

POETRY EVENTS AT THE BARRON ARTS CENTER

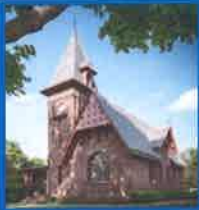
- A. **Poetswednesday** began at the Barron Arts Center in 1978. It is the oldest poetry reading group in the United States. Poetswednesday meets the second Wednesday of each month at the Barron Arts Center and features readings from renowned guest poets along with a free hour workshop. At the conclusion of the reading from the featured poet there is an open MIC in which all attendees can participate. Many readings are accompanied by musicians and attract a varied clientele. Poetswednesday is sponsored through the Township of Woodbridge & the Cultural Arts Commission of Woodbridge.

Student Slam Poetry Event originated as a project for high school students. It consists of individual slam poetry workshops in each of the three high schools within Woodbridge. At the conclusion there is a selection process within each high school with the top three poets from each high school going to the Barron Arts Center for a final competition. This competition is judged by 4 outstanding slam poets and the master of ceremonies is their original instructor. Deborah LeVeglia the head Chair of Poetswednesday presides over the event with extra readings from the four judges. The 4 slam poets rate and select a winner within the elimination process.

Poetswednesdays strengthens both local businesses and the Woodbridge Metro chamber of Commerce by increasing the visibility of our thriving downtown area and restaurants.

Poetswednesday strengthens our visibility through the promotion of the Spoken Word. There are many new visitors each month with an outstanding lineup of Poets and authors who are available without having to commute into New York City to participate within the writer's medium. All programs are offered free of charge with the support of the Township of Woodbridge and the Cultural Arts Commission of Woodbridge.

- B. Poetswednesday at the Barron Arts Center has been a collaborative process dating back to 1978. It brought together writers and musicians while providing a venue to explore and develop their craft under the guidance of many professionals within the spoken word. The recent emergence of the Poetry Slam is a new addition now into its fourth year attracting a whole new generation into our program with the enhancement and visibility working within our school system and the Board of Education.
- C. Poetswednesday and Student Slam Poetry Event support the development/implementation of our Creative Placemaking Plan. Both programs have brought many new people into Woodbridge Township. They in turn have frequented many of our restaurants, stores and hotels. With a high visibility in the arts, they in turn looked for other events within Woodbridge. Most of these events are offered free of charge.
- D. Poetswednesday and Student Poetry Slam expand the local development of the community by bringing more people into Woodbridge Township. It also expands our endeavor by bringing local people into an art community where they then discover all the possibilities available to them which they would never had otherwise discovered.
- E Both these projects were conceptual ideas of various writers, poets and musicians. They have designed and implemented the project.
- Both elements of our poetry projects have been important to neighborhood revitalization, tourism, and business enhancement. They do well in that they bridge the community's age barriers engaging participation from students to seniors.
 - We have partnered with surrounding communities and continue to collaborate with the school system.



BARRON ARTS CENTER

WINTER/SPRING 2018

January/February

All Seasons Chamber Players "A Musical Offering"

January 26, 2018 8pm

Now in their 29th year at the Barron Arts Center, ASCP will perform with their Flemish harpsichord in combination with flutes and strings for a program of music from the 18th century to the present. Always a full house. Make your reservations now! Call (732)634-0413



Artwork by Olivia Jones

The Students of Bishop Ahr: Art Exhibit

Exhibit Dates: February 8-24, 2018

Opening Reception: February 8, 2018 ~ 7-9pm

Student art from Bishop George Ahr High School will be presented.

