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PIANOS IN SOCIAL SETTINGS: WELCOME BACK!

The Academy of Fortepiano Performance Returns to the Catskills August 24-29

By Joan Oldknow

The Academy of Fortepiano Performance returns to the Catskill Mountain Foundation’s Piano Performance Museum in Hunter, NY this August for its summer workshop, Pianos in Social Settings: Welcome Back! Academy co-founders Audrey Axinn, Maria Rose and Yi-heng Yang will perform live to limited audiences in a faculty concert on August 24 and the workshop will end with a student concert on August 28. Both concerts will take place at the Doctorow Center for the Arts in Hunter and will be videotaped for viewing virtually at a later date.

During the Academy, young professionals will have the opportunity to study with renowned fortepianists, and play antique or replica fortepianos from the 18th and 19th centuries. Master classes and lectures round out the week-long Academy, set in the beautiful surroundings of the Catskill mountains and waterways.

ABOUT THE ACADEMY

Now in its fourth year, the Academy of Fortepiano Performance is a perfect introduction for pianists who have an interest in playing early instruments, as well as an intensive study opportunity for experienced students of period performance practice. Led by renowned performers and specialists, students will participate in lessons, master classes, and workshops supported by plentiful access to pianos from the 18th and 19th century or their modern replicas. Instruction will address technique, stylistically informed interpretation of classical and early-Romantic repertoire, and piano construction and maintenance. In addition, several lectures and demonstrations will highlight a variety of performance practice topics. Daily individual instrumental lessons are complemented by group demonstrations, and the study culminates in a final student concert in Weisberg Hall.

The 2021 Academy is only open to vaccinated students and faculty, using a modified format due to COVID restrictions: no chamber music and a limited number of students. Professional filmmakers will be in attendance to make free videos of participants and in September a documentary will be shown about the 2021 Academy at the virtual International Fortepiano Salon.

This year, the Academy of Fortepiano Performance has initiated a Fellowship Program, which consists of a residency for a select group of young professionals who already have substantial experience performing on fortepianos and are poised to enter the professional arena as the next generation of leading fortepianists. Among them are winners of prestigious international competitions, graduates of The Juilliard School Historical Performance program and other specialized doctoral programs in conservato-
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ries and universities around the country and abroad. The Fellows will spend the four days in Hunter on focused and individualized performance projects, with the goal of making a high-quality video for their future professional use.

The Academy also welcomes advanced pianists who have little or no experience with historical instruments. These students will receive instruction in the special requirements of early pianos, and learn how their sounds and techniques match the music of the composers of their time.

Pianos available to students and Fellows include French, English, and Viennese pianos built during the 18th and 19th centuries, including the 1827 Conrad Graf piano acquired by the Museum last year and not heard yet in a live concert. During the festival, students and Fellows will have dedicated practice opportunities on these pianos, located in the Piano Performance Museum or in the theaters within the Doctorow Center for the Arts.

FACULTY CONCERT
BEHIND THE MASKS ...
A LIVE FORTEPIANO RECITAL

The Academy opens on August 24 with a faculty concert “Behind the Masks ... A Live Fortepiano Recital,” performed by Audrey Axinn, Yiheng Yang, and Maria Rose. Axinn will perform Beethoven’s Bagatelles, Opus 33, on the Walter fortepiano; Rose will perform Sonata op. 61 by Jan Ladislav Dussek, also called “Élégie harmonique”; and Yang will perform Novellettes op 21 by Robert Schumann on the Graf piano.

STUDENT CONCERT

The week will culminate in a student concert at the Evelyn Weisberg Hall in the Doctorow Center, where the audience can enjoy the incredible variety of sights and sounds of 18th- and 19th-century pianos, in stark contrast to the uniform grand pianos that are generally heard in concert settings.

A TIME FOR REINVIGORATION AND OPTIMISM

While attendance at the performances, workshops and masterclasses at this year’s Academy will most likely be limited this year, it will be so special to be able to hold an in-person residency after last year’s cancellation. Maria Rose said of “Élégie harmonique,” the piece she will perform in the faculty concert: “Dussek wrote the sonata in memory of his friend Prince Louis Ferdinand of Prussia, who had been killed in the war against Napoleon. The opening phrase refers to the Passion of Christ, set to music in an oratorio by Haydn. Somehow that opening of heart-felt suffering seems very appropriate at this time of loss, anxiety, and uncertainty after a year-and-a half of dealing with the COVID pandemic, comparable to the experience of people during wartime.” The festival promises to be a time of reinvigoration and cautious optimism for all participants.

Some of the performances and lecture/demonstrations will be filmed, and special selections will be presented at the Academy of Fortepiano Performance International Fortepiano Salon on September 27, 2021.

ABOUT THE FACULTY AND GUEST ARTISTS

Fortepianist Audrey Axinn is a faculty member at The Juilliard School and The Mannes School of Music. A sensitive and vibrant performer, she has played solo and collaborative recitals at many venues throughout North America and Europe, and taught master classes in Beijing, Seoul, The Hague, The Curtis Institute, Juilliard, Oberlin and New England Conservatory.

Maria Rose, originally from the Netherlands, combines her experience as a fortepiano performer with her research as a musicologist. She has performed extensively as solo performer and in chamber music, and has a PhD in Musicology from New York University. Ms. Rose has written articles on piano performance practice and recorded a wide range of repertoire on period instru-
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ments. She is a Board member of the Historical Keyboard Society of North America and an editor at RILM, the bibliographic database for music research, in New York City. Ms. Rose lives in the Catskill region.

Pianist and fortepianist Yi-heng Yang has been described as an "exquisite collaborator" (Opera News) and noted for her "remarkable expressivity and technique" (Early Music Magazine). Her work spans from collaborations on period instruments with visionary artists such as the Grammy award-winning tenor Karim Sulayman, in their acclaimed and timely album, Where Only Stars Can Hear Us (Avie Records), to provocative explorations into Romantic and Classical performance practice with artists such as cellist Kate Bennett Wadsworth, baroque violinist Abby Karr, and harpsichordist Rebecca Cypess. As a soloist and collaborator, Yi-heng has appeared at festivals and series throughout the United States. Ms. Yang holds a doctorate in piano from the Juilliard School, and also studied historical keyboards at the Amsterdam Conservatory. She is on the faculty at The Juilliard School.

