

# Essex

## Leonard Dinardo: Award-winning Artist at Essex County Riker Hill Art Park

COMPLIMENTARY ISSUE



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# A MESSAGE FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE



Dear Friend:

Winter is once again upon us and with its arrival comes the holiday season!

Visitors of all ages will enjoy our *Annual Essex County Holiday Lights Spectacular* at the Essex County South Mountain Recreation Complex, where this year more than 50 animal and holiday-themed figures will be illuminated by over 100,000 lights. Many animal exhibits at Turtle Back Zoo will be open and the atmosphere will be made more festive with the arrival of some of our favorite holiday personalities! Free admission makes this awesome display available to everyone and we ask those who come to bring a non-perishable food item, gently used winter coat or unwrapped new toy that will be donated to the less fortunate.

Our Environmental Center will be at full occupancy with handmade candied houses entered in our *Annual Sustainable Homes and Habitats Gingerbread Contest*. This unique spin on the traditional gingerbread house asks culinary creators to incorporate features such as rain barrels and solar panels in their designs to raise awareness about sustainability.

Another house on display will be Essex County Kip's Castle. The first floor of this historic gem will be decorated circa 1928 and opened to the public throughout the month of December. In addition, the Castle, along with the Walther House at Essex County Presby Memorial Gardens and 11 other locations, will be featured in the *Essex County Historic Holiday House Tour* on Saturday, December 6th and Sunday, December 7th. That weekend, full of self-guided tours, gives us a glimpse into holiday celebrations of yesteryears.

Finally, between the hustle and bustle of holiday shopping, cooking and getting together, why not schedule some personal time and visit the many stellar galleries, studios and theaters found so close to home. Or, if you are still thinking of that perfect gift or evening out, dinner and visit to a nearby arts venue would fill the bill.

We wish everyone a happy and healthy holiday season and prosperous New Year! Together we will continue *Putting Essex County First*.

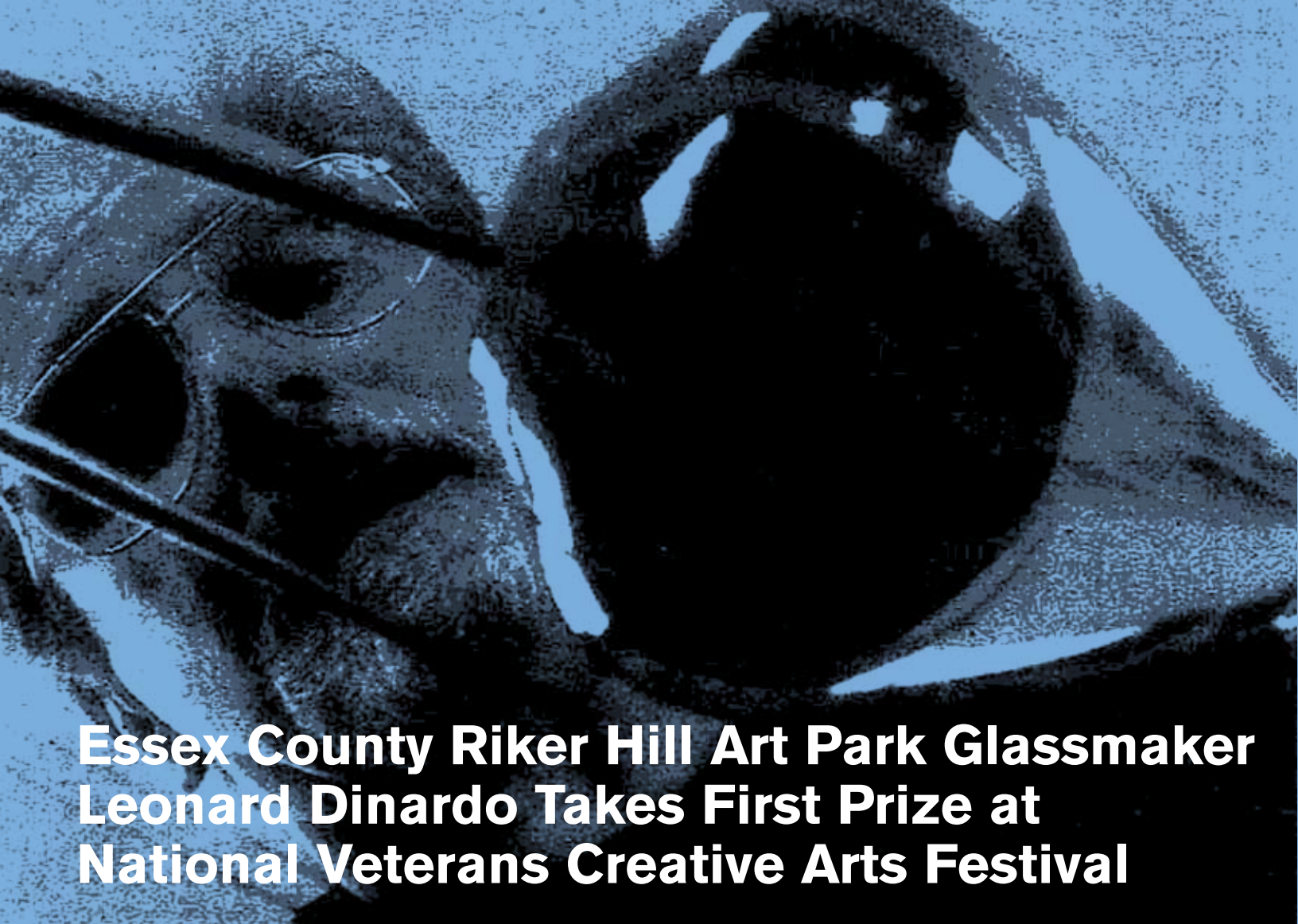
A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph DiVincenzo, Jr." The signature is fluid and cursive.



