwork in partnership with ArtsWestchester. The crowning piece is a sculpture at the entrance of 50 Main by a

Bulgarian sculptor named Georgi Minchev, who is a professor of Sculpture and Theoretical Disciplines at St. Cyril and St. Methodius University of Veliko Turnovo.

*"Given this historic legacy of public art in Westchester, it is no wonder that artists and developers in Westchester have gathered together to expand its footprint in public art."*

Following in the footsteps of GDC is a newcomer to the White Plains community: LMC has dabbled elsewhere in its residential portfolio with public art, and their love of murals will come into full focus at their new 400-unit residential and retail complex The Mitchell on

Mamaroneck Avenue. A nine-story mural designed by artist Bianca Romero, is planned for its Mamaroneck façade.



Don't miss Janet's weekly blog posts at: [thisandthatbyjl.com](https://thisandthatbyjl.com)

# WELCOME BACK TO THE ARTS!

by ArtsWestchester Board Member Betty Himmel

Yes, we are facing serious problems here and abroad – but the sun is still shining, the flowers are blooming, and the art scene is slowly emerging from the worst of the Covid period.

Of course we are facing challenges, but the mood of the County seems cautiously optimistic. Families and friends are gathering in outdoor restaurants; music is in the air – both indoors and out; and many arts organizations, given a much needed boost by ArtsWestchester's recent Restart the Arts initiative, are reporting gradually increasing attendance and support.

Attendance and support are the magic words. Attendance at events depends on a number of safety factors, and these are highly personal decisions. But support is a different matter. Our arts and cultural organizations need our support right now. Survival during the past several years has required

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an exceptional degree of determination and hard work, as well as strategic and creative planning. These organizations deserve our respect and admiration for their ability

to meet and surmount the challenges of the pandemic. They deserve our gratitude for adding such joy and pleasure to our lives; for stimulating young minds and older sensibilities; and for creating an environment in Westchester that makes living here a gift.

But what they really need now is our support. They need to pay and reward their staff; to maintain and improve their facilities; and to engage artists. They need to survive, to grow and to continue enriching the lives of the many segments of our population.

We need to be as generous as possible when we respond to membership drives and other appeals for support. We need to do our part in restarting the arts!



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# Music in the Air

*As the sun shines and people (safely) flock to public spaces once again, the arts are reopening with in-person outdoor events throughout Westchester County. **Music in the Air** is a directory of free and affordable (under \$20) outdoor cultural events taking place in the County between July and September. Read about some of these lineups and then find an event in a town near you (pages A8-19).*

*Tiki Invasion, 7/15, presented by Village of Mamaroneck Parks and Recreation and LMC Media*

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## music in the air highlight

# Westchester Roots: A Summer

by Rachel Saruski

If one wanders onto Court Street in White Plains this summer, their ears may be flooded with the riveting rhythms of Irish tunes. The same person can dance their way into City Hall Plaza in Mount Vernon to move freely to West African drums and visit Ossining's Bethany Arts Community to observe a Mexican ballet ensemble. In Sleepy Hollow and Peekskill, one can immerse themselves in a day of Ecuadorian culture, or sing to their heart's content to the music of the Andes Mountains. The possibilities of cultural expansion are seemingly endless.

These events are all part of Westchester Roots, a cross-cultural series of free, outdoor events presented by ArtsWestchester in partnership with the City of White Plains, City of Mount Vernon, Village of Sleepy Hollow, Arts 10556 and Bethany Arts Community. In its second year, the series of live music and performances will engage over 100 artists and represent Black/African American, Jamaican, Ghanaian, Ecuadorian, Mexican, Irish and LGBTQ+ communities.

Says Aaron Paige, ArtsWestchester's Director of Folk and Traditional Arts: "Our hope is for these programs to strengthen and support under-recognized arts traditions while building cross-cultural understanding, public awareness and unity."

The series aims to host events that accurately depict Westchester and its cultural populations in their respective areas. For example, according to [census data](#), Sleepy Hollow has the biggest and fastest-growing Ecuadorian population in Westchester, making up 23% of the town's population. In response,

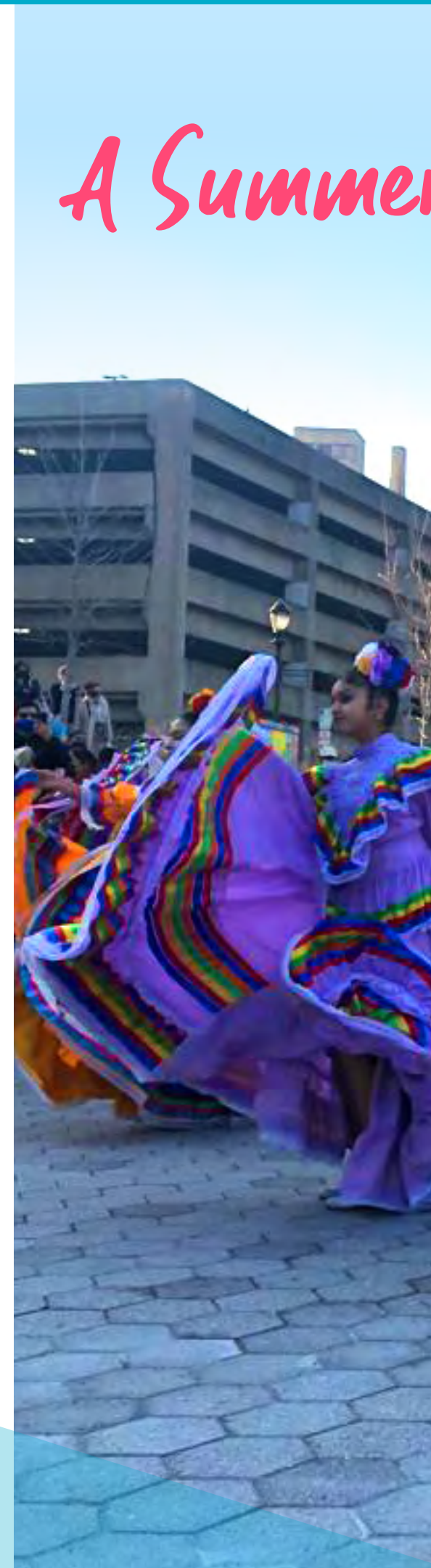
Westchester Roots includes [Día De La Cultura/Day of Ecuadorian Culture](#) to celebrate the music, food, clothing, dance and crafts of the country and community (August 20).

In service of Mount Vernon's growing community of immigrant families and individuals of Guinean descent, a performance from [WUZA-WUZA African Music & Dance Ensemble](#) will feature the traditions and diversity of West African drumming, dancing and culture (August 9).

In White Plains, the [Braata Folk Singers](#) will help to celebrate the large community of Jamaican people in Westchester (August 6). The event is part of the 188th year of Jamaican emancipation and the 60th Anniversary of Independence Festival.

A [Performing Families](#) event on July 23 will feature two family ensembles in Peekskill, where the Latin American community makes up 85% of the population. A few days later in White Plains, the McLean Ave. Band will feature traditional Irish tunes and ballads mixed with elements of rock, pop and R&B for the Irish population of Westchester (July 28).

All of the performances bring music to the public outside of traditional music venues, making art more accessible to all communities and cultures. As such, Paige says that the Westchester Roots series is "helping neighbors to break down barriers and learn to appreciate one another's knowledge, history and rich cultural heritage."





# Celebration of Community and Culture



*Ballet Folklórico Espíritu De Mexico, Performing Families, 7/23, presented by ArtsWestchester (photo courtesy of the artists)*

## music in the air highlight

# Jazz River

by MJ Territo

Westchester County might want to consider renaming its stretch of the Hudson "Jazz River" for the summer. From July 6 through August 26, a summer concert series presented by Jazz Forum Arts (JFA) will send the sounds of jazz wafting over the water from five Westchester waterfront parks.

Over the past quarter-century the concert series has grown exponentially, and jazz fans can now hear live outdoor music from 6:30 to 8pm in [Ossining](#) (Mondays), [Sleepy Hollow](#) (Tuesdays), [Dobbs Ferry](#) (Wednesdays), [Lyndhurst](#) in Tarrytown (Thursdays) and [Pierson Park](#), also in Tarrytown (Fridays). The Dobbs Ferry series includes a pre-concert program for kids: [Jitterbugs: Jazz for Kids](#), winner of ArtsWestchester's 2021 Education Award.

Mark Morganelli, Founder and Executive Director of Jazz Forum Arts, says he is excited to present this season's varied and eclectic program: "The grand finale will be the Houston Person Quartet on August 25 at Lyndhurst." He enthuses over the renowned saxophonist: "Imagine seeing this giant of jazz for free!"

Morganelli also notes JFA's first rap concert. Dobbs Ferry's own Julian Caldwell, aka JSWISS, will perform in his hometown on August 17. The band will include trumpeter Michael Leonhart of Steely Dan.

And if it's Jazz Forum Arts, it's got to be Brazilian. Morganelli himself will lead his Jazz Forum All-Stars in a celebration of Brazil at Horan Landing in Sleepy Hollow. Among the other Brazilian offerings will be Vanderlei Pereira & Blindfold Test (July 20 in Dobbs Ferry). Pereira is blind, and for some of its tunes, the band will don blindfolds. More Brazilian rhythms round out the Pierson Park series on August 26, when drummer Rodrigo Bonelli & Brasil Trio + 1 take the stage.

Other highlights include a Latin jazz night, where Latin lovers can groove to Dave Schumacher and Cubayé (July 21 in Dobbs Ferry). Michael Holober, conductor of the Westchester Jazz Orchestra, will bring his quartet, which features trumpeter Marvin Stamm, to Dobbs Ferry on July 28.

No matter where they are in the County, music lovers can make evening jazz on the Hudson River a part of their summer plans. A picnic, and blanket or chair, complete the riverfront picture.

## music in the air highlight



# The Sounds of Summertime Return to New Rochelle

by Rocio de la Roca

An array of vibrant music will flow through the heart of downtown New Rochelle this summer as the New Rochelle Council on the Arts (NRCA) finally brings its annual [Summer Sounds concert series](#) to the historic Hudson Park bandshell, as well as a new location, the New Ro Parc. After two years of canceling and reducing the series due to COVID-19, NRCA is back with a full schedule, including 17 concerts and a Shakespeare performance.

"We had an enormous response last summer, and it was heartwarming to have people tell us how much they had missed the chance to gather in the park and listen to music together," says NRCA President Theresa Kump Leghorn.

Not only is the season back, it has expanded. Leghorn explains that partnering with the pop-up location New Ro Parc has allowed NRCA to employ more artists and bands and "reach some of the new residents who are now living downtown and may not know about the Hudson Park concerts." All programs will also be accompanied by on-site food trucks.

Concerts at the Hudson Park bandshell will kick off on July 6, when Billy and The Showmen perform hard-driving R&B, soul and funk. The show will usher in a lineup of concerts that will take place over nine

consecutive Wednesdays. The Hudson Park schedule also includes big band sounds by Gerard Carelli and his orchestra (July 13), Latin tropical soul group 3D Rhythm of Life (July 20), New Rochelle Opera (August 3) and 60s tribute band Just Sixties (August 24), along with other groups. An extra Sunday event on July 17 will showcase a production of Shakespeare's comedic *Love's Labor Lost* play by the [Irvington Shakespeare Company](#).

At New Ro Parc, NRCA will host eight Friday evening concerts. The wide-ranging roster will feature 80s rock band They Might Be Parents (July 8), Colombian folk band Hasta La Zeta (July 22), jazz and classical group Third Stream Meme (August 19) and country singer-songwriter Bill Steely (August 26). The entire program will culminate on August 31 with "yacht rock" from AM Gold.

Leghorn notes that the diversity in the series was a primary goal because it provides audiences an opportunity to experience different genres they might not be familiar with, and creates a space for everyone to join: "The arts bring people together."

## music in the air highlight

# A Front Row Seat of the Hudson

by Katherine Doherty

Hudson River Museum (HRM) welcomes back audiences for the tenth season of its annual [Summer Amphitheater Series](#). This year, the series offers a variety of performances, including tango, jazz, classical, R&B and soul, as well as a magic show and a master falconer showing off birds of prey. These outdoor Yonkers events take place on Friday and Saturday evenings in the Museum's amphitheater, which is located next to the museum in Trevor Park and overlooks the Hudson River, from July 8–August 19. The series opens with an evening of classical music by Yonkers Philharmonic.

Jeana Wunderlich, HRM's Marketing and Communications Manager, explains that the series "presents [performers] who reflect the interests of [nearby] diverse communities."

