

STAR ARTS NEWS

September 2023

Star Arts Retreat 2023

We had 110 people attend Star Arts this year!

We had 7 wonderful morning workshops! Many afternoons filled with art, poetry, theater, singing, laughter and more!

Thank you all attendees and all volunteers who made Arts 2023 happen!



The 2024 Star Arts Retreat is
scheduled for
Sunday June 16th to June 23rd 2024

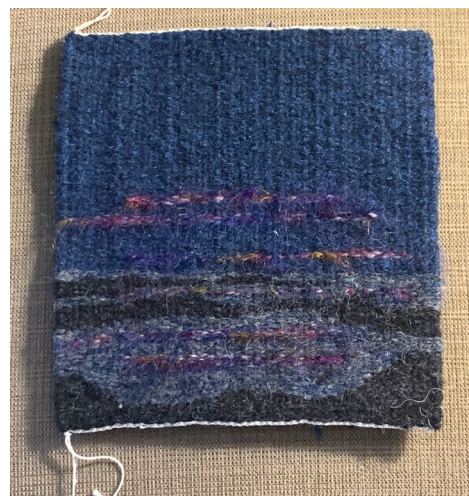
Counterclockwise from the top: Helen and Eric Perform on the Porch (Bev Ward). Art by Melanie Chauvin at our Art Show (Anne Nowselski). Retreat Photo (Island Pelican). To view larger Retreat Photo [Click Here](#). Felting Project by Barbara Abraham (Anne Nowselski). Photography Workshop discussion (Parrish Dobson). Pastel Workshop in progress (Julian Hill).

Arts Auction News

The 2023 Star Arts Auctions were a huge success! The combined Silent and Live Auctions brought in \$5,769 this year! The funds from the Auctions go to help the Star Arts Scholarship Fund, which helps to bring people to the island who otherwise might not be able to come financially.

Thank you to everyone who worked on the Auction, whether you donated, bought, set-up or promoted!

2024 Auction Mini-Preview: Elenita Muñiz started this weaving (at right) at Star Arts 2023, and it will be in the 2024 Auction. Entitled *Tuesday, June 20, 4:15 a.m., View from B8*. It measures 8 x 8.5 in. unmounted.



Tuesday, June 20, 4:15 a.m., View from B8. Photo by Elenita Muñiz

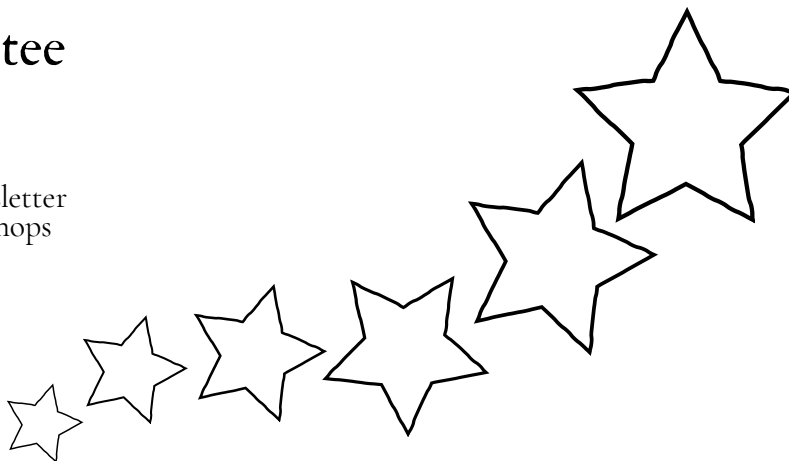
The Auction raised \$5,769!

