



The Greenwich Arts Council
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Top: New Leabanon Students visiting the Bendheim Gallery
Bottom: GAC Building Light installation by Luigi Cazzaniga



newsletter

Winter 2018



MAY 3 - 27, 2018
TWENTY FIRST YEAR

Opening Night Festivities:
Thursday, May 3, 5:30 - 8 PM

ART
to the
Avenue



Whoever said that art and commerce don't mix was clearly mistaken. Since 1998 Art to the Avenue has been doing just that. Each May, with the overwhelming support of the Greenwich business community, the Arts Council turns Greenwich Avenue into a strolling gallery. One of the largest and most exciting festivals ever organized, the Opening is set for Thursday, May 3, from 5:30-8pm. The evening launches a truly spectacular show. Musicians and street performers fill the street entertaining strollers. Most stores host receptions for the hundreds of visitors who attend to preview the work of over 120 artists. The art selected by the retailers remains in place through Memorial Day, so there is ample time for viewers to experience the "gallery" that downtown Greenwich becomes. All the art on display is for sale, and 30% is a tax deduction contribution to the buyer.

A complete Map/Guide is published listing all participants, so that individual shops, artists and locations are easy to locate. Chairing the event this year is GAC Board President Leah Marmon, working along with scores of volunteers.

For information about Retailer and Sponsorship opportunities, please call 203.862.6750
- All sales to benefit GAC programs -



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Art enables us to find ourselves and lose ourselves at the same time.
-Thomas Morton-

NOT A MEMBER ? JOIN NOW !

Name _____

Street _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Tel. _____

Email _____

Annual Membership Dues

- Individual: \$45 Student/Senior: \$35
- Family/Dual: \$75 Friend: \$125 +
- Supporter: \$250 + Patron: \$500 +
- Benefactor: \$1000 +

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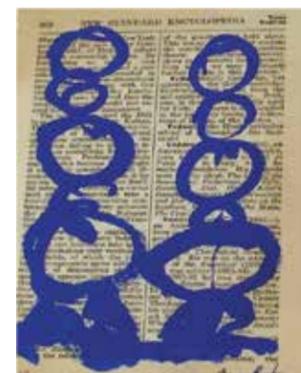
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JEFF KOONS, "Invitation", Sculpture



Bryan Burke, "1990", Acrylic on paper

ONE BY ONE

An Exhibition from the Collection of Aids For Aids
Paintings, Sculptures, Photographs & Prints

January 18 - February 21, 2018

Opening Reception:
Thursday, January 18, 6 to 8 PM
(Snow Date: January 28)

The Greenwich Arts Council is proud to announce a collaboration with Aids For Aids (AFA). Founded in 1996, AFA is a nonprofit organization committed to empowering both communities at risk of HIV and the general population.

Many experts agree that art is a source of healing. When we look at a piece of art, it shapes and moves how we feel internally. For many of the artists in this exhibition, art is about storytelling, a tool for a narrative of their life and how we may or may not relate to it. This exhibition will showcase 30 works (all for sale) that have been donated by artists to AFA to raise funds for a much needed humanitarian cause. One by One we can make a difference!

Through their medicine redistribution program, AFA has so far provided over \$130 million worth of free anti-retroviral medication to over 20,000 people with HIV who lack access to treatment, in 43 developing countries around the world. AFA promotes policy reform and capacity building, and offers preventive education and training, in order to improve quality of life and reduce the stigma and discrimination associated with HIV. They are committed to empowering communities at risk of HIV and the population at large.

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EXPERIENCE THE ARTS

Please visit our website www.greenwichartscouncil.org | P 203.862.6750 for more information on programs, events and membership information

**A Visit to the Brant Foundation
& Lunch at Le Cremaillere with GAC**
On View: Jason Rhoades

Thursday, February 8

By bringing together iconic installations and rarely seen sculptures, the exhibition offers an insightful look at Rhoades's powerful and persuasive oeuvre. Rhoades conceived his works as part of an ongoing project in which the installations were continuously altered and supplemented. Underpinned by a unique combination of humor and conceptual rigor, his practice redefined and expanded the space in which artworks are both made and exhibited. With a firm belief in the ultimate freedom of expression for artists, Rhoades circumvented notions of taste and political correctness in a candid pursuit of the creative impulse itself.

The Brant Foundation Art Study Center, designed by Richard Gluckman, has a mission to promote education and appreciation of contemporary art and design. Currently, the Foundation, established in 1996, lends works to more than a dozen exhibitions per year.

