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- 1 • Complete this form
- 2 • Include a check payable to ACWC
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- Visual Arts: 2D
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- Music
- Dance
- Media Arts/Graphic Design
- Other _____

Please send me regular email updates of ACWC events & opportunities in the arts!



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ARTSnews

WINTER 2023-2024

...MAN IN THE MIRROR... LET THERE BE PEACE...

Director's Message

All through history, we have heard and witnessed artists who have composed songs, choreographed dances, or created visual art in response to joys or sorrows, injustice, war or peace, and many other reasons. This is so, because, through the arts, we can transcend barriers, embrace diversity, and foster a world where peaceful communication thrives.

During my high school years growing up in Jamaica, West Indies, the song "Let There Be Peace on Earth" was synonymous with every graduation that was held at Merl Grove High School. The song was written in 1955 by Jill Jackson, after she describes finding the "life-saving joy of God's peace and unconditional love." Three years after I immigrated to the USA, in 1988, Michael Jackson released the song "Man in the Mirror," (written by Glen Ballard and Siedah Garrett) and since then, I have always made these two songs synonymous with my daily life intentions.

The arts provide vital avenues for fostering harmonious communication, even when we face differences of opinion, by encouraging introspection, personal responsibility, and a collective commitment to change. These songs remind us that we hold the power to create positive transformations within ourselves and within our societies.

The ACWC continues to offer or enable many diverse opportunities for individuals to experience harmony through conversations, visual and performing arts, and even silence. As we ponder the ACWC's theme for 2024, "DiffERent", may we all become more attuned to how we can help foster peace and make a change through the arts no matter our differences.

Jacqueline Swaby

LOCAL COLOR & WOOLLY WONDERS EXHIBITIONS

KICK OFF DIFFERENT!

DIFFERent is the ACWC's 2024 theme and two very different exhibitions will kick-start the year's theme activities and programs. Local Color and Woolly Wonders exhibitions will open on January 12, 2024 and the public is invited to see individual artist's unique interpretations of the theme. Local Color is the annual member artists' exhibition that showcases the work of local and regional artists in our Perry Main Street gallery. We anticipate the theme will challenge our artists to create pieces that will be engaging and thought-provoking for all who will visit the show. Visitors will see a diverse range of media used by artists to represent their interpretations, including fiber, painting, photography, sculpture, and mixed media. All visitors will have an opportunity to help determine the People's Choice winner when they visit the exhibition between January 12 and February 12.

Running in conjunction with Local Color in our second gallery will be **Woolly Wonders**, featuring the work of multiple fiber artists who participated in the year-long Woolly Wonders project. This "sheep to shawl" experience was funded by the Wyoming Foundation, a grant administered by the Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo. You will see garments or accessories made from animal fibers created by these fiber artists.

The year-long project took these artists to local farms to learn about types of wool. Then they learned to clean, prepare, spin, and knit or crochet their own items to be showcased in the exhibition.

Both shows will open on Friday, January 12, and end with a closing reception on February 23, 6:30 - 8:00 pm. The reception will feature artists' talks, music, and presentation of awards. Come and share in the celebration as we recognize the accomplishments of our local artists and kick off a new and **DIFFERENT** year!



Susan Swanson - handwoven wrap

ACWC'S HOLIDAY ARTISAN FAIR
 December 2, 12 to 8 pm

Join us in Perry for this annual event offering handmade items by local artisans, including pottery, knitted, crocheted and felted items, jewelry, woodcrafts, hand-crafted soaps and lotions, and more!

Bring home something special to wear, display, enjoy, or give away!

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See original art by local artists in unique spaces around Wyoming County. Visit an ACWC satellite gallery today!

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LOCALCOLOR24: A call to ACWC's member artists

ACWC member artists (high school age and older) are invited to submit two pieces of two- or three-dimensional art for our 2024 annual members' exhibition, **Local Color**. Work should be dropped off during regular hours at the ACWC Gallery in Perry between January 3 through 6, 2024.