This diversity is evident in the summer's lineup: Casplash delivers an interactive program that includes music from Trinidad and Tobago, reggae music from Jamaica, and old-school Motown and R&B hits from the U.S. (July 15); Cherish the Ladies brings to the stage traditional Irish tunes complete with step dancing (August 12); and the vigorous footwork and sculpture-like poses of the Indian Bharatanatyam tradition will be presented by

Natyamudra Classical Indian Dance (August 19).

Lest anyone believe that these performances require guests to remain stiffly in their seats, Latin Grammy Award-winner Pedro Giraudo will lead the audience in a short Tango lesson, followed by a performance with the band on July 23.

Performers new to the amphitheater stage include 3D Rhythm of Life: Latin-Tropical Soul (July 22), Improv All Stars: A Night of Comedy (July 30) and Clifton Anderson: Been Down This Road Before (August 6).

Wunderlich adds that the community can experience "entertainment with a front-row seat to the majestic Palisades and the Hudson River, completely free of charge." While she notes that the amphitheater can accommodate about 400 people, and "generally, everyone who would like to attend can get a seat," she still suggests arriving early since performances are open to the public on a first-come, first-serve basis.

HRM will also offer a pay-what-you-wish admission on [Friday evenings](#) from July 15 to August 19. Visitors can see on-view exhibitions, attend a planetarium show, and occupy the outdoor courtyard before the night's performance.



Natyamudra, 8/19 (photo courtesy of Hudson River Museum)

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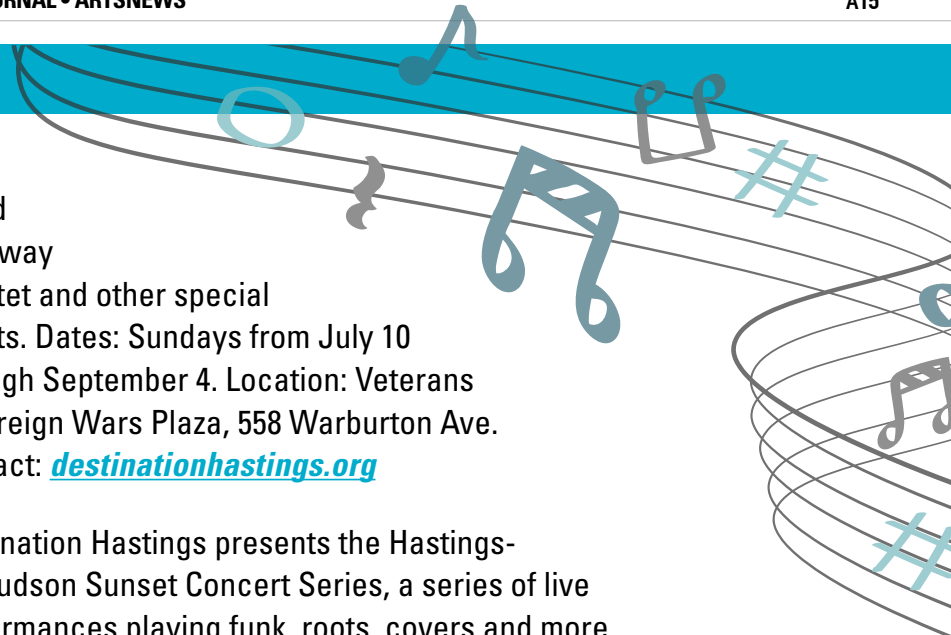
The Village of Ardsley presents a series of summer concerts that offer bluegrass, country, rock and other music performances. Dates: July 8 & 23, August 6 & 18. Location: Gazebo at Pascone Park. Contact: [ardsleyvillage.com](http://ardsleyvillage.com)

The Village of Ardsley presents Movies at Pascone Park TBA.

### BEDFORD

The Town of Bedford presents Friday Night Food Trucks and Live Music. Dates(s): July 8 and August 19. Location: Bedford Hills Memorial Park. Contact: [bedfordny.gov](http://bedfordny.gov)

The Town of Bedford presents Bedford's Trifesta, a community event with food trucks, live music, a kids fun area and more. Date: September 24. Location: Bedford Hills Memorial Park. Contact: [bedfordny.gov](http://bedfordny.gov)



Katonah Classic Stage and Bedford Playhouse present the 3rd Annual Film Festival, a celebration of short films from Westchester and the world. Date: August 13. Location: Bedford Playhouse Lawn. Contact: 917-363-5415, [info@katonahclassicstage.com](mailto:info@katonahclassicstage.com)

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## CORTLANDT

The Town of Cortlandt presents Cortlandt Family Fun Day, including live music, food trucks, fireworks and free rides. Date: September 10. Location: Town of Cortlandt Youth and Recreation. Contact: [townofcortlandt.com](http://townofcortlandt.com)

The Town of Cortlandt presents its family-friendly Free Movie and Concert Series. There are also food vendors scheduled to appear. Date(s): Concerts: July 7, July 21, July 28, August 4. Movies: July 4, July 7, July 21. Location: Cortland Waterfront Park. Contact: [townofcortlandt.com](http://townofcortlandt.com)

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## CROTON-ON-HUDSON

The Village of Croton-on-Hudson presents a series of family-friendly concerts and events, including magic shows, music sessions and Chinese Acrobats. Date(s): Select dates from July 1 through August 5. Location: Waterfront Park. Contact: [crotononhudson-ny.gov](http://crotononhudson-ny.gov)

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## DOBBS FERRY

Jazz Forum Arts presents the 22nd Annual Dobbs Ferry Summer Music Series, featuring a lineup of various jazz and R&B musical performances. Date(s) Wednesdays from July 6 to August 24. Location: Waterfront Park. Contact: [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

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## EASTCHESTER

Town of Eastchester presents a Summer Concert Series that features outdoor rock and blues performances. Date(s): Wednesdays from July 6 to August 10 & July 15. Location: Lake Isle Country Club Driving Range and Garth Road Park. Contact: [eastchester.org](http://eastchester.org)

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## HASTINGS-ON-HUDSON

Destination Hastings presents a series of jazz performances by the

David Janeway Quartet and other special guests. Dates: Sundays from July 10 through September 4. Location: Veterans of Foreign Wars Plaza, 558 Warburton Ave. Contact: [destinationhastings.org](http://destinationhastings.org)

Destination Hastings presents the Hastings-on-Hudson Sunset Concert Series, a series of live performances playing funk, roots, covers and more. Date(s): July 12, 19, and 26. Location: Maceachron Waterfront Park. Contact: [destinationhastings.com](http://destinationhastings.com)

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## IRVINGTON

The Irvington Shakespeare Company presents an outdoor production of Love's Labour's Lost. Date(s): July 15-16 & July 22-31. Location: Verrazzano Hall Terrace at Mercy College. Contact: [irvshakespeare.org](http://irvshakespeare.org)

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## KATONAH

Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents a concert that features composer Michael Gordon's large-scale, site-specific work, which consists of 40 percussionists who will perform on newly created instruments made from recycled metals and wood. Date: July 24. Location: Caramoor's Sunken Garden. Contact: [caramoor.org](http://caramoor.org)

The Katonah Chamber of Commerce presents the Katonah Art Walk, during which local stores and galleries open their doors for visitors with receptions, live music and more. Date(s): July 23, August 27 and September 24. Location: Various galleries throughout downtown Katonah. Contact: [katonahchamber.org](http://katonahchamber.org)

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## MAMARONECK

Emelin Theatre, Village of Mamaroneck and Village of Mamaroneck Arts Council presents Concerts in the Park, featuring performances by a Broadway revue and Hollis Brown with special guest Bruce T. Carrol. Date(s): July 20 and August 17. Location: Harbor Island Park. Contact: [emelin.org](http://emelin.org)

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LMC Media and the Village of Mamaroneck's Parks and Recreation Department present Tiki Invasion, a night of live music, food trucks, and fun for the whole family. Date: July 15. Location: Harbor Island Park. Contact: 914-777-7784, [villagemamaroneck.org](http://villagemamaroneck.org)

The Town of Mamaroneck presents a series of family-friendly movie nights and evening concerts. Date(s): Movies held on July 8, August 5, September 9 and Concerts on July 11, July 18, July 15, August 1. Location: Memorial Park. Contact: [townofmamaroneckny.org](http://townofmamaroneckny.org)

### MOUNT KISCO

Mount Kisco Arts Council presents live folk, rock, world and indie music for the whole family. Date(s): Every other Wednesday through September. Location: Village/Town Hall Fountain Park. Contact: [mountkiscocony.gov](http://mountkiscocony.gov)

Mount Kisco Recreation Department presents a series of evening concerts featuring a wide range of music, from pop, rock and folk. Date(s): July 14, 21 & 28 and August 4. Location: Leonard Park. Contact: 914-666-4577, [mountkiscocony.gov](http://mountkiscocony.gov)

### MOUNT VERNON

ArtsWestchester and the City of Mount Vernon present Summer Breeze, a performance of Ghanaian music and dance by WUZA-WUZA African Music and Dance Ensemble. Date: August 9. Location: City Hall Plaza. Contact: [artswestchester.org](http://artswestchester.org)

The Luangisa African Gallery presents Wakanda 5, a celebration of African art and culture with outdoor activities, African cuisine, live music and shopping. Date: September 3. Location: Luangisa African Gallery, Contact: [wakandacelebration.org](http://wakandacelebration.org)

### NEW ROCHELLE

The New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents the 15th season of its Summer Sounds Concert Series with live performances in a variety of genres. Date(s): Wednesdays and Fridays from July 6-August 24. Location(s): Wednesdays at Hudson Park Bandshell, Fridays at New Ro Park. Contact: [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

The Irvington Shakespeare Company presents an outdoor production of Shakespeare's Love's Labour's Lost. Date(s): July 17. Location: Hudson Park. Contact: [irvshakespeare.org](http://irvshakespeare.org)

### NORTH SALEM

The Ruth Keeler Memorial Library presents Music Mondays, an outdoor concert series with bands, such as The M80s and Knockin' on Heavin's Door. Date(s): July 18 and August 8. Location: Lawn behind Ruth Keeler Memorial Library. Contact: [ruthkeelermemoriallibrary.org](http://ruthkeelermemoriallibrary.org)

### OSSINING

ArtsWestchester and Bethany Arts Community present Performing Families, a dance and music performance by family ensembles, Ballet Folklórico Espíritu De Mexico and The Brooks Family Legacy Gospel Singers. Date(s): July 23. Location: Bethany Arts Community. Contact: [artswestchester.org](http://artswestchester.org)

Fable: From Farm to Table presents a night at the farm with a picnic and a screening of The Biggest Little Farm, a documentary that follows a couple as they develop a sustainable farm on 200 acres outside of Los Angeles. Date: July 28. Location: Fable Farm. Contact: 914-862-0205, [fable-105748.square.site](http://fable-105748.square.site)

Jazz Forum Arts presents a series of jazz concerts by acclaimed jazz groups and individuals. Date(s): July 11, July 25, August 8, August 18. Location: Henry Gourdine Park. Contact: [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

Westchester Collaborative Theatre presents Parking Lot Plays, an outdoor immersive theater experience featuring several new short plays. Date(s): Friday through Sunday from July 22-31. Location: Harbor Island Park. Contact: [wctheater.org](http://wctheater.org)







Wakanda 5 Festival in Mount Vernon, The Luangisa African Gallery, 9/3 (photo credit: Solwazi Afi Olusola)

## PEEKSKILL

Antonia Arts presents the Ozland Festival, featuring family entertainment for all ages. Date: August 6. Location: Downtown Peekskill. Contact: 914-393-2382, [antoniaarts.org](https://antoniaarts.org)

Cross Cultural Connection presents its 2022 Summer Jazz Festival, featuring musical performances by the Eric Person Quartet, Sheila Jordan Trio, CCC Pro-Am Ensemble, Ray Blue Sextet and Bobby Sanabria. Date: August 21. Location: Riverfront Green Park. Contact: [cccjazz.org](https://cccjazz.org)

The City of Peekskill presents Riverfront Summer 2022, a series of concerts, children's shows and movies. Date(s): Concerts held July 4 and August 21 and Wednesdays from July 13-August 3, Children's Specials on Mondays, July 11-August 1, Movie Nights on Fridays, July 15-September 9. Location: Riverfront Green Park. Contact: 914-734-7275, [cityofpeekskill.com](https://cityofpeekskill.com)