An insightful musician, Maki Masuyaki plays the harpsichord and organ in public, and the clavichord at home. He studied at Indiana University, Queens College, Smarano Organ Academy, and received his doctoral degree from Stony Brook University.

INTERNATIONAL FORTEPIANO SALON SERIES

Presented by the Academy of Fortepiano Performance and the Catskill Mountain Foundation, the International Fortepiano Salon Series is an informal, online series of performances and discussions with fortepianists from around the world. Borne of the pandemic restrictions on live performance, Yi-heng Yang had the initial idea of bringing fortepianists and music-lovers together to share their pianos and performances with each other. From that idea, the Salons have become a monthly virtual presentation of guest artists and academics who share thematic fortepiano works and discussion with large online audiences. Video of the monthly salons held from January through July 2021 are available on Catskill Mountain Foundation’s YouTube channel at youtube.com/CatskillMountainFoundation. There will be no salon in August, but salons will resume in September with highlights from the Academy.

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The Academy of Fortepiano Performance would also like to thank these major donors: the Axinn Family, Richard Forde, Charles Metz, Daniel and Mary Beth Scheid, Susan Seo, and Chung-shu Yang.

MORE INFORMATION

More information about the Academy, concerts, and upcoming Salons will be available at catskillmtn.org and academyfortepiano.org, and on Facebook at facebook.com/CatskillMtn.

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Co-hosted by Audrey Axinn, Yuan Sheng, and Yuehan Wang
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Voted #2 contemporary craft show nationwide by Sunshine Artist Magazine, the fair teems with handmade wares from around 200 carefully curated exhibitors. Many of these makers are just now emerging from a long pandemic hiatus, and those many shuttered months were not without creative blessings. Artists and craftspeople were offered unprecedented studio time to hone new skills, experiment with new techniques and imagine new themes.

These handmade small business owners are—perhaps more than ever before—thrilled to present their work, safely and in person. The holiday weekend will be replete with handcrafted goods in over 10 media categories. Find that long-sought after Adirondack chair or a one-size-fits-one jewelry piece that reflects your personal style. Fair-goers will discover uncommon, standout finds for the home, body and beyond—from wearable fiber art, to mixed media wall art, to hand-thrown porcelain table settings, large-scale garden fountains, dining room tables and everything in between. “The real beauty of these festivals is the interaction between the visitors and the exhibitors—getting to see the story and learn the history of the object and engage with the maker of that item,” says Ola Rubinstein, director of Quail Hollow Events and a second-generation member of the family that has run the market since the early 80s.

The Woodstock-New Paltz Art & Crafts Fair is beloved for the personal interactions it fosters and its vast array of features.
that appeal to every style and generation. “The opportunity to observe so many creative processes in one place has always been a special part of the fair,” says Rubinstein.

Visitors delight in ongoing craft demonstrations (from hammock-making to wood-turning to torch-blown jewelry-making and more), a variety of small-batch artisanal and prepared-on-site foods and, of course, local wine, brew and spirits. Live entertainment by seasoned and up-and-coming Hudson Valley performers round out this broad celebration of handmade. The youngest attendees (and their parents) will appreciate a complimentary drop-off supervised crafts tent brimming with a wide range of both expected and unlikely materials.

Pre-sale tickets encouraged but not required. Visit quailhollow.com for details.
I ssued earlier this year, the Review on the Economics of Biodiversity argues that nature’s contributions to global productivity should be quantified and, in essence, repaid. That would require a dramatic reimagining of how countries assess economic performance.

“Truly sustainable economic growth and development means recognizing that our long-term prosperity relies on rebalancing our demand of nature’s goods and services with its capacity to supply them,” said the head of the report, Cambridge economist Sir Partha Dasgupta.

Historically, nations have used gross domestic product as the central measure of economic health. It includes the total monetary value of all the goods and services produced by a country within a given period of time.

The Economics of Biodiversity report instead calls for national and corporate accounting systems to estimate the value of “natural capital” and compensate nature for what it provides through investment in environmental stewardship.

It is a system that would allow, among other things, growing economies to be compensated for preserving ecosystems like the Amazon and Congo Basin that are essential to human life. The report frames this as a sustainable alternative to extracting natural resources to fund near-term development at the expense long-term health.

“To put it simply, the state of the planet is broken,” said United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres at a recent conference on biodiversity loss. “Humanity is waging war on nature. This is suicidal.”

The world has lost nearly two-thirds of its wildlife populations in the last 50 years. A recent report by the United Nations found that a million species are at risk of extinction—many within decades—because of human activities. The global loss in biodiversity, the report warned, is a threat to human life.

The report comes at a pivotal moment for climate policy. Later this year, international leaders are scheduled to convene a conference on biodiversity in Kunming, China. Soon after, the UN Climate Change Conference will take place in Glasgow.

In preparation for those meetings, dozens of countries—including some of the world’s largest economies—have made pledges to conserve 30 percent of the world’s land and water by the year 2030, with the goal of combatting climate change and slowing extinction. President Joe Biden signed an executive action during his first full week in office directing the U.S. to set a similar goal.

Often we feel powerless at the enormity of the problem but remember there’s a lot each person can do to reduce the damage we are contributing to: no more single use plastic bottles, sign up for solar power to energize your home, use a hybrid or electric vehicle, use only safe, biodegradable soaps, compost as much of your food scraps as possible, reduce your garbage output by recycling, and eat less red meat.

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This past June, dancers on the mountaintop had a good reason to celebrate. For the first time in over a year and a half, a small group of students from the Orpheum Dance Program’s Community Dance Class were able to perform on the stage at the Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center in Tannersville, in a recital for a small audience of their family and friends. This recital was a pivotal point in their young lives, giving them hope that, despite the challenges of the past year, their lives may soon be back to normal.