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# Essex County Riker Hill Art Park Glassmaker Leonard Dinardo Takes First Prize at National Veterans Creative Arts Festival

Artist Leonard Dinardo, a glass blower and former Marine whose studio is located in Essex County Riker Hill Art Park in Livingston, recently won first place at the National Veterans Creative Arts Festival for his glass work titled "Fusion" (pictured on the cover) This is the second time Dinardo, a Newark native and an alumnus of Barringer High School, received this statewide recognition. His first award came in 2011 for his entry "What are We Fighting For?"

Dinardo refers to his studio at Essex County Riker Hill Art Park as a "nice place to create." But Dinardo is not just passionate about his artwork – he is also dedicated to the veteran's organization.

Laura Banko, recreation therapist for the VA New Jersey Health Care System, said, "Dinardo uses his experience to motivate and encourage veteran colleagues. He has spoken at the mental health transformation and recovery



*Leonard DiNardo. Ain't No Time to Wonder Why, 1989. Glass, H: 7.75 in, DIAM: 8 5/8 in Purchase 1989 The Members' Fund Collection of the Newark Museum 89.85*

program about his artwork and how he was able to transform a hobby into a living. He feels very comfortable about how the arts have changed his life."

Essex County Riker Hill Art Park in Livingston is home to a variety of visual artists. The former United States Army

Nike Missile Tracking Base is a 42-acre complex that was purchased from the federal government in 1974. The buildings that once housed army facilities have been converted to 38 art studios. The 42 artists in residence work in various disciplines such as painting, fine metal jewelry, ceramics, pottery, glass blowing, fine prints, weaving, photography and sculpting.

Essex County Riker Hill Art Park is open to the public for studio tours twice a year on the first weekend in June and October. The next open house is scheduled for June 6 and 7, 2015.

Veterans receiving treatment at VA facilities are eligible to participate in the annual National Veterans Creative Arts Program. This gives the veterans an opportunity for creative self-expression in art, music, dance, and drama as part of their therapy and gain recognition for their artistic accomplishments.

## ESSEX COUNTY SPOTLIGHT

### ESSEX COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

621-B Eagle Rock Avenue  
Roseland ~ 973.228.8776

#### Gingerbread House Making Workshop

**Saturday, December 6**

ON SITE REGISTRATION  
AND CREATION OF YOUR  
GINGERBREAD HOME OR HABITAT!

Have you been too busy to pre-register for our Sustainable Gingerbread Homes and Habitats Contest? Maybe you don't know where to begin! Stop by the Essex County Environmental Center and our resourceful staff will get you started on your own unique creation. All gingerbread projects must be completed by 1pm to be considered for the contest. Some materials will be provided, however, you are encouraged to bring your own items. December 6th is the last day to register for the contest. 11am to 1pm. Free admission.

#### Green Gift Making Workshop Saturday, December 13

For children ages 6 through 10. Give green this holiday season by crafting and giving sustainable and alternative gifts! Join the class to make something special for your loved ones. 12noon to 1:30pm. \$7 per child, advance registration is required.

#### 10<sup>TH</sup> Annual Sustainable Gingerbread Homes & Habitats Contest

**All entries must be registered  
by Saturday, December 6 and  
submitted on Saturday, December 6  
or Monday, December 8**

Create a unique gingerbread house with natural accents and green building design features! Sustainable Gingerbread Homes and Habitats will be on display from Wednesday, December 10th through Friday, December 19th. Prizes will be awarded in various categories. Call to register or for more information.

**Seasonal events sponsored by the Essex County  
Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs**



Gingerbread House Making Workshop at Essex County Environmental Center

#### Martin Luther King, Jr. Day Celebration Monday, January 19

For children ages 7 to 14. Participants will set out on a winter walk, scavenger-hunt style, uncovering facts and stories about Martin Luther King, Jr. and his great achievements. Dress for the weather. 10:30am to 12noon. \$7 per child; advance registration is required.

#### Eat Like a President Monday, February 16

For children ages 8 to 12. Do you wonder what it's like to eat like a president? Kids who have an interest in cooking or in eating can help prepare and cook a sampling of a presidential meal. Each child will leave with a recipe card and a happy tummy. 11:30am to 1pm. \$12 per child, advance registration and payment are required by Friday, February 14.

### ESSEX COUNTY KIP'S CASTLE PARK

22 Cresmont Road  
Verona ~ 973.239.2465

#### Holiday at Essex County Kip's Castle Saturday, November 29 to Wednesday, December 31

Closed on Mondays and on December 24 & 25. Visit Kip's Castle during the holiday season for a self-guided tour of the first floor and experience the holidays circa 1928. 12noon-4pm. Free admission.

#### Holiday Candlelight Tours Thursdays, December 4, 11 & 18

Visit Kip's Castle for a one-hour twilight tour, when the holiday décor shines and the city lights twinkle. Visitors will be accompanied by a guide available to answer questions about this historic site and its planned restoration. Refreshments

provided. 5:30pm & 7pm. \$5 admission per person, advance registration required. Space is limited

### **ESSEX COUNTY TURTLE BACK ZOO**

560 Northfield Avenue  
West Orange ~ 973.731.5800  
*Admission is \$11 for adults, \$8 for children and seniors; free for children under 2 years. Hours are Sunday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.*

### **Winter Workshop Saturday, December 6**

Create enrichment items for the zoo animals to help them stay active and happy through the winter season. 11am to 3pm. Free with admission.

### **Appreciate a Dragon Day Saturday, January 17**

Dragons have significance in cultures around the world. Explore some of the myths and legends surrounding dragons. Keeper talks will be held at the Komodo Dragon exhibit throughout the day and dragon stories, games, crafts and activities for the kids are part of the action. 11am to 3pm. Free with admission.