All submissions must be properly prepared for display. Two-dimensional works must be framed and wired in the back. Typed label information should include title, media, and, if for sale, price of work. This must be submitted at the time work is dropped off OR preferably emailed to exhibit@artswyco.org. There is a 20% commission to the ACWC from sale of work. Artists are encouraged to send a digital image of the submitted work to be considered for publicity materials. Artists may also wish to include a very brief artist's statement, bio, or a very brief reflection on the 2024 theme of **DIFFERENT**! and how it relates to the piece submitted. Participating artists will have an opportunity to receive any of the following cash awards, which will be presented at the closing & awards reception February 23rd:

- **Best of Show** focusing on the 2024 theme, **DIFFERENT!**
- **People's Choice**
- **ACWC President's Choice**

Artists may submit work unrelated to the 2024 theme.

Travelstory Cell Phone Tour, continued from page 6

of the Attica Rodeo with the Vanson and Wheeler families; music and dance in Perry with Roger Kelly; and growing up in the Ret-sof salt mine community with Gary and Jason Boyd. To access the tour, visit travelstory.com and search "Genesee Valley Back Story." Follow the instructions to download and use the app on your phone. Once activated in the car, the tour will give directions to the different sites and automatically start when you reach the destination. You can also choose the "Explore Now" button on the tour page to view it virtually from your computer. Many thanks to our contributing storytellers and families for all their help. Happy listening as you explore our regions unique destinations and traditions!

FEBRUARY 2024

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15 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening: Everybody Sing (1938, USA). Musical. Dir. Edwin Marin. Starring Allan Jones, Judy Garland, and Fanny Brice. 7pm. Free. ACWC East Indian Screening Room, 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517. Details on Instagram: @watchingkylesoldmovies
23 Closing Reception / Awards Presentation: Local Color. ACWC's annual member's show. 6:30 pm. ACWC Gallery, 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517; www.artswyco.org
29 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening: SURPRISE LEAP DAY MOVIE!! 7pm. Free. ACWC East Indian Screening Room, 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517. Details on Instagram: @watchingkylesoldmovies



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GLOW TRADITIONS NEWS

Karen Canning, GLOW Traditions Director

Linda Franke and Elise Kelly, Artists in Residence at Warsaw Elementary School

"What is something you've learned over the years about being a fiber artist?"

"Why is the rose your favorite crochet pattern to make?"

"What is Irish lace?"

"What is Eastern style square dancing?"

"Does it matter what song you dance to?"

"Why do you have to hold hands?"

4th grade art classes and 5th grade music classes at Warsaw Elementary asked Linda Franke and Elise Kelly these questions, and many more, during the artists' residencies this fall. Art teacher, Holly Hosmer, and music teachers, Sydney Wiseman and Guy Macaluso, guided students as they interviewed the artists, learning about family connections to these regional traditions and why the artists continue to practice them. Art students used multiple media to document the experience through original artwork, including portraiture, word art, and crocheted bracelets. Music students learned basic dance figures, discovering the added fun of dancing to live music. The program design allowed students to get to know the artists over several visits, deepening their engagement with them and the art forms. The program was funded by a grant from the Conable Foundation, to support arts in education in Wyoming County.



Announcing our TravelStorystory Cell Phone Tour

GLOW Traditions is thrilled to announce our new cell phone tour, available on a free downloadable app from TravelStorystory.com. Titled Genesee Valley Back Story, the tour is part of a series developed by Nancy Solomon, folklorist and Director of Long Island Traditions, to highlight traditional culture across New York state. Utilizing audio interview recordings and photographs from public folklore collections (such as ours), the tours bring "first person" accounts of regional traditions to travelers and residents alike. We've been working on the project over the past 2 years, creating a six-stop tour that stretches across the GLOW region. The northern part traverses several stops along the Erie Canal, exploring Mexican customs in Medina with Gladys Rosario; the sandstone quarrying legacy in Albion with Norma and Virginia DiLaura; and memories of Holley's "Little Italy" with Archie Charles. On the southern arc, you can hear about the origins

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Douglas & Ryan McDanel Scholarship, continued from page 5

reflect a deep passion for esthetic beauty and simplicity that evokes deep thought and contemplation for the observer. The scholarship fund may be used to create new work or pay for an artist residency or retreat. A simple photo journal report will be required to document the purpose for which the funds were used.