The recital was also an especially proud moment for their teacher, Victoria Rinaldi, who since 2015 has directed hundreds of young dancers onstage in the Catskill Mountain Foundation’s annual production of The Nutcracker, the major production of the Orpheum Dance Program. “Over 190 children, dancers and adults have been in costume, onstage since 2015,” said Victoria. “Thousands have watched the performance as an audience member. That’s a lot of lives touched! The structure and discipline of the Community Dance Class has helped our local children become the best version of themselves.”

Victoria found a way to continue the Community Dance Class throughout the pandemic, first through Zoom and then through a combination of private one-on-one sessions and Zoom.

For many young people on the mountaintop, the continuation of these classes has been a way to stay connected to the art form that they have come to love, in the safest way possible. One of the Community Dance Class students, Sarah Yarger, said: “Knowing that so many people weren’t given the same opportunity that I was, I feel especially grateful to have been able to do ballet safely this past year. Although showing up to the Zoom classes wasn’t always appealing, knowing Victoria had our best interests at heart was encouraging. She has done a fabulous job at keeping us safe and instilling hope that things would eventually go back to normal.”

ABOUT VICTORIA RINALDI

The driving force behind the Community Dance Class is mountaintop resident and former professional dancer Victoria Rinaldi. Victoria has had an eclectic, exciting dance career that has spanned over 25 years, affording her a first hand view of the behind the scenes world of opera, dance and music. She started her professional dance career in her native Washington D.C. with the Washington Ballet. She then became a member of the New York City Opera Ballet at Lincoln Center, where she performed featured roles for a decade in everything from grand opera and ballet to musical comedy. Victoria performed regularly as a guest
artist with ballet companies worldwide and was featured in the Broadway musical *On Your Toes*. In 1990 she was invited to join the Metropolitan Opera Ballet, where she danced solo roles in countless productions.

After retirement and a move to the Hudson Valley, Victoria returned to a local ballet class in a nearby regional school, simply to stay in shape. She soon saw that there was a great need for access to a higher level of training than the studio was able to provide.

“While I was a ballet student in Washington D.C. and later a professional in New York City I never questioned what would have happened had I not had exposure to live ballet performances and access to good teachers and training,” said Victoria. “It was not until I took a ballet class upstate, years after retirement that I realized how fortunate I had been. In that studio … I saw a few talented young dancers. They were the best dancers in the most advanced class that school had to offer. I knew that those young dancers would never reach their dreams with the training available to them. What is worse, they would never know until it was too late. The students could tell there was a difference between my dancing and that of their teachers. They started asking me for help and corrections. I gave them a firm ‘No.’ It would be extremely bad form to correct another teacher’s student during a class I was taking. Their parents asked me if I would consider coaching. Two dancers from that studio, Justin Valentine and Freeda Handelsman, became my first two students in what would later become The Orpheum Dance Program.”

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In 2014 Victoria needed a space to prepare Justin for an international competition. “I spoke with Peter and Sarah Finn of the Catskill Mountain Foundation,” said Victoria, “and they graciously gave us use of the Red Barn. I asked them if there was something that I could do for them. ‘A Nutcracker,’ they replied.

“In 2015 we premiered The Catskill Mountain Foundation’s *Nutcracker* with two performances at the Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center in Tannersville. I featured my private students in major roles, collaborated with colleagues to supply corps dancers, and held an audition for local children to learn the simpler parts. Participation would be free, costumes would be supplied, children and parents only had to promise to come to rehearsals to be cast in the show.”

Participation in each year’s production of *The Nutcracker* exposes children from a wide variety of backgrounds to a level of dance instruction and participation that they might not otherwise experience. “Our *Nutcracker* has always attracted a complete economic cross section in its participants,” said Victoria. “Stepping into rehearsal everyone becomes equal, same pink tights and shoes, same steps to learn, same rules to follow. All the children participating that first year had no dance training, and most had never seen a live dance performance.”

The impact of *The Nutcracker* on the community has been remarkable. The cast has tripled in size over the years. *The Nut-*
cracker weekend has expanded first from four performances, to six planned for 2021. Multiple casts are assigned from show to show, so that everyone gets a chance to perform. For many of these children it is the highlight of their year. “Over the years, I watched both the children and their parents become ballet fans,” said Victoria. “They wanted to see more dance. The children wanted lessons; they wanted to dance like the dancers en pointe. And so The Orpheum Dance Program was born.”

THE ORPHEUM DANCE PROGRAM’S COMMUNITY CLASS

In September of 2017, in response to the growing demand for dance classes, the Orpheum Dance Program’s Community Class was formed. Participation has expanded every year and more classes are added each year. The goal is to provide local children the same superior dance training Victoria received as a child in a major metropolitan area. Everyone is welcome, no matter of ability, and scholarships are given when necessary. The Program offers low-cost ballet classes, a yearly spring recital, participation in all the Program’s productions, plus occasional master classes and open rehearsals with visiting residencies. Sophia Dyjak, who has been part of the Community Class for the past four years, says that the class “boosted my confidence and allowed me to grow my passion. Dance has always been a special part of my life and having a great teacher makes it even more exciting and challenging. … It feels great to have a group of friends at the mountain top that have the same passion as I do. … It has introduced the beauty and hardwork of ballet to kids of all ages; and it teaches you how to have discipline, have trust, create friendships and have sharp concentration that helps you out in the ‘real world.’”

In addition to the annual Nutcracker, in 2019 another yearly performance, A Midsummer Night’s Dream, was added to the dance roster. This unique production makes the Shakespeare comedy accessible by mixing spoken word with dance and is another perfect opportunity to have children dance alongside professionals. 2019 ended on such a high note: A Midsummer Night’s Dream was well received, The Nutcracker had its most successful season to date, and local children were making huge progress in their classes. There were plans to build a desperately needed ballet studio when the pandemic hit in 2020.