## **ESSEX COUNTY HISTORIC HOLIDAY HOUSE TOUR Saturday, December 6 & Sunday, December 7**

Historic homes throughout Essex County will open their doors in unison for one spectacular weekend. Each will be dressed for the holiday season while offering entertainment, refreshments, or educational information. Fees and times vary by location. Please visit [www.essexcountynj.org](http://www.essexcountynj.org) for additional information.

We are pleased to announce the list of 2014 participating locations:

*Ballantine House at Newark Museum, Newark*  
*Canfield-Morgan House & Museum, Cedar Grove*  
*Cathedral Basilica of the Sacred Heart, Newark*  
*Essex County Kip's Castle Park, Verona*

*Force Homestead & Museum, Livingston*  
*Glenmont at Thomas Edison National Historical Park, West Orange*  
*Greenwood Gardens, Short Hills*  
*U.S. President Grover Cleveland's Birthplace, Caldwell*  
*Kingsland Manor, Nutley*  
*Crane House and Historic YWCA, Montclair*  
*Charles Schultz House (Evergreens), Montclair*  
*The Salvatorian Fathers, Verona*  
*Oakeside Bloomfield Cultural Center, Bloomfield*  
*Walther House at Essex County Presby Memorial Iris Gardens, Upper Montclair*  
*Zenas Crane Homestead, West Caldwell*

### **Groundhog Day Monday, February 2**

What will Essex Ed forecast for Spring?

Come and find out, and then participate in family friendly activities throughout the day. 11am to 3pm. Free with admission.

# *Holiday Lights Spectacular*

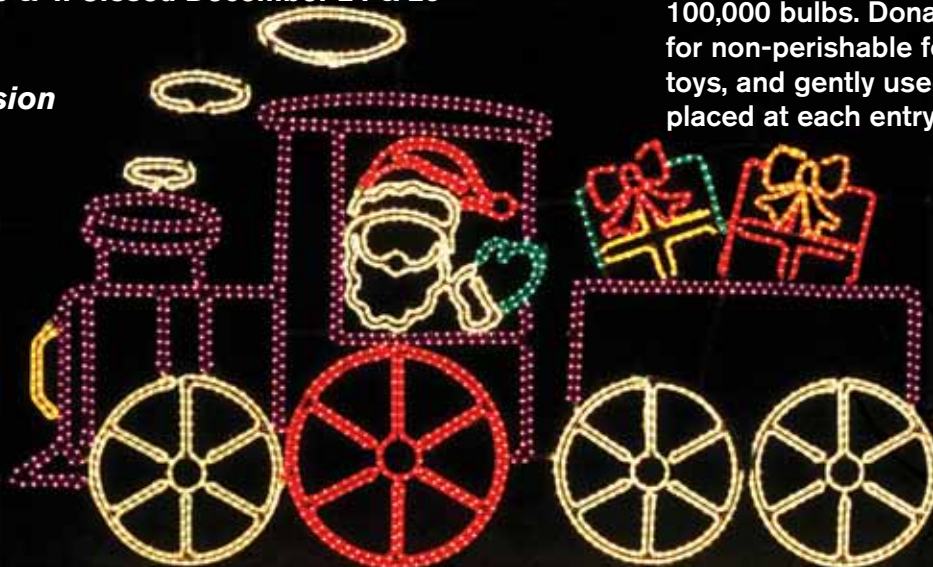
**Essex County South Mountain Recreation Complex  
Essex County Turtle Back Zoo  
560 Northfield Avenue & Cherry Lane**

**November 28, 29 & 30; December 5, 6, 7 and 12-31;  
January 1, 2, 3 & 4. Closed December 24 & 25**

**5pm to 9pm**

**Free Admission**

Essex County Turtle Back Zoo celebrates the season of giving with a Holiday Lights display featuring over 50 winter and animal characters illuminated by more than 100,000 bulbs. Donation stations for non-perishable food items, new toys, and gently used coats are placed at each entry.



# ESSEX COUNTY CULTURAL EXHIBITIONS

*The following events are offered for the public's enjoyment by Essex County-based arts organizations.*

## JCC OF GREATER METROWEST

Cooperman JCC  
760 Northfield Avenue, West Orange  
973.530.3412  
[www.jccmetrowest.org/artgalleries](http://www.jccmetrowest.org/artgalleries)

### Steiner Court and Arts Lobby Showcases

#### Real Life – Still Life

Through December 31  
Small oil paintings by artist Jo Bradney are showcased.

#### Chairs of Inclusion

Through December 18  
The Chairs of Inclusion ([www.chairsofinclusion.org](http://www.chairsofinclusion.org)) celebrates the 10th anniversary of the WAE (Wellness, Arts, Enrichment) Center, an alternative learning center in West Orange for people with developmental disabilities. Professional New Jersey artists collaborated with the center's member-artists to create imaginative chairs based on the theme of inclusion.

## MONTCLAIR ART MUSEUM

3 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair  
973.746.5555  
[www.montclair-art.com](http://www.montclair-art.com)

### From Heart to Hand: African American Quilts from the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts

Through January 2  
Quilts have held an important and cherished place in American culture, particularly in the American South. The 30 colorful and creatively designed quilts on display are by African-American quilt makers, primarily from West Alabama, and are from the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts.

## MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY/ COLLEGE OF THE ARTS

1 Normal Avenue, Montclair  
973.655.7071  
<https://blogs.montclair.edu/oeco/events/>



**Royals and Regalia Exhibit at Newark Museum:** HRM Pere Donokoromo II, The Pere of Isaba Kingdom

### Waldsee 1944: A Postcard Exhibit

Through December 19  
An exhibition in memory of the annihilation of Hungarian Jewry during the summer of 1944, when Jews deported to their deaths at Auschwitz were required to write deceptive postcards to their families.

## NEWARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

5 Washington Street, Newark  
973.733.7779  
[www.npl.org](http://www.npl.org)

### This is New Jersey, 350 Years of Garden State History

Through December 20  
The Newark Public Library is celebrating New Jersey's 350th Anniversary with an exhibit featuring photographs and maps from the library's Charles F. Cummings New Jersey Information Center and works of art from the Special Collections Division.

## NEWARK MUSEUM

49 Washington Street, Newark  
973.593.6550  
[www.newarkmuseum.org](http://www.newarkmuseum.org)

### Hassan Haajaj: My Rock Stars

February 24 to August 9  
A video installation by artist Hassan Hajjaj and related photographs. The video features nine separately filmed performances by an international group of musicians and singers.

### Royals and Regalia: Inside the Palaces of Nigeria's Monarchs

February 25 to August 9  
Portraits by Nigerian photographer George Osodi of kings (and a queen) of modern-day monarchies. Shown along with dress and regalia from the museum's collection.

## PAUL ROBESON GALLERIES

Located at Rutgers University  
350 Martin Luther King Blvd., Newark  
973.353.1610  
[www.artgallery.newark.rutgers.edu/](http://www.artgallery.newark.rutgers.edu/)

### From There to Here: Migration & Immigration

Through December 24  
Moving from a home country to another is an experience unlike any other. There are many reasons that people choose, or are forced, to undertake such an act. This exhibition focuses on the work of artists who explore all aspects of the migrant and immigrant experience.

### Kati Vilim

Through December 24  
Montclair artist Kati Vilim paints geometric, abstract works that explore the intersection between external and internal realities.

### Cooking for Change

Through December 24  
A collaborative exhibition by photographer Steve Risk and writer Doris Friedensohn, documenting the work of the Community FoodBank of New Jersey's Food Service Training Academy. This intensive, free job training in culinary arts has been a source of hope and help for hundreds of underprivileged people.

**Sojourn: Linda Hu & Krissia Keck**

Through May 30

Though vastly different in style and media, both Linda Hu's and Krissia Keck's practices are marked by a meditative, progressive building-out from simplicity toward complexity. Hu and Keck are emerging artists and recent graduates from Rutgers University-Newark's Department of Arts, Culture and Media.



**Dahlia Elsayed**

Through July 1

A mural installation by artist Dahlia Elsayed, who writes: "For over a decade, I have been making text and image based work that synthesizes an internal and external experience of place, connecting the ephemeral to the concrete. Visually, the work pulls from conceptual art, comics, cartography and landscape painting."

**JCC of Greater MetroWest:** WAE (Wellness, Arts, Enrichment) Center, "Chairs of Inclusion"

drawings, photography, installations and printmaking celebrating the artists' multiple ways of viewing the world.

**"State of the Art 2015" – Studio Montclair Members' Exhibit**

January 21 to April 20

Opening reception: January 23 from 7 to 9 pm.

Studio Montclair (SMI) announces "State of the Art 2015," an exhibit featuring the most recent work of SMI members.

**STUDIO MONTCLAIR INC.**

33 Plymouth Street, Montclair 973.744.1818

<http://studiomontclair.org/>

**THE PIERRO GALLERY**

5 Mead Street, South Orange 973.378.7754, ext. 2223

**Pages and Explorations: New Work by Members of the Book Arts Roundtable**

December 10 to 18

This exhibit invites the viewer to examine the work of Book Arts Roundtable members before it reaches the final stage of a book. Individual pages will be mounted on walls and stories will be told with collage, fabric and fiber. Exhibitors are Amelia Panico, Patricia Tolti, Nancy Boney, Sylvia Taylor, Benita Wolffe, Shari Seltzer, Barbara Scharf Lehrhoff, Randy Keenan, Ellen Hess, Lynn Keffer, Lois Shapiro, Lynn Layman, Elaine Gongora, Elisa Kessler Caporale, Melabee Miller, Karen McDermott, Chris Schorr and Leslie Nobler.

**10 Point Perspective**

January 21 to February 22

Opening reception: January 21 from 7 to 9pm

Members of the art faculty of the South Orange-Maplewood Public Schools present new work in a range of media and styles. In addition to being art educators, all are practicing artists who have shown in New York City and throughout the country. *10 Point Perspective* includes paintings,



**Montclair Art Museum:** Mary Maxtion. Everybody Quilt, ca. 1991. Cotton, cotton/ polyester blend, polyester, wool, rayon. Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, Montgomery, Alabama,

## ESSEX COUNTY WINTER EVENTS

**December 1-January 4: Elf.** It's the fantastical holiday musical for the entire family in its New Jersey premiere! This is the hilarious and joyous tale of Buddy, an orphan who is mistakenly transported to the North Pole and raised by Santa's elves. Now, as a grownup, he embarks on a journey to discover his true identity. Papermill Playhouse, 22 Brookside Drive, Millburn. For ticket information, call 973.376.4343. [www.papermill.org](http://www.papermill.org)

**December 2: Messiah Sing!** The Oratorio Society of New Jersey, under the direction of Dr. Sándor Szabó, will present Messiah Sing! Everyone participates, so come be part of the chorus or audience. Vocal scores will be available. St. James Episcopal Church, 581 Valley Road, Upper Montclair. Free. 7pm. 973.783.3837. <http://oratoriosocietynj.org/>

**December 3: Global Beat Concert Series.** Metropolitan Klezmer's eclectic approach to Yiddish musical genres from around the globe includes wedding dances, folk tunes, and more. They mix modern and traditional instruments and arrangements. Montclair Public Library, 50 Fullerton Avenue, Montclair. Free, reservations are required. 7pm. 973.272.7154. [www.jsddmetrowest.org](http://www.jsddmetrowest.org)

