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EVENTS AND VENUES THROUGHOUT THE TWIN TIERS
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If art truly strengthens communities, then the Twin Tiers has Atlas in its corner during March's Festival of Women in the Arts.

For six years the Cantata Singers have organized and sponsored the ever growing and popular Festival of Women in the Arts. Throughout this time we have enjoyed the benefits of artists and organizations working in harmony to highlight and promote art for, by, and about women, and have been enriched by the fruits of such vast artistic energy and labor.

The success of the Festival is credited to the hard work and willingness of many individuals. It is with immense gratitude that we thank those who have contributed time, talent and treasure to make March one of the fullest months of feminine talent ever, for our community!

Please, support the Festival by attending as many events as possible. Take the time to be in the moment and appreciate live performance, galleries and other activities. Most are free, and all are local.

If you would like to contribute to the financial support of the Festival, visit the PayPal link at cantatasingers.com, or send your check made out to "Festival of Women in the Arts" and mail to Cantata Singers, PO Box 952, Elmira, NY 14902.

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To find out more please contact us by email at cantatasingers@ymail.com

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Opening Reception *Thaw* - Saturday, February 23, 3 - 5 pm, Artist talk 3:30 pm, Spencer Hill Gallery, 10503 North Road, Corning, NY.

SATURDAY, MARCH 2

Siren Songs featuring The Johnson Girls, NYC-based a cappella maritime music presented by Valley Folk. Opening set by *The Women's Chorale of 171 Cedar*, 171 Cedar Arts Center's Drake House Studio Theater, 155 Cedar St., Corning, Sat., March 2, 7:30 pm, \$15

Pre-concert jam session begins at 6 pm. More information at www.valleyfolk.org or 607-962-4461 or 607-936-4647 or www.171cedararts.org

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

Orchestra of the Southern Finger Lakes Spring Concert, Sunday, March 3, 2013, 4 pm. The Youth Orchestra, side by side with the OSFL, performs Mussorgsky's Night on Bald Mountain. Hertzog Competition winner, Dylan Kennedy, will enthral with Tchaikovsky's Violin Concerto in D Major and the Rafael Grigorian Ballet Theatre will hypnotize the audience with Bizet's Carmen Ballet Suite on stage accompanied by our orchestra in the pit. To purchase tickets call: 607-734-8191 or go online at www.osfl.org

TUESDAY, MARCH 5

Salute Your Favorite Woman in History, Tuesday, March 5, 2013, 6:30 - 8 pm. Including the 6th Annual Festival of Women in the Arts Gala Opening Reception, Sponsored by the Chemung County Council of Women, Chemung County Historical Society, East Water Street, Elmira, free

Lecture: *Zora Neale Hurston: Her Life and Work*, Tuesday, March 5 2013, 6:30 - 8 pm, Presented by Connie Sullivan-Blum, The Southeast Steuben County Library, Laura Beer Community Room, Corning, free

THURSDAY, MARCH 7

5th Annual Sage Daughters of the Muses: a gentle concord of poetry music and art, Thursday, March 7, 2013 - 5:30 - 7:30 pm, Sponsored by Arnot Art Museum and Friends of the Steele Memorial Library, Arnot Art Museum, Elmira, free

An evening of poetry composed in response to works of art on exhibit in the museum, by women poets of the Southern Tier. Music will enhance the evening and refreshments will be provided

FRIDAY, MARCH 8

Coco: Because We Cannes film series, Friday, March 8, 2013 - 7 pm. A biographical film on international couture artist Coco Chanel, Community Arts of Elmira, 413 Lake Street, free

More info 607-734-5703, 607-732-6437 or by email at ritaforartssake@aol.com or teseward@verizon.net

Their Eyes Were Watching God: Film screening, Friday, March 8, 2013 - 7:00pm Sponsored by 171 Cedar Arts Center and the Southeast Steuben

County Library, Laura Beer Community Room, The Southeast Steuben County Library, Corning, free

SUNDAY, MARCH 10

River Songs - Choral music of women composers based on a river theme Sunday, March 10, 3 pm, The Cantata Singers, Includes a performance by the winner of The Young Performers Competition, 171 Cedar Arts' Drake House, 155 Cedar Corning, free

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 13

Learning to Cross Stitch with Chemung Valley EGA, Wednesday, March 13, 6 pm to 8 pm, Steele Memorial Library auditorium, Downtown Elmira free (No children under the age of 12)

We will start from the very basics of cross stitch. Learning to read the patterns. How to choose your threads. What kind of materials to use. What tools we have available for our hobby. All attendees will get a free kit to take home.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14

Ladies Night Out at Spencer Hill Gallery, Thursday, March 14, 6:30 - 8 pm, free. Spencer Hill Gallery, 10503 North Road, Corning, NY. Located in the north wing of the home on Spencer Hill just south of the city of Corning, and just east of Corning Community College.