For more information call (732)634-0413

March/April

The Barron Arts Center & The Middlesex County Cultural & Heritage Commission Present

Garden State World Beat 2

2018 Concert & Lecture Series



Stephane Wrembel

CONCERT: Stephane Wrembel Trio

March 16, 2018 ~ 7:30pm

Location: Barron Arts Center

A French born jazz guitarist who has settled in New Jersey, Wrembel is best known as a composer & performer of "Gypsy Jazz." His unique 21st century homage to Django Reinhardt's Romani French Jazz has earned him a place of honor in New Jersey's new global sound. Reservation Required. Call (732)634-0413

Student Works: HIGH SCHOOL

Student Exhibit

April 2-16, 2018

Reception April 16, 7-9pm

High School students from Woodbridge

Township express themselves through visual art. Join us for an award ceremony 4/16. 7-9pm



"The Two Sides of Me" by Janae Motley, CHS



PERFORMANCE:

Barvinok Ukrainian Youth Dance Ensemble With Special Guest Vocalist & Violinist Kseniia Iavorska

April 13, 2018 ~ 7:30pm

Location: Woodbridge Middle School Theatre (525 Barron Avenue, Woodbridge, NJ)

This youth dance company was formed to give children of Ukrainian heritage the opportunity to learn traditional Ukrainian dance. This world class ensemble will entertain along with guest vocalist & violinist Kseniia Iavorska. No Reservations needed! FREE admission!

May

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PERFORMANCE:

The University of the Philippines Alumni & Friends Rondala with Special

Guests the Ligaya Cultural Group

May 18, 2018 ~ 7:30pm

Location: Woodbridge Middle School Theatre (525 Barron Avenue, Woodbridge, NJ)

This traditional string ensemble was formed in 1992 to help promote Philippine cultural heritage through indigenous instruments. This unique group will entertain along with music & dance from the Ligaya Cultural Group. No reservations needed. Free Admission.



39th Annual Woodbridge Township Senior Citizen Art Show

Exhibit Dates: May 5-14, 2018

Closing Reception: May 14, 6-8pm

For more information on registering your art work, or information regarding the exhibit and reception call Evergreen Senior Center at (732)726-6261

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"Cardinal" by Kathy Jost-Keating, Woodbridge

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WEDNESDAY, JAN 10, 2018 * 8-10PM ~ WORKSHOP 7PM

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WEDNESDAY, FEB 14, 2018 * 8-10PM ~ WORKSHOP 7PM

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WEDNESDAY, MARCH 14, 2018 * 8-10PM ~ WORKSHOP 7PM

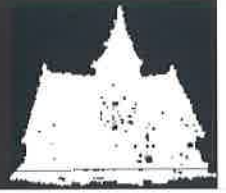
POETSWEDNESDAY: FEATURING POET KEVIN HAYES
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 11, 2018 * 8-10PM ~ WORKSHOP 7PM

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT POETRY
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Concert, Performance & Lecture Series

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~ 7:30pm at Barron Arts Center

May 18 • PERFORMANCE: University of the Philippines Alumni & Friends Rondalla Traditional String Ensemble & the Ligaya Cultural Group ~ 7:30pm at Woodbridge Middle School

July 19 • LECTURE: "The Foods & Wines of Spain" presented by Alborada Spanish Dance Theatre

~ 7:30pm at Barron Arts Center

August 15 • LECTURE: "Tea & Other Beverages of the Pacific Rim" presented by Judith Krall-Russo

~ 7:30pm at Barron Arts Center

FREE Admission for all events — \$5.00 Suggested Donation. Call (732)634-0413 For Reservation Information

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This program is made possible in part by funds from the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders through a grant from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts.



Cynthia Knight, Director



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The Chinese Music Ensemble of New York

May 18, 2018 ~ 7:30pm

Location: Woodbridge Middle School

Theatre (525 Barron Avenue, Woodbridge, NJ)

Founded in 1961 the Chinese Music Ensemble of New York has grown from a few music lovers presenting Cantonese traditional music to becoming the oldest and largest Chinese orchestra in the United States. Its present membership of almost

fifty musicians plays practically every type of Chinese musical instrument. No Reservations needed! FREE admission

Exhibit: Frontline Arts at the Barron Arts Center

Exhibit Dates: May 31—June 17, 2018

Opening Reception: May 31, 2018 ~ 7-9pm

Frontline Arts strives to ignite awareness of critical issues and encourage public involvement by supporting socially engaged artists and projects, with a focus on participatory art, to connect and build communities and amplify marginalized voices.