**December 4: Festival of Lights.** Join us for a holiday season kick-off celebration with performances, planetarium shows, tours, hands-on workshops, and holiday treats from around the world. Newark Museum, 49 Washington Street, Newark. 4-9pm. Free with admission. 973.596.6550. [www.newarkmuseum.org](http://www.newarkmuseum.org)

**December 5: Caldwell University Concert Series.** Christmas Spectacular. Celebrate the holidays with the High School Honor Band, Caldwell University Wind Ensemble and Chorale. The performances features Sinfonia V (Timothy Broege) and Vilvadi's Gloria



Elf at Paper Mill Playhouse

with orchestra. Caldwell University Student Center Auditorium, 120 Bloomfield Avenue, Caldwell. 8pm. \$10. 973.618.3520. [www.caldwell.edu](http://www.caldwell.edu)

**December 5: A Touch of Sinatra.** *A Touch of Sinatra* is a musical show narrated and performed by Joe Gilligan and Donne Fararro about the life and music of Frank Sinatra. West Caldwell Public Library, 30 Clinton Road, West Caldwell. 1pm. Free. 973.226.5441.

**December 6: Graham Lustig's A Jazzy Nutcracker.** This family-friendly show is the timeless holiday classic in a version "jumpin' with jazz," performed by the diverse and talented dancers of the Lustig Dance Theatre. South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way, South Orange. 2pm & 7pm. \$30 adults, \$15 kids 12 and under. 973.313.ARTS. [www.sopacnow.org](http://www.sopacnow.org)

**December 6: Artisan Gift Market.** The Creative Women's Collective, a Montclair-based group of local artists, artisans, and crafters, will have a variety of items for sale. Glen Ridge Congregational Church, 195 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge. 10am-4pm. Free. [www.creativewomencollectice.org](http://www.creativewomencollectice.org)

**December 6: Charlotte's Web.** Based on E.B. White's loving story of the friendship between a pig named Wilbur and a little gray spider named Charlotte, this endearing musical explores the true meaning of friendship. An Autism-friendly performance

planned in cooperation with the Paper Mill Autism Advisory Team. Paper Mill Playhouse, 22 Brookside Drive, Millburn. 10am. \$12. 973.376.4343. [www.papermill.org](http://www.papermill.org)

**December 7: Click Clack Moo.** When his granddaughter Jenny comes for a visit, Farmer Brown declared the farm a "tech-free zone." Tell that to the shivering cows in the barn who use her computer to type messages requesting blankets in this hilariously "mooooooo-ving" new musical! Paper Mill Playhouse, 22 Brookside Drive, Millburn. 10am. \$12. 973.376.4343. [www.papermill.org](http://www.papermill.org)

**December 7: Gingerbread Houses, 'Jolly Old St. Nick' and Holiday Shopping.** Explore the captivating display of inventive entries in the Durand-Hedden Gingerbread House contest. Bring a camera to catch a photo of your children with a real-live "Victorian Santa." Shop the country store to find inexpensive and unique historic-themed gifts. Durand-Hedden House, 523 Ridgewood Road, Maplewood. 1-4pm. Free, donations appreciated. 973.763.7712. [www.durandhedden.org](http://www.durandhedden.org)

**December 9: Teen Advisory Group Meeting.** Have fun, earn community service hours, and help plan library programs. Open to teens in grades 6-12. West Caldwell Public Library, 30 Clinton Road, West Caldwell. 6:30-7:30pm. Free. 973.226.5441. <http://westcaldwell.bccls.org>



**December 10 -13: The Book Arts Roundtable's Annual Holiday Show and Sale.** BAR members and invited artists will have a gift shop in the Pierro Gallery. A varied and artful collection of handmade books, prints, paper art, hand painted scarves, cards, glass beads and more will be for sale. Mini workshops will be offered on each day of the event. Workshop registration is required and will be open on Saturday, November 1 at the Baird Center. Pierro Gallery, Baird Center, 5 Mead Street, South Orange. 10am-4pm. Free. 973.378.7754. [www.thebaird.org](http://www.thebaird.org)

**December 13: Holiday Greens Workshop.** Create a wreath, garland, or table centerpiece with boxwood and other seasonal cuttings to adorn your home and spruce up outdoor pots at this popular festive workshop. Snow date: Saturday, December 18. Greenwood Gardens, 274 Old Short Hills Road, Short Hills. 10am-12pm. \$35 Greenwood Gardens members; \$45 non-members. Registration required. 973.258.4026. [www.greenwoodgardens.org](http://www.greenwoodgardens.org)

**December 13: Hometown Holiday in the Village.** The South Orange Village Center Alliance and the South Orange Department of Recreation and Cultural Affairs invite the public to this all-day celebration including Holiday Shopping in the Village throughout the day, "New Jersey 350" pop-up shop with local merchandise and memorabilia, music and caroling throughout the Village. Downtown South Orange, 12-6pm. Free photos with Santa at the Firehouse, 2-5pm. Tree Lighting, 76 South Orange Avenue, 5:15pm. Holiday concert, 5:15- 6:00 pm. 973.378.7754. [www.sovillagecenter.org](http://www.sovillagecenter.org)

**December 14: Youth Orchestras of Essex County Winter 2014 Concert.** Come see what 90 skilled young musicians from all over Essex County, led by outstanding conductors and coaches, have been working on this season. South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way, South Orange. 3pm. \$5-\$50. 973.313.2787. [www.SOPACnow.org](http://www.SOPACnow.org)