## PELHAM

The Town of Pelham presents its 2022 Summer Concert Series, featuring pop, rock, doo wop, and more. Date(s): Monday evenings from July 11 through September 12. Location: Gazebo Park. Contact: [pelhamrecreation.com](https://pelhamrecreation.com)

## RYE

Ballet des Amériques and Wainwright House presents Dancing Caravan, a series of dance performances. Date(s): August 13-14. Location: Wainwright House. Contact: [balletdesameriques.com](https://balletdesameriques.com), [wainwright.org](https://wainwright.org)

[artsw.org/musicintheair](http://artsw.org/musicintheair)



## SCARSDALE

The Village of Scarsdale Parks and Recreation presents family-friendly Band Concerts, with performances by the Westchester Band, which will feature a variety of musicians, groups and soloists. Date(s): Thursdays from July 7 through August 11. Location: Chase Park. Contact: 914-722-1160, [scarsdale.com](http://scarsdale.com)

## SLEEPY HOLLOW

ArtsWestchester and the Village of Sleepy Hollow present an afternoon of Ecuadorian music, dance, food and craft, along with family-friendly presentations that feature traditional Ecuadorian costumes and the indigenous Kitchwa language. Date: August 20. Location: Barnhart Park. Contact [artswestchester.org](http://artswestchester.org)

Jazz Forum Arts presents Jazz at Horan's Landing with performances by Mark Morganelli & The Jazz Forum All-Stars. Date(s): Tuesdays from August 2 through August 23. Location: Horan's Landing. Contact: [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

The Village of Sleepy Hollow presents family friendly movie nights in the park. Date(s): Fridays from July 8 and August 5. Location: Barnhart Park. Contact: [sleepyhollowny.gov](http://sleepyhollowny.gov)

The Village of Sleepy Hollow presents a series of live musical performances with food trucks and face painting. Date(s): July 13, July 27, August 5. Location: Horan's Landing. Contact: [sleepyhollowny.gov](http://sleepyhollowny.gov)

The Village of Sleepy Hollow presents the Sleepy Hollow Cultural Festival, a family friendly cultural event for all to enjoy. Date: September 17. Location: Kingsland Point Park. Contact: [sleepyhollowny.gov](http://sleepyhollowny.gov)

## TARRYTOWN

The Pocantico Center of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund presents the 2022 Summer Pocantico Season, a series of performances, exhibits and arts walks. Date(s): July 13, August 4 and September 7. Location: The Pocantico Center of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund. Contact: 914-524-6500, [pocanticoprograms@rbf.org](mailto:pocanticoprograms@rbf.org)

Village of Tarrytown presents its Music in the Open Air Summer Concerts, featuring blues, rock, country and more music performances. Date(s): Thursdays from July 4 through September 1. Location: Pierson Park. Contact: [tarrytowngov.com](http://tarrytowngov.com)

Jazz Forum presents the 12th Annual Sunset Jazz at Lyndhurst Series, featuring concerts by a diverse line-up of jazz musicians. Date(s): Thursdays from July 7 to August 25. Location: Lyndhurst Mansion. Contact: [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

Jazz Forum presents the Jazz at Pierson Park concert series, including performances of various jazz musical styles. Date(s): Fridays from July 8 to August 26. Location: Pierson Park. Contact: [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

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**WHITE PLAINS**

ArtsWestchester and the City of White Plains present an evening concert of Irish American music by the McLean Avenue Band. Date: July 28. Location: Court Street between Main St. and Martine Ave. Contact: [artswestchester.org](http://artswestchester.org)

ArtsWestchester and the Thomas H. Slater Center present Braata Folk Singers, with dance and call-and-response singing. The group is a proud ambassador of, and the foremost authority on, Jamaican and Caribbean folk music performance in the United States. Date: August 6, Location: White Plains Public Library Plaza. Contact: [artswestchester.org](http://artswestchester.org)

ArtsWestchester, City of White Plains and White Plains BID present a five-day celebration of free and affordable jazz throughout downtown White Plains, culminating in an outdoor food and jazz festival. Date(s): September 14-18. Contact: 914-428-4220. [artsw.org/jazzfest](http://artsw.org/jazzfest)

White Plains Recreation & Parks presents a series of noon day concerts and evening programs, featuring music, children's programs and movies. Date(s): Wednesdays from July 6 through August 24 and Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday from July 11 through August 11. Location: Various parks in White Plains Contact: [cityofwhiteplains.com](http://cityofwhiteplains.com)

The White Plains BID presents Rock White Plains featuring the Spin Doctors and Sister Sparrow & The Dirty Birds. The concert will be held in White Plains on Mamaroneck Ave. between Main St. and Martine Ave. Date: July 26, 6-9:30pm Contact: [WPBID.com/Rock](http://WPBID.com/Rock)

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**YONKERS**

The Cross County Center presents Summer Fest 2022, a series of events for the whole family, including outdoor concerts, Zumba classes, kid's rock and roll shows, food trucks, art entertainment and more. Date(s): Select dates from July 5-August 13. Location: The Green, in the center of the mall. Contact: [crosscountycenter.com](http://crosscountycenter.com)

Hudson River Museum presents its Summer Amphitheater Series, featuring an array of music, dance and theater performances. Date(s): Friday and Saturday evenings from July 8 to August 19. Location: Hudson River Museum Amphitheater. Contact: [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

Ridge Hill shopping Center presents Music in the Streets, a series of live music performances. Date(s): Fridays in July. Location: Ridge Hill Shopping Center. Contact: [ridgehill.com](http://ridgehill.com)

Untermeyer Performing Arts Council and Yonkers Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation present World Fest 2022, a day of live music and dance events. Date: July 2. Location: Untermeyer Park Great Lawn. Contact: [untermeyerperformingarts.org](http://untermeyerperformingarts.org)

Yonkers Downtown Waterfront BID presents varied musical performances for the community. Date(s): Fridays July 1 through August 5. Location: Waterfront Amphitheater, 15 Main Street. Contact: [yonkersdowntown.com](http://yonkersdowntown.com)

Ridge Hill Shopping Center presents Jazz on the Hill, an evening series of 6 jazz performances. Date(s): Saturdays from July 9-30. Location: Ridge Hill Shopping Center (Town Square next to Cheesecake Factory). Contact: [ridgehill.com](http://ridgehill.com)

The City of Yonkers Presents Mayor Spano's Summer Film and Concert series. Date(s): Thursday and Friday evenings throughout July and August. Locations: Various parks across Yonkers. Contact: 914-377-6450, [yonkersny.gov](http://yonkersny.gov)

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**YORKTOWN HEIGHTS**

The Yorktown Lions Club presents its Summer Concert Series with a variety of musical performances in the genres of rock and roll, pop, dance music and more! Date(s): Select dates in July and August. Location: Jack DeVito-Veterans' Memorial Gazebo & Field. Contact: [yorktownlionsclub.com](http://yorktownlionsclub.com)



## feature

# JAZZFEST PROFILE: Saxophonist

# Grace Kelly

by Alyssa Monte

Saxophonist Grace Kelly is altering traditional ideas of jazz music while making notable strides in her genre. Performing in over 30 countries, recording thirteen albums, and being a member of the house band for *Late Night Show with Stephen Colbert* are only a handful of her accomplishments thus far.

Added to her resume will be a September performance during *JazzFest White Plains*, a five-day celebration of jazz on September 12-16 that showcases established and emerging talents.

Kelly began performing when she was 12 years old, and the saxophone quickly became a friend. Jazz in particular captured her attention for the way it lends itself to improvisations. Kelly explains that she loves to bring different styles together in her music – and jazz allows her to do that. The idea that there are always new things to learn and create is what makes her love being a musician: "Music is such an amazing teacher because you never have an ending point."

The musician has attracted the attention of a younger audience through her performances and social media. She explains that "the general public can potentially see jazz as a very old art form – but it is really a flourishing genre and there's a lot of cool music that's coming out of the younger generations."

"It really warms my heart when I hear from other young women, specifically other Asian women, who follow my work and are inspired by what I do, and now feel like they can do it as well. That's the power of having role models in this world, and we all need them!"

Being a role model isn't new for Kelly. In addition to playing music, she has found a love for teaching it. Alongside a few musical partners, she started an online saxophone school called Saxy School. Together, they taught thousands of saxophonists on Zoom during the pandemic, and the school has continued to grow.

While she calls her online education program a silver lining of the pandemic, Kelly is happy to be playing live music again: "I've seen the power of playing music for others. Whether there are tears streaming down faces or people jumping up and dancing, I love being there to create that feeling," she said.

She will create that feeling at her *September 15* JazzFest White Plains concert, which will also serve as an album release show. While self-discovery and self-expression were driving the story of her past albums, her newest works one draw from the word '*courage*' and the words of women who embody it, such as Maya Angelou.

"I have some cuts on the album that are very loud, bold and in your face, and then I have some that are super stripped back and courageous in the way that I just want to give you my full heart with all of its vulnerable parts," says Kelly. This, alongside the feeling of reuniting with fans after time apart is at the core of her new music.

The outdoor JazzFest event will include a performance in addition to a welcome drink and canapés from Italian restaurant Via Garibaldi. Kelly hopes that her audience takes away "a lot of joy" from seeing her perform, and is excited to share an experience during which the music lifts everyone's spirits.

# Grace Kelly



Grace Kelly (photo credit: Taso Papadakis)

# Advancing Equity in *the*

## ArtsWestchester Invests in Equity

With the relaunch of its mission statement in 2021, ArtsWestchester also adopted a formal commitment to social justice, equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility (EDIA). The [updated statement](#) was the result of a year of organizational self-reflection and collaboration with consultant [Donna Walker-Khune](#), a highly sought thought-leader in the arts and social justice.

As part of its commitment to EDIA, ArtsWestchester laid out a five-year plan that includes further investment in existing programs and in new initiatives that seek to create space that allows for all of Westchester's residents to participate in, and see themselves reflected in, the arts.

Guiding ArtsWestchester's EDIA plan is the Social Justice Committee of ArtsWestchester's Board of Directors. Says board and committee member Bernard Thombs: "The arts are a unifying point in American society, especially at this current time. ArtsWestchester is a place where 'diversity' and 'inclusion' work."

In 2022, ArtsWestchester has allocated \$235k in new monies

towards supporting cultural initiatives, organizations and artist-led projects that advance social justice and EDIA principles across Westchester and into the Hudson Valley. Among the programs supported through this funding are the Advancing Equity Award (see page A23), the [Voices for Change artist grant](#) and increased grant funding for [Juneteenth celebrations](#).

This investment represents a range of financial and cultural partners, including private donors, Westchester County and the National Endowment for the Arts, which all value ArtsWestchester's track record for supporting diverse cultural expressions, and which mirror the organization's commitment to EDIA.

Board and committee member Waddell Stillman adds: "The Advancing Equity Award demonstrates that ArtsWestchester's social justice plan and core values are in action, not on the shelf gathering dust... Arts organizations are working on EDIA energetically and thoughtfully."

## The 2022 Voices for Change Artist Grant: *Applications open on July 15.*

*Voices for Change* is a grant, partly supported by the National Endowment for the Arts, which provides artists with an opportunity to develop and present new work that inspires and informs, and may be a catalyst for action. Project proposals should include a collaborative component with a cultural, service or community-based organization. ArtsWestchester will award multiple grants through a competitive selection process. Guidelines and application will be available on ArtsWestchester's website on July 15. ***Deadline: October 14.***

# the Arts

***An anonymous donor generously gave ArtsWestchester the opportunity to advance equity in the cultural arena by donating \$30k. This has allowed ArtsWestchester to award \$25k to an organization and \$5k to an artist. To read about the organization awardee, Rehabilitation Through the Arts, see below. For information about the artist awardee, Vinnie Bagwell, see pages A24-25).***

## Rehabilitation Through the Arts: Inaugural Advancing Equity Award Recipient

ArtsWestchester recently announced [Rehabilitation Through the Arts](#) (RTA) as the inaugural recipient of its Advancing Equity Award, a cornerstone program in the organization's renewed commitment to social justice. The Award aims to commend a non-profit cultural organization that serves residents of Westchester and demonstrates exemplary leadership in advancing social justice, equity, diversity, inclusion and accessibility (EDIA) through and in the arts.

RTA, which was selected from a competitive field of nominees, was founded at Sing Sing in 1996. The organization provides an intensive and comprehensive arts program that builds critical life skills for incarcerated people so that they can meet the challenges of connecting with family and community when released. The organization's programming harnesses the arts to empower participants and shift narratives that surround the formerly incarcerated.