TO APPLY: Applicants must submit the following by email to acwcyouthgrants@artswyco.org:

- A brief bio or artist's statement including name, address, age and phone number.
- Proposal addressing the scope of the project / what you intend to create or study with the funds.
- 10 images of work created within the past two years; images should be at least 300 DPI.

All information except photos must be submitted as a PDF or Microsoft WORD document (no Google Docs please). This opportunity is open to Wyoming County artists or members of the ACWC.

For more information about any of these opportunities, contact Jacqueline Swaby at 585-237-3517 ext. 100.

Rural and Traditional Arts Fellowship

Our 2023 Rural and Traditional Arts Fellowship is winding up. What a wonderful, fun, meaningful (and sometimes stressful!) learning adventure it has been. Working in partnership with NYSCA and with 10 Fellows across the state in rural communities, ACWC has been honored to support the artistry in their local place-making journeys. Meeting their communities and sharing all the excitement as "their local artist" presented their work, supporting the artists themselves as they explored and expanded their projects, and learning about the individual needs and offerings of all these fabulous rural communities has been an overwhelmingly positive experience. Interested in learning more? Check out our website at <https://artswyco.org/rural-and-traditional-arts-fellowship.html> or contact lfranke@artswyco.org!



Round & Square Dance with Jack Ellis & Keepin' It Country and Kelly's Old Timers

Featuring Callers Dale Olin, Doug Kelly, Elise Kelly, and Carol McClellan

On Saturday, December 9, from 7 to 10 pm, the ACWC is excited to co-sponsor this event with the Palmer Opera House, a magnificently-restored performance venue in historic downtown Cuba, NY. In addition to Wyoming county dance callers and Kelly's Old Timers, the event features Carol McClellan, educator, caller and ACWC fieldwork assistant in Allegany County, and Dale Olin, guitarist and caller from Hornell. Jack Ellis and Keepin' It Country are a favorite band at the Opera House, performing concerts and dances several times each year. Vocalist and guitarist, Jack Ellis, is a 2017 inductee into the NYS Country Music Hall of Fame. He started out in 1955 in the "Rhythm Boys," playing school dances in Allegany, Olean, and Portville areas. During his time in the Army he continued his musical ambitions, eventually performing on the WWVA Wheeling Jamboree, then touring with Roy Rogers and Dale Evans. With "The Nashville Express," he opened for stars like Willie Nelson, Dolly Parton, Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard and Waylon Jennings. Jack donates his musical abilities to benefit St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, and performs at local venues in Allegany County with Keepin' It Country..

Admission: \$5 at the Palmer Opera House, 12 W. Main St., Cuba NY.

Artful Reminders for the Holidays

• There are many galleries and gift shops (including the ACWC's gift shop), located in our rural towns and villages. We encourage you to commit at least 10% of your Christmas purchases to these local shops filled with local original art.

• In the words of Mary Baker: "An original piece of art is a passionate creation, which not only reflects the soul of the artist, but your soul as well, because you chose it."

• Visit the ACWC gallery and gift shop. All gift items are one-of-a-kind original art created by local artists and artisans.

• Take advantage of your ACWC membership's 10% discount when you shop in the ACWC's gift shop and select ticketed events.

• Be sure to renew your 2024 ACWC membership early so you can begin to use these benefits right away.

• As you make your New Year's resolutions, resolve to attend at least one gallery exhibition reception or one concert. Plan to visit other local galleries, like the Stowell-Wiles Art Gallery in the Perry Public Library.

• Visit an ACWC satellite gallery, take a "selfie" and post it on your favorite social media site. Let them know that your little ACWC is working hard to bring art to public spaces for everyone to enjoy.

• Share your ARTSnews with a friend or family member; this might leverage a new membership for the ACWC!

• Call or write to your town supervisor who serves as a legislator in the Wyoming County Government on the Board of Supervisors and thank her/him for their past support of the ACWC. Encourage them to continue their support of the arts. Share how your quality of life has been enriched by the work of the ACWC.

• Consider giving a special end-of-year gift to the ACWC.

