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Photo caption: Saturday, April 15, is the deadline for organizations and individual artists to apply for a 2017 United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County Projects Pool grant. In 2016 the North Shore Arts Alliance received an award for their Chautauqua-Lake Erie Art Trail. Pictured here is the Artist's Hub at Portage Hill Art Gallery during that August weekend event.

## **April 15 is United Arts Appeal Grant Application Deadline**

Jamestown, NY – With an April 15 application deadline, Chautauqua County artists and organizations are reminded that 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 but not limited to crafts, choreography, film, fiction, poetry, printmaking, sculpture, painting, video, play writing, performance, music composition and photography, may apply for funding. Priority will be given to those applicants who demonstrate that a fellowship would have significant impact on their career.

Applications for grants up to \$500 are accepted online only and must be received by midnight on Saturday, April 15, 2017. All applications are screened for eligibility and fulfillment of application requirements. An advisory panel made up of artists and community leaders reviews applications and presents recommendations to the United Arts Appeal board for approval. Winners will be announced in mid-May.

Artists and community organizations interested in applying for a grant can obtain application information and funding criteria at the Grants page at <a href="https://www.unitedartsappeal.org">www.unitedartsappeal.org</a>.

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, and corporations, businesses, and individuals throughout the county.

For more information about the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County, visit <a href="www.unitedartsappeal.org">www.unitedartsappeal.org</a>. 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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