**December 14: Glen Ridge Community Concert.** Holiday concert

and carol sing. Get into the holiday spirit and share the season's magic by singing favorite carols accompanied by a choir, organ, brass and handbells. Glen Ridge Congregational Church, 195 Ridgewood Avenue, Glen Ridge. 3pm. Free will offering. 973.743.5596 x19. [http://glendridgecong.org/Music/Concert2\\_14.html](http://glendridgecong.org/Music/Concert2_14.html)

**December 16: Holiday Della Robbia Workshop.** Inspired by the grand 15th century artist Luca Della Robbia, this design combines fruits with leaves, boughs, berries, and nuts to create a natural holiday display. Greenwood Gardens, 274 Old Short Hills Road, Short Hills. 10am to 12pm. \$45 Greenwood Gardens members, \$55 non-members. Registration required. 973.258.4026. [www.greenwoodgardens.org](http://www.greenwoodgardens.org)

**December 17: Teen Holiday Program.** Feeling a little "Scrooge-Like?" Teens in grades 6-12 can come for games, crafts, and food. West Caldwell Public Library, 30 Clinton Road, West Caldwell. 5:30-7:00pm. Free. 973.226.5441. <http://westcaldwell.bccls.org>

**December 18: Holiday Music from**



West Caldwell Public Library: Shyps and Roses

**Around the World.** Vocal ensemble Shyps and Roses (sopranos Olga Shyp and Roza Bulat) will present Czech, English, French, Spanish and Ukrainian carols as well as holiday songs by Vivaldi, Brahms, and Benjamin Britten. West Caldwell Public Library, 30 Clinton Road. 7:00 pm. Free. Registration required. 973.226.5441. [www.westcaldwell.bccls.org](http://www.westcaldwell.bccls.org)

**December 18: Solid Gold Christmas starring Marilyn McCoo and Billy Davis, Jr.** Combining hits from their 40 years in the entertainment industry with harmonized Christmas classics, this



Montclair Public Library: Global Beat Concert Series; Metropolitan Klezmer

**SOPAC**  
SOUTH ORANGE  
PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

*Something to sing about!*

**FRI, FEB 6  
AT 8PM  
REGINA  
BELLE**



**Graham Lustig's  
A Jazzy Nutcracker**

Dance, Kids 'N Family  
**SAT, DEC 6 AT 2PM & 7PM**

**Juilliard@SOPAC:  
Seasonal Swing from  
Juilliard Jazz featuring  
Vocalist Alicia Olatuja**  
**SUN, DEC 7 AT 3PM**

**The Glenn Miller Orchestra:  
In The Christmas Mood**  
**FRI, DEC 12 AT 8PM**

**"Solid Gold Christmas"  
starring Marilyn McCoo  
and Billy Davis Jr.**  
(original stars of the 5th Dimension)  
**THU, DEC 18 AT 7:30PM**

**Cherish the Ladies  
"A Celtic Christmas"**  
**FRI, DEC 19 AT 8PM**

**Matsiyahu, Festival of Light**  
**FRI, DEC 26 AT 8PM**

**Jay and the Americans**  
**SAT, DEC 27 AT 8PM**

**Average White Band**

Celebrate New Year's Eve at SOPAC!  
**WED, DEC 31 AT 9PM**

**Madeleine Peyroux Trio**  
**THU, JAN 8 AT 7:30PM**

**Dave Mason's  
Traffic Jam**  
**SUN, DEC 11 AT 7:30PM**

**The Psychedelic Furs**  
**FRI, JAN 16 AT 8PM**

**Juilliard@SOPAC:  
Jiayan Sun, Piano**  
**SUN, JAN 18 AT 3PM**

**Bill Frisell's  
GUITAR IN  
THE SPACE AGE!**  
**THU, JAN 22 AT 7:30PM**

**Ivy + Bean, The Musical  
Kids 'N Family**  
**SAT, JAN 24 AT 2PM**

**Ladysmith Black Mambazo**  
**THU, FEB 5 AT 7:30PM**

**Spyro Gyra**  
**THU, FEB 12 AT 7:30PM**

**Hugh Masekela  
and Vusi Mahlasela**  
**FRI, FEB 20 AT 8PM**

**Schoolhouse Rock Live!**  
**SAT, FEB 21 AT 2PM**

**John Pizzarelli Quartet**  
**SAT, FEB 21 AT 8PM**

**Juilliard@SOPAC:  
The Aeolus Quartet**  
**SUN, FEB 22 AT 3PM**

**An Evening  
with Leo Kottke**  
**SUN, FEB 22 AT 7:30PM**

**Arrival From Sweden:  
The Music of Abba**  
**THU, FEB 26 AT 7:30PM**

**Lydia Johnson Dance**  
**SAT, FEB 28 AT 8PM**

**Visit [SOPACnow.org](http://SOPACnow.org) or call (973) 313-2787 to purchase tickets today!**



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South Orange Performing Arts Center  
One SOPAC Way, South Orange, NJ 07079

soulful musical performance featuring the original stars of the 5th Dimension will complete the holiday season. South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way, South Orange. 7:30pm. \$48, \$65, \$75. 973.313.ARTS. [www.sopacnow.org](http://www.sopacnow.org)

**December 19: Cherish the Ladies, Christmas.** The Ladies perform classic Christmas carols in their signature arrangements highlighting unique Celtic instrumentation, beautiful harmonies and spectacular Irish step-dancing. South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way, South Orange. 8pm. \$25- \$40. 973.313.ARTS. [www.sopacnow.org](http://www.sopacnow.org)

**December 26, 27, 28: Holiday Fun Days.** Different drop-in activities each day. Discover traditions from around the world, and create some of your own based on the museum's art and science collections. Newark Museum, 49 Washington Street, Newark. 4-9pm. 973.596.6550. [www.newarkmuseum.org](http://www.newarkmuseum.org)