In reflecting on his role as a teaching artist in the program, Dr. Alexander Smith shares: "My experience as a literary citizen, creative writer and facilitator resonates with...the need to connect, express and interpret experience. While engaging in dialogue, with our art, it provides an opportunity for people to learn from each other."

EDIA is embedded in the DNA of the organization. RTA members are empowered to lead and fully participate in decision-making. This element of the program is a key to its model of

inclusion. Each facility in which RTA operates has a steering committee, made up completely of program participants, which advises RTA staff and teaching artists on a range of creative and practical issues. Participants write their own rules of behavior, such as mutual respect and confidentiality. Alumni of RTA also join the organization as board members and facilitators.

Says program alumnus John Zoccoli: "I thrived in RTA. By becoming comfortable with uncomfortable situations, the theater program pushed and challenged me to become better and better. RTA has been a springboard for the success I seek on the outside."

RTA's approach to the justice system is based on human dignity rather than punishment. Nationwide, over 60% of people return to prison within three years of release. RTA offers a proven model in reducing recidivism – less than 5% of RTA members return to prison.

The Advancing Equity Award, to support awardees in their continuing commitment to service, comes with a \$25k recognition grant made possible by ArtsWestchester's Board of Directors. Nominations for the award entered a competitive review process that included scoring and discussion by a panel of professionals with backgrounds in EDIA and the arts, as well as review by the Social Justice Committee of ArtsWestchester's Board of Directors. The Award will be presented annually through 2024.

feature



Vinnie Bagwell, 'Satta (photo courtesy of the artist)



# Enslaved Africans' Rain Garden: 13 YEARS IN THE MAKING

by Taylor Michael

The first thing to notice about artist Vinnie Bagwell's latest project isn't the landscaped park and waterfront views, the sensuous details carved into each sculpted figure, or even the thought-provoking backstories. To understand the *Enslaved Africans' Rain Garden*, start with the name. For one, "Africans" is possessive. The garden is actually theirs.

Five recently unveiled statues memorialize the enslaved Africans who worked at Philipse Manor Hall in Yonkers. With this riverside tribute, the Yonkers resident's public artworks seek to honor the sacrifices of the enslaved and restore dignity to those stripped of their humanity.

"I'm talking about who these people are when they're by themselves and being themselves," says Bagwell.

Textural elements like engravings, braille and other iconographies, breathe life into these figures. Each is a 360-degree multimedia experience that represents one of the first few enslaved people who were manumitted once New York State passed the Gradual Emancipation Act in 1799.

I'Satta, Bibi, Themba "the Boatman," Sola, and Olumide gaze out onto the river. I'Satta impeccably balances a water pail atop her head with fish dangling at her flowy skirt. She represents the Middle Passage and carries a diagram of a slave ship on her back. Bibi honors the ancestors. With farming tools in hand, she gazes at the sky, possibly praying the Igbo words carved into her shoulders. Themba, a mariner, represents the master craftsmen who used their technical, cultural and linguistic acumen to negotiate freedom. Finally, Sola and Olumide are the children who had to grow up as orphans under the institution of slavery.

This thirteen-years-in-the-making project began in 2009. Bagwell met then Yonkers City Council Majority Leader Patricia McDow at a Black History Month event. Knowing Bagwell's statue of Ella Fitzgerald at the Yonkers Metro North Station, McDow approached the artist about an idea for a memorial to honor the enslaved who had lived in Yonkers. They set to work securing the funds and support needed to

build the statues.

Initially, Philipse Manor Hall planned to showcase the statues. However, Bagwell and her team pivoted once the historic home could no longer house the works. In 2015, the *Enslaved Africans' Rain Garden* initiative was incorporated, and the team built out a plan for a new location. They partnered with city and state officials, as well as nonprofit and private entities to create the sculpture garden in the revitalized waterfront district.

The project was finally unveiled this year as part of Juneteenth celebrations in Yonkers. The new federal holiday honors the end of slavery in the United States after the Civil War. Community organizations, local historians, academic

**"...UNOBSTRUCTED VIEWS OF NATURE AND HER THOUGHT-PROVOKING SCULPTURES CREATE A MOMENT FOR HEALING."**

scholars, city and state officials, and Yonkers residents at large joined for a ceremony and ribbon cutting. The statues permanently remain in place for anyone to view.

Bagwell hopes residents and visitors alike realize the healing potential of her work. The overwhelming beauty of the gardens, designed in collaboration with BCT Design Group, coupled with unobstructed views of nature and her thought-provoking sculptures, create a moment for healing.

"I have snatched your eye, and now that I have your eye, I'm going to hold your eye and make you look at something you thought was going to be not so nice," said Bagwell. "And you realize that there's beauty...and the beauty is that the descendants of these people have survived."

## feature



# *We Can Do It!* **Women's Work at Lyndhurst**

by Michelle Falkenstein

What does a 19th century memorial wreath made from human hair have in common with a wall hanging woven from synthetic hair extensions by contemporary artist Nafis White? Everything.

*Women's Work*, an exhibition at Lyndhurst Mansion in Tarrytown, draws a thread from the domestic handiwork

done by women from Colonial times onward—embroidery, painting on porcelain, black paper silhouettes, beadwork, quilting and more—up to the artists of today who have adopted these techniques.

The concept for the show, says Lyndhurst Executive Director Howard Zar, is not to demonstrate how these

handicrafts have been elevated by their use in current art-making practices, but rather to show that they were art all along—the only kind that women, for centuries, were taught or allowed to make.

The 125 objects in the exhibition, displayed both in Lyndhurst's gallery and throughout the Mansion, are grouped by technique, providing a clear connection between past and present. One such assemblage features a yellow and rust needlepoint seat cushion in a scallop pattern, made by First Lady Martha Washington (1801) and an embroidered silk pin cushion sewn by First Lady Dolley Madison (made by 1789). These items are displayed beside a sculpture of a human head roughly stitched together with scraps of tapestry by artist Louise Bourgeois (2002) and what, at first glance, appears to be a traditional sewing sampler by Elaine Reichek (1993). At closer look, it's neatly embroidered with the words, "The Parents of Jewish Boys Always Love Me. I'm the Closest Thing to a Shiksa Without Being One."

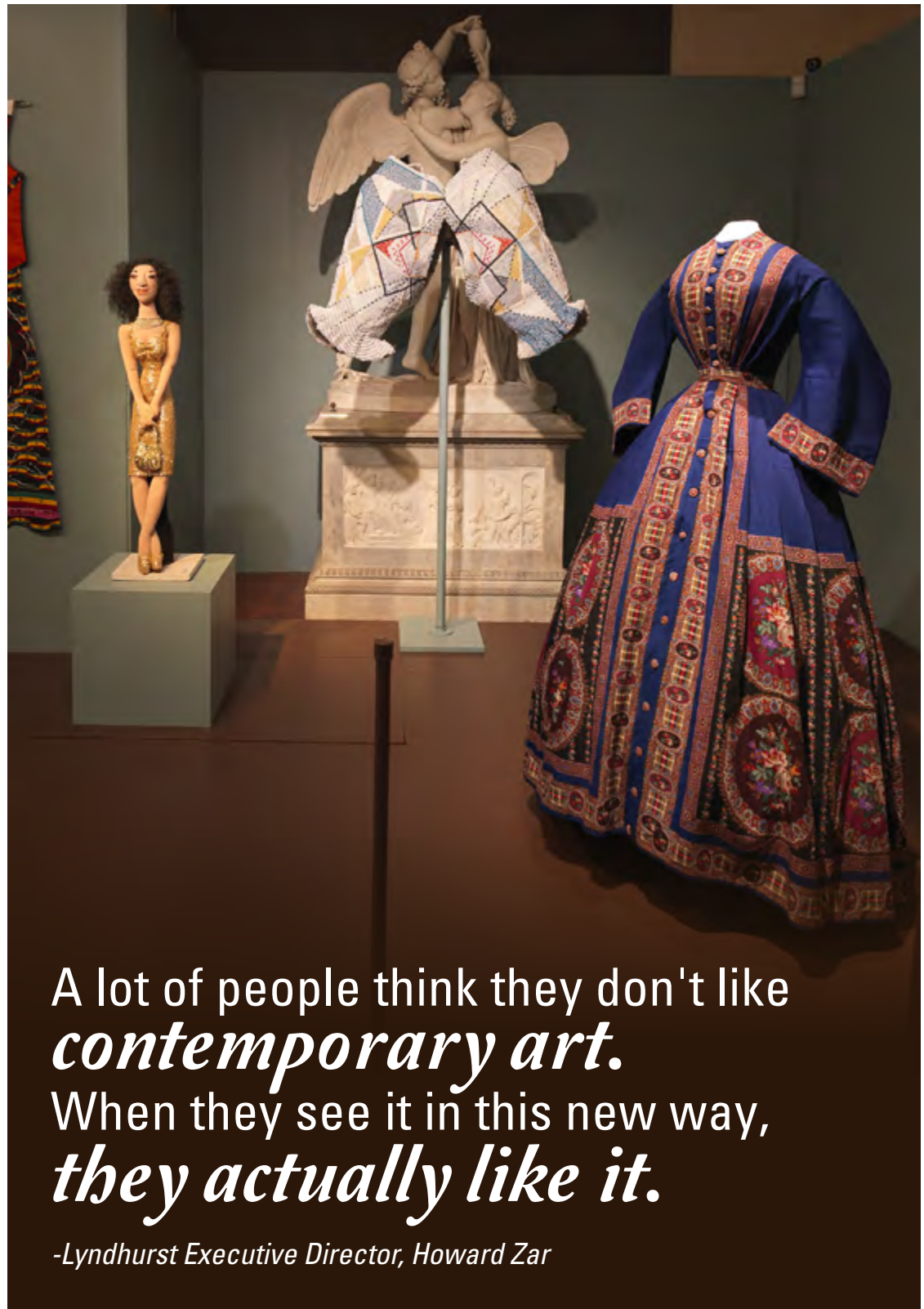
Says Zar: "A lot of people think they don't like contemporary art. When they see it in this new way, they actually like it."

He adds that there are lessons here for Millennials who may believe that things have always been done the way they are today. "We're trying to show the long history of our culture," he says.

Lyndhurst, a stately Gothic Revival mansion rising over the banks of the Hudson River in Tarrytown, has a strong connection to women. It was commissioned in 1838 with a woman's fortune and was owned by more women than men before it was bequeathed to the National Trust for Historic Preservation in 1961. Zar says that because of this legacy, Lyndhurst "often do[es] shows about the impact of women on American cultural history."

Featured prominently in the exhibition is a wax figure of a woman made in 1720 by Sarah Gardner. It's one of only two 18th century wax figures in existence. The figure, standing under a glass dome, wears a mustard-yellow gown, her head surrounded by a halo of pearls. Nearby stands Shary Boyle's *Curupira* (2014), a mythological Brazilian creature with a distorted nude body, cast in porcelain, her feet pointed backward.

There are many well-known contemporary artists in the show, including Faith Ringgold, Kara Walker, Catherine Opie, Kiki Smith and Judy Chicago. And although many women toiled anonymously in centuries past, a real effort was made to choose pieces whose



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-Lyndhurst Executive Director, Howard Zar

Photos: Women's Work exhibition at Lyndhurst (photo credit: Bruce M. White, 2022)

makers could be identified, such as Emily Cole (sister of Hudson River School artist Thomas Cole), Jane Armstrong Tucker and Susanna Jaquith Abbott.

"Regardless of the systematic injustice of a biased world," Zar writes in the exhibition catalogue, "women artists working over centuries have found ways to validate their artistic identity."

## feature

## ROVING DIRECTORS

*For our Roving Directors feature, we ask Westchester arts professionals to go into the community and give us their take on another institution's on-view exhibition.*



## Wang Mansheng and the Restorative Power of the Natural World

*by Michelle Yun Mapplethorpe, incoming Executive Director of Katonah Museum of Art*

[\*Cloud Wanderings of Wang Mansheng\*](#), currently on view at the Hammond Museum and Japanese Stroll Garden through August 13, is a contemplative exhibition that brings together the artist's past and present through the lens of traditional Chinese literati painting.

Wang Mansheng was born in 1962 in Taiyuan, located in China's northern Shanxi Province. Like many artists of his generation, he spent his youth enduring the hardships of the Cultural Revolution (1966-1976).

It was when he received a degree in classical Chinese literature in the '80s, and took a post as editor, director and producer at China Central Television, that the artist was able to experience China's vast landscape and cultural history. This would later inspire his artistic practice upon his move to the United States in 1996.

