

"46th Annual Springs Invitational Art Exhibition" Opens at Ashawagh Hall

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46th Annual Springs Invitational Art Exhibition Featuring Recent Works by Artists of the East End

Ashawagh Hall located at 780 Springs Fireplace Road, East Hampton, NY 11937

August 2-18 2013

The Springs Improvement Society and its Art Committee are delighted to announce the details of the upcoming **46th Annual Springs Invitational Art Exhibition** to take place Aug 2-18 at Ashawagh Hall in the historic district of Springs in East Hampton, NY.

This year's guest curator is Jennifer Cross. Ms. Cross is currently chair of Visual Arts at Ross School in East Hampton and former director of East Hampton Center for Visual Arts.

Cross has chosen over 150 artists from the East End with distinguished careers. Many artists have participated and supported the show in past editions. Still other artists were selected for the first time to exhibit in this renowned show. Some of the selected artists are established and renowned and others are emerging. The Springs Invitational Art Exhibition has traditionally been a great way for collectors to purchase small works from important artists.

Along with the art show and sale, there will be an **Opening Wine Reception on Aug 2nd from 4-7 p.m.** The always well-attended **Fisherman's Fair takes place on Aug 10th from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.** and offers local seafood, a craft area, and a children's game area. It's an event designed to please the entire family. Both events are free, open to the public, and are presented by the Springs Improvement Society.



"Crossed Arms" by Joan Semmel, 2008. Pastel on paper.

This year the Arts Committee has added two very special events to complement the two-week exhibition. On **Aug 16th from 5-8 p.m.** there will be a **Black and White Gala "Ashawagh Honors"** with wine and hors d'oeuvres to recognize the artistic achievements, commitment and

devotion to the Arts by Eleanor "Chip" Leaver and Ralph Carpentier, both strong supporters of Ashawagh Hall and the Springs Improvement Society. At 6 p.m., the artist honorees will discuss their lives and careers over a glass of wine in the main room of the Hall. A short Q&A will follow.

Throughout the evening, Allen Merrill will play classical guitar. A donation of \$15 per person or \$25 per couple will be requested at the door. Proceeds will benefit the Springs Improvement Society and Ashawagh Hall.



"Montauk - View From the Warhol Estate" by Christina Schlesinger, 2013. Oil on canvas.

On Aug 17th at 4 p.m., Jennifer Cross will lead a Curator's Tour of the exhibition. This event is free and open to the public.

Fifty percent of art work sales goes to the Springs Improvement Society Scholarship Fund, which benefits high school graduates from Springs who are continuing their education. For information, email Dennis Leri at leristudio@optonline.net.



"Oak and Sea" by Jon Mulhern, 2012. Acrylic, ink, watercolor, mixed media.

Scheduled Overview: 2 to 18 August | Hours: Sun-Fri 1-5, Sat 9-5

2 August | Opening Reception 4-7 p.m. (Free)

16 August | Black and White Honors Gala 5-8 p.m. \$15 per person/\$25 per couple

17 August | Curator's Tour 4-5 p.m. (Free)

18 August | Show Closes 5 p.m.

BASIC FACTS: "The 46th Annual Springs Invitational Art Exhibition" will be held from Aug 2 to 18 at Ashawagh Hall in Springs, NY. Ashawagh Hall is located at 780 Springs Fireplace Rd, East Hampton, NY 11937. www.ashawagh-hall.org.

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