**December 26: Matisyahu, Festival of Light.** Matisyahu, a Grammy Award-nominated reggae/rap/alternative rock performer, plays highlights from his five hit albums: *Live at Stubbs*, *Youth*, *Light*, *Spark Seeker* and *Akeda*. South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way, South Orange. 8pm. \$38, \$43, \$48. 973.313.ARTS. [www.sopacnow.org](http://www.sopacnow.org)



Paper Mill Playhouse: Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike

**January 12: Cultural Arts Winter Classes.** An exciting array of affordable courses in both the visual and performing arts that serve students from infants through adulthood. Register online or in person for classes beginning January 12, 2015. The Baird Center, 5 Mead Street, South Orange. For admission information, call 973.378.7754. [www.thebaird.org](http://www.thebaird.org)

**January 16: The Psychedelic Furs.** Led by vocalist and songwriter Richard Butler, The Furs pay homage

to alternative rock music with hits "Love My Way," "Pretty In Pink," "Heaven," "The Ghost In You," and "Heartbreak Beat." South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way, South Orange. 8pm. \$38, \$48, \$58. 973.313.ARTS. [www.sopacnow.org](http://www.sopacnow.org)

**January 21-February 15: Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike.** The master of comedy, Christopher Durang, mixes four distinct characters and dishes up a hilarious stew. Will Vanya and Sonia ever find happiness? Will Masha sell the Bucks County farmhouse out from under them? And will Spike ever put his pants on? Paper Mill Playhouse, 22 Brookside Drive, Millburn. For ticket information, call 973.376.4343. [www.papermill.org](http://www.papermill.org)

**January 23, 24, 30 & 31: Opera Theatre of Montclair presents NABUCCO by Giuseppe Verdi.** Opera Theatre of Montclair presents Verdi's NABUCCO, a biblical epic, staged and costumed, with singers and a 36-piece orchestra directed by Italian conductor Daniele Tirilli. Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Montclair, 67 Church Street, Montclair. 7:30pm. \$50 standard, \$40 seniors & students, \$30 groups of 10 or more. 973.202.7849. [www.operamontclair.org](http://www.operamontclair.org)



South Orange Performing Arts Center: Youth Orchestras of Essex County

**January 25: Video Editing: Intro to Adobe Premier Pro.** Learn to edit video footage like a professional. This one-day beginner workshop will cover the interface, controls, and features of the industry-standard software Adobe Premiere Pro. Montclair Art Museum, 3 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair. 10am-1pm. \$40 MAM members, \$60 non-members. 973-259.5139. [www.montclairmuseum.org](http://www.montclairmuseum.org)

**January 29: Spring 2015 Exhibitions Opening Reception.** Celebrating the opening of the Paul Robeson Galleries Spring 2015 exhibitions. Paul Robeson Galleries, Main Gallery, 350 Martin Luther King Boulevard, Newark. 5-7pm. Free. 973.353.1610. <http://artgallery.newark.rutgers.edu/>

**February 4: 10 Point Perspective Art Talk.** Companion lecture to 10 Point Perspective Exhibition. Pierro Gallery, 5 Mead Street, South Orange. 7-9pm. Free. 973.378.7754.

**February 6: Regina Belle.** Four-time



SOPAC: Regina Belle

Grammy Award and Academy Award-winning New Jersey native Regina Belle, known for her performance of the Disney duet "A Whole New World" from the 1992 animated feature "Aladdin", sings stellar offerings such as "Make It Like It Was," "If I Could," and "Dream In Color." South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way, South Orange. 8pm. \$48, \$58, \$65. 973.313.ARTS. [www.sopacnow.org](http://www.sopacnow.org)

**February 8: Cards by Cupid.** In this fun and creative workshop for children ages 5 and older, artists will design their very own one-of-a-kind Valentine's Day card. Decorative papers, glitter, special effects markers, 3D objects, buttons, ribbons, and more will adorn these keepsakes. Montclair Art Museum, 3 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair. 10am-12pm. \$40 MAM members; \$60 non-members. 973.259.5139. [www.montclairmuseum.org](http://www.montclairmuseum.org).

**February 20: Hugh Masekela and Vusi Mahlasela.** Two of South Africa's true freedom fighters and renowned music icons – legendary trumpeter Hugh Masekela, an innovator in the world music and jazz scene, and Vusi Mahlasela, simply known as "The Voice" – connect Apartheid-scarred South Africa with its promise for a better future in this musical performance. South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way, South Orange. 8pm. \$40-\$65. 973.313.ARTS. [www.sopacnow.org](http://www.sopacnow.org)

## FROM HEART TO HAND: AFRICAN-AMERICAN QUILTS FROM THE MONTGOMERY MUSEUM OF FINE ARTS

Through January 4, 2015

Honoring the 50th anniversary of several U.S. civil rights landmarks, this exhibition presents 29 colorful and creatively designed quilts by African-American quiltmakers, primarily from West Alabama. Most were made between the mid-1950s and the end of the 20th century, and represent the major themes in traditional quiltmaking. A group of outstanding narrative quilts by Tuscaloosa quiltmaker Yvonne Wells exemplifies modern quiltmaking.



Yvonne Wells, *Rosa Parks I*, 2005, Cotton/polyester blend, polyester, cotton, plastic buttons. Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts, Montgomery, Alabama. Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts Association Purchase, 2008.9.6.