In Hammond Museum's presentation, Mansheng's formative training and reverence for Chinese literature is apparent through his textual commentary that accompanies his artworks. The exhibition's title, *Cloud Wanderings*, is inspired by the ancient concept of yunyou or "cloud travel," which represents the wanderings of sages and immortals in search of enlightenment.

Like his forbearers, Mansheng takes inspiration from nature, and specifically that of the Hudson River Valley area around his home in Dobbs Ferry. This extends beyond his compositions to include his innovative adaptation of the reeds found along the banks of the river to create painting brushes, and ground walnuts from the surrounding forests to create his inks.

Comprised of works from 2006 to the present, the exhibition includes more traditionally minded landscapes from the artist's

*Waterfall* and *White Lotus* series. Playful calligraphic works like Newspaper Calligraphy "We Chat" transpose correspondence from We Chat, a popular social media platform, into a mixed media installation that is reminiscent of big character posters created for propaganda purposes during the Cultural Revolution. This work also alludes to another reading of "cloud travel" to include our dependence on cloud-based technologies.

In other works like *Ancient Vine Calligraphy*, the gnarled vines resemble Chinese characters, merging the genres of landscape painting and calligraphy. Throughout, the artist takes liberties with Chinese traditional painting practices through the use of western framing techniques, as opposed to traditional scroll formats, and his utilization of mixed medias like printmaking and installation.

The selection of works on view reflects Mansheng's pandemic-era ruminations on the state of contemporary life. Like the ancient literati painters who recused themselves from society, Mansheng is in search of an antidote to the cacophony of a complex and globalized world through an immersion in nature. *Silence*, an ink painting on canvas that replicates ancient Chinese stone carving, transcends time and space. Of this work, Mansheng notes: "My search in recent years for calm and silence in my work is because, by nature, I enjoy quiet. But it is also a reaction to the impulsiveness and clamor of today's society."

The exhibition, set within the bucolic surroundings of the Hammond Museum's gardens, provides a respite from the demands of many visitors' frenetic lifestyles and acts as a reminder of the restorative power of the natural world.





LEFT: Wang Mansheng, #13, *Deep in the Mountains, Searching for Ancient Trees* / RIGHT: Wang Mansheng doing calligraphy (photos courtesy of Hammond Museum)

# ROVING DIRECTORS

spotlight

# Serious Fun Arts Fest Headliner Announced:

# SAMMY RAE AND THE FRIENDS





High-energy, spirited and unrestrained. These are the self-defined words used to describe on-the-rise Brooklyn band ***Sammy Rae and the Friends***. The band recently sold out New York City's Terminal 5 venue, but this fall they make their way to Westchester to headline ArtsWestchester's ***Serious Fun Arts Fest*** in White Plains.

The outdoor concert on October 16 will be the culminating event for the five-day arts festival that is poised to bring live performances, new public artworks, family-friendly arts activities, live mural painting, and more to the City's downtown from Oct. 12-16.

The fast-emerging band, fronted by singer and songwriter Sammy Rae, pack a punch with rhythm and horn sections, keyboards and backing vocals, labeling their sound as being "rooted in classic rock, folk and funk, sprinkled with soul

and jazz." The band hits the festival circuit this summer on the heels of their new single, *Follow Me Like the Moon*, and in anticipation of their upcoming single, *Time Being*, which releases on July 15.

The midday show, which includes two opening acts yet unannounced, will take place on Mamaroneck Avenue between Martine Avenue and Main Street on the closing day of the festival. ***Early-bird ticket prices*** (\$20) are available through July 31.

The festival's presenting sponsor is Montefiore Einstein. ArtsWestchester will be making announcements and updates on ***its website*** and via the festival hashtag, ***#SeriousFunArtsFest***, as new artists and more performers are announced in the coming months.

## spotlight

# Community Storytelling by Way of Public Art

by Mary Alice Franklin, ArtsNews Editor

"The unveiling will be a time for us all to get together outside and bask in our awesomeness,"

says textile artist Amanda Browder. The artist is looking forward to the big reveal of her *Metropolis Sunrise* project this fall. The artwork has been five years in the making, but Browder's excitement isn't only for herself. With her guidance, the project was constructed by more than 700 participants in the local Westchester community who all helped to donate fabrics and construct them into a large-scale work of public art.

This considerable undertaking will result in a massive installation that will be draped over the front of ArtsWestchester's nine-story Mamaroneck Avenue building in White Plains. The unveiling will take place in style – during [Serious Fun Arts Fest](#), a five-day arts festival set to take over the city's downtown this October.

Discussions for [Metropolis Sunrise](#) began in 2017 and was subsequently commissioned by ArtsWestchester. It opened to the community in early 2019, after which nearly two-thirds of the project's goal – 10,000 square-feet of fabric – was sewn together before the pandemic began and halted progress.

According to Browder, it is important for the project to now be finished – "both as the realization of the original intent, but also to not lose the investment that community members made to the

piece pre-Covid."

Two years later, and over the next several months, "Public Sewing Days" will resume, during which groups of community volunteers will come together to organize, pin and sew monochromatic stripes and shapes for the larger fabric installation. "I am so happy that we are able to return and finish this work as a symbol of resilience," says Browder.

Upcoming Sewing Days in ArtsWestchester's White Plains gallery will take place on July 16, 20, 27 and 30. These will be followed by additional days in August to take place at partner locations within the community. As Browder explains, a key message of the piece "is that a community can come together and participate in the creation of that community's public art." No experience is required to participate.

Each swatch of fabric used in the piece has a story – and ArtsWestchester has made significant efforts to gather that collective history through written testimonials, a [storytelling podcast](#) and recordings that have allowed people to contribute their own familial, societal and cultural histories into this living work of art.

Ireland native Regina Farrell-Fagan reflected on her grandmother's rag rugs and the history of lace in Irish and Irish-American communities. White Plains resident Fatiha Makloufi is connected to a long lineage of independent seamstresses in





Participants take part in Public Sewing Day events with Amanda Browder (photo credit: Aaron Paige)

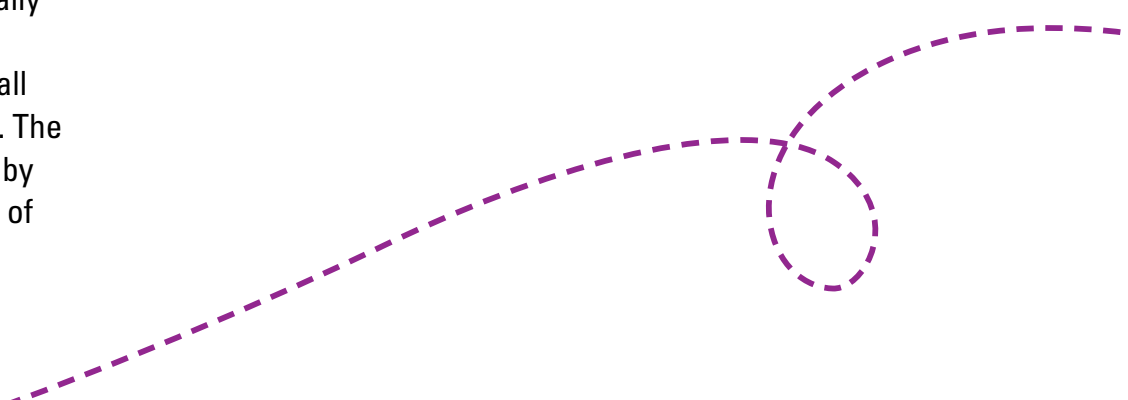
Algeria. Diana Loja talked about family connections to sewing and tailoring in Ecuador. Mother and daughter Alayne Fitzprick and Karen Davern discussed mask-making during the pandemic.

"The stories and memories are just as important as the fabric that is sewn together in this piece," says Browder. "They will be conceptually woven into the new history of this project."

The unveiling coincides with the opening of ArtsWestchester's fall exhibition, *Social Fabric: Common Threads and Uncommon Visions*. The exhibition features recent works and site-responsive commissions by New York-area artists who use textiles and fibers to explore issues of

broad social consequence.

"I can't wait to celebrate the participation of the citizens who donated fabric, pinned, sewed and shared their story... and see how each person finds meaning in the beauty of this project."



## spotlight

# Emelin Theatre Welcomes Guests Back for *50<sup>th</sup> Season* With Renovated Facilities



In spring of 2021, as COVID-19 appeared to wane, Emelin Theatre cautiously prepared their plans to re-open. It instituted health protocols, and focused its programming in an attempt to overcome audience reluctance, but recognized that it might take more than that to get people excited about coming back.

As ArtsWestchester CEO Janet Langsam reminded the theater's president, Mark Ettenger: "The mission is to do everything we can to bring audiences back to the arts. People need the arts to get through this challenging period."

Reengaging audiences was both a challenge and a collective responsibility. The theater's board had long wanted to renovate the 50-year-old venue. The timing of doing so during the pandemic would convey a tangible re-commitment to the theater's mission and the community it serves.

The "Rise & Shine" campaign was launched to raise funds that would allow the theater to reopen in the fall with a complete renovation. "Rise & Shine" signaled a reawakening of the arts, creating a sense of excitement and anticipation. The campaign kicked off

in June 2021, with a virtual celebration that featured livestream performances. Says Ettenger: "It was our way of thanking everyone who helped make our reopening possible, and inviting them all back to a new theatre in the fall."

Within 60 days, \$600,000 was raised, and the renovation began soon after. It included upgrades to sound, lighting and the theater's HVAC system. New seating, stage curtains, carpeting, improvements to the hospitality area, and fresh paint all contributed to renewing the Emelin as an inviting venue ready to welcome back its audiences. Updated artist dressing rooms made sure the artists that are booked for performances are comfortable as well. By October 2021, the theater reopened, ready to tackle the challenges that the pandemic has presented.

Nearly one year later, the industry still faces ongoing challenges with continued audience reluctance and rising artistic fees and operating costs. Says Ettenger: "The Emelin's 2022-23 season is its 50th anniversary season. As the Emelin looks toward the next 50 years, we are focused on stabilization, rejuvenation and growth."

# At North Salem Schools, Art Provides an Avenue for Emotional Expression

by Sarah Divi, Communications Specialist at North Salem Central School District

**"Take a moment to focus...Get into a calm, peaceful headspace, find a safe place within you...and paint from there,"**

said artist Vicky Youngman as she led the assembled group through mindful breathing. Motion gradually returned to the North Salem Middle/High School cafeteria as faculty and students picked up paintbrushes to swirl glaze on ceramic tiles.

Youngman, an ArtsWestchester teaching artist, encouraged the group to use lines and patterns to align with their feelings: "Don't worry about being representational; it doesn't need to look like anything."

The group each painted four-inch tiles to contribute to a larger ArtsWestchester project, Healing Through The Arts, a hands-on activity designed to provide an expressive outlet for addressing challenging emotions. The project plans to collect 500 tiles from Westchester residents and arrange them into culminating community murals to display around Westchester later this year.

North Salem senior Phineas Keenan found it relaxing to sit and paint with others: "I would like to have more activities like this at school and get more people involved. I want to see how they take the tiles and turn them into something bigger."

NY Project Hope representatives also spoke with students, facilitating conversations about the pandemic and providing counseling as needed. Says Jess Belanger, a counselor from the COVID-19 crisis-counseling program: "Often kids are unable to put words to their feelings. It helps to express how the pandemic made them feel through art."

North Salem school counselor Melissa Smith organized the activity as a culminating event of the school's Mental Health and Wellness Fair: "We want to give the kids another healthy outlet to express themselves."

Adds Youngman: "My hope is that they can find a peaceful safe space within themselves that they can use whenever they're feeling anxious or upset. If they know how to go into that place, they can use that skill throughout their lives in any circumstances."



Student from North Salem School District who participated in Vicky Youngman's Healing Through the Arts workshop (photo courtesy of North Salem School District)

## spotlight




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## GALLERY NITE OUT with Luangisa African Gallery

ArtsWestchester recently held its first Gallery Nite Out event in two years after a pause during the COVID-19 pandemic. The celebration of African culture, music and fashion was hosted by [Luangisa African Art Gallery](#) in ArtsWestchester's White Plains gallery. It featured live music by Pitsi Ra and DJ Mao, a pop-up shop, and an immersive fashion show surrounded by the artwork from the [Who Writes History? exhibition](#), on view through July 3.