The Spirit of Feria: Photography Exhibit

Exhibit Dates: July 7-22, 2018

This exhibit showcases photography taken during Feria de Sevilla, a celebration of Spanish dance and heritage, organized by *Alborada Spanish Dance Theatre*. Participants were tasked with capturing the raw emotion and vibrant pageantry of traditional Spanish dance. For more information please call (732)634-0413

The Barron Arts Center Annual Outdoor Flea Market

July 14, 2018 ~ 8am-2:30pm RAIN OR SHINE!

This year located at Woodbridge's Parker Press Park (400 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge)

Between Walgreens and the NJ Transit Woodbridge Station. Benefits the Woodbridge Township Cultural Arts Commission and future programming at the Barron Arts Center. For more information call (732)634-0413



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2018 Concert & Lecture Series

Lecture: The Foods & Wines of Spain

July 19, 2018 ~ 7:30pm

From Paellas to Jamon Serranos, to the wonderful fruits & vegetables therein, learn about many well known foods & wines of Spain. This lecture/demonstration will also include a live paella preparation & sampling! FREE admission. Limited Seating. Reservations Essential. Call (732)634-0413



Lecture: All the Tea in China

August 15, 2018 ~ 7:30pm

Tea, the most consumed beverage in China, has been a staple since ancient times. It is drunk in tea houses and work places, on the street and in the parks throughout the day. Learn more about traditional tea varieties and the Chinese tea ceremony known as gong fu cha. Presented by Tea & Food Historian Judith Krall-Russo. FREE admission. Limited Seating. Reservations Essential. Call (732)634-0413

Exhibit: The Earth Speaks

Exhibit Dates: August 4-26, 2018

Artist Reception: August 7, 2018 ~ 7-9pm

If the Earth speaks, what would it say to you? This juried exhibit asked the artists to re-examine our responsibilities by taking an honest look at environmentalism in the 21st century.

A portion of the proceeds from "The Earth Speaks" will be donated the Woodbridge River Watch 501 (c) (3).



"Growth" by Linda Rae Coughlin, Fiber/Mixed Media



FUNDRAISER: The Woodbridge Psychic Fair

August 18, 2018 ~ 11am-5pm

Location: Woodbridge Middle School (525 Barron Avenue, Woodbridge)

Find out about the future or learn from the past from some of NJ's best psychic mediums, clairvoyants, tarot card readers, tea leaf readers and astrology readers. The fair will also include vendors and lectures. Admission \$5.00 at the door, lectures are free, readings are separate. Admission fee benefits future programming at the Barron Arts Center. For more info visit www.woodbridgepsychicfair.com

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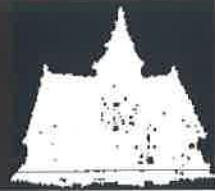
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8:00AM-2:30PM
JULY 14 2018
RAIN OR SHINE

The Barron Arts Center
FLEA MARKET

WATER, COFFEE, SNACKS, BURGERS, BOATERS, HOT DOGS
Food for sale!

This Year at PARKER PRESS PARK!

Place: Parker Press Park
400 Rahway Ave. Woodbridge, NJ
Call 732-634-0413 for more info

SAVE THE DATE! AUTUMN EVENTS AT BARRON ARTS CENTER

Sept 29 • The Barron Arts Center's 2nd Annual
Poetry / Literary Festival
(Location: Woodbridge Middle School)

Oct 4-25 • The Barron Arts Center's
ARTIST of the YEAR Exhibit

Oct 13 • The 11th Annual BARRONFEST
Arts & Crafts Festival
(Location: Parker Press Park)

Oct 27 • NJ Paranormal's Annual
GHOST HUNT at the
BARRON ARTS CENTER



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The Barron Report



You don't need to go to New York City or Philadelphia to experience the sounds and sights of the holidays – the season comes alive in The Best Town Around.