La Crémaillère Restaurant is a charming French Country Restaurant, nestled in a 1750 white clapboard farmhouse in Westchester County New York, called the "Widow Brush House". This quaint country restaurant offers contemporary French fare, beautifully presented with excellent service in an elegant & uniquely classic setting, a true fine dining experience.

Price: \$ 60 for current GAC members & \$ 80 for non-members
To pay for reservations, please call the GAC office at 203.862.6754



A Visit to the HILL-STEAD Museum with GAC
Farmington, CT

Wednesday, May 16

Hill-Stead's 152-acre property boasts rambling stone walls and meadows, historic barns, a network of wooded hiking trails, and the marvelous Sunken Garden. Hill-Stead's world-class collection of French Impressionist paintings and fine art, exquisite decorative arts and handsome antiques can be found on display year-round in our 1901 Colonial Revival house, designed by one of the country's first female architects, Theodate Pope Riddle.

Each year Hill-Stead Museum utilizes its historic home, landmark art exhibit, and 152-acre estate to offer over 4,000 tours and an array of programs in art, architecture, gardens, and natural science. To those who haven't been to Hill-Stead before, you are in for a treat. The story of the house, and the family that built it, is fascinating. The collection of rare French Impressionist paintings on the walls haven't been removed from the house since they were purchased in Paris in the late 19th early 20th centuries. With its in situ furnishings and collection, the museum offers a unique glimpse into the lifestyle of a well-to-do family at the turn of the 20th century and becomes a well-rounded cultural experience, more than just a day at a museum.

HILL-STEAD MUSEUM Tour with GAC
Wednesday, May 6

Price: \$ 150 for current GAC members & \$ 165 for non-members

Includes: Bus, guided tour of the museum and the grounds and a picnic lunch.

To pay for reservations, call the GAC office at 203.862.6754 or purchase your tickets online at www.greenwichartscouncil.org | Limited Space Available



Tickets are on sale now for Play With Your Food's popular noontime theatre series. With an exciting new line-up of short plays and a delicious buffet lunch, PWYF promises to deliver another season of provocative and humorous theatre and fresh acting talent.

Tickets are \$47 or \$180 for the season; visit www.jibproductions.org or call 203.293.8729 to order

Scheduled performances are
Wednesdays and Thursdays:
January 24 & 25 | February 14 & 15
March 14 & 15 | April 11 & 12

Resident Organizations at GAC

Alliance Francaise of Greenwich
www.afgreenwich.org | 203.629.1340

Connecticut School of Music
www.ctschoolofmusic.com
203.226.0805

Friendship Ambassadors Foundation
www.faf.org | 203.542.0652

Greenwich Choral Society
www.greenwichchoralsociety.org
203.622.5136

Greenwich Art Society
www.greenwichartsociety.org
203.629.1533

Greenwich Symphony Orchestra
www.greenwichsym.org | 203.869.2664

HILL-STEAD MUSEUM



THE BENDHEIM GALLERY

GREENWICH ART SOCIETY
Annual Juried Exhibition

March 9 - April 13, 2018

Opening Reception:
Friday, March 9, 5 to 8 PM

First established over 100 years ago, the Greenwich Art Society presents its prestigious Annual Juried Exhibition. Including more than 60 artists with works in all media and genres. The show provides an overview of the various stylistic trends and techniques employed by artists today.

For more information visit:
www.greenwichartsociety.org



2016 annual Juried Exhibition



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Thank you to all of you who supported us and helped us make Arts Alive 2017 a big success!

FALL 2018

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Focus on French Cinema
April 27 - May 1, 2018
at Bow Tie Cinemas in Greenwich!

A weekend of French and French-speaking films, a large selection of premiere prominent films, exciting Q&As and special events with French actors and directors.

The Greenwich Arts Council is proud to be a partner of this year's festival.

For more information and to acquire tickets:
www.focusonfrenchcinema.org

ANNUAL SNOW SCULPTURE CONTEST

Greenwich Recreation and The Greenwich Arts Council present the 6th Annual Snow Sculpture Contest! Throughout this winter season, create your best snow sculpture and submit a photograph to our judges for a chance to win a special prize.

Submissions must be sent via e-mail to: ptroiano@greenwichct.org and include: title or name of snow sculpture, full name(s) of sculptor(s), home address, and photograph of sculpture. The Town of Greenwich reserves the right to use photo submissions in Town media. All entries must be in good taste. Primary consideration will be given to creativity of the title, concept, and execution. Participants must be Greenwich residents. Sculptures will be judged and winners will be awarded in March.