1. Congressman Jamaal Bowman, Westchester Legislator Terry Clements, ArtsWestchester CEO Janet Langsam and Luangisa African Gallery founder Rose Luangisa 2. Live music by Pitsi Ra and DJ Mao entertained the audience 3, 4 & 5. Models struck a pose during Luangisa's immersive fashion show 6. Visitors browsed items in Luangisa's pop-up shop. All photos by Solwazi Afi Olusola, except photo 4 of Kendra Streater by Elijah Davis.



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### MARSHA ON THE MOVE Monthly Web Feature

When Business Council of Westchester President Marsha Gordon, is not advocating for businesses in the County, she can be found at the cinema or theater. Read Marsha's reviews on ArtsWestchester's As a Matter of Art blog: [artsw.org/artsblog](https://artsw.org/artsblog).



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### Top Gun: Maverick

Loved the edge-of-the-seat action in this movie – and Tom Cruise's preamble, during which he thanked the audience for coming to the movies and explained that all the planes were authentic. This flying movie really did fly by. The movie was truly exciting, with an interesting insight into the lives of these brave pilots. Even though it was unclear exactly who they were fighting, it didn't matter. We just wanted them to win and survive this almost impossible mission (oops, another Tom Cruise movie!). They add in some complicated emotions, friendships and romances to add the necessary humanity, but this movie is all about the bravery, sheer skill, guts and courage. Finally, the film has magnificent music. All you need to know is that Lady Gaga was one of the writers. It was divine to be sitting in front of the big screen again, indulging in a film just to be entertained.

### In Memoriam: Lee Katz

Longtime Rye resident Lee Katz recently passed away at age 91. Katz was dedicated to education and to improving communities through the organizations she supported. As an active member of the arts and Westchester communities, she served on the ArtsWestchester board during its first-ever capital campaign for the purchase and refurbishment of its current building on Mamaroneck



Lee Katz (courtesy of Rye Arts Center)

Avenue in White Plains. She was on the Advisory Council at Rye Arts Center, where she contributed to fundraising efforts, including capital improvements and outreach programs. In addition, Katz served in many leadership roles, including as Vice President for College Relations and Development at Purchase College in addition to her dedication to the Community Synagogue of Rye, the Holocaust and Human Rights Education Center, The Rye Arts Center, and the 92nd Street Y.



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On June 21, 124 golfers teed off at ArtsWestchester's annual Ralph Martinelli Memorial Golf Outing in support of the arts. The event at Armonk's Whippoorwill Club honored Peter Scherrer, Vice President of Airport Management Services for Avports, and raised \$100K for ArtsWestchester's programs and services.

To view more images from the event, [click here](#).



1. Westchester Magazine Foursome (Richard, Robert, & Jack Martinelli, Frank Tarascio) 2. Crista Tucker, First Republic Bank and golf co-chair 3. Getting ready on the driving range! 4. Ference-Gray Foursome (Scot Karr, Ed Ference-Gray, Jeff Latino, Frank Schettino) 5. Peter Scherrer, Honoree, and Louis P. Gallo of Wells Fargo, title sponsor. 6. Leaderboard of sponsors. All photos by Katelynn DiBiccari.

## spotlight

### Measuring the Impact of the Arts

The arts can entertain, engage, educate and even heal. They can also help the economy. Over the next year, ArtsWestchester will be participating in the "Arts & Economic Prosperity 6" study (AEP6), which is conducted by Americans for the Arts in partnership with ArtsWestchester and over 300 other arts and culture agencies across the country. The study will look at the economic and social impact of the arts both nationally and in the areas in which the individual studies took place.

AEP6 is organized once every five years and engages audiences from events all over Westchester. Part of the goal is to capture spending habits related to event attendance, including details such as nearby parking or having a meal before or after an event. This information becomes a powerful tool for advancing advocacy efforts by providing a tangible way to quantify the widespread impact of the arts.

The economic impact of the arts in Westchester (as of 2016, when the last survey was conducted) was \$172 million, which captures not only what the organizations spend to produce their events, but also the ancillary spending that the community generates around cultural activities, like food and beverages, gifts and souvenirs, local transportation, and lodging. Beginning summer 2022 and continuing through May 2023, ArtsWestchester's Arts Ambassadors will attend events of all types – including performances, workshops and exhibitions – to distribute and collect surveys designed to collect this data.

The surveys aim to capture as broad a sample as possible, which necessitates attending a variety of events throughout the year, and engaging visitors and residents from all over the County.



Steffi Nossen Dance Company (photo courtesy of Steffi Nossen)



Isabel Lavery with donated costumes (photo courtesy of Isabel Lavery)

### Student Collected Costumes for Local Dance Schools

Isabel Lavery, a rising senior at Croton-Harmon High School, collected a total of 130 new and gently used dance costumes over the past several months to [donate to local dance schools](#). The retail value of the collected items was over \$10,000 in a time during which inflation and the pandemic have impacted resources. The donation drive closed with a hand-off distribution, for which representatives from NYS Assembly Member Sayegh's office and County Legislator Chris Johnson's office were present.

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# July/August 2022 Arts Offerings



Promo still from *Where the Crawdads Sing*, on view at Jacob Burns Film Center, 7/14-21 (Sony Pictures)

## 7/1 FRIDAY

**Theater - check info:** Studio Theater in Exile presents *Once Upon a Happily Ever After*. This is a new take on a timeless fairy tale during which women open their hearts in imagery and song, and are freed from their happily ever afters. Through August 31. [studiotheaterinexile.com](http://studiotheaterinexile.com)

**Tours:** Hudson River Museum presents *Gilded Age Glenview*. The 45-minute guided tour will explore the six restored period rooms of this 1877 historic home. Thurs & Fri at 1pm, Sat & Sun, 1 & 3pm through 7/31. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

## 7/2 SATURDAY

**Family & Kids:** Hudson River Museum presents *Planetarium Show: One World, One Sky*. On a trip from Sesame Street to the moon, Big Bird and Elmo with friend Hu Hu Zhu discover that planets are different from one another. Saturdays & Sundays. 12:30-1pm. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Family & Kids:** Hudson River Museum presents *Planetarium Show: The Sky Tonight*. This is a tour of the night sky as seen from the area. Topics include visible planets, bright stars and more. Saturdays & Sundays. 2-3pm. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

## 7/5 TUESDAY

**Music:** Taconic Opera presents *New York Opera Conservatory 2022 Concert Series*. The Opera's Young Artist Summer Program members will perform two of Puccini's one-act masterpieces from his famous *Il Trittico*. Also 7/7-7/9. 7-8:30pm at Croton Free Library. [taconicopera.org](http://taconicopera.org)

## 7/6 WEDNESDAY

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Billy & The Showmen as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. One of the

region's most enduring rhythm and blues bands will kick off the Council's annual summer concert series. 7:30-9pm at Hudson Park. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

## 7/8 FRIDAY

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Yonkers Philharmonic Orchestra, as part of its Summer Amphitheater Series*. This evening concert will kick off the summer series with of classical music, jazz and show tunes. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

# upcoming virtual and in-person arts activities

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *They Might Be Parents as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. This 11-piece band will play crowd-pleasing nostalgia covers. 7:30-9pm at New Ro Parc. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

## 7/9 SATURDAY

**Tours:** Center for the Digital Arts, Peekskill Center presents *Architectural History Tour of Rhinebeck, Rhinecliff and Staatsburgh*. This is a guided walking and driving tour all within a five mile radius of the Village of Rhinebeck. 1-5pm. [sunywcc.edu/peekskill](http://sunywcc.edu/peekskill)

**Workshop:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *The Art of Revision*. Yale Younger Poet Sean Singer will help students revise their poems. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *The Lego Movie*. The first-ever full-length theatrical LEGO movie follows ordinary LEGO mini-figure, who is on an epic quest to stop an evil tyrant from gluing the universe together. 11am- at . [burnsfilmcenter.org](http://burnsfilmcenter.org)

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Neil Young: Heart of Gold*. This documentary and concert film, by

Jonathan Demme, documents Young's premiere of his songs from his album *Prairie Wind* at the Ryman Auditorium. 9:30am-11:30am at . [burnsfilmcenter.org](http://burnsfilmcenter.org)

## 7/10 SATURDAY

**Tours:** Hudson River Museum presents *Curator Tour of Plastic Reef and Cycles of Nature*. Laura Vookles, Chair of the HRM's Curatorial Department, will walk visitors through the exhibitions to experience the cyclical essence of nature on grand and small scales. 1-2pm. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Poetic Space with Karen Finley*. This class will consider poetic space for inspiration for deeper, symbolic, creative and critical contemplation. 12:30-3:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Music:** Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts presents *Bill Barclay's The Chevalier*. This concert theater work about Joseph Bologne, Chevalier de Saint-Georges, an 18th-century composer, virtuoso violinist, abolitionist, general of Europe's first Black regiment, acquaintance of both Mozart and Marie Antoinette, and the finest fencer in Europe. 3pm conversation with creator Bill Barclay; 4pm Concert. [caramoor.org](http://caramoor.org)

## 7/11 MONDAY

**Workshops:** ArtsWestchester presents *ArtsMobile: Nights in the Parks*. The program offers community members of all ages the opportunity to participate in arts activities throughout various parks throughout the county. 6:30 and 8pm. Through 7/20. [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)

## 7/13 WEDNESDAY

**Workshops:** Hudson River Museum presents *Wellness Workshop: Reflections of the Human Heart (Virtual)*. The virtual program, geared toward seniors and the homebound, will explore the healing qualities of art and nature, and the rhythms shared by both. 7-8pm. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Gerard Carelli & His Orchestra*. The large ensemble will perform swing sounds that keeps dance floors packed. 7:30-9pm at Hudson Park. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

**Music In The Air:** The Pocantico Center presents *Story Collider en Espanol Outdoor Performance*. This live Spanish storytelling event will introduce four Spanish-speaking storytellers who share their true stories about science. 6:30-8:30pm. [rbf.org/pocantico](http://rbf.org/pocantico)

## 7/14 THURSDAY

**Theater:** Arc Stages presents *Woody Guthrie's American Song*. The musical tells the life of the folk singer through his words and beloved music. Also 7/15 & 16. 7-9pm. [arcstages.org](http://arcstages.org)

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Where the Crawdads Sing*. This mystery tells the story of Kya, an abandoned girl who raised herself to adulthood in the dangerous marshlands of North Carolina. Screenings held through 7/21. Times vary. [burnsfilmcenter.org](http://burnsfilmcenter.org)

## 7/15 FRIDAY

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Casplash, as part of its Summer Amphitheater Series*. The African-American & Caribbean Band will perform popular reggae music from Jamaica, old-school Motown, R&B hits and more. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Film:** KinoSaito presents *Screening, Dreams (1990)*. This is a 1990 magical realist film of eight vignettes written and directed by Akira Kurosawa (1910-1998). 6-8:30pm. [kinosaito.org](http://kinosaito.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Fat City Rockers as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The band will play a unique mix of surf and rock, including featuring music by the Stray Cats, Eddie Cochran, the Beatles and more. 7:30-9pm at New Ro Parc. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

**Theater:** YCP TheaterWorks presents *Design for Murder*. This mystery thriller by George Batson is a fast-moving whodunit where the audience is treated to a remote mansion, a sleazy blackmailer, a trench coat clad detective and a stormy night. Also 7/16-17, 7/22-24. 8-10:30pm at Shrub Oak United Methodist Church Parish Hall. [ycptw.org](http://ycptw.org)

## 7/16 SATURDAY

**Theater:** Bedford Playhouse presents *Sherlock Holmes: Redheads and Bohemians*. Gotham Radio Theatre will provide a unique outdoor theater experience, which will bring the world of Sherlock Holmes to life. 5-6:15pm. [bedfordplayhouse.org](http://bedfordplayhouse.org)

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *The New York Korean Performing Arts Center, as part of its Summer Amphitheater Series*. Professionals in Korean traditional music and dance will perform costumed dances from different regions and eras, with drum accompaniment. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Generative Poetry Workshop with Jessica Cuello via Zoom*.

