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It's wonderful when dreams come true. For Nancy Rosner, 2026 was indeed a dream come true. As Managing Director of the Armonk Outdoor Art Show, Nancy was showered with honors from Washington, D.C., to Albany, New York, to hometown Armonk. Ms. Rosner was recognized for her outstanding achievements leading one of the nation's most prestigious outdoor art shows by the U.S. Congress House of Representatives (Congressman Mike Lawler); NY State Assembly (Assemblyman Chris Burdick); New York's Westchester County (County Executive Ken Jenkins); and the Armonk Chamber of Commerce (President Neal Schwartz).

But when the dream begins in childhood, it's even more meaningful and

sweeter. When that childhood dream comes true in your own hometown, well, that's really special. "I grew up in Armonk and attended the Art Show since I was a little girl. I had so much fun purchasing art from the artists at the Art Show for my home," said Nancy. "I graduated from Byram Hills High School, got my BA in Art History from the University of Pennsylvania and my Master of Education focusing in Arts in Education from Harvard University. I worked in art museum education for many years at various museums, including the Barnes Foundation in Philadelphia, and did consulting with art museums before taking on the Managing Director role with the Armonk Outdoor Art Show. Prior to being named Managing Director, I volunteered as Family Activities Tent Co-chair, then a member of the jury selecting the

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▲ **Mixed Media By Armonk Artist Liz Green**

▲ **Nancy Rosner honored by Armonk Chamber of Commerce President Neal Schwartz with Armonk 2026 Organization of The Year**

artists, and Assistant Managing Director before Managing Director. I am truly passionate about the Art Show. My favorite part is working with the people and community involved in making it happen!"

The history of the Armonk Outdoor Art Show dates back to 1961, when Charles Elson, Lucille Bruno, Jean West, and other Friends of the North Castle Public Library launched an outdoor art exhibition to raise funds. Initially only a handful of artists showed their work on the lawn of the Armonk Methodist Church bordering Main Street, but nevertheless the Armonk Outdoor Art Show was born. The show soon outgrew the churchyard and was relocated to the library's parking lot.

In the early days, cakes, pies, and memorable brownies, baked by volunteers in the church kitchen, accompanied the small but growing collection of fine art. The community came and enjoyed the delicious homemade goodies along with Schultz's famous cider, from their iconic local farm stand, to wash it all down.

As the show grew, and grew, and grew, the location once again changed, first to the American Legion Field in front of Town Hall and finally in 1997 to its current venue at Community Park. What started as a local show in the library parking lot, with paintings hung on snow fencing, has since expanded to a 204-booth juried event held on 10 acres at North Castle Community Park. Today, over half a century since its founding, approximately 165 exhibitors chosen from about 700 applicants, both nationally and internationally, will display their fine art in Armonk's beautiful tree-lined park, now one of the nation's most esteemed outdoor art shows. Thousands of individual pieces spanning painting, mixed media, sculpture, photography, printmaking, drawing, and fine crafts will be on display Saturday and Sunday, 10am to 5pm, September 26 and 27, 2026, at Community Park, 205 Business Park Drive, Armonk, New York 10504.

Thousands of art lovers are expected from near and far for what is now the 64th Annual Armonk Outdoor Art Show. Children's activities and interactive art will once again help make this a family-friendly annual event. Tickets are available at www.armonkoutdoorartshow.org, and children come for FREE and are able to enjoy kid-friendly food and drinks (great treats for all the moms and dads too!).

The second year of Armonk Has Heart kicked off on August 26th as the leadup to the outdoor art show, with twenty original and unique (no two are the same) heart sculptures being displayed throughout local Armonk businesses. Coordinated by the Armonk Chamber of Commerce, these heart sculptures will ultimately be auctioned off to benefit the North Castle Public Library. As the Chamber of Commerce noted, "This unique public



▲ **Stuart Yankell Will be One of Many Artist's Exhibiting**



▲ **Families Activity Tent Armonk Outdoor Art Show**

art initiative invites residents and visitors to explore Armonk, discover local shops and restaurants, and experience creativity in unexpected places." The Hearts Auction opens September 16 and runs through the end of the Art Show on September 27 at 5pm.

As the show has grown, so too has its group of volunteers, now numbering 300. Every year, as one show winds down, the next is already in the works. "Behind all the brainstorming and community outreach is a hard-working and fun-loving group of people who strive to make the art show the best it can be," noted Nancy Rosner. "The commitment from our volunteers is truly extraordinary. Many of them have been involved for years, and their dedication is a big part of why the show is so successful." Never to miss a beat, Ms. Rosner was quick to point out, "You too can be a part of the art show history. New volunteers and new ideas are always welcome!" It's no small tribute to Nancy's hard work and dedication, along with her enthusiastic staff of volunteers, that the Armonk Outdoor Art Show has been honored as Armonk's 2026 Organization of the Year.

The Art Show is the largest fundraiser for the North Castle Public Library, funding educational and entertainment programs for all ages, providing furnishings and upgrades to the library branches and The Armonk Players theater group. The Friends of the North Castle Public Library, a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization, provides most of the programs, films, and classes for the Armonk and North White Plains library branches. In turn, the Friends has been the heart of the public-private partnership of the North Castle Public Library, an intellectual, cultural, and social hub for not only Armonk but much of Westchester County.

Thanks to the dynamic leadership of Nancy Rosner and her Executive Board members David Fromm, Liz Green, Debbie Heidecorn, Marian Hamilton, Ariel Dubs, and Stacy Wilder, the Annual Armonk Outdoor Art Festival isn't just growing but thriving. As Nancy said, "It's a chance to connect with the community, discover new artists, and be inspired." With inspirational leadership like Nancy Rosner's, it's hard not to be inspired.

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