THE PANDEMIC WILL NOT STOP US

2020 was a challenging year, one that was particularly cruel for both children and the performing arts. On March 16 the Community Class was moved online to Zoom. The Orpheum Dance Program’s alumni had big career-propelling events that were cancelled. These dancers had all been trained by Victoria, and they had all danced in Catskill Mountain Foundation productions over the years. Victoria was able to continue to work with these dancers through the summer, to keep them in shape and ready for what came next.

Prior to the pandemic Victoria was also teaching a group of local children each week, and they were making enormous gains under her watchful eye. Students like Nathan Smith were “dancing five days per week for a total of about 20 hours,” said his mother, Myra Lotto. “To go from that kind of intense work to zero was devastating. While it was disheartening to watch him lose what he had worked so hard to achieve, it was even sadder to watch him trying to recapture it but in total isolation. With children, the pandemic created stark contrasts. While everything else around us ground to a halt, they kept growing.”

Victoria immediately adjusted to the realities of the pandemic so that the kids could continue to dance. She downloaded Zoom and did her best to teach dance classes online. Of course there were some technical issues, ranging from unreliable Internet on the mountaintop to camera placement: “No matter how hard you try to get a good camera angle, there are just some things you’re not going to see with just one camera on a computer in a small room,” said Victoria.

Parents did their part too, erecting barres in living rooms and church basements, moving furniture and manning computers to make sure their children could get the most from their zoom classes. “We bought black pipe from the hardware store to make a barre,” said Myra, “and did our best to do Zoom ballet.”

The children were enormously grateful for the opportunity to continue their studies with Victoria. “Working privately with Victoria has been the only thing that has kept Nathan moving forward,” said Myra. “It is where he found all of his gains this year. I am so grateful to Victoria, and to the Catskill Mountain Foundation, for all they have done to keep our kids learning and moving. Victoria’s willingness to persist was what our kids needed, and very few parents could provide what she managed to give them.”

Rebecca Yarger, mother of student Sarah Yarger, adds: “As a parent, I truly appreciate the effort of Victoria during this pandemic year we just went through. As the world just shut down around us, ballet was a constant. It continued a steady rhythm in the constant changes and shifts of the year.”
JUSTIN VALENTINE, 22
Lexington, NY
Catskill Mountain Foundation credits:
American Dream: 2015, 2016, 2017
A Victorian Nutcracker Remembrance: 2020

Award

In 2016 Justin studied at the Vaganova Ballet Academy St. Petersburg, Russia. Justin is currently a Principal Dancer with the Columbia Classical Ballet, Columbia SC

FREEDA ELECTRA HANDELSMAN, 21
Roundtop, NY
Catskill Mountain Foundation credits:
The Nutcracker: Christmas Star, Arabian Dancer 2016
American Dream: 2017
A Midsummer Night’s Dream: Helena 2019
We Will Dance Again: 2020
A Victorian Nutcracker Remembrance: 2020

Freeda has participated in several international festivals and workshops. In 2019 she was selected to study at Zurich University of the Arts as the first exchange student from CalArts. Freeda would have participated in Springboard Danse Montreal in the summer of 2020. She will receive her BA from CalArts University, Santa Clarita, CA, spring 2021.

ORLANDO HARBUTT, 19
Hudson, NY
Catskill Mountain Foundation credits:
The Nutcracker: Nutcracker Prince 2015-2016
American Dream: 2015, 2016, 2017
We Will Dance Again: 2020
A Victorian Nutcracker Remembrance: 2020

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Gold medal at VKIBC NY in 2016

In 2017 Orlando received a full scholarship to The Juilliard School. He also has a full scholarship to Arts Umbrella Vancouver, Canada. Orlando would have participated in Springboard Danse Montreal in the summer of 2020.

SYDNEY HENSON, 17
Saugerties, NY
Catskill Mountain Foundation credits:
The Nutcracker: Clara 2015-2017; Snow Queen, Christmas Star, Marzipan 2019
American Dream: 2016, 2017, 2018
Community Class Recital: 2018
A Midsummer Night’s Dream: 2019 Soloist
We Will Dance Again: 2020
A Victorian Nutcracker Remembrance: 2020

Sydney attended summer intensives at ABT New York and Washington Ballet D.C., and has won international scholarships at VKIBC finals NY in 2017 and 2018. She was a 2020 finalist at YAGP, which was cancelled. In the summer of 2020 Sydney was accepted to summer intensives at English National Ballet, London; Academie Princess Grace, Monte Carlo; and Dutch National Ballet, Amsterdam. Sydney is presently a senior level student at The National Ballet School, Budapest, Hungary

JUSTICE LEMAN, 19
Windham, NY
Catskill Mountain Foundation credits:
We Will Dance Again: 2020
A Victorian Nutcracker Remembrance: 2020

Justice Leman is presently pursuing an acting career in New York City.

NIKITA BORIS, 20
River Edge, NJ
Catskill Mountain Foundation credits:
The Nutcracker: Sugar Plum Fairy 2015, 2016
American Dream: 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018
A Midsummer Night’s Dream: Hermia 2019
We Will Dance Again: 2020
A Victorian Nutcracker Remembrance: 2020

Award

Nikita joined Boston Ballet in 2018 and is presently a member of Cincinnati Ballet.
IN-PERSON COMMUNITY CLASSES RESUME
Finally in September, in-person classes for the Community Class resumed for a small group of students. The Red Barn became a safe bubble for the ballet classes, with a rotating schedule of one child in the Red Barn with Victoria and the rest of the class attending on Zoom. The dancer in the room got individual attention usually reserved for the most serious dancers in their private coaching sessions. “I know they will treasure this one-on-one time as much as I did during this difficult time,” said Victoria. “We were also joined by several young dancers from the city whose families were sheltering upstate for the year. Everyone has continued to work and learn, and four girls even graduated to working en pointe during this time.”