See what's on tap for the coming entertainment season at The Barron. The ever-popular Poets Wednesday presents a Holiday Celebration with poetry readings and workshop. Explore new and returning painting & drawing classes for artists young and not so young.

Sign-up for Cartooning 101 – an introductory course that focuses on the basics of drawing your own cartoon characters. Visit www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us for complete listings and registration details on all of The Barron's exhibits, concerts, classes, events and programs. Call **732-634-0413** or check out The Barron on Facebook and Twitter.

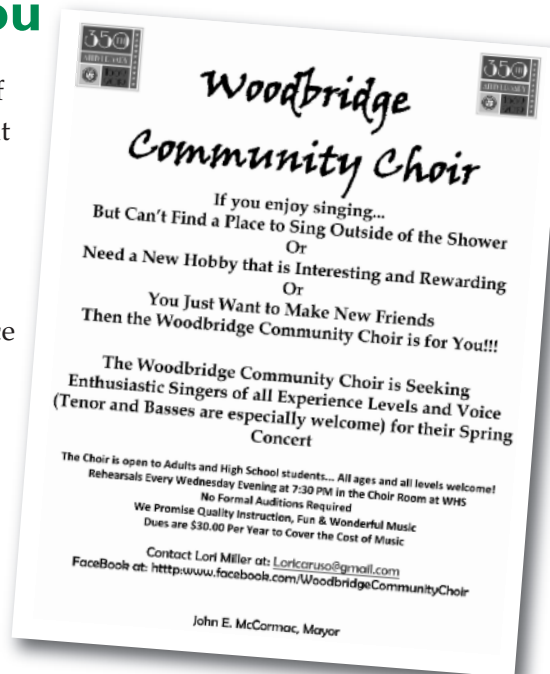
Woodbridge is The Best Town Around for the Holidays

Experience the warmth of the holiday season with special holiday programs, events and seasonal concerts right here in Woodbridge. For more information on holiday events, visit our web site at www.twp.woodbridge.nj.us or call the Mayor's Office at **732-634-4500**.



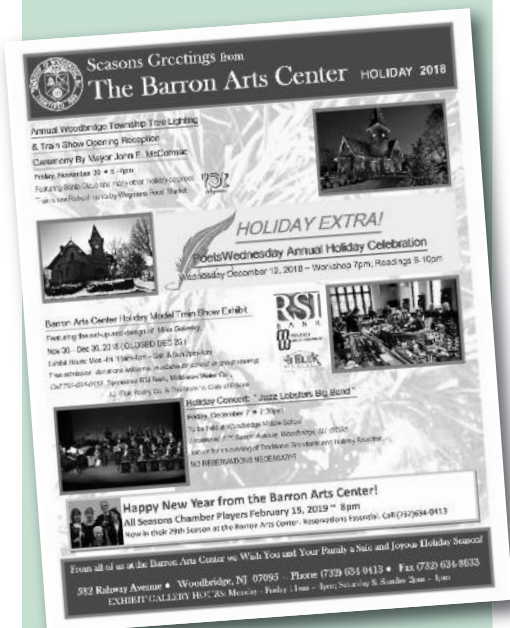
Woodbridge Community Choir is Looking for You

Can't find a place to sing outside of the shower? Need a new hobby that is interesting and rewarding? Want to make new friends? Then the Woodbridge Community Choir is for you. The Choir is seeking enthusiastic singers of all experience levels and voice parts (tenors and basses especially welcome). Make friends. Make memories. Make music. Join today. Contact Lori Miller at: loricaruso@gmail.com or [Facebook.com/WoodbridgeCommunityChoir](https://www.facebook.com/WoodbridgeCommunityChoir).



