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Photo caption: Last year the Jamestown Parks, Recreation & Conservation Department received an award from the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County's Projects Pool Grants Program for the 2015 Summer Bandshell Concert Series. Pictured here, "Anna" from *Frozen* made a special visit to the Jamestown Municipal Band's "Christmas In July" concert. April 15 is the deadline for organizations and individual artists to apply for a 2016 Projects Pool grant.

United Arts Appeal Grant Deadline Reminder

Jamestown, NY – Chautauqua County artists and organizations are reminded that with an April 15 application deadline, now is the time to be preparing their applications for the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County's Projects Pool Grants Program.

Eligible organizations must have non-profit status and may include libraries, municipalities, churches and other community groups.

An artist who has been a Chautauqua County resident for at least one year and works in any artistic discipline, including crafts, choreography, film, fiction, poetry, printmaking, sculpture, painting, video, play writing, performance, music composition and photography, may apply for a Projects Pool Fellowship. Funding priority will be given to those applicants who demonstrate that a fellowship would have significant career impact.

Applications for grants up to \$500 are accepted online only and must be received by midnight on Friday, April 15, 2016. All applications are screened for eligibility and fulfillment of application requirements. An allocations panel made up of artists and community leaders reviews

applications and presents funding recommendations to the United Arts Appeal board for approval. Winners will be announced in late May.

Artists and community organizations interested in applying for funding through the United Arts Appeal's Projects Pool Grant Program can obtain application information and funding criteria at the Grants page at www.unitedartsappeal.org.

In addition to funding for individual artists and smaller arts projects through the Projects Pool, the United Arts Appeal provides operating support for seven of the larger arts organizations in Chautauqua County: Chautauqua Regional Youth Ballet, Community Music Project, 1891 Fredonia Opera House, Infinity Visual and Performing Arts, Jamestown Concert Association, Lucille Ball Little Theatre of Jamestown, and the Western New York Chamber Orchestra.

The United Arts Appeal is supported by Chautauqua County, local foundations, corporations, businesses and individuals throughout the county.

For more information about the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County, visit www.unitedartsappeal.org. Details of programs and performances offered by each of the member organizations can be found by clicking on their websites on the UAA Members page.

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