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Choose Cohoes for Art Scholarship Fund

In 2006 a high school teacher gave her class an assignment to write to an author, discuss the author's work and ask for advice. Kurt Vonnegut was the only author to respond. Among other things he said:

“What I had to say to you, moreover, would not take long, to wit:
Practice any art, music, singing, dancing, acting, drawing, painting, sculpting, poetry, fiction, essays, reportage, no matter how well or badly, not to get money and fame, but to experience becoming, to find out what's inside you, to make your soul grow.
Seriously! I mean starting right now, do art and do it for the rest of your lives...”

The Choose Cohoes for Art Committee believes that the arts enhance the quality of life in any community where they are supported and allowed to flourish. The activities that the committee produces are part of our effort to support and allow art to flourish in Cohoes. Earlier this year we held our first “Gala” style event. At the Moon Glow Gala we established a scholarship fund with the proceeds of that event. As we go forward it is our intent to add to the fund with a portion of the proceeds of any future events. At this event, our fund raising activities include ads by sponsors in the show catalog and the silent auction.

In establishing the scholarship fund we have set the five following requirements for the recipient:

1. Participation in the Cohoes Artist Showcase IV to be held May 16-17, 2014.
2. The student must display their 5 best pieces, which will be judged by a panel from the committee.
3. An Artist Statement must be included in the Showcase Entry.
4. The student must have a letter of acceptance/commitment to an institute of higher learning in an arts focused program.
5. The student must be a senior registered at Cohoes High School.

Please take the time to visit the student art display. Please consider making a bid in the silent auction to help us in our efforts to promote and support art.

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Silent Auction

The Choose Cohoes for Art Committee is proud to have organized this and other art related events in Cohoes. On page four of this catalog is an article about our efforts to raise funds for and provide a small scholarship for a Cohoes High School Senior who has committed to furthering their education in the arts. A portion of the proceeds from this event and all future events will be used to fund that scholarship. Tonight several of our participating artists have donated a piece of art to be auctioned off in support of that scholarship and the activities of the committee. Those items are on display with a sheet where you can enter your silent auction bid. Check back often to see how your bid is doing! Listed below are the artists who have generously donated art.


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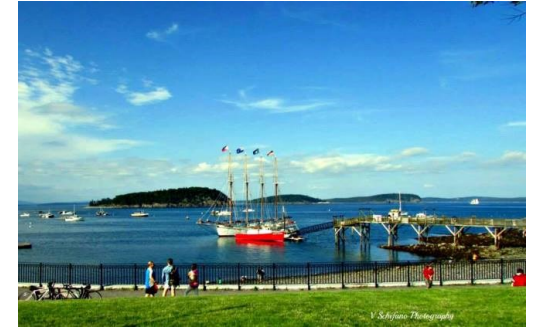
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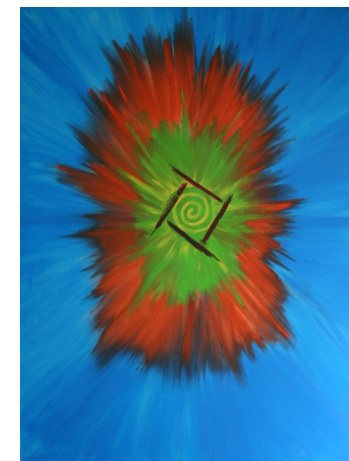


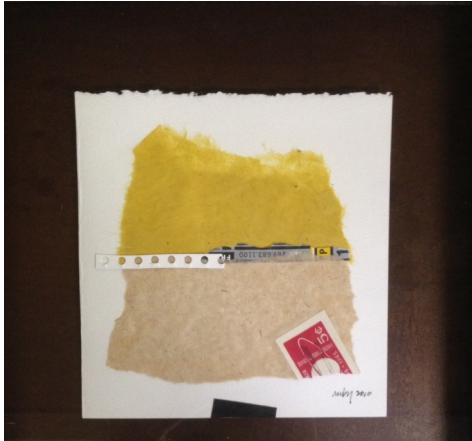
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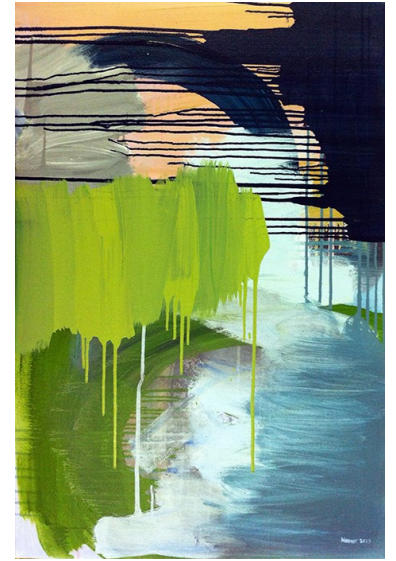
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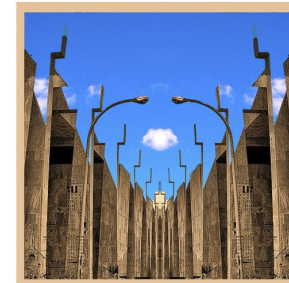
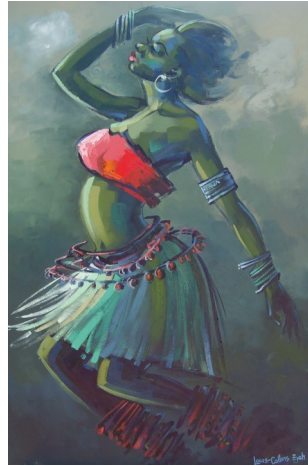


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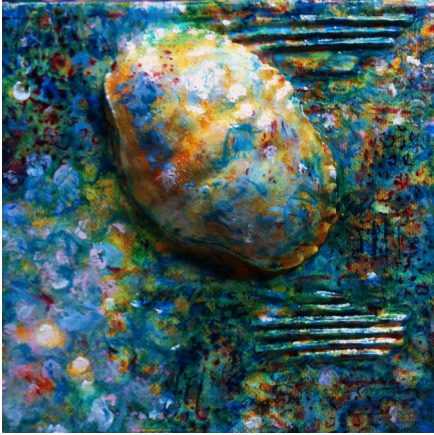
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Featured Artist

Kathryn Klompas is the owner of Ragged Edge Printmaking Studio on Remsen Street in the heart of Cohoes, a fully equipped art studio.

Her art explores the expressive use of color, mark-making and surface design on paper and textiles, employing printmaking, stitching and mixed media collage. Observing patterns, textures and structures through the lens of a camera often influences and informs her art.

Kathy finds sharing her studio space with other artists is inspiring and energizing, and loves encouraging others to express themselves creatively, by teaching at her studio, or collaborating with the Choose Cohoes For Art Committee.

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“For this current body of work I have set aside the printmaker’s inks and plates, choosing instead to engage a fresh medium, acrylic paints and painted paper collage. Working directly on to the blank paper with intuition and freedom I let the process itself guide the direction and final content of each piece. Each color, shape, texture and line I add builds upon the last, shifting the journey and taking me through an aesthetic mediation.”