VIRTUAL PERFORMANCES
We Will Dance Again
In August, many of Victoria’s students, both those in the Community Class students and the young pre-professionals, were able to join together to perform in a film shot both on the Orpheum stage and outdoors. We Will Dance Again was presented online by the Foundation in September. To date, over 900 people have watched this virtual performance, which consists of ballet solos and duets performed by professional dancers, taped at the Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center in Tannersville. Also participating were Orpheum Dance Program alumni dancers performing their own choreographed contemporary pieces, with professionals and select students from the Community Ballet Class dancing outdoors in the final scene from A Midsummer Night’s Dream.

A Victorian Nutcracker Remembrance
In December 2020, A Victorian Nutcracker Remembrance was presented to online audiences. An opening sequence shot on location in Windham, Hunter and Tannersville was added to five years of archival Nutcracker footage. “I had the opportunity to see several filmed presentations of this region’s Nutcrackers during the Christmas season,” said Victoria, “and I can say without bias, we have a Nutcracker to be proud of!”

LIVE PERFORMANCES RESUME
One of a dancer’s greatest joys is to perform in front of other people, to feed off the energy of a live audience, and, of course, to receive their applause and appreciation. The virtual events that dotted the performing arts landscape of 2020 were a good way for performers to stay connected with their audiences, but they were by no means an adequate substitute for the “real thing.” “We’re disappointed that we weren’t able to make a Midsummer work for 2021,” said Victoria. “But we’re looking forward to a spectacular Nutcracker this year. We’ve expanded the performances to six, to take place over two weekends in early December: December 2-4 and December 9-11. And we’re looking forward to resuming a full schedule of recitals and performances in 2022!”

FALL 2021 COMMUNITY DANCE CLASSES
A new series of Community Classes, from Basic Ballet I, II, and III to Pointe, will begin on September 20. Registration for classes starts on September 6; class size is limited to 12, so register early. Classes are $10/class, paid in eight-week sessions. More classes may be added if demand is high. Please see the ad on page 53 of this issue of the Guide for the complete schedule of classes and information about how to register.

AUDITIONS FOR THE NUTCRACKER, 2021
Auditions for The Nutcracker for 2021 will be held on Saturday, October 2, from 11 am to 1 pm at the Red Barn, Main Street in Hunter.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
For more information about the Orpheum Dance Program, Community Dance Classes, or auditions for The Nutcracker, please contact Victoria at rinaldi.victoria@gmail.com
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Summer in the Catskills is a wonderful time, and August is about as summer as it gets in the Catskills, whether you are enjoying one of our great swimming holes, cycling across the region, hiking our peaks or enjoying some single track on your mountain bikes. The Catskills are a year-round destination, but in August a lush green carpet of trees, ferns and other plants are laid out across the mountains and ready for you to enjoy. Plus the warmer temperatures make just about any outdoor activities in the mountains perfect!

When on the trails and visiting popular locations, Catskill Stewards (catskillcenter.org/catskillstewardsprogram) managed by the Catskill Center will greet you, while volunteers from the Catskill Center’s Fire Tower Project (catskillfiretowers.org) will welcome you to the Catskill Park’s five fire towers and their amazing vistas.

August is also the time of fresh farm produce. So get out there, stop at a farm stand, enjoy the Catskills, be sure to take advantage of all that the region has to offer, and shop local!

The Best Local Place to Spot the Baltimore Checkerspot
Catskill Center’s Thorn Preserve in Woodstock, provides an expanse of grassland habitat that supports a fantastic collection of butterflies. An incredible 32 butterfly species have been documented on the Preserve, and one butterfly that thrives here is the Baltimore checkerspot (Euphydryas phaeton). During the annual North American Butterfly Association (NABA) Count conducted on June 28, 2020 at Thorn Preserve, citizen scientists estimated there were 3,500 Baltimore checkerspot adults flying that one day.

Like other butterflies, a Baltimore checkerspot undergoes complete metamorphosis and has three distinct life stages. The adult Baltimore checkerspot butterfly has four black wings with white and orange markings. The wingspan is less than 2.5 inches. Adult Baltimore checkerspots feed on nectar from flowering plants that bloom during their flight period, such as milkweeds, dogbane, mountain mint species, wild rose, and wild blackberry.

From June to July, adult Baltimore checkerspots mate, and the females lay clusters of 100-700 eggs on the underside of a single leaf. Then the adults die. When the eggs hatch, each black-headed caterpillar has alternating bands of black and yellow on its body, with spines protruding from the alternating bands. Checkerspot caterpillars feed voraciously on English plantain and beardtongue plants through the summer. They remain on the plants until the first freeze and then seek shelter in the dead grass and leaf litter to overwinter, which is different from most other native butterflies and moths. The checkerspot caterpillars that survive become active again in late spring when they pupate in a white chrysalis with bright orange-yellow and black markings.
The nonprofit National Academies of Science, Engineering and Medicine (NASEM), which issued the study, says that land acquisition should focus on the most valuable lands for water quality protection and eliminate the purchase of lands that do not directly contribute to such protection. The Catskill Center has suggested goals that are rooted in the science of water quality, such as the percentages of impervious surface cover and forest cover in the drainage basin, and the degree of natural vegetation alongside streams. The Catskill Center also supports NASEM’s findings that there should be more collaboration across the various land protection and stewardship programs for improved water quality.

The Catskill Center recommends that DEP review the percentage of developable land that remains available in each town for community growth and redevelopment, and adjust its land acquisition to better balance water quality protection with community needs. Additionally, DEP should build on the success of the Ashokan Rail Trail as a regional amenity that attracts recreational tourism (as lauded by NASEM) and replicate this model elsewhere in the watershed. Plus, DEP should allow towns and local land trusts to own lands acquired through DEP land protection programs, and manage the lands for both water quality protection and compatible community needs, with DEP funding.

Focusing on the above improvements would help DEP avoid building an expensive filtration system. As a party to the 1997 agreement that set the stage for DEP to ensure ongoing protection of its drinking water supply in balance with the needs of local communities, the Catskill Center urges DEP to continue to restore funding to aid watershed protection.

