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POETRY AND ART,
PERFECT TOGETHER:

Giving Voice

Exhibit to open September 19 Gallery at 14 Maple

On September 19, 2012 from 6-8pm, the Arts Council of the Morris Area will hold an opening reception for its latest juried exhibition entitled *Giving Voice*, featuring 32 works by 25 artists who live or work in New Jersey. Curated by Margaret O'Reilly, Curator of Fine Art at the New Jersey State Museum, the exhibit showcases these artists' unique and creative interpretations of the theme, *Giving Voice*. This exhibition celebrates and is in conjunction with the 14th biennial Dodge Poetry Festival, North America's largest poetry event, which takes place on October 11-14, 2012.

An overarching theme of the Festival, the process of "giving voice" allows the individual to bring his or her individual experience (their "voice") to the words of a poem. In keeping with that theme, artists are invited to submit a visual interpretation/response to this excerpt from the poem entitled "Time's Passage" by Fernando Pessoa (which is also quoted on the 2012 Dodge Poetry Festival poster):



**I was brought up by Imagination,
I always travelled by her hand,**

**And thus I always loved, hated, spoke, thought,
Having every day this window before me,
Every hour being mine in this way.**



Clockwise from top right: Carlos Frias' *Seeds*; Dan Felon's *Super Dreams*; Larry Roth's *Silent Revelation*; Karen Lundquist, *My Pegasus*.

Collaborative works between visual artists and poets were also encouraged.

The public is invited to view the exhibit and to meet the artists and the curator at the free opening reception on September 19th from 6-8pm at *Gallery at 14 Maple*, a distinctive space located on the 3rd floor of the LEED certified "green" building at 14 Maple Avenue in Morristown, NJ.

The Arts Council gratefully acknowledges sponsorship



for this exhibit by The Morristown CraftMarket, with additional support from the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation. Visit www.grdodge.org for more information on the Dodge Poetry Festival.

The exhibit is open to the public Mondays-Thursdays from 10am to 4pm, on Fridays from 10am to 1pm and by appointment, and will remain on display until March 1, 2013. Visit www.morrisarts.org or call (973) 285-5115 for additional information, including the exhibit catalogue which contains details and sale prices for all works.



Arts Council to participate in
Morristown CraftMarket,
October 19-21:



The Arts Council is proud to partner once again with the Morristown CraftMarket at the National Guard Armory, 430 Western Ave., Morristown. Show hours are Fri., 10/19 from 5pm to 9pm; Sat., 10/20 from 10am to 6pm; and Sun., 10/21 from 10am to 5pm. Now in its 36th continuous year, the CraftMarket is one of the top juried and most successful fine art and craft shows in America, showcasing one-of-a-kind and limited edition fine arts and crafts in all contemporary media. The 160 exhibiting artists come from over 25 states to exhibit and sell their original works in jewelry, ceramics, glass, leather, wood, metal, wearable fiber and more. The nationally acclaimed show is run by the all-volunteer Kiwanis Club of Randolph Township, NJ. All net proceeds of the show benefit local charities. For more information, and discounts visit the show's website at www.morristowncraftmarket.org

The Keefauver Arts In Education Grant Award: Martha B. Day School, Bloomingdale, NJ

This year's recipient of the Keefauver Arts In Education Grant Award was the Martha B. Day School in Bloomingdale, New Jersey. This grant provided funding for a 1st grade artist residency program with teaching artists, Carol Hendrickson and Marco Giammetti, also known as Spiritree. The artists and teachers developed a theme for the residency that integrated with the first grade curriculum and tapped into the power of art-making to engage student creativity. With "life on a farm" as their theme, students created four paintings representing the obvious and more subtle changes of spring, summer, fall, and winter. This aspect of the project not only was an art project, but also a science lesson on the varying seasons and the resultant climate changes. The first graders made papier-mâché figures including a life-size cow puppet which they learned to navigate and parade through the classroom. They also created a tree by connecting and covering cylindrical-shaped oatmeal boxes. By creating the different farm creatures and objects, the students were getting a math lesson by putting together geometric shapes. "This was such an interesting experience for them. It was something they could really sink their teeth into. Not everyone learns in the same way and this gave them a different way to learn," said first grade teacher Deborah Jordan. "When students love something, they become engaged." All of these creations were used in the culminating event – a play entitled E-I-E-I-Ooops about a cow who is taught how to moo by all of the animals in the barnyard.