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The purpose of this workshop is to stimulate the creative process and bring forth new work. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

### 7/17 SUNDAY

**Family & Kids:** Hudson River Museum presents *Planetarium Show - Birth of Planet Earth*. This program employs advanced, data-driven visualizations to explore some of the greatest questions in science today. 3:30-4pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson River Museum presents *Musical Journeys: Image and Sound*. Award-winning pianist and composer Daniel Kelly will engage with the works of art on view in the museum's *Cycles of Nature* exhibition. 1-3pm. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Spoken Word:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Westchester Book Launch (in person & on Zoom)*. The program will celebrate the new novels by Grant Ginder and the Center's fiction teacher Jonathan Vatner. 4-5:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Nonlinear Approaches to Structuring the Novel: a Craft Class via Zoom*. Writers will explore the form of their work to participate meaningfully in its content through non-Western and nonlinear approaches to storytelling. 12:30-2:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Free Shakespeare on the shore of Long Island Sound*. Irvington Shakespeare Company will perform its production of Shakespeare's *Love's Labor Lost*. 6:30-8:30pm at Hudson Park. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

**Workshops:** ArtsWestchester presents *ArtsMobile: Down to Earth*. Community members of all ages will participate in an arts activity at various locations. 8:30am-12pm at Down to Earth's Rye Farmer's Market. Also 8/16 at Larchmont Farmers Market from 9am-1pm. [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)

### 7/20 WEDNESDAY

**Music In The Air:** Emelin Theatre presents *Broadway on the Sound: Family Favorites*. Five of Broadway's finest vocalists will illuminate the stage with songs from classic and contemporary musicals based on timeless children's stories and animated films. 7pm at Harbor Island Park, Mamaroneck. [emelin.org](http://emelin.org)



Production photo for Woody Guthrie's *American Song*, Arc Stages, 7/14-16 (photo courtesy of Arc Stages)

**Music In The Air:** Jazz Forum Arts presents *Vanderlei Pereira & Blindfold Test as part of the 22nd Annual Dobbs Ferry Summer Music Series*. The group will perform live Brazilian jazz. 6:30pm at Waterfront Park, Dobbs Ferry. [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *3D Rhythm of Life as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The Latin Grammy Award-nominated band will perform a unique mix of Latin, tropical and soul sounds. 7:30-9pm at Hudson Park. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

### 7/21 THURSDAY

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *NT Live: Prima Facie*. Jodie Comer makes her West End debut in the UK premiere of Suzie Miller's award-winning play. 2-9pm. [burnsfilcenter.org](http://burnsfilcenter.org)

**Music In The Air:** Jazz Forum Arts presents Dave Schumacher and Cubayé as part of the *12th Annual Sunset Jazz at Lyndhurst Series*. Schumacher and his Afro-Cuban jazz septet will

play original compositions and new treatments of classic jazz standards. 6:30pm at Lyndhurst Mansion. [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

### 7/22 FRIDAY

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *3D Rhythm of Life, as part of its Summer Amphitheater Series*. The Latin-Tropical Soul band will perform a unique style that blends Funky Latin Pop, Island Grooves, and R&B. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Hast La Zeta as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The group will perform its distinctive sounds, which fuses Colombian roots and contemporary sounds with New York attitude. 7:30-9pm at New Ro Parc. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

### 7/23 SATURDAY

**Music:** ArtsWestchester presents *Performing Families feat. Ballet Folklorico Espiritu de Mexico*. The program will celebrate the bonds of music

and dance with a family ensembles as they explore the connections between kinship, tradition and the arts. 7-8:30pm at Bethany Arts Community. [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Tango Night, as part of its Summer Amphitheater Series*. Latin Grammy Award winner bassist and composer Pedro Giraud will provide a performance and short Tango lesson with the band. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson River Museum presents *Painting to Jazz*. Participants will join artist Antony Zito in painting along with the strains of jazz that infused the era of Jackson Pollock and Lee Krasner. 1-3pm. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Workshop:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *The Elegy—Poem of Grieving & Resistance*. Participants will read and write elegies while using readings to inspire and as a means of generating their own poems. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

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**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Finding the Structure of Our Stories with Jai Chakrabarti (via Zoom)*. The workshop will analyze the classic Freytag's Triangle in fiction and then depart from there into stories that pursue less traditional structures. 12:30-2:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Reception:** Oak & Oil Gallery presents *Opening Reception for Wax and Fire Works by Richard Coico*. The event will introduce a series of new encaustic artworks by local artist Richard Coico. 5-8pm. [oakandoil.com](http://oakandoil.com)

**Music In The Air:** Westchester Collaborative Theater presents *Parking Lot Plays 2022*. This outdoor production

is a showcase of new short plays. Through 7/31. 7-9pm. [wctheater.org](http://wctheater.org)

## 7/24 SUNDAY

**Theater:** Axial Theatre presents *Cactus Flowers*. A reading of four, short new plays in progress and discuss the works for developmental purposes. 3-5pm at Hudson Valley Writers Center. [axialtheatre.org](http://axialtheatre.org)

**Workshop:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Prose Poetry: A Generative Workshop*. Participants will read a range of prose poetry that model poetic elements, and practice employing the craft of lineated poetry and traditional narrative. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

## 7/27 WEDNESDAY

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Gary Frost as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The outdoor series continues with a performance by the country singer-songwriter. 7:30-9pm at Hudson Park. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

## 7/28 THURSDAY

**Music In The Air:** ArtsWestchester and the City of White Plains present *Night in the Parks feat. McLean Ave Band*. The group will perform a mix of traditional Irish tunes and ballads with elements of rock, pop and R&B. 6:30-8pm at Court Street, White Plains. [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)

**Music In The Air:** Jazz Forum Arts presents *Michael Holoher as part of the 12th Annual Sunset Jazz at Lyndhurst Series*. Holoher is trained as a classical pianist and conductor, Holoher and the Marvin Stamm Quartet will perform live jazz. 6:30pm at Lyndhurst Mansion. [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

## 7/29 FRIDAY

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Skyhunters in Flight, as part of its Summer Amphitheater Series*. Falconer Brian Bradley will demonstrate live owls, hawks and falcons from around the world. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Emily Angell as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The singer-songwriter will perform her mix of folk, roots and electro-pop. 7:30-9pm at New Ro Parc. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

## 7/30 SATURDAY

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Improv All Stars as part of the Summer Amphitheater Series*. A quartet of NYC's best improvisers use audience interactions and/or a guest interview to create immediate comedy scenes that feel tailored to the audience in attendance. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Harnessing the Power of the Image via Zoom*. Writers will look closely at how some master poets have employed the image and find strategies for their own work. 12:30-2:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

## 7/31 SUNDAY

**Theater:** Bedford Playhouse presents *Broadway in Bedford: Leading Ladies*. Performers will sing classic Broadway favorites at the Playhouse's lawn. 5-6:15pm. [bedfordplayhouse.org](http://bedfordplayhouse.org)

**Tours:** Hudson River Museum presents *Neighborhood Summer*

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**Nature Walk.** Guests will walk through Old Croton Aqueduct and explore the plants and animals that live in the lower Hudson River Valley. 1-3pm. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Spoken Word:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Published Student Reading (in person and via Zoom)*. The reading will celebrate the publications of three students and one Board Member of the Writers Center. 4-5:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Writing as Creative Reception: a generative writing class via Zoom*. The class will write craft essays and reimagine the many futures possible in the writing process, drawing inspiration from user-friendly essays on AI, robotics and more. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

## AUGUST

### 8/2 TUESDAY

**Music In The Air:** Jazz Forum Arts presents *Jazz at Horan's Landing*. Mark Morganelli & The Jazz Forum All-Stars will perform a live concert series. 6:30pm at Horan's Landing Park, Sleepy Hollow. Also Tuesdays through 8/23. [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

### 8/3 WEDNESDAY

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *New Rochelle Opera as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. This outdoor program will feature favorites from opera, operetta, musical theater. 7:30-9pm at Hudson Park. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

### 8/4 THURSDAY

**Music In The Air:** The Pocantico Center presents *Camille A. Brown & Dancers Outdoor Performance*. The dynamic program will embrace the company's introspective approach to cultural themes through visceral movement and socio-political dialogue. 6:30-8:30pm. [rbf.org/pocantico](http://rbf.org/pocantico)

### 8/5 FRIDAY

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Afro-Peruvian Ensemble, as part of the Summer Amphitheater Series*. The ensemble will perform the joyful sounds of the Peruvian coast with a contemporary treatment rooted in the rich Afro-Peruvian tradition. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)



The Chevalier, 7/10, Caramoor Center for Music and the Arts (photo credit: Elliot Mandel)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Nelson Riveros Latin Trio as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. Guitarist Nelson Riveros and his group combine Latin and Caribbean rhythms to create a fresh new sound. 7:30-9pm at New Ro Parc. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

### 8/6 SATURDAY

**Family & Kids:** Antonia Arts presents *OZland Festival*. This is a full day event with vendors, entertainment, music, dancing, films like the *The Wizard of Oz* and more. 12-6pm. [antoniaarts.org](http://antoniaarts.org)

**Music:** ArtsWestchester presents *Braata Folk Singers*. The group is a proud ambassador of, and the foremost authority on, Jamaican and Caribbean folk music performance in the United States. 2-4pm at White Plains Public Library. [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)

**Music:** Bedford Playhouse presents *The Four26*. The outdoor performance will feature an eclectic blend of folk, rock and other surprises. 5-7pm. [bedfordplayhouse.org](http://bedfordplayhouse.org)

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Clifton Anderson, as part of its Summer Amphitheater Series*. This a performance by Anderson, who is considered one of the leading trombonists and composers performing in Jazz today. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Workshop:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Writing & Performing the Monologue Craft talk (via Zoom)*. This workshop for playwrights, storytellers, prose writers, poets and experimenters will offer a framework for shaping monologue projects and guidance on sculpting the piece. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Writing in Hybrid Forms: A Generative Workshop via Zoom*. This course uses poetry as a collage with prompts and examples of poems that incorporate different poetic elements within poems. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Music:** Westchester Collaborative Theater presents *Ingrid Jensen*. The Theater's Music in the Box series presents world famous trumpet player Ingrid Jensen and her band. 7:30-10pm. [wctheater.org](http://wctheater.org)

### 8/7 SUNDAY

**Spoken Word:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *An Afternoon with Suzanne Frischkorn, Mai Der Vang & Jennifer Elise Forester*. Three authors and poets will read from their latest works. 4-5:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Strategies for Revision: a Poetry Workshop via Zoom*. Poet and professor Justin Wymer will workshop

discuss strategies for revision that writers can apply to their other work. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

### 8/9 TUESDAY

**Music In The Air:** ArtsWestchester presents *Summer Breeze feat. Wuza Wuza African Music & Dance Ensemble*. The Ghanaian dance and drum ensemble is known for its representations of Ghana's many different ethnic traditions. 6:30-8pm at Mount Vernon City Hall Plaza. [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)

### 8/10 WEDNESDAY

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Empire Beats as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The band will perform a mix of blues, rock, and jazz for dancers. 7:30-9pm at Hudson Park. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

### 8/12 FRIDAY

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Cherish The Ladies, as part of the Summer Amphitheater Series*. This Grammy-nominated Irish American super-group will perform an evening of Irish Music. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Film:** KinoSaito presents *Screening, Akira (1988)*. This is a 1988 Japanese animated cyberpunk action film directed by Katsuhiro Otomo (born 1954) and

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co-written by Otomo and Izo Hashimoto, based on Otomo's 1982 manga of the same name. 6-8:30pm. [kinosaito.org](http://kinosaito.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *What It Is as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The group will perform its unique mix of Funk, soul, rock, and R&B. 7:30-9pm at New Ro Parc. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

### 8/13 SATURDAY

**Film:** Bedford Playhouse presents *Katonah Classic Stage Film Festival*. This is an outdoor showcase of short films from all over the world. 8-10pm. [bedfordplayhouse.org](http://bedfordplayhouse.org)

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Mind Reading Under the Stars, as part of the Summer Amphitheater Series*. This outdoor event will be led by Andy Gershenson, The Brooklyn Wizard, who has been a professional magician

for more than 15 years. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Flash Fiction: Create a Moment, Create a World with Helen Phillips via Zoom*. Participants will examine samples of contemporary flash fiction, and then experiment with the form themselves. 12:30-2:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Film:** Jacob Burns Film Center presents *Shaun the Sheep Movie*. Shaun, a mischievous and smart little sheep, decides to take a day off from the English farm where he lives and gets a little more action than he bargained for. 11am-12:30pm. [burnsfilmcenter.org](http://burnsfilmcenter.org)

**Music In The Air:** Wainwright House and Ballet des Amériques presents *Dancing Caravan*. The dance company will perform a series of outdoor ballet performances at the Wainwright House. 3 & 6pm. Also 8/14 at 2 & 5pm. [wainwright.org](http://wainwright.org)

### 8/14 SUNDAY

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Master Class on The Craft of Poetry via Zoom*. Harvard professor Stephanie Burt will discuss the nuances of poetic craft. 12:30-2:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