“It’s a testament to the strength of the original Memorandum of Agreement and the stakeholders that have worked together for more than two decades to have reached this point in the history of the New York City Watershed and Catskills where we are able to study, review, and fine-tune the programs designed to protect water quality, in a scientific and collaborative manner,” says Jeff Senterman, Executive Director of the Catskill Center.

Recently, DEP released some funding for land acquisition programs, having put a hold on it since spring of 2020, when the COVID-19 crisis took hold. And while the Catskill Center appreciates this restart, Senterman says that funds need to flow more freely to resume a robust land acquisition agenda and to appropriately staff DEP’s Land Acquisition Program. DEP funding of land acquisition programs is mandated under a Filtration Avoidance Determination (FAD). The current FAD is in effect through 2027 as regulators enter negotiations for a mid-term revision.

Senterman says that with the extraordinary benefit of input from a suite of expert scientists, it would be auspicious to both fix what is not working well in the current suite of watershed protection programs and improve and reimagine watershed protection programs for the next 20 years. This will better meet the needs of both New York City and Catskills residents.

Within two weeks, the checkerspot emerges as an adult butterfly, and the cycle repeats.

Interestingly, the Baltimore checkerspot, a native species that primarily depended on a native plant, turtlehead (Chelone glabra), as its host plant, has adapted to feed on non-native plants—English plantain and common plantain. Since plantain is abundant in the meadows of the Thorn Preserve, and because the Catskill Center schedules its yearly mowing after the caterpillars move into the leaf litter, we hope to continue to support a burgeoning population of Baltimore checkerspots. If you’d like to see a profusion of checkerspots, take a walk along the Thorn Preserve trails in next June. Hopefully you’ll be treated to the annual flight of this striking butterfly.

Learn more about the Catskill Center’s Thorn Preserve at catskillcenter.org/thorn-preserve and visit the Preserve, which is located at 55 John Joy Road in Woodstock, New York.

**Catskill Center Calls On NYC DEP To Rethink Its Land Acquisition Programs To Better Focus On Water Quality**

The Catskill Center is urging the New York City Department of Environmental Protection to adequately fund and cut red tape from its watershed protection programs in the Catskills. This comes after the first study of the programs in more than two decades was released in late 2020, and as state and federal regulators are considering the future of the programs. It’s an analysis the Catskill Center believes presents an opportunity to ensure that land acquisition programs focus strategically on water quality results, while supporting the economic vitality of watershed communities.

“We applaud the results of the NASEM Expert Panel and urge the regulators responsible for NYC’s Filtration Avoidance Determination to incorporate the panel’s recommendations, as discussed in our June 4 letter to the stakeholders and regulators,” Senterman says. “We think now is the time to focus our efforts on protecting and improving water quality through more targeted land protection programs, and by measuring results of those efforts and adjusting accordingly into the future.”
Hiking for the Catskills
They started from the Peekamoose Valley and headed north to Windham Mountain via the Long Path. It turned out to be longer than they thought. The best-laid plans… However, they persevered in their determination to complete the hike along rugged terrain in the name of raising money for and awareness about the Catskill Center’s Stewards Program. Moe Lemire came up with the idea, and Josh Gorsch and Dillon Utter wanted in on the Hike for the Catskills (hikeforthecatskills.com).

The Catskill Stewards Program puts seasonal staff at the busiest locations of the Catskill Park including Kaaterskill Falls, Peekamoose Blue Hole and Platte Clove. The Stewards greet tens of thousands of people every season. They met more than 72,000 visitors in 2020 alone. For the 2021 season, the Catskill Center doubled the number of stewards from last year, given the large increase in visitors to certain high-use areas. And now this year is a steward who serves as a ridge runner on or near the Devil’s Path trail in Greene County, and on other trails as needed.

Moe planned the hike for early June, after black fly season and before any extreme heat took hold. Instead, the trio encountered a likely effect of climate change—the middle of black fly season along with a heat wave. “We came up with a new slogan,” said Moe, “We’re dying for the Catskills.”

The trio practiced on the trail what stewards advise: planning and preparing to prevent a potential problem, leaving no trace and educating visitors about reducing their impacts and how to recreate responsibly. This comes naturally to Moe, who is the New York State Advocate for the Leave No Trace Center for Outdoor Ethics. He’s also a licensed guide.

Moe says the hottest day of hiking was down Wittenberg Mountain, along the Phoenicia East Branch. They had two miles to go before they could “camel up,” i.e.,

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#RecreateResponsibly in the Catskills

The #RecreateResponsibly guidelines give some sound advice on how to get outdoors right now. When you choose to recreate responsibly, you are doing your part to keep yourself and others safe and healthy.

**Know Before you Go:**
Check the status of the place you want to visit. If it is closed, don’t go. If it’s crowded, have a plan B.

**Plan Ahead:**
Prepare for facilities to be closed, pack lunch and bring essentials like hand sanitizer and a mask.

**Stay Close to Home:**
This is not the time to travel long distances to recreate. Most places are only open for day use.

**Practice Physical Distancing:**
Adventure only with your immediate household. Be prepared to cover your nose and mouth and give others space. If you are sick, stay home.

**Play It Safe:**
Slow down and choose lower-risk activities to reduce your risk of injury. Search and rescue operations and health care resources are both strained.

**Leave No Trace:**
Respect public lands and communities and take your garbage with you, including disposable gloves and masks.

We all have a shared responsibility to care for these places and ensure they remain for future generations to enjoy. Lead by example and join the Catskill Center and the Catskills Visitor Center in learning how to #RecreateResponsibly at recreateresponsibly.org.
drink water at a spring. In the meantime, the hikers split Moe’s extra three liters of water. Along the more than 90-mile hike (96, to be precise, as Moe insists current mapping is incorrect, that there are three more miles between Peekamoose and Windham), a few hikers joined portions of the Hike for the Catskills. Catskill steward David Hans was one. He met up with the hikers in Phoenicia, at the base of Mount Tremper, and stayed with the trio for 12 miles and one overnight.