The world on our doorstep at Music Without Borders

Initiated as a collaboration between the Arts Council of the Morris Area and the Mayo Performing Arts Center in 2010, Music Without Borders is a series of four free outdoor world music concerts that reflects the diversity of our world and our growing appreciation for the richness of world cultures. Here are some scenes from our 2012 season:

Offering music and dance from the sunny climes of Mexico and Brazil, the majestic canyons of the American West and the frozen landscapes of Siberia, the 2012 season of Music Without Borders brought delight to the more than 1,000 people who attended the four programs. People from all backgrounds and ages (from 3 to 83) shared mutual joys – as musicians and dancers performed on the Morristown Green at lunchtime on June 26, July 10 & 24 and August 7. *Mariachi Citalli* brought the infectious rhythms of Mexican *mariachi* music, while Mauricio de Souza and Bossa Brasil® added the smooth and enticing sounds of Brazilian jazz. Children eagerly danced like little buffalos and robins under the expert tutelage of the Redhawk Native American Arts Council Dance Troupe which demonstrated Native American dances, traditions and costumes from multiple tribes throughout America. The season concluded with record attendance at the performance of Russian music and dance by the renowned Russian folk troupe, *Barynya*. Songs and instrumental music (played on *balalaika*, *garmoshka*, and guitar) paired with dances (in full costume) from Russia's multiple cultural traditions: folk, Cossack, Roma gypsy, Russian Jewish and Siberian. Visit the feature box on the Arts Council's homepage (and the page on Music Without Borders) at www.morrisarts.org to see photos and videos of these programs.

Mariachi Citalli: 1.) Mariachi Citalli (Bernardo Ponce, Nick Navarrete, Jerry Navarrete and Francisco Navarrete); 2.) young admirer talks with Jerry Navarrete.

Bossa Brasil®: 3.) Mauricio de Souza (drums) with Gary Mazzaroppi (bass) and Sharel Cassity (sax); 4.) Alan Chaubert plays trumpet and keyboard simultaneously.

The Redhawk Native American Arts Council Dance Troupe: 5.) Lucero Cavelight performing the Shawl dance; 6.) Lucero Cavelight, Cliff Matias, Robert White Magpie and Malia Mahi; 7.) Children dancing Iroquois Robin dance.

Barynya: 8.) Mikhail Smirnov on *garmoshka* (Russian folk accordion) with Elina Karokhina holding her *balalaika*; 9.) Valentina Kvasova (singer, dancer) performing Roma gypsy dance.



Atrium Gallery opens Fall/Winter 2012-13 Exhibit on September 28

On September 28, from 6-8pm, the Arts Council of the Morris Area invites the public to attend the free opening reception of the Fall/Winter 2012-13 Exhibit at the Atrium Art Gallery, located on Floors 2-5 of the Morris County Administration and Records Building on 10 Court Street in Morristown. Dramatic oils by Robert Gagauf and seascapes by Dennis Yanoski will grace the 5th floor while watercolors of urban life by Dorrie Rifkin and colorful multimedia works by Nina Nemeth add variety and vibrancy to the 4th floor. In the atrium of the 3rd floor, thought-provoking oils by Lisa Ficarelli-Halpern will complement the hallway area's intricate woven fabric "paintings" of Natalia Margulis and the elevator lobby's startlingly accurate tributes to great masters by Jyoti Godhani. A joint photography and painting exhibit entitled *Faces of the World* by artists Pam Hasegawa and Laurie Harden will occupy the 2nd floor. Adding to the color and excitement – in the stairwell areas – will be art quilts by Viki Craig and the quilting group, Javiwa & Jo, along with the ever-fascinating mobiles by John Tetz.

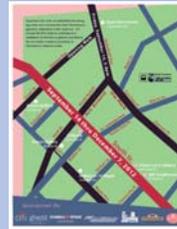
Most works are available for sale, with details and pricing provided in the free catalogue which can be found in the elevator lobby areas on each floor. The Atrium Art Gallery is free and open to the public during business hours (8am-5pm on Mondays-Fridays), from 5-8pm on the evenings of September 14 and December 14, and from 7pm-midnight on New Year's Eve. The exhibit remains in place until January 11, 2013.



