



OCAC Board President, Judi Cermak

I'm looking forward to seeing OCAC members at this gathering.



Ontario County Arts Council members and their families are invited to a relaxing afternoon get-together.

Mingle and get to know other members!

Aquilano Wine Cellar Tasting Room

143 S. Main Street, Canandaigua

Sunday, December 7th 1:00

wine and nonalcoholic beverages available for purchase

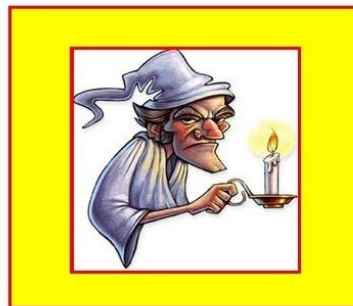
There will be Raffle Baskets. - They make nice gifts!
All raffle ticket proceeds go to OCAC scholarships & grants!

Arrive by 1:30 and you can enjoy a short skit by a mini cast of OCAC Readers' Theater Players - including three young OCAC student members:

Finn Merrill, Cooper Kennedy & Levi Kennedy!

The OCAC Players present: **A Haunting Mistake**

Find out what happens. One thing's for sure—Scrooge is not happy!



The 2025 Light Parade

Saturday, Nov. 29th on Main St. in Canandaigua, OCAC members marched behind our banner as Peter Blackwood, Carrie Kennedy, Cooper Kennedy, and Levi Kennedy played Christmas carols!



But the real fun was before the parade!!



Judi Cermak “helping” Ben Slomovic into the Christmas tree.



Ben saying, “I don’t think this is right. I can’t see!”



Success — at last!



Happy Holidays to all our OCAC members!
We hope you join us next year!

Mail Art Event at OCAC's Gallery 32

500 emerging (student) artists contributed mail art. Many students and their parents arrived at the Gallery on Nov. 22nd to find and purchase their envelopes. Lots of smiles and congratulations were given to the student artists! A sincere thank you to the parents who contributed a dollar to retrieve their child's artwork. Also many parents contributed extra to our scholarship and grants programs!

Thank you to all who helped to make this event a success, with special appreciation to Courtney Austin, Canandaigau Elementary School art teacher, for encouraging students to participate!



Canandaigua's Downtown Holiday Artist Showcase Event

There's still time for OCAC artists to sign up for a (free) spot in Gallery 32 on Dec. 13th or 14th.

You will be expected to demo your art and you'll have the opportunity to sell (with no commission) small examples of your art. A chair and a 3 foot table will be provided for your use. Available times are:

Sat. Dec. 13th
12:00 - 3:00pm
3:00 - 6:00pm

Sun. Dec 14th
2:00 - 4:00pm

Space is limited: If interested, please reply to: ocartsny@gmail.com with the date and time you'd like to participate or any questions you may have.

Final Open Art Date for 2025

Dec 13th 12:30-3:00 Gallery 32

(Watch for the 2026 schedule coming soon!)



**Enjoy the talents of our OCAC Artists Members!
Grab your calendars and mark down events to attend.**



Update on OCAC Artist Members' Happenings & Opportunities!

Joy Underhill - The Finger Lakes Photography Guild has an exhibit at Wood Library from November 30th thru January 9th. The work of a few OCAC photographers will be featured there, including myself, Mike Nyerges, and Don DeLong.

Mike Nyerges - I have a framed print of a photographic winter abstract in Image City's The Magic of Light 2026 exhibition, January 2 – January 25, 2026, and a framed print of an abstract, ICM photographic image of the Eiffel Tower in Rochester Contemporary Art Center's 35th Annual Members Exhibition, December 5 - February 14, 2026.

Laurence Sugarman - All my music is now available at Band Camp via this link:

<http://laurenceirwinsugarman.bandcamp.com/>



This includes my newest album, "This Is How I Go" featuring 7 new songs co-produced with Joe Crookston of Ithaca. Including the 5 other albums on the site, there are over 6 hours of original music spanning 47 years of recordings. You can sample it all and gift albums for the holidays: no plastic, no gift-wrapping, no trips to the post office. Just music that make your feet tap and bring you a smile.

Peter Blackwood - My local nature and landscape framed photography will continue to be displayed at Sights & Shades, 94 Main St. Cdga., until the end of December.

Judi Rogers Cermak - *"Now for Something Completely Different"* My one woman show of beaded and wrapped kitchen tools in the Williams-Insalaco Gallery 34 at FLCC runs through Jan. 16th. My crocheted Coral Reef will be exhibited in the OCAC lobby of the Fort Hill Performing Arts Center through the winter.

Ellen Horovitz - I have four of my art pieces in the Main Street Arts Small Wonder Works show runs through Dec. 12th.

Kathleen Houser - I will be selling my Wearable Art at the Mill Gallery in Honeoye Falls Dec. 6 & 7 and at Winter fest at Cobblestone Center Dec.13. Details can be found on their websites

Barbara McPhail - I have completed the second of two ceramic tile murals for Wood Library, Canandaigua. They are both in the stairwell closest to the circulation desk which is near the entrance to the children's section. They are in-between the floors as you go up the stairs, or they can be seen by using the elevator. This represents five years of work.



Happy Holidays!!

The OCAC Board wishes you and your loved ones a joyous holiday season filled with warmth and happiness! We truly appreciate your creativity and support of the arts and hope your holidays are filled with joy, festive treats, and of course, art!!



Experience the arts!

Ontario County Arts Council provides diverse opportunities for arts participation, understanding, and appreciation.