After black flies swarmed the hikers at the top of Slide Mountain, and heat advisories plastered the area, the hikers encountered another of Mother Nature’s surprises as they ascended Plateau Mountain: thunderstorms. They tried to outrun a storm, but to no avail, and arrived at the Mink Hollow lean-to for the night while the storm passed. It was at Mink Hollow that Moe encountered a hiker from his past. Moe says her joining the hike invigorated the journey and boosted morale at just the right time. Plus, any time is the right time to talk about the importance of stewards, which Moe discussed with his friend.

And, speaking of a point in time, it turns out that 2016 was a pivotal year in the world of two of the hikers: Moe thru-hiked the Appalachian Trail from Georgia to Maine and Josh hiked his first Catskill high peak (Windham) and had his first backpacking overnight adventure. Dillon began hiking the Catskills in 2017 with Balsam Lake Mountain his first conquest.

The three hikers wrapped up their six-day hike on June 11, yet the fundraising challenge remains. You can still help (hikeforthecatskills.com) them reach their $5,000 goal.

The Hike for the Catskills was Moe’s first for the Catskill Center. He is contemplating a fall fundraising hike for the Catskill Center: Devil in a Day (the 20+-mile Devil’s Path). However, not everyone who wants to help preserve the Catskills and its economy can do a 96-mile hike, or 20 miles in one day. Moe hopes the Long Path fundraising hike will spur others to launch mini-fundraisers for hikes they like, because the more people who connect with nature, the better. They become invested in protecting natural resources in the region and hopefully, said Moe, become stewards of the Catskills.

(Moe is Catskill Center Executive Director Jeff Senterman’s spouse of 12 years and the owner and lead guide of Hike on Guides: hikeonguides.com.)

Visit the Catskill Park’s Visitor Center
Located at 5096 Route 28 in Mount Tremper, NY, the Congressman Maurice D. Hinchey Catskills Visitor Center (CVC) is the official visitor center for the Catskill Park. Operated and managed by the Catskill Center, staff are available at the CVC with information, maps and all the advice needed to plan a Catskill

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CVC staff are also available to answer questions about the Catskills and the Catskill Park via e-mail at info@catskillcenter.org or phone 845 688 3369.

In addition to the walk-up service window, 1.5 miles of trails on the CVC’s grounds, including the (roughly) 0.5 mile ADA accessible Interpretive Loop Trail, are open to the public daily. The 80-foot tall Upper Esopus Fire Tower, which was constructed and opened last Fall, will also be open daily to visitors. Picnic tables are available on site for those who wish to enjoy a picnic lunch.

Visitors can explore the ever expanding resources available online for the CVC on the web at catskillsvisitorcenter.org and on the CVC’s Facebook page at facebook.com/catskillsvisitorcenter.

Catskill Park Advisory Committee
The Catskill Park Advisory Committee (CPAC) was established to facilitate communication within the Park and consists of representatives from local governments and organizations chaired by the Catskill Center and provides a forum for communities, user groups and stakeholders of the Catskill Park and the Catskill Watershed to discuss issues of regional importance. The purpose of the Committee is to provide assistance, advice and guidance to the DEC, the New York City Department of Environmental Protection and other land managers in the management of the New York State Forest Preserve, the Catskill Park and the Catskill Watershed.

Meetings are held quarterly and are open to the public. If you’d like to learn more, join the mailing list or attend the next meeting, please contact the Catskill Center at 845 586 2611 or e-mail them at cccd@catskillcenter.org with CPAC in the subject asking to be added to the mailing list. Please note that for the time being CPAC meetings will be held virtually. You must be on the mailing list to receive the e-mail to register for the virtual meeting.

Catskill Park Updates Now Available Online
Local recreational opportunities are always changing and by visiting the Catskills Visitor Center’s Trail Conditions page you can now see updates related to the Catskill Park, Catskill trails, Catskill campgrounds and camping, Catskill boating, skiing, and more at catskillsvisitorcenter.org.

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Spring and early summer is the time for greens. When hot weather comes, lettuce, spinach and many of the early Asian greens, will quickly bolt—send up flower stalks—and turn bitter. Some greens, like chard, are biennials that will grow through the summer and not flower until the following spring, assuming they make it through the winter. Others, like arugula and the more heat-tolerant varieties of lettuce, can be sown repeatedly through the summer and harvested young for tasty salads.

In August, substantial vegetables start to come in, vegetables you can sink your teeth into. Tomatoes and peppers are ripening and reaching peak flavor. Crisp, juicy cucumbers are especially welcome on hot days. Snap beans are abundant, and broccoli starts producing. Zucchini may have to be harvested every other day or so to keep the fruits from ballooning into monsters. Though early garlic was harvested in July, late garlic like the long-keeping soft-neck varieties that braid well, may not be ready until this month, when their foliage flops over and starts to yellow. Ideally, softneck garlic should be harvested after the bulb wrappers turn papery but before the cloves start to separate. Long-day onions were triggered to start bulb formation in late June by the intense light of the year’s longest days; by August, some will be ready for harvest.

Greene County gardeners must wait until September or October for pumpkins and melons to ripen. It’s fun, though, to wander through the garden in August and see how large they’re getting; late in the month, they may begin to turn a lighter shade of green or develop a few amber streaks and shadings. But if fall crops are something to look forward to, now is the time when the garden releases its greatest abundance. If you don’t have a garden, you can enjoy at least part of the gardening experience by shopping at a local farmer’s market and bringing home some freshly harvested vegetables for an August feast.
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The Delaware & Ulster Railroad has big plans to welcome you back in 2021! Now that summer is upon us, we are continuing to work on our tracks. Next year we want to be able to announce: “All Aboard ... Next Stop Highmount /Belleayre!” The Delaware & Ulster Railroad is embarking on a major project to restore our tracks to Highmount and Belleayre Ski Resort. What will it take for us to restore our tracks to Highmount? 7,000 environmentally friendly cross ties, treated with “Copper Naphthenate”; 28,000 new rail spikes; 2,000 tons of stone ballast; and lots of hard work and dedication by the team at the Delaware & Ulster Railroad.
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607 437 7132

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**Hanford Mills Museum**
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Teatro Grattacielo, presenting L’amico Fritz, opens the Festival on Friday August 27. Teatro Grattacielo has made a name by presenting lesser-known gems of major composers while utilizing up-and-coming emerging young artists and incredible performance innovations with technology. The Phoenicia Festival of The Voice will present Pagliacci on Saturday August 28. Metropolitan Opera tenor Errin Brooks, international soprano Marcelina Beucher and veteran Troy Cook headline this stunning cast of operatic stars, who will bring this story to life like never before. New York City Opera will close the Festival with Rigoletto on Sunday, August 29. This production will feature a cast of opera’s finest singers, including Michael Chioldi in the title role, Brandie Sutton as his daughter Gilda, and Won Whi Choi as the lecherous Duke of Mantua.