Clockwise from top left: A seascape by Dennis Joseph Yanoski; Multimedia Landscape *Faces in the Shadows* by Nina Nemeth; Jyoti Godhani's "take" on Van Gogh's *Starry Starry Night*; woven fabric painting *Flowers in the Window* by Natalia Margulis.

September 14: Art Around the Park Returns

You won't want to miss *Art Around the Park*, Morristown's quarterly, self-guided art walk celebrating the visual arts, featuring the Arts Council of the Morris Area, Simon Gallery and the Hyatt Morristown on September 14, 2012 from 5-8pm at downtown galleries and alternative art venues located in proximity to Morristown's historic Green. Participating galleries include the Simon Gallery (48 Bank Street), the Arts Council's Gallery at 14 Maple (14 Maple Ave.) and Atrium Gallery (10 Court Street, 2nd – 5th floors), gallery space in Citibank (30 W. Park Place), Sweet Lucy's Bakery (56A South Street), J&K Steakhouse (56 South Street) and at the Hyatt Morristown's Eclectic Grill (3 Speedwell Ave.). Free shuttle bus service runs the entire evening, stopping at the front door of each show and ending up at Hyatt Morristown where a three-course *prix fixe* (\$25.00) family style dinner is served at the eclectic Grill. Call Maggie Mahoney @ 973.647.1234 for reservations. Maps and general information about this walking tour may be obtained at www.simongallery.org/aap. For further information, contact: Harry Simon at harry@simongallery.com or at (973) 538-5456.



Freeholder Proclamation marks County and National Arts and Humanities Month

The Arts Council of the Morris Area will again spearhead a Proclamation from the Board of Chosen Freeholders on behalf of the County's arts and cultural organizations to designate the entire month of October as Arts & Humanities Month in Morris County. The Freeholder's Proclamation coordinates with National "Arts and Humanities Month," a coast-to-coast collective celebration of culture in America. Organized every October by the national organization Americans for the Arts, National Arts and Humanities Month represents the largest annual celebration of the arts and humanities in the nation. From arts center open houses to mayoral proclamations to banners and media coverage, communities across the United States join together to recognize the importance of arts and culture in our daily lives.

On October 10, 2012 representatives from Morris County's arts and cultural communities will gather at the Freeholder meeting in support of the proclamation, highlighting the importance of the arts at their own events and performances during the month. Be sure to visit the online cultural calendar at www.morrisarts.org for a listing of the many cultural and arts events in Morris County.



Pumpkin Illumination returns on Sunday, October 28th

Be a part of the Arts Council of the Morris Area's 3rd Pumpkin Illumination event. Bring your carved pumpkins to the Vail Mansion's reflecting pool and monument at 110 South Street, Morristown on October 28 where pumpkins will be lit and arranged around the reflecting pool at dark – making a wonderful display. Additional activities are "in the works," so check our website, www.morrisarts.org, for more details as they become available. Special thanks go to investor's Bank for sponsoring this event.

Clockwise: View of Vail Mansion with illuminated pumpkins; The "Great Pumpkin" from Grow It Green; a "centipede" pumpkin.



Creative Placemaking: New Arts Destination – First Fridays buzz in Boonton, New Jersey

If you have not visited Boonton, NJ lately, you will be delighted to see the transformation of historic downtown into a new arts destination, featuring eight art galleries (and growing) as well as boutiques, design shops and even a dog bakery! Check out the **First Friday** of each month, when the town comes alive with artists, shoppers, music and more. The next **First Friday** – starting at 5pm on September 7 – will feature several well-known artists displaying new works, shops open late for business and the festive atmosphere of a special arts night on the town. Through hard work and a shared vision, this new arts community has evolved – with Gallery owners working together to create an arts experience rarely found in other NJ towns of this size. So follow the buzz and make a night of it: arrive early (to insure parking), visit the galleries and creative shops in town, meet the artists, check out the bakery and bookstore and top off the night with dinner at one of the many great restaurants in town (Mexican, Thai, Spanish as well as American fare are all available.) See what the Boonton buzz is all about....

