

Photo caption: Local artists and organizations are reminded of the April 15 deadline to apply for a United Arts Appeal 2022 Projects Pool grant. Last year's award to Citizens for a Better Cassadaga helped fund a summer performance by the award-winning bluegrass group South 79.

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Deadline Reminder for United Arts Appeal Grant Applications

Jamestown, N.Y. – With a Friday, April 15, submission deadline, now is the time for Chautauqua County artists and organizations to be preparing an application to the United Arts Appeal of Chautauqua County (UAA) 2022 Projects Pool Grants Program.

Grants of up to \$500 are available to quality arts programs and organizations as well as individual artists. Artistic disciplines can include but are not limited to crafts, dance, film, fiction, poetry, printmaking, sculpture, painting, video, play writing, performance, music composition and photography.

Awards to individual artists, who must have been a Chautauqua County resident for at least one year, are based on creative excellence and are to be used for artistic development.

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

After applications are screened for eligibility and fulfillment of application requirements, they are reviewed by an advisory panel of Chautauqua County residents who are knowledgeable in the arts. The panel's recommendations are presented to the United Arts Appeal board for approval.

Limited funds are available. Priority is given to first-time applicants, new initiatives from past applicants, and applications which seek to serve or extend art to a diverse and/or broad sector of the community.

Recipients must be able to complete their projects during their grant year.

Artists and community organizations interested in applying for funding through the UAA's Projects Pool Grants Program can obtain application information and funding criteria online at the Grants page at <u>UnitedArtsAppeal.org</u>.

The 2021 Projects Pool Grants Program awardees and their projects were:

Organizations:

- Audubon Community Nature Center: Interactive Nature Sidewalk Art
- Citizens for a Better Cassadaga: Cassadaga Lakes 2021 Summer Concert Series
- Myers Memorial Library: Little Musicians in the Park
- Reg Lenna Center for the Arts/WRFA Radio: Arts on Fire LIVE

Individual Artist:

 Nick Weiser: What is Jazz?: A Concert for Children and Families at the Fredonia Opera House

The United Arts Appeal also provides operating support for six of the larger arts organizations in Chautauqua County: 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.

The UAA 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, call (716) 222-1602 or visit <u>UnitedArtsAppeal.org</u>, with links to each of the member organizations' websites.

To support the arts in Chautauqua County, your contribution to United Arts Appeal, PO Box 754, Jamestown, NY 14702 would be greatly appreciated.

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