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The docent tour is approximately 30 minutes. Appointments are available for a maximum of three people at a time. Masks are required and temperatures will be recorded at the door and visitors will be asked to answer a short questionnaire related to Covid 19. During the pandemic, visitors will be asked not to touch the pianos or other artifacts on display in the museum. CMF staff have established healthful guidelines for your visit to the museum to provide as safe an environment as possible for visitors and staff. We welcome you and look forward to showing you our extraordinary collection of historical pianos from the 18th, 19th and 20th centuries.

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On September 4, 2021, Catskill Mountain Foundation presents the Labyrinth Ensemble's “The Double Distress,” an evening of drama and intrigue in an 18th century London theater setting. Returning to the mountain top for the fourth time, Music Director Richard Kolb and Stage Director Tracy Cowart lead the Labyrinth Ensemble in a delightful mixture of florid virtuosity and comedy, solidly grounded on authoritative scholarship and a thorough command of historical performance practice. The ensemble brings to life the ravishing beauty and wit of 17th- and 18th-century chamber music on period instruments.

In this staged story within a story, the characters vie for affection and applause in a world where orange-sellers in the aisles carry flirtatious messages between box seats and into the wings. Featuring songs and instrumental numbers by Henry Purcell and John Eccles, two of the leading composers of theater music of the baroque era, and accompanied by lutes, baroque violins, recorders, and triple harp, “The Double Distress” unfolds a story of complicated relationships.

While Italian opera was all the rage in most of Europe during the 17th-century, the English resisted the foreign invasion and instead developed peculiarly British forms of music theater. English audiences objected to the “unnatural” practice of having characters converse in continuous song, challenging playwrights and composers to find ingenious ways of inserting musical interludes within spoken plays, often to the point of overshadowing the dialog and plot. English theater music reached a high point around the turn of the 18th century, with leading composers producing some of the finest vocal music ever written in England. According to Richard Kolb, “The songs of Eccles and Purcell are among the high points of the distinguished tradition of English Song.”
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About the Music and Stage Directors

Music Director Richard Kolb has performed throughout North America and Europe as a soloist and with a wide variety of Baroque and Renaissance ensembles. He was principal lutenist of the Carmel Bach Festival for eight years, and has performed frequently with Opera Atelier, New York City Opera, Les Musiciens du Louvre, Chicago Opera Theater, Waverly Consort, Handel & Haydn Society, Pegasus, and Concert Royal. He completed a Ph.D. in musicology at Case-Western Reserve University in 2010, and has published widely used editions of music by Barbara Strozzi and Antonio Francesco Tenaglia. In 2019, he completed the first modern edition of the complete works of 17th-century Italian composer Barbara Strozzi, published in eight volumes by Cor Donato Editions. Dr. Kolb is Scholar in Residence for the NY Continuo Collective, and has held teaching positions at Case-Western Reserve University, the University of Toronto, and the Royal Conservatory of Music (Toronto).

Stage Director Tracy Cowart (mezzo-soprano) enjoys a wide range of vocal interests, from twelfth-century polyphony to contemporary art music. Praised by The New York Times as “the real attraction” with a voice that is “light and lithe,” Tracy has performed with Apollo’s Fire, Musica Pacifica, Opera Lafayette, the Newberry Consort, Rose of the Compass, Tenet, Three Notch’d Road, the Vox Vocal Ensemble, and the Washington Bach Consort. She is co-founder of the medieval ensemble Alkemie, with whom she has performed on the Capitol Early Music, Indianapolis Early Music, and Music Before 1800 series. Also known for her interpretations of new music, Tracy has performed with the Great Noise Ensemble, sung cabaret with the Richmond Festival of Music, and toured with Weird Uncle, an experimental group that fuses medieval modes, jug band, and electronica. Tracy received a D.M.A. in Historical Performance Practice from Case Western Reserve University. She is on the faculty of the Amherst Early Music Festival, and directs the early music Collegium at Fordham University. She has been a guest-artist/lecturer at Pennsylvania State University, Fairmont State University, Bucknell University, and the Society for Seventeenth Century Music. Tracy and Richard have been working together for over a decade, and have collaborated on a number of musicological programs, including division-style ornamentation in the early English Baroque and virtuosic cantatas in 17th-century Rome.

The Labyrinth Ensemble includes: Tracy Cowart (mezzo-soprano & stage director); Fiona Gillespie (soprano); Bradley King (tenor); Theresa Salomon (violin); Sian Ricketts (baroque oboe & recorder); Patricia Ann Neely (violone); Christa Patton (triple harp); Richard Kolb (theorbo, archlute, & music director)

For More Information

Richard Kolb and the Labyrinth Ensemble will perform “The Double Distress” at the Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center, 6050 Main Street in Tannersville on Saturday, September 4, 2021 at 8 pm. For more information and tickets, visit catskillmtn.org.
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Richard Kolb, Music Director

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2021 PERFORMING ARTS SEASON

This year, we have already presented several online, virtual performances, many of which are still viewable on our YouTube page. Like and Subscribe so you can see our events LIVE!

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We will continue to work with our artists to offer more virtual, recorded performances for the rest of the year, and will hold a few selected limited seating in-person performances. We are hoping to present The Nutcracker live in the Orpheum in December 2021.

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