

The United Arts Appeal

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Photo caption: Great Lake FX, a grass roots art and science program designed to foster a love of learning and an appreciation for art within underserved children, is receiving a 2016 United Arts Appeal Projects Pool grant to support its "Dusk and Dawn – Trees of the Lake Erie Shoreline" program. Pictured here are Great Lake FX students at a community service project.

United Arts Appeal 2016 Grant Winners Announced

Jamestown, NY – Artistic projects of eight Chautauqua County non-profit organizations and two local artists are receiving grants from the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County's 2016 Projects Pool Grants Program.

In announcing this year's recipients, UAA President Elizabeth Bush said, "The importance of the arts to both the quality of life and the economic well-being of our community cannot be overstated. The United Arts Appeal is pleased to support these individual artists and organizations whose work benefits the cultural life of Chautauqua County."

To be eligible to apply for these awards, organizations had to have non-profit status. Individuals must have been Chautauqua County residents for at least one year and could work in any artistic discipline. After being screened for eligibility and fulfillment of requirements, applications were reviewed by an allocations panel made up of artists and community leaders. Their recommendations were then reviewed for approval by the United Arts Appeal board.

The United Arts Appeal 2016 fellowships and grants are being awarded to:

Individual Artists:

- Michele Meleen: Professional Advancement in Writing for Children
- Brandy Noody: Slab Roller for Reestablished Personal Ceramics Studio

Organizations:

- Great Lake FX: Dusk and Dawn Trees of the Lake Erie Shoreline
- James Prendergast Library: Family Concert by Nan Hoffman
- Jamestown Audubon Society, Inc.: Support for Art Camp
- Jamestown Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation: 2016 Summer Bandshell Concert Series
- North Shore Arts Alliance, Inc.: Chautauqua-Lake Erie Art Trail Publicity Support
- Patterson Library: Music Together at Patterson Library
- Sinclairville Free Library: Positively Paint Program
- Village of Westfield Recreation Department: Concerts in Moore Park Series

In addition to funding for individual artists and smaller art projects through the Projects Pool Grants Program, the United Arts Appeal provides operating support for seven of the larger arts organizations in Chautauqua County. These include the 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 UAA, including performances offered by member organizations, visit www.UnitedArtsAppeal.org.

Tax-deductible contributions to support the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County can be mailed to 715 Falconer Street, Jamestown, NY 14701.