SAVE THE DATES:

- **September 22, 2017**: Opening Reception for Fall/Winter Invitational Exhibition – Abraham Gallery, 10 Court Street, 7-9pm

- **September 27, 2017**: Arts & Humanities Month Proclamation – Freeholder Meeting, 5th floor, Court St., 9:30am

- **September 28, 2017**: Opening Reception for Scandal exhibition – Abraham Gallery, 10 Maple Ave., 3rd Floor, 6-8pm

- **October 22-23, 2017**: Morristown CraftMarket – at Abraham Gallery, check details at www.morrisarts.org/abraham_gallery

- **October 27, 2017**: Gary’s Grand Tasting wine event – 7-9:30pm, check http://garyswine.com for details and tickets.

The exhibit is open to the public throughout the weekend, Monday-Friday and will be open from 7pm-midnight at First Night Morris County on New Year’s Eve. The exhibit remains open to the public through the month of January.

Most works are available for sale, with details and pricing provided in the free catalogues found in the elevator lobby on 10 Court Street in Morristown. Meet the gifted artists whose works utilize oils, acrylics, mixed media, ink, and other media and range in style from the abstract to hyper-realist and pop surrealism.

The fifth floor Atrium will feature the hyper-realist paintings by artist Allan Gorman (West Orange, NJ) whose works evoke artists as Edward Hopper, George Bellows and others…and reveal Gorman’s fascination with the hidden and the mysterious. We also present a column on contemporary student art as Lisa DeLoria Weinblatt (Verona, NJ) pop surrealism explores themes such as darker dreams, childhood innocence and wonder. Valerie Verona’s (Bayside, NY) abstract imagery, while Allan Gorman’s (East Bumble)中国风的油彩，儿女情长诸般意，and includes his “human essence” works that eloquently capture states of mind and abstract feelings. A riot of brilliant colors from Valerie Verona’s (Verona, NJ) vibrant acrylics embraces the third floor Atrium, blending representational and abstract imagery, while David Nicolato’s (Verona, NJ) pop surrealism explores themes such as darker dreams, childhood development and the treatment of animals – with wildly imagined animal forms, fantastical braids and whimsical yet unsettling imagery. Featured on the second floor, presenting artist Lisa DeLoria Weinblatt (Bayside, NY) shares her insightful, thought provoking School Lunch Series of oils, a fascinating, expressive pictorial essay of contemporary school lunch and its nutritional implications. Music Beyond Borders 2017 – From Ireland to China

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A TRIBUTE TO LIFE’S ESSENTIALS – Art Brings Insight and Thought-Provoking Artwork to First Night Morris County’s Vail Mansion

The Vickery Family, who own the Vail Mansion, has once again partnered with Morris Arts to bring the community a creative new exhibition, “School Lunch,” which explores the shared experience of school lunch and its cultural significance. This year’s exhibition features a series of oils by Lisa DeLoria Weinblatt, a fascinating, expressive pictorial essay of contemporary student life which touches on cross-cultural issues and emotional attitudes in the shared experience of school lunch. It opens on Monday, February 27th from 7 pm to midnight at First Night Morris County on New Year’s Eve.

Exhibition Overview

The exhibit, “School Lunch,” is a collection of 15 oils, each of which provides unique insights into the shared experience of school lunch. The oils, which were painted over nearly a decade, explore a variety of themes related to the school lunch experience, including the cross-cultural interactions that occur during lunch breaks, the emotional and psychological effects of school lunch, and the impact of school lunch on children’s well-being. The exhibit aims to inspire thought-provoking conversations about the role of school lunch in shaping children’s lives.

Exhibition Dates

The “School Lunch” exhibition is open from February 27th at 7 pm to March 12th at 7 pm, Monday through Friday from 7 pm to midnight at First Night Morris County on New Year’s Eve. The exhibit remains open from 7 pm to midnight from Monday, February 27th through Thursday, March 2nd. The exhibition will be open on Friday, March 3rd from 7 pm to 9 pm, Saturday, March 4th from 11 am to 9 pm, and Sunday, March 5th from 11 am to 5 pm. The exhibition is free and open to the public.

Support for the “School Lunch” Exhibition

The “School Lunch” exhibition is made possible through the generous support of: Allstate Insurance Company, AWI Campaign of the National Endowment for the Arts, Bank of America Charitable Foundation, BNY Mellon, Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, ConMet, Central New Jersey Communications, the Greater Montclair Community Foundation, the National Endowment for the Arts, The Passaic Valley Foundation, the Small Business Development Center at Montclair State University, and the Young Professionals of Morris Arts.

For more information, please visit: www.morrisarts.org or call 973.285.5115.

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- **September 27, 2017:** Morris Freeholder Proclamation to mark County and National Arts and Humanities Month.
- **September 28, 2017:** Opening Reception for Morris Arts: How to get Involved...
- **October 27, 2017:** Gary’s Grand Tasting wine event at Morristown CraftMarket.

New records set with Giralda Music and Arts Festival 2017 attendance!

As part of the 2017 National Arts and Humanities Month, the Giralda Music and Arts Festival in Morristown, New Jersey, has set new records for attendance.

**Father Time**

The festival featured a variety of music performances, art exhibitions, and cultural events. The attendance figures were not only impressive but also reflected a community-wide interest in the arts.

**Art Matters**

Morris Arts is proud to partner once again with the Morristown CraftMarket at the National Guard Armory, 430 Western Ave., Morristown. Hours for this nationally acclaimed and charitable show are Friday, October 20, 2017 from 5pm to 9pm; Saturday, October 21, 2017 from 10am to 6pm; and Sunday, October 22, 2017 from 10am to 5pm. Now in its 41st year, the CraftMarket is one of the top juried and most successful fine art and craft shows in America. It showcases one-of-a-kind and limited edition fine arts and crafts from around the world. The 150 gifted exhibiting artists come from over 25 states to exhibit and sell their original works in jewelry, painting, glass, leather, wood, metal, wearable fiber and more. The show is produced by the all-volunteer Kiwanis Club of Randolph Township, NJ, and Geoffrey “Geo” Price is Show Director. All net proceeds of the show benefit local charities. For more information, and discounts visit the show’s website at www.morristowncraftmarket.org.

On October 27, 2017, from 7-9:30pm (VIP admission at 5:30pm), Gary’s Wine & Marketplace will once again host its fabulous Grand Tasting event at Wyndham Hamilton Park Hotel and Conference Center located at 175 Park Avenue in Florham Park. This event features over 450 fine wines, plus a stellar selection of premium spirits and craft beers among the many offerings. The atmosphere is like no other and is considered by many to be the best wine tasting event in New Jersey. Of course savory dishes from some of the area’s finest restaurants are served as well. Tickets are $80 for General Admission and $125 for VIP Admission. VIP tickets provide early entry to all wine purveyors plus Champagne Louis Roederer, oysters and other very special premium wines. As always, Gary’s gives back to the community, with proceeds from this event to benefit Morris Arts, Gagnon Cardiovascular Institute, Atlantic Health Care Home and Hospice, and the Interfaith Food Pantry. Tickets go on sale in September and are available online at www.garyswine.com or at any Gary’s Wine & MarketPlace location.

**Gary’s Grand Tasting**

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**Gary’s Grand Tasting**

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**Morristown CraftMarket**

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