Taste of the Arts 2021 was a Huge Success!

Congratulations to everyone who helped to make this year’s Taste of the Arts 2021 a success. Our thanks and admiration of you and your affinity for the Arts. Our success is purely a reflection of our committee members to our faculty and staff, our students, our donors to our sponsors to our artists, from our silent auction proceeds to the Arts past and present. Cheers to you!

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Joining the Team
New Art Liaison/Coordinator

Jen hails originally from Hawaii, though more recently, from Boston, MA. Jen holds an undergraduate degree in art, and graduate degrees in Theology and Divinity. An enthusiastic amateur musician, she plays trumpet and French horn. She joined the Erie Benedictines in 2019, taking first vows in 2021. Through the Benedictines, Jen was a frequent presence at the Art House, an occasional teacher, and is excited to be joining the staff.

New Teacher

Roland launched the “Intro to Video Collage” where students learned the technique of sampling from existing videos while using the editing program “Movie on an Apple computer.”

New Administrative Assistant

Alexis is an Erie native, where she attended the Erie Ballet and Erie Dance Conservatory, which allowed her to grow up involved in the arts. She remained in Erie to attend Mercyhurst University and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Dance. Alexis is excited to be joining the Art House as a full-time staff member. Alexis hopes to help continue to expose children to the arts in a safe and welcoming environment.

As 2021 comes to a close, we wish everyone a wonderful holiday season.

Watch and stay tuned for what the Art House has in store for 2022!

See you next year!
Gouda University. Congratulations, Kathy! of Fundraising Professionals Northwestern PA chapter Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser by the Association November 16th, Kathleen Burik was recognized as an member, Kathy has served on the development committee on our Women’s Core Committee. As an active board member, Kathy has served in a number of elemen
tary and high schools in the area. Sister Annette now returns to working in environmental advocacy, a long-
time passion. The Art House community fondly sends her well wishes, and we thank her for her years of leadership and dedicated service. Kathy Burik Receives Award The Inner-City Neighborhood Art House has been blessed with Kathy’s expertise through her involvement an our Women’s Core Committee. As an active board member, Kathy has served on the development committee, chair of the nominating committee, plus she is currently the marketing committee chair. Most notably, Kathy initiated the oฑership of our newsletter, and was key in establishing our first-ever annual appeal. On November 10th, Kathleen Burik was recognized as an Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser by the Association of Fundraising Professionals Northwestern PA chapter at their National Philanthropy Day celebration at Gannon University. Congratulations, Kathy! Inspiring a Better Future through the Arts Dreams are the seeds of change. Nothing ever grows without a seed, and nothing ever changes without a dream. Debby Boone Giving Thanks Sr. Annette Marshall, OSB, Retires as Executive Director Sr. Annette Marshall, OSB, Retires as Executive Director Sr. Peg Pilewski, OSB, Retires as Program Director Friday, December 10th, marked the end of the Art House Fall semester, and the end of an era. Sr. Margaret Anne (Peg) Pilewski, an accomplished ceramic artist and photographer, had been a presence at the Art House since its beginning, and of the Program Director’s role as well to maintain the daily operations of our afterschool and summer programs. She will also oversee all volunteers and instructors involved with the afterschool and summer programs. Sr. Peg Pilewski, OSB, Retires as Program Director Sr. Peg Pilewski, OSB, Retires as Program Director Lourdes has accepted the Program Director’s position from which Sr. Peg Pilewski recently retired. Lourdes has dedicated 13 years working for the Neighborhood Art House and served as the Associate Program Director under Sr. Peg. Lourdes will continue her role and assume the Program Director’s position from which Sr Peg Pilewski recently retired and will also oversee all volunteers and instructors involved with the afterschool and summer programs. Sr. Pat’s Environment Class The Erie County Public Library introduced a new initiative this year called “Erie Makes.” Art House Instructors Sarah Everett and Jimmie Harris have held a workshop and taught partici
ters how to make wind chimes, sun catchers with driftwood, beads and found objects. Dates of Note January 10, 2022 – May 13, 2022 Winter/Spring Term May 14, 2022 Art and Soul 5K “Erie Makes” Sr. Annette is surprised at her retirement party.