

Photo caption: Tuesday, August 31, is the deadline for businesses and others to get recognition throughout the 2021-2022 season for their support of the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County's (UAA) 2021 fund drive. The appearance by Special Consensus bluegrass band on Friday, October 22, 7:30 p.m., at the 1891 Fredonia Opera House Performing Arts Center will be one of the first live in-person performances presented by this UAA member since the COVID-19 pandemic.



Photo caption: Tuesday, August 31, is the deadline for businesses and others to get recognition throughout the 2021-2022 season for their support of the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County's 2021 fund drive. These students are grateful for the Local Music Showcase and Art Market to be presented by UAA member Infinity Visual and Performing Arts on Saturday, September 11, noon to 8 p.m., at Basil & Bones.

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United Arts Appeal 2021 Fund Drive Closes August 31

Jamestown, N.Y. – "Residents and businesses throughout Chautauqua County benefit from the positive impact the arts have on children's academic success, the region's economic well-being, and our quality of life," said United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County (UAA) President Julie Newell.

Newell is encouraging local businesses and individuals to support the UAA's 2021 fund drive before it closes at the end of the month.

"Our members are eagerly planning to fully resume the in-person classes, rehearsals, and performances that are so important but that couldn't happen during the worst of the COVID pandemic," Newell said. "We're counting on the community to help us make all this possible."

Contributions to the United Arts Appeal support these member organizations: Chautauqua Regional Youth Ballet, Community Music Project, 1891 Fredonia Opera House Performing Arts Center, Infinity Visual and Performing Arts, Lucille Ball Little Theatre of Jamestown, and Western New York Chamber Orchestra.

Member offerings range from classes and performance opportunities for all ages in music, art,

dance, and theater, to presentations of concerts, plays, dance, and films, from classical to contemporary. The UAA also awards grants for arts projects to individual artists and non-profit organizations through its Projects Pool Grants Program.

To be recognized during the 2021-2022 arts season, contributions must be made by Tuesday, August 31, with checks payable to the United Arts Appeal and mailed to P. O. Box 754, Jamestown, NY 14702.

The United Arts Appeal recognizes its supporters in numerous ways.

Every contributor is listed on the UAA's website as well as the websites of all the member organizations. With the return of in-person presentations, donors will be named in their printed programs.

Additional acknowledgments can include links to the donor's website, being featured on posters in the lobbies of the Lucille Ball Little Theatre of Jamestown and the 1891 Fredonia Opera House Performing Arts Center, free cinema admissions, being named in news releases, and more.

To learn all the benefits available to contributors to the United Arts Appeal, visit "Support UAA" at <u>UnitedArtsAppeal.org</u>.

The United Arts Appeal has received significant support from Chautauqua County, the Jessie Smith Darrah Fund, and the Hultquist and Holmberg Foundations this year.

Major contributors to the UAA's 2021 fund drive to date are Patrons Phin and Sara DeMink, Lyndon and Melanie Gritters, Mark and Donna Hampton, Richard Turner Jr. and Terry Havens-Turner, and Dr. Bruce Rockwell. Special Gifts have been given by M. L. Feather, Jamestown Roofing, Lake Shore Savings Bank, Lissa and Sherwood VanDewark, and Wegmans. Donors are John and Elaine Sherwood.

For a complete list of contributors, see BRAVO! at <u>unitedartsappeal.org</u>.

To learn more about the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County, visit <u>UnitedArtsAppeal.org</u>.

Businesses and individuals who want to strengthen the arts in Chautauqua County can send their contribution to the United Arts Appeal, P. O. Box 754, Jamestown, NY 14702.

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