State announces new collaboration with Arts Council of Morris Area on Artist Career Development

On July 31, 2012, the NJ State Council on the Arts awarded the Arts Council funding for a cosponsored project to promote artist career development. The Executive Director of the State Council, Nick Paleologos, wrote, "The Council's commitment to this project is strong and we greatly appreciate the opportunity to collaborate with Arts Council of the Morris Area in carrying it out."

In the coming weeks, look for more information (on www.morrisarts.org) as details of the Artist Career Development Workshop become available.

SUPPORTING THE ARTS COUNCIL:

How to get involved

- **Donate online at www.morrisarts.org**
- **Consider an in-kind gift.** Now is a great time to share your technical or professional expertise or items that you think might be useful to the Arts Council.
- **Celebrate holidays and milestones with a tribute gift to the Arts Council.** A donation to the Arts Council is the perfect gift to for a loved one committed to creativity.
- **Check to see whether your company has a matching gift program.** Some companies will double the donations or value of volunteer time given by their employees.
- **Volunteer your time.** Whether volunteering for a project, an event or at the office, your time is valuable to us.
- **Send us your e-mail address!** We value sustainability and community – help us communicate with you more effectively as we all work to build a greener, more creative world.

All contributions are tax-deductible.

For more information contact Gina Moran, the Arts Council's Development Director, at gmoran@morrisarts.org or (973) 285-5115, ext. 13.

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NOTEWORTHY

Save the Dates:

- **September 7, 2012:** First Fridays in Boonton
- **September 14, 2012:** Art Around the Park
- **September 19, 2012:** Opening Reception for *Giving Voice*, Gallery at 14 Maple, 6-8pm
- **September 28, 2012:** Opening Reception for *Fall/Winter 2012 Exhibit* at the Atrium Gallery, 6-8pm
- **October 10, 2012:** Arts & Humanities Month Proclamation at Freeholder Meeting
- **October 18, 2012:** Gary's Wine & Marketplace's 21st annual Grant Tasting at The Park Avenue Club
- **October 18-21, 2012:** Morristown CraftMarket at Morristown Armory
- **October 28, 2012:** Pumpkin Illumination Event at Vail Mansion, Morristown

October 18 — 21st Annual Grand Tasting

Please support Gary's Wine & Marketplace's 21st Annual GRAND TASTING on October 18th, at the Park Avenue Club, 184 Park Ave., Florham Park, NJ. Taste and purchase this year's best finds in wine and food and give back to the community, all in one night. This year's recipients again include the Arts Council of the Morris Area, among other nonprofit service organizations. See more details and purchase tickets at <http://www.garyswine.com>.

GIRALDA 2012 Music and Arts Festival

Lovely weather held for this year's Giralda Music and Arts Festival which featured Emil de Cou conducting the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra and three soloists from Opera NJ in a program featuring Tchaikovsky's *Polonaise* from *Eugene Onegin*, Strauss' *Voices of Spring*, selections from Gilbert & Sullivan's *HMS Pinafore*, Nicolai's Overture to *Merry Wives of Windsor*, Anderson's *Goldilocks Overture*; Rodgers' *The Carousel Waltz*; Moross's *The Big Country*; Williams' *Adventures on Earth* from *E.T.: The Extra Terrestrial*; Lowden's *Armed Forces Salute*; and Dragon's arrangement of *America The Beautiful*.

Additionally, the event featured an art show and sale, children's activities (art making, origami, parachute fun, face painting, etc.), and, of course, the traditional picnic contest and 50/50 raffle. The vintage ice cream truck and desserts by The Artist Baker capped the wonderful day.

The Arts Council thanks the following corporations of Giralda Farms and sponsors whose contributions and support make this event possible: Open Spaces Management Association; GRC Management Corp.; BASF – The Chemical Company; RXR Realty; Pfizer; Maersk Inc.; PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP; investors Bank; Frank and Lydia Bergen Foundation; J. Weber Design, LLC; One Source Communications; Kings Food Markets. Media sponsor: Daily Record.



Clockwise from far left: investors Bank volunteers getting ready to sell 50/50 raffle tickets; Emil de Cou conducts the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra and three soloists from Opera NJ; Parachute fun for kids with clown Becky Santora; Creative fruitbowl from prizewinning picnic, "What to expect when expecting"; happy crowds.

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