Ladies Night Out serves to bring together women in the community for an intimate evening of conviviality surrounded by beautiful art. The gallery director's Art Quest "trivial pursuit"--offers a unique way for the viewer to engage with the individual works on display, while getting to know other women in the community.

FRIDAY, MARCH 15

6th Annual Group Exhibit: Opening Reception, Friday, March 15, 5 - 8 pm, Franklin Street Gallery, Watkins Glen, free.

Exhibit runs through April 19

Coco Before Chanel: Because We Cannes film series, Friday, March 8 7 pm, A biographical film on international couture artist Coco Chanel Community Arts of Elmira, 413 Lake Street, free. More info 607-734-5703 607-732-6437 or email ritaforartssake@aol.com or teseward@verizon.net

Women's Issues: Comedy Improvisation, Friday, March 15, 8 pm, Centre Stage Community Theatre, Corning Elks Lodge, 148 Walnut St, Corning \$8, For reservations call 607-739-9610

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20

Readings by Women Who Write, W. 1st St. and Foster Ave, Wednesday March 20, 7 pm, free

FRIDAY, MARCH 22

Coco and Stravinski: Because We Cannes film series, Friday, March 8 7 pm, A biographical film on international couture artist Coco Chanel Community Arts of Elmira, 413 Lake Street, Friday, March 8, 7 pm, free More info 607-734-5703, 607-732-6437 or email ritaforartssake@aol.com

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SATURDAY, MARCH 23

Seneca Falls Bus Trip, Saturday, March 23, 8 am - 6 pm, Sponsored by the Big Flats Women's Club, Includes galleries, museums and historic sites, Saturday, \$35

Celebrate Women's History Month with The Big Flats Women's Club bus trip to Seneca Falls, the birthplace of the Women's Movement. Join us for the day as we explore the museums, galleries and tour the historic sights of Seneca Falls. Reservations can be made by sending a check to the BFWC, PO Box 236, Big Flats NY 14814. For further information please contact Bobbie at 562-3465. Reservations: Send check to BFWC, PO Box 236, Big Flats, NY 14814, For further information call 607-562-3465. Proceeds benefit young women's scholarship fund

Director's Tour at Spencer Hill Gallery, Saturday, March 23, 11:30 am - 12:30 pm, 10503 North Road, Corning, NY. Located in the north wing of the home on Spencer Hill just south of the city of Corning, just east of Corning Community College.

The Gallery Director's Tour examines the work on display with specific attention to the artists and their personal narratives, thus providing the viewer with greater appreciation for the work on display. The tour briefly touches on the gallery's unique history.

Coco Fashion Show & Luncheon, Saturday, March 23, 12 pm, Community Arts of Elmira, 413 Lake Street, \$10, For reservations call: Rita Rhodes; 607-734-5703; ritaforartssake@aol.com, Eve Seward; 607-732-6437; teseward@verizon.net

Create Your Own Silk Scarf Workshop, Saturday, March 23, 1 pm, Steele Memorial Library, Elmira, free, Sponsored by the Chemung Valley Fiber Arts Guild

SUNDAY, MARCH 24

Creatix: a performance of words and music, song and story, Sunday March 24, 2 - 4 pm, free and open to the public. Creatrix features four Corning-area woman artists: writers Karen Alpha and Akua Lezli Hope and musician/composers Maryalice Little and Mary Lu Walker. Southeast Steuben County Library, 300 Nasser Civic Center Plaza #101, Corning New York, (607) 936-3713, www.stls.org

THURSDAY, MARCH 28

CCCW Dinner, Thursday, March 28, 7:30 pm

FRIDAY, MARCH 29

Celtic Women, Friday, March 29, 8 pm, Clemens Center, Elmira, Tickets at the Clemens Center box office 607-734-8191 - \$99, \$59, and \$29. For one night only, singing sensation Celtic Woman, brings you their latest show. Under the distinct musical direction of Emmy-nominated music producer, David Downes, this spectacular musical experience features Celtic Woman performing classic Irish tunes, such as "The Water Is Wide," "Green Grow the Rushes," and "The Parting Glass," timeless pop anthems

such as "Bridge Over Troubled Water" and "Sailing" and inspirational songs including "You'll Never Walk Alone" and "Ave Maria," all with the signature Celtic Woman sound. Don't miss this opportunity to see Celtic Woman as you've never seen them before.

ONGOING EVENTS

Thaw, Spencer Hill Gallery, 10503 North Road, Corning, NY, Opening Reception Saturday, February 23, 3 - 5 pm, Artist talk 3:30 pm, February 23 - April 6, Thursday - Saturday, 11 am - 6 pm, or by appointment, free

Six months of freezing temperatures and icy roads create the climate of welcoming a mid-winter thaw. "Thaw" finds inspiration in the changing weather for creative processes and concepts. For this collaborative exhibition with the (Southern Tier) Festival of Women in the Arts (Southern Tier), and the Regional Gallery Director's Forum centered in Rochester, the concept for Thaw explores anything that melts, anything in flux or emerging because of the seasons. It searches glowing warmth It plumbs the depths of psychological or spiritual or physical change.