• As always, endeavor to "Make Art Part of Your Day" every day!

NOTE: ALL ACWC AND COMMUNITY ARTS GRANTS EVENTS ARE LISTED IN BOLD TYPE

DECEMBER 2023

- 1 COMMUNITY ARTS GRANTS 2024 - Application deadline. 4pm.** Community Arts, Individual Artist and Art Education grant applications. Contact Bethany Butler, 585.237.3517 Ext 102; grants@artswyco.org; www.artswyco.org/grants/grants.
- 1, 2 Third annual Christmas Spectacular Variety Show:** multiple vignettes, music and **dance performances**, featuring the PCF Players / **Grace Dancers**. Pioneer Christian Fellowship, 303 RT-39, Arcade, NY. Dec. 1, 7pm. Dec. 2, 2pm and 7pm. Free; reservations required. 585-322-3694.
- 2 ACWC Annual Artisan Fair,** 12-8 pm. ACWC Gallery, 31 South Main St., Perry. Come shop for unique items by local artisans! 585.237.3517. Free admission.
- 2 Genesee Dance Theater: The Nutcracker.** 2pm and 7pm. Children: \$21.26; Adults: \$26.60. Perry High School Auditorium, 33 Watkins Avenue Perry, NY. 585.237.8815
- 2 Traditional Fiber Arts - Crochet Demonstration & "Try it Out"** for kids and adults. 9am to 3pm. Wyoming Free Library, 114 S Academy St., Wyoming. 585.495.6840
- 2, 3 Angelica Players with Angelica Community Radio: A Christmas Carol: A Live Radio Play.** Classic Dickens Christmas story as delivered by a 1940's era radio studio cast. Dec. 2, 7pm; Dec. 3, 3pm. Angelica Library Stage, 55 W Main St, Angelica, NY. Ticketed; www.facebook.com/AngelicaPlayers
- 6 Knight's Creek Music Program:** Community Music Outreach. 11am. Free. Wellspring, 5993 County Road 16, Belfast.
- 6, 7, 13, 14 Holiday Community Creations:** Cookie Decorations; Gingerbread houses at Genesee and Scio Libraries. Instructors Raeanne Smith and Justine Wiedeman. Contact Genesee Library, 585.928.1915 or Scio Library, 585.593.4816.
- 7 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening:** Meet Me in St. Louis (1944, USA) Musical. Dir. Vincente Minnelli; Starring Judy Garland, Margaret O'Brien, Mary Astor. 7pm. Free. 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517. Instagram: [@watchingkylesoldmovies](https://www.instagram.com/watchingkylesoldmovies)
- 7 Bucket of Branches Holiday Décor with Barb Hopkins:** Limit 15. Pike Library, 65 Main St., Pike. Call 585.493.5900.
- 8, 9 Genesee Dance Theater: The Nutcracker.** 2pm and 7pm. Dec. 8, 7pm; Dec. 9th, 2pm. No tickets needed for Wellsville shows. Seating is first come, first served. David A. Howe Public Library, Nancy Howe Auditorium, 155 N Main St, Wellsville, NY. 585.237.8815
- 9 Round & Square Dance** with Jack Ellis & Keepin' It Country and Kelly's Old Timers. Callers Dale Olin, Doug Kelly, Elise Kelly, and Carol McClellan. 7pm. \$5. Palmer Opera House, 12 W. Main St., Cuba NY.
- 13 Jingle Jam with Jess Ferraday-Hageman:** Music, movement, games with a holiday spin, ages birth to age 7. 3:30 pm. Free. Registration required: cuba@stls.org /585.968.1668. Children must be accompanied by parent or adult caretaker; no drop-offs. Cuba Library, 39 E Main St, Cuba.
- 13, 16 Creating Memories Communities project:** Classes portrait photography with Photographer Nicholas Davis at Genesee and Scio Libraries. Genesee Library, 585.928.1915 or Scio Library, 585.593.4816.
- 14 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening:** Die Hard (1988, USA). Action. Dir. John McTiernan. Starring Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman, and Reginald VelJohnson. 7pm. Free. ACWC East Indian Screening Room, 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517. Instagram: [@watchingkylesoldmovies](https://www.instagram.com/watchingkylesoldmovies)
- 15 Josephine Konvinse - Fiber Fusion Wearable Art:** Individual Artist grant project. World's Smallest Wool Shop, 6 Covington St., Perry, NY.
- 15 Knight's Creek Music Project:** Christmas Instrumental Music Program. 7pm. Free. Wellsville Full Gospel Church, 2221 Hanover Hill Rd., Wellsville.
- 17 Knight's Creek Music Project:** Christmas Instrumental Music Program. 2pm. Free. United Church of Friendship, 31 E Main St, Friendship.
- 21 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening:** King Kong (1933, USA). Action/Science Fiction/Stop Motion Animation. Dir. Merian C. Cooper and Ernest B. Schoedsack. Starring Fay Wray. 7pm. Free. 31 South Main St.,