Experience The Barron

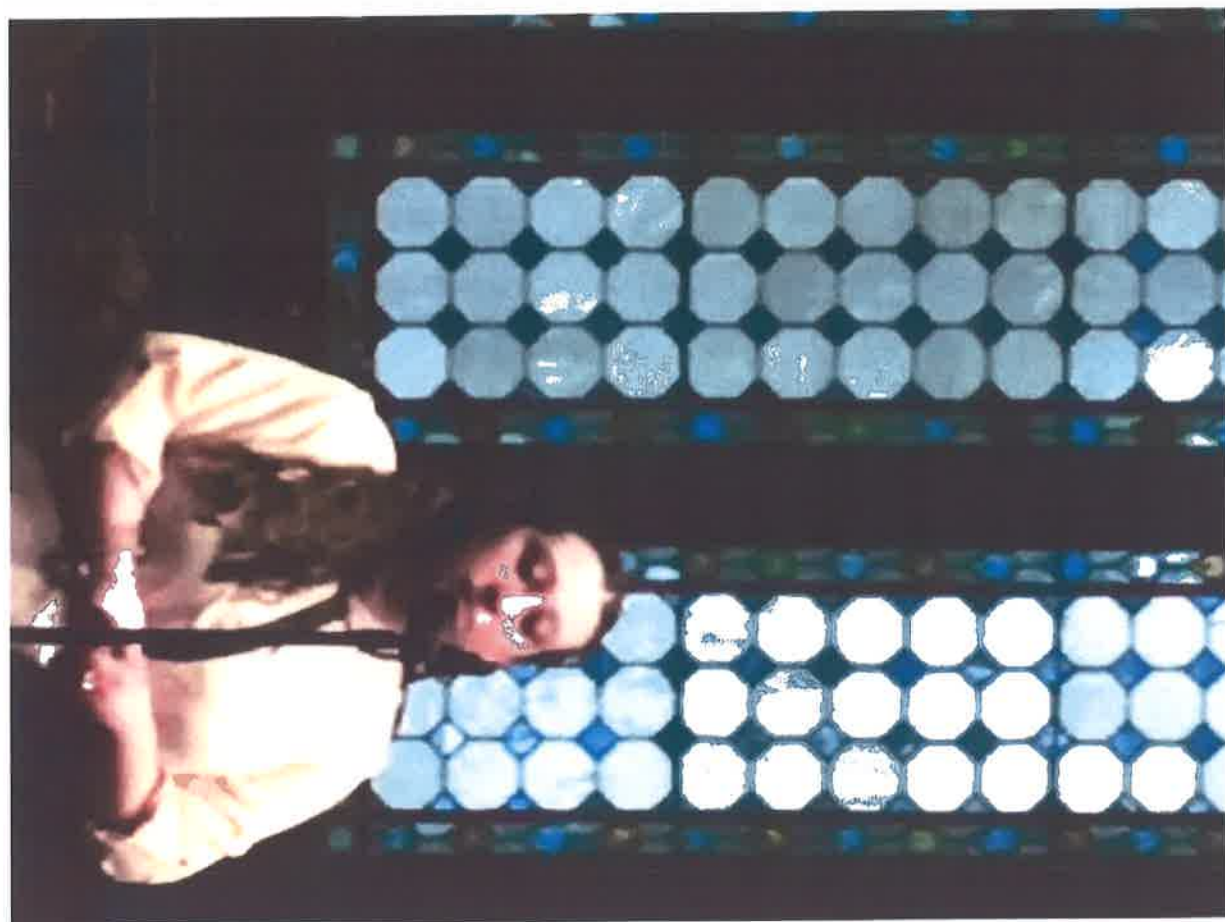
There's FREE admission for all Barron events and concerts (\$5.00 suggested donation is always appreciated.) The Barron continues to give back to the community by collecting non-perishable food items and pet supplies for the "We Feed Woodbridge" food drive and the Woodbridge Animal Shelter & Pet Adoption Center. When attending any Barron concert, exhibit or program, please participate in the voluntary program to keep our food pantries stocked and our pets safe and healthy. Get all the latest information on upcoming programs and events by calling **732-634-0413**.











Event Details

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Wednesday, May 9, 2018

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Time: 7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

Time Details: Poetry Workshops 7-8 PM Featured Readers are followed by Open Readings. Readings begin at 8 PM.

Location: Barron Arts Center

Address: 582 Rahway Avenue
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Cost: FREE with suggested donation

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