Our featured artist, Masha Ryskin, finds inspiration in landscape elements as metaphor for passage of time or memory. Through the deft use of her tools at hand she maintains complete control of her linear processes. In those processes, Ryskin uses a variety of media, including drawing and painting, printmaking, installation, and fibers.

Ryskin has exhibited nationally and internationally, participating in numerous artist residencies, both in the United States and abroad. She is a recipient of many grants and fellowships, including a Fulbright grant to Norway. Ryskin is a graduate of Rhode Island School of Design and the University of Michigan

Women Artists of Horseheads Group Show, Silverbird Espresso, Franklin Street, Hanover Square, Horseheads, March 1-31, daily, free, for information call 607-739-9610

Elmira Regional Art Society Visual Art Exhibit, 5 Star Bank, 150 Lake Street, Elmira, March 1-31, Mon. - Wed., 9 am - 4 pm; Thurs. - Fri., 9 am - 5 pm, free

Out of Our Gourds & Member Awards by Chemung Valley Fiber Arts Guild, **Hand Built Pottery** by Rita Rhodes, in the display cases at Steele Memorial Library, Steele Memorial Library, Elmira, March 1 - 31, Mon. - Thurs., 9 am - 9 pm, Sat., 9 am - 5 pm, free

Poetry Posts presented by ARTiculation, March 1 - 31, ARTiculation, the creation of three Elmira women poets, will present the works of accomplished regional poets, all female, on Poetry Posts in 11 City of Elmira Parks and Woodlawn Cemetery

Elmira Regional Art Society Visual Art Exhibit, March 1 - 31, Appleridge Senior Living Center, 168 Miller Street, Horseheads, open daily, free

Shutter Gals: an exhibit of area women photographers recent works March 1 - 31, Community Arts of Elmira, 413 Lake Street, Elmira, Tuesday Thursday & Saturday, 2 - 5 pm, free

Women Artists of the Rockwell Museum of Western Art Collection

March 1 - 31, Self-guided Tour, Rockwell Museum of Western Art, 111 Cedar Street, Corning, daily 9 am - 5 pm, free. Tour participants will receive 10% off in the Museum's Trading Post Shop

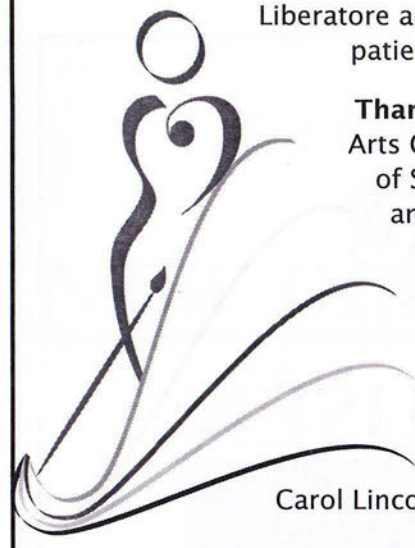
Rita Rhodes - Art on Display, March 1 - 31: "**Polymer Acrylics**", Arnot Ogden Medical Center, Elmira; "**Watercolors**", St. Joseph Hospital, Elmira "**Assemblage Sculpture**", Guthrie Clinic, Pennsylvania Avenue; "**Art Quilts**", Racquet Club, Daniel Zenker Drive, Big Flats; "**Through the Window pastoral**", Corning Country Club, Corning, all exhibits open regular business hours, free

EC Art Alumna Exhibition: Michelle Buchanan '12, March 4 - April 5 Gannett-Tripp Library at Elmira College, daily 9 am - 9 pm, free, Co-sponsored by the Elmira College Women's and Gender Studies Program and the Gannett-Tripp Library

As part of the celebration of March as Women's History Month, this annual Elmira College art alumna exhibition showcases the artwork of Michelle Buchanan, class of 2012. Previous alumnae shows have featured the works of Jacqueline Satterlee, Mavin Ambrose, Diane Janowski, Christine Heusner, and Jenn Dennis.

Special thanks for making the 2013 Festival possible to:

Festival co-chairs, Susan Nagle and Will Wickham wish to offer a very special thank you to Eiron and the staff of Howell Liberatore and Associates for all their professionalism patience and wonderful help on these Festivals



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Upcoming Cantata Singers Performances

River Songs - Settings of music about rivers by women composers 3 pm, March 10, 171 Cedar Arts Center, Cedar Street Corning. The program features music by the prolific contemporary composer Gwyneth Walker along with original compositions and spiritual and hymn arrangements on the theme of "rivers" by several other prominent women writers

Something Olde, Something New - 4 pm, May 19, Ss. Peter and Paul Church, 556 St. Joseph's Boulevard, Elmira. Palestrina's *Tu es Petrus* mass, a series of motets by 20th century composer Maurice Durufle and a set of three songs by popular contemporary composer Eric Whitacre



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