2024 Steering Committee

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| Gail Carrigan | Chair |
| Sofia Piel | Co-Chair |
| Mary Ann Young | Registrar |
| Anne Nowselski | Web Master/Newsletter |
| Richard Waring | Treasurer/Work Shops |

Committee Members:

Parrish Dobson
Nina Habibi
Beth Lilly
Elenita Muñiz
Barbara O'Brien
Karen Schulz
Beverly Ward



Fall Postcard Exchange

Want to get creative this fall? Sign up by September 30th!
Here's how it works:

1. Sign-up by sending your name and snail mail address to stararts.registrar@gmail.com
2. We will assign you to a group of 3 to 6 people. We will send out the randomly assigned groups in early October.
3. Once you have your group create a postcard for each person in your group (drawing, painting, photograph, written poem, erasure poem, collage...anything that can fit on a postcard and make it through the mail. You may want to put it in an envelope for easier handling).
4. Write a message on the back and sign your card so people know who it's from.
5. Send your postcards by October 31st to your fellow creators. You may make and send up to 5 postcards, depending upon group size, and you'll receive up to 5 cards in return.

Questions? Contact Anne Nowselski at stararts.registrar@gmail.com



From Janine M. Torsiello and Drew Hayes

Drew Hayes Comedy

This link is to a comedy show Drew did at The Morristown Unitarian Universalist Fellowship in New Jersey in May. Only people with this link can view it: <https://youtu.be/rJLpBPxCYJU>

Drew and Janine Wedding from 2021

This next link is to the final cut of Drew Hayes and Janine M. Torsiello's Wedding video from May 22, 2021. Again only those with the link can view it: <https://youtu.be/V2cA4WL2Fv0>

Garden State Threshold Choir

Below is the Zoom link to Garden State Threshold Choir's Zoom Song Circle for those who could use a half hour of respite and soothing music. Listeners are invited to turn off their camera if they wish, close their eyes, and let the lovely melodies, harmonies and lyrics of our Threshold songs give peace and rest.

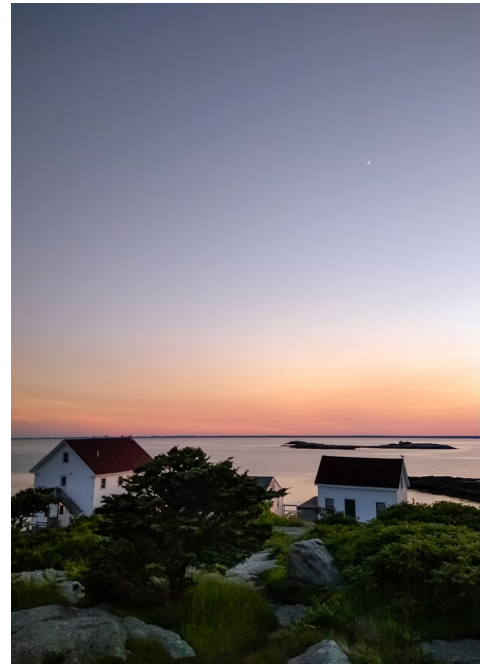
Garden State Threshold Choir's Zoom Song Circle

4 to 4:30 pm, every 1st & 3rd Tuesday

Meeting ID: 853 6522 5723 Passcode: 876934

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85365225723?pwd=ZU1LcGtUa1Z2dkUydG-tpQTcvYVBIQT09>

Questions? You can contact Janine M. Torsiello at jmtorsiello@gmail.com or visit https://thresholdchoir.org/Garden_State/



A beautiful sky over a few cottages on Star Island.
Photo by Julian Hill.

Parrish Dobson News

2022/2023 Workshop Leader Parrish Dobson will have some of her photography at the upcoming show at the Southern Vermont Center in Manchester, VT. She is also speaking as part of panel for the opening of the event on September 30th.

For more information visit: www.svac.org



Don't Forget! You can share your news!

Star Arts Folks are invited to send brief news of their galleries and openings.

Example:

Joe Smith's Watercolor Art will be featured at the Unnamed Gallery, from September 2 to October 31. Visit the following website for more information: www.joe_smith.com

Send news to stararts.registrar@gmail.com by the newsletter deadline, which will be the 1st of every month!

Deadline for Next Newsletter!

The Deadline for the next Newsletter will be October 1st!

If you would like to include pictures, art, poetry and/or news please submit items to: stararts.registrar@gmail.com (Mary Ann Young and Anne Nowselski)

(Questions about Star Arts you can email us or call us at 781.520.3786)