**MAM** Montclair Art Museum  
3 South Mountain Ave, Montclair, NJ 07042  
973-746-5555 / [montclairartmuseum.org](http://montclairartmuseum.org)

**February 22: Foundations of iPhoneography.** This workshop will teach participants how to improve the images being taken on a smart phone, how to edit images and make them “sing,” and how to store and organize them in and out of the phone. Montclair Art Museum, 3 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair. 12-3pm. \$40 MAM members; \$60 non-members. Free. 973.259.5139. [www.montclairmuseum.org](http://www.montclairmuseum.org)

**February 26: Arrival from Sweden, The Music of ABBA.** One of the world's most popular and best-selling ABBA tribute show bands performs hits in their authentically copied '70s costumes. South Orange Performing Arts Center, 1 SOPAC Way, South Orange. 7:30pm. \$34-\$59. 973.313.ARTS. [www.sopacnow.org](http://www.sopacnow.org)

**February 27: MAM Annual High School Lecture.** High-school students are invited to attend an engaging morning in conversation with Pepón Osorio, a featured artist in “Come as You Are: Art of the 1990s.” Montclair



**Montclair Art Museum: Doug Aitken (born 1968, USA). Monsoon, 1995.**  
Color film, sound, transferred to digital video. 6 min. 43 sec. loop. Courtesy of 303 Gallery, New York; Victoria Miro Gallery, London; Galerie Eva Presenhuber, Zurich; Regen Projects, Los Angeles © Doug Aitken

Art Museum, 3 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair. 11am. \$10 students, free for teachers. 973.746.5555. [www.montclairmuseum.org](http://www.montclairmuseum.org)

**February 28: Portfolio Review and Art Resources Fair.** This free portfolio review session provides artists with an

opportunity to get feedback on their work from industry professionals. Paul Robeson Galleries, Main Gallery, 350 Martin Luther King Blvd., Newark. 1-4 pm. Free. 973.353.1610. <http://artgallery.newark.rutgers.edu/professional-development-for-artists/>

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#### The Cathedral Concert Series

**December 12.** 8pm. "Navida Nuestra" along with villancicos tradicionales of Latin America and Spain. This program features the Cathedral Spanish Choir and instrumentalists. Free will donation.

**December 17 & 18.** 8pm. A time honored tradition of Christmas at the Cathedral continues. Featuring the Cathedral Choir organ and Brass Ensemble. Free will offering.

### ESSEX PHOTO CLUB

Caldwell Community Center  
1 Provost Square, Caldwell  
973.736.1861

[www.essexphotoclub.org](http://www.essexphotoclub.org)

*All programs meet at 7:30pm.  
All levels welcome.*

**December 4:** Competition-Sports and Action. The club's 4th competition of the year will be judged by David Mills, who will critique images submitted on the subject of sports and action from beginner and advanced photographers.

**December 18:** Special Subject Submissions. In a special Holiday Party assignment, club members will present images for "Unusual Nature" and "Kitchens & Things Found in Them." Club members will silently vote on the images and winners will be revealed at a later meeting.

**January 8:** Portraits. At the club's monthly educational program, Jeff Wolfson will discuss photographing portraits using natural lighting.



The Cathedral Basilica of The Sacred Heart: Concert Series

**January 15:** Competition #5. Marie Kane will be the club's guest judge for the evening. She will give commentary on members' images in print, slide and digital formats in the categories of nature and pictorial for both beginner and advanced photographers.

**February 5:** How Much is Enough. How much digital manipulation is enough? That is Nick Palmieri's topic for the evening. Could images be tweaked a little more or a little less? When is it just right?

**February 19:** Portraits-Competition #6. Nick Palmieri returns to the club meeting in the capacity of judge and critiques portraits submitted by members in both beginning and advanced photography. What makes for a great portrait? Come and find out.

### LIVINGSTON CAMERA CLUB

Livingston Senior/Community Center  
201 Hillside Avenue, Livingston  
973.835.6745

[www.livingstoncameraclub.com](http://www.livingstoncameraclub.com)

*All programs meet at 7:30pm. All dates are subject to change. Please check the website for updates.*

**December 1:** Open Competition #3. Third open competition of members' for

the club year. Enjoy the pictures and learn from the commentary of the judge, David DesRochers. Watch website for e-mail notices.

**December 15:** Themed Competition #2: "Windows" & "Mindful Photography" Program. Second themed competition for the club year is "Windows." The judge, Brien Szabo, will also give a talk titled "Mindful Photography."

**January 12:** Open Competition #4. Fourth themed competition of members' images for the club year. Enjoy the pictures and learn from the commentary of the judge, Jerry Fornarotto.

**January 26:** Photography Presentation: "Sculpting with Light." The third presentation of the club year. Howard Fingerhut discusses "Sculpting with Light."

**February 9:** Open Competition #5. Fifth open competition of members' images for the club year. Enjoy the pictures and learn from the commentary of the judge, Aril Gorban.

**February 23:** NJFCC Winter Print Competition. LCC is hosting the New Jersey Federation of Camera Club's Winter Print Competition. Three judges will review the printed entries from clubs across the entire State.

## MONTCLAIR ART MUSEUM

3 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair  
973.746.5555

[www.montclairartmuseum.org](http://www.montclairartmuseum.org)

### Public Tour

**December 20, January 17, February 21, 2pm.**

Discover the museum's collection and special exhibitions through a discounted tour.

### Free First Thursday Nights

**December 4, February 5**

**5-9pm.** MAM invites the public for a night out at the museum. Enjoy dynamic programming, art activities, live music, and a full-service bar. See [montclairartmuseum.org](http://montclairartmuseum.org) for each night's programming.

### Art in the Afternoon – Creative Aging Initiative

**December 10, January 14, February 11**

**2-4pm.** Participants enjoy an opportunity to learn about and creatively respond to art from the permanent collection and temporary exhibitions. Refreshments will be served.



"First Free Thursday Nights" at Montclair Art Museum

### MAM Family Art Adventure

**December 20, January 17, February 21**

**2-3pm.** Come to MAM for an hour-long, drop-in gallery program for children 5

and up and their adult companions. Explore and discuss artwork and engage in fun activities in MAM's galleries and sculpture garden. \$15 per family; \$6 family members and above.



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