### 8/17 WEDNESDAY

**Music In The Air:** Emelin Theatre presents *Hollis Brown*. The rock band will perform from their album-long tribute to the Rolling Stones' fourth album, *Aftermath*. 7pm at Harbor Island Park, Mamaroneck. [emelin.org](http://emelin.org)

**Music In The Air:** Jazz Forum Arts presents *Julian Caldwell, aka JSWISS as part of its 22nd Annual Dobbs Ferry Summer Music Series*. Emcee JSWISS will be joined by trumpeter Michael Leonhart will perform a mix of hip-hop and jazz. 6:30pm at Waterfront Park, Dobbs Ferry. [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Olivia K and The Parkers as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. This band will perform its all-Brooklyn fusion of soul, jazz, gospel and art rock. 7:30-9pm at Hudson Park. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

### 8/19 FRIDAY

**Music In The Air:** Hudson River Museum presents *Natyamudra Classical Indian Dance, as part of its Summer Amphitheater Series*. A group of students will perform various pieces from the Bharatanatyam repertory followed by an interactive lesson on basic movements of this classic Indian dance style. 8-9pm at the Museum's Amphitheater. [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Third Stream Meme as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The band will perform their unique sound of jazz, rock



Southside Johnny & The Asbury Jukes, 7/22, Tarrytown Music Hall (photo source: [southsidejohnny.com](http://southsidejohnny.com))

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*The Four26, 8/6, Bedford Playhouse (photo source: thefour26.com)*

and contemporary classical. 7:30-9pm at New Ro Parc. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

## 8/20 SATURDAY

**Music In The Air:** ArtsWestchester presents *Dia de la Cultura Ecuatoriana (Day of Ecuadorian Culture)*. This is an afternoon of Ecuadorian music, dance, food, craft, costumes and the indigenous Kichwa language. 3-8pm at Barnhart Park. [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)

**Workshop:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Midrash Workshop (via Zoom)*. Participants will re-imagine compelling stories in the Bible using a modern adaptation of an ancient Jewish rabbinic form. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Theater:** Studio Theater in Exile presents *Forever Yours, Olive Thomas*. This is a new play by John Arco, directed by Mara Mills and starring Dakota Martin. 7:00 -9:00 Pm. [studiotheaterinexile.com](http://studiotheaterinexile.com)

## 8/21 SUNDAY

**Workshop:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *The Joy of Editing with Daniel Lawless & Frances Richey*

*via Zoom*. This workshop focuses on the art of editing, and offers techniques that help writers finish their poems. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

## 8/24 WEDNESDAY

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Just Sixties as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The group will play favorites from that 60s decade. 7:30-9pm at Hudson Park. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

## 8/26 FRIDAY

**Music In The Air:** Jazz Forum Arts presents *Rodrigo Bonelli & Brasil Trio +1 as part of the Jazz at Pierson Park concert series*. Bonelli and his ensemble will perform original compositions in a variety of Brazilian styles. 6:30pm at Pierson Park, Tarrytown. [jazzforumarts.org](http://jazzforumarts.org)

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Bill Steely as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The country singer-songwriter will perform country and Americana. 7:30-9pm at New Ro Parc. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

## 8/27 SATURDAY

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *A Craft talk with Julie E. Bloemeke via Zoom*. Students will review contemporary poems that demonstrate how openings, closings and line breaks can propel the work forward. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

## 8/28 SUNDAY

**Theater:** Bedford Playhouse presents *Broadway in Bedford: Golden Age of Broadway*. The outdoor program will include works from Rodgers & Hammerstein, Jerome Kern, Leonard Bernstein, Jerry Herman and more. 5-6:15pm. [bedfordplayhouse.org](http://bedfordplayhouse.org)

**Workshop:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Small Fires: Writing the Short Poem*. This program will explore and practice the rich form of the short poem with examples of the form. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Workshop:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *The Art of Telling: a Prose Workshop via Zoom*. The program will explore how to pace a story

and better manage the movement of time. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

**Workshops:** Hudson Valley Writers Center presents *Revision via Zoom*. Award-winning poet Michael Patrick Collins will help students revise difficult to place poems. 12:30-4:30pm. [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

## 8/31 WEDNESDAY

**Music In The Air:** New Rochelle Council on the Arts presents *Yacht Rock with AM Gold as part of The Summer Sounds concert series*. The group will perform hit songs from the decade 1975 to 1985. 7:30-9pm at Hudson Park, New Rochelle. [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

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Annette Wallach Cohen, *Futura*, on view in Harrison Public Library's *Fotofantasmics* exhibition, through 8/4 (photo courtesy of Harrison Public Library)

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## EXHIBITIONS & CLASSES

### Antonia Arts | [antoniaarts.org](http://antoniaarts.org)

- **Class: *Summer Performing Youth*.** The program will offer singing, acting, dancing, poetry and art taught by professionals with a culminating program performance as part of the Ozland Festival on August 6. 8/1-8/6 at 9am-4pm.

### Arc Stages | [arcstages.org](http://arcstages.org)

- **Class: *SummerStage Camp*.** Classes include acting technique, choreography, improv, music, vocal technique and more. The skills learned in these classes will be incorporated into the creation of musical theatre shows. 7/4-8/13, 9am-4pm.

### ArtsWestchester | [artsw.org](http://artsw.org)

- **Exhibition: *Who Writes History?*** The exhibition explores how images and language shape the collective memory and mainstream narratives. Through 7/3, Wed-Fri & Sun: 12-5pm, Sat: 12-6pm.

### Ballet des Amériques | [bdaconservatory.com](http://bdaconservatory.com)

- **Class: *Ballet Summer Intensive I & II*.** The comprehensive program for young students includes classes and workshops in ballet, pointe, floor barre, contemporary dance, jazz dance and more. Weekdays from 7/11-7/22 & 8/8-8/19. Times vary.

### Center for Digital Arts, Peekskill | [sunywcc.edu/peekskill](http://sunywcc.edu/peekskill)

- **Class: *Digital Painting and Drawing for Teens - Remote*.** Students aged 11-17 will learn how to utilize a stylus and tablet to create intricate texture maps for 3D objects, self-portraits and compositing digital photography to create new cosmic vistas. Mon-Thurs, 7/5-7/18 at 9:30-11:30am.
- **Class: *Painting & Drawing for Kids*.** Children aged 7-10 will learn painting and drawing techniques for portraiture, landscape and abstraction. Mon-Thurs, 7/19-8/1 at 12-2pm.

For more Center for Digital Arts, Peekskill workshops, visit [sunywcc.edu/peekskill](http://sunywcc.edu/peekskill).

### Clay Art Center | [clayartcenter.org](http://clayartcenter.org)

- **Exhibition: Artists in Residence Concurrent Exhibitions.** The show will spotlight the artistic achievements of the Center's current resident artists Able Broyles, Anny Chen and Breana Hendricks. Through 8/4, 10am-5pm.

### Collaborative Concepts | [collaborativeconcepts.org](http://collaborativeconcepts.org)

- **Exhibition: *Sculpture Art Walk*.** The outdoor display will feature playful sculptures set against the Old Red Mills Streams and Gazebo. Through 10/30.

### Edward Hopper House Museum and Study Center | [edwardhopperhouse.org](http://edwardhopperhouse.org)

- **Exhibition: *Evening Wind*.** Contemporary painter Liliane Tomasko shares works that are inspired by Edward Hopper's 1921 etching of a woman who has awoken in the cross-hatched black of night, as if from a bad dream. Through 7/24, Friday, 1-5pm, Sat & Sun: 12-5pm.

### Hammond Museum & Japanese Stroll Gardens | [hammondmuseum.org](http://hammondmuseum.org)

- **Exhibition: *Cloud Wanderings of Wang Mansheng*.** Paintings and calligraphy in the Chinese tradition by Wang Mansheng explore the spirit of the natural world and venture into contemporary meaning. Through 8/13, 12-4pm.

### Harrison Public Library | [harrisonpl.org](http://harrisonpl.org)

- **Exhibition: *Fotofantasmics* by Annette Wallach Cohen.** Cohen's photographs are based on imaginative external and internal musings using a sophisticated mix of photography and drawing. 7/5-8/4. 9:30am-5:30pm.



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Misha Tyutyunik, *Won (One)*, on view in *Cover Lover Remix* at Pelham Art Center from 7/21-8/27 (photo courtesy of Pelham Art Center)

**Hudson River Museum** | [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

- **Exhibition: *Plastic Reef*.** The artist weaves together everyday plastic objects—such as used bottles, bottle caps, plastic cutlery, flip flops, and more—to recreate a marine coral reef and its interdependent life forms. Through 2/12/2023, 12-5pm.
- **Exhibition: *Order / Reorder: Experiments with Collections*.** The show explores approaches to looking at American art that consider expressions of American identity from new perspectives. Through 9/3/2023, 12-5pm.
- **Class: *Family Studio Art - Painting Sound*.** Kids and families will explore the relationship between music and art by engaging with the works on view in the Museum's Cycles of Nature exhibition. Saturdays from 7/2-7/31, 1-4pm.

**Hudson Valley Writers Center** | [writerscenter.org](http://writerscenter.org)

- **Class: *A Fiction Workshop for Teens via Zoom*.** This five-week workshop will provide prompts to create new stories. Sundays, 7/17-8/14 at 1-3pm.

**KinoSaito** | [kinosaito.org](http://kinosaito.org)

- **Class: *Manga Crash Course*.** Participants in grades 4-9 will learn the basics of character creation, storytelling and the conventions in this distinct comic style that originated in Japan. 7/18-7/22, 11am-2pm.

**Lincoln Glenn** |

- **Exhibition: *The Inaugural Show: A Century in American Art*.** This exhibition will be a sample of the gallery's inventory that represents over 100 years of American art history from the Hudson River School in the 19th century to the Abstract Expressionists of the 1970s. 9/3/2022, 10am-6pm.

**Lyndhurst Mansion** | [lyndhurst.org](http://lyndhurst.org)

- **Exhibition: *Women's Work*.** The show examines the influence of the historic female domestic craft tradition in the practice of contemporary women artists. Through 9/26, Thurs-Mon: 11am-3:30pm.

**Mamaroneck Artists Guild** | [mamaroneckartistguild.org](http://mamaroneckartistguild.org)

- **Exhibition: *Summer Days*.** All Media online and at the gallery. Through 7/16, 12-5pm.

**Neuberger Museum of Art** | [neuberger.org](http://neuberger.org)

- **Exhibition: *The Friends at 50: Selections from the Collection*.** This exhibition is comprised of works that have come into the Museum's collection through the efforts of the Friends of the Museum organization. Through 7/3, Wed-Sun: 12-5pm.

**New Rochelle Council on the Arts** | [newrochellearts.org](http://newrochellearts.org)

- **Exhibition: *Songs for Our Fathers*.** The show commemorates Juneteenth and pays tribute to fathers everywhere, exploring the important relationships between fathers and children, husbands and wives, partners and their kids. Through 7/31 at New Rochelle City Hall.

**Oak & Oil Gallery** | [oakandoil.com](http://oakandoil.com)

- **Exhibition: *Seen and Unseen: Oil Paintings by Linda Puiatti*.** Puiatti's representational and abstract paintings are inspired by the Hudson Valley, Upstate New York farmlands and the coast of Cape Cod. Through 7/17.
- **Exhibition: *Wax and Fire Works Encaustic works by Richard Coico*.** This exhibit is about discovery, movement and the unique blending of wax, colors and fire. 7/23- 8/21.

**Steffi Nossen School of Dance** | [steffinossen.org](http://steffinossen.org)

- **Class: *Adaptive Musical Theater Workshop*.** This 3-day adaptive course combines jazz, modern, ballet and rhythm tap movement with choreography to demonstrate dance combinations. 7/6-7/8, 10am-3pm.

**Studio Theater in Exile** |

- **Exhibition: *Objects in Performance*.** This show features the video sculptures of visual Adam Niklewicz and musician Satyaki Dutta. 7/1-7/31.

**The Play Group Theatre** | [playgroup.org](http://playgroup.org)

- **Class: *Summer Camp PGT*.** Classes include playwriting, improv, design tech, young actors ensemble, sketch comedy and more. 7/11-8/5, 8:30am-4pm.

**Westchester Children's Chorus, Inc.** | [wcchorus.org](http://wcchorus.org)

- **Class: *Summer Intensive*.** Certified music educators will lead daily musical workshops, community building activities and choral rehearsals for students entering grades 1-12. 8/22-8/26 at 9am-12:30pm at Larchmont Avenue Church.

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