Wooly Wonders Reboot!

Interested in learning to knit or crochet for free? Having trouble with a current project? Want to learn a new technique? Come join us for Therapeutic Knitting and Crochet at local spots around Wyoming County! We will be talking about how these art forms can help you feel healthier, and ways to make sure you don't develop any "fiber injuries"! Each session lasts about an hour and a half (depending on how much fun we are having!) and you can bring your own supplies or use the ones we have for you (needles/hooks, yarn and pattern included). See below to find a group in your neighborhood or contact lfranke@artswyco.org if you would like us to come to an area near you.

- **Castile Library** – Tuesday mornings in November and December (except major holidays), 9:30-11 AM
- **Pike Library** – Thursday mornings beginning in January
- **Perry** – TBA

Perry. 585.237.3517. Instagram: [@watchingkylesoldmovies](https://www.instagram.com/watchingkylesoldmovies)

21 Poetry is New Vision: Writer's Workshop for adults and high-school students with Luke Daly. 6-8pm. Warsaw Public Library, 130 N. Main St., Warsaw. Call 585.786.5650 for details.

21 Leatherworking with Clifford Redeye III, Onöndo'wa'ga (Seneca). Part 4 of a 4-part series. 4-8pm. Wide Awake Club Library, 22 N Genesee St, Fillmore, NY. Call 585.567.8301 for details.

31 Application Deadline for ALL ACWC Grants and Scholarships

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for Youth and Adult Artists. More details information available in this newsletter and at www.artswyco.org/grants.

4 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening: Thin Man (1934, USA). Mystery. Dir. W.S. Van Dyke. Starring William Powell, Myrna Loy, Skippy the Dog. 7pm. Free. 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517. Instagram: [@watchingkylesoldmovies](https://www.instagram.com/watchingkylesoldmovies)

11 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening: Ruggles of Red Cap (1935, USA). Comedy. Dir. Leo McCarey. Starring Charles Laughton, Mary Boland, Charlie Ruggles, and Zasu Pitts. 7pm. Free. 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517. Details on Instagram: [@watchingkylesoldmovies](https://www.instagram.com/watchingkylesoldmovies)

12 ACWC Gallery Exhibit Opening: Local Color. Annual member's show. Vote for the People's Choice award until Feb. 14th. Closing reception / awards presentation Feb. 23rd. 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517; www.artswyco.org

18 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening: Sunset Boulevard (1950, USA). Noir Comedy. Dir. Billy Wilder. Starring William Holden, Gloria Swanson, and Erich von Stroheim. 7pm. Free. 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517. Instagram: [@watchingkylesoldmovies](https://www.instagram.com/watchingkylesoldmovies)

FEBRUARY 2024

1 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening: After the Thin Man (1936, USA). Mystery. Dir. W.S. Van Dyke. Starring William Powell, Myrna Loy, Skippy the Dog. 7pm. Free. 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517. Instagram: [@watchingkylesoldmovies](https://www.instagram.com/watchingkylesoldmovies)

1 ACWC Wyoming County Elementary / Middle School Student Art Exhibit. YMCA Gallery, 115 Linwood Ave., Warsaw. Awards Reception at show closing on Mar. 8. 585.237.3517 www.artswyco.org

8 ACWC Classic Film Series Screening: It Happened One Night (1934, USA). Comedy. Dir. Frank Capra. Starring Claudette Colbert and Clark Gable. 7pm. Free. 31 South Main St., Perry. 585.237.3517. Instagram:

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2024 ACWC GRANTS AND SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ADULTS AND YOUNG ARTISTS

Application deadline for all grants is DECEMBER 31, 2023

ACWC YOUTH PERFORMING ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded once each year to one high school student who wishes to further their studies in the performing arts. The grants (up to \$500) may be used to help with summer music camp fees or ongoing lessons from a professional teacher or institution. Recipients of this scholarship are expected to perform at select ACWC events throughout the year, including the Community Arts Grants Awards Ceremony that is held in March, where the award is presented.

TO APPLY: Applicants must submit the following by email to acwcyouthgrants@artswyco.org:

- A brief statement addressing your reason for submitting the grant application.
- A biography including your name and address (one page maximum).
- A digital photo of you with your instrument or performing (at least 300 DPI jpeg).
- An acceptance letter into the program in which you wish to participate or a copy of the program's application form. (A letter from current professional instructor and credentials can be substituted for this requirement.)

All information except photos must be submitted as a PDF or Microsoft WORD document (no Google Docs, please). This application is open to students attending public, private, or home school, living in Wyoming County.

RISING STAR SCHOLARSHIP

The ACWC Rising Star Scholarship is awarded annually to a college student, graduate, or aspiring young artist up to the age of 30. Priority will be given to artists who plan to produce and sell visual art as part of their future livelihood. The scholarship includes a booth at the Letchworth Arts & Crafts Show & Sale®, publicity, and a solo exhibition at the ACWC's Main Gallery

TO APPLY: Applicants must submit the following by email to acwcyouthgrants@artswyco.org:

- A brief statement addressing your reason for submitting the grant application.
- An artist's statement.
- A brief biography including your name and address (one page maximum).
- A photo of you working in your studio or class, or a headshot (at least 300 DPI jpeg).
- Up to 10 images of current/past work.

For the Rising Star Scholarship, all information except photos must be submitted as a PDF or Microsoft WORD document (no Google Docs please). Applicants may be required to participate in an interview, which would include a portfolio review. The award is presented at the ACWC's annual Community Arts

Grants Awards Ceremony held in March. This scholarship does NOT have a Wyoming County residency requirement.

ACWC & CREEKSIDE FABRICS VISUAL ARTS SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is for high school students (grades 9 through 12) and is made possible through a partnership between the ACWC and Creekside Fabrics of Arcade. It is awarded each year to one high school student who wishes to further their studies in visual arts: photography, fiber arts, ceramics, carpentry, drawing or painting.

Valued at \$900, the scholarship is a one-year apprenticeship to a local master in fine arts or crafts, culminating with an exhibition of work produced under the master. The recipient would work with the master to learn techniques and skills to improve the student's knowledge and competence in the select field of discipline. The award is presented at the ACWC's annual Community Arts Grants Awards Ceremony held in March.

TO APPLY: Applicants must submit the following by email to acwcyouthgrants@artswyco.org:

- A brief statement addressing your reason for submitting the application for this scholarship.
- A brief biography including your name and address (one page maximum).
- A photo or headshot (at least 300 DPI jpeg).
- A letter of reference or support from a current or past teacher

All information except photos must be submitted as a PDF or Microsoft WORD document (no Google Docs please). Application is open to students in public, private, or home school living in Wyoming County.

DOUGLAS & RYAN MCDANEL MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Adult artists are invited to submit proposals to be selected for the ACWC's 2024 Douglas & Ryan McDanel Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship was established to honor the memory of and art contributions of these two artists to Wyoming county and the greater GLOW region. \$500 will be awarded to one adult visual artist who has been creating continually for the past five years or more. The award will be determined by how well the artist's work and proposal reflect Doug's and Ryan's art process or philosophy.

Ryan said, "I work with the steel and am alive during the entire creative development of a piece... I very rarely take the objects that I make seriously, but I do take my art making very seriously." **Doug** was very introspective with his work. He enjoyed creating work in solitude. Both his paintings and sculptures

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