

## **PLANNING A SPECIAL EVENT OR PARTY FOR YOUR PERSONAL, BUSINESS OR ORGANIZATION NEEDS?**

Did you know that **AC-BAW** is more than just a showcase gallery?

- that we are a resource for cultural enrichment; a place where the entire community can play a part and add to as well as gain from our being here.
- that we offer, in addition to quality exhibitions, various programs such as workshops, seminars, films, and concerts?
- that our facility is available to organizations and responsible individuals for rental functions such as: receptions, meetings, private parties, concerts, bazaars and more?
- that **AC-BAW** is the only facility of its kind in this area and we are easily accessible by car, bus, train, and subway?
- that **AC-BAW** is a non-profit multi-disciplined arts center here to serve our community, with the help of our community?

Come and look us over. Maybe you or your organization can use our facility for your next function.

Gallery hours are Saturday, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 pm.

Celebrate your next event at **AC-BAW!**  
For detailed information on space rental, please call  
**Office: 914.667.7278 or Cell: 914.473.5788**

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# **AC-BAW CENTER FOR THE ARTS**

*CONTINUOUS SERVICE SINCE 1976*



# THE AC-BAW STORY

## A BRIEF HISTORY

### THE ASSOCIATION OF COMMUNITY-BASED ARTISTS OF WESTCHESTER



is located at 128 South Fourth Avenue in the heart of the commercial district of the City of Mount Vernon, New York. The Center is Westchester County's first community arts center designed specifically for the multicultural citizens of the developing communities of the county.

Incorporated in 1976 as a 501 (c) 3 not-for profit educational entity, the **AC-BAW** has

received wide recognition for its innovative education/arts service programs targeted for all age groups — pre-school to senior citizens. Its mission is to: 1) improve, promote and strengthen the state of the state of the visual arts in the developing communities of Westchester County: 2) provide economic opportunity for professional artists via its exhibition and teaching programs, and 3) demonstrate the fact that art and artists are an integral aspect of community revitalization and development.

Through its programs, **AC-BAW** takes the initiative in developing new possibilities for arts involvement for countless Westchester citizens currently underexposed to the arts. The **AC-BAW's** programs address the problems of the gaps in cultural services in Westchester County and provide employment opportunities for artists and young people. The programs are designed to have a long-term significant impact on the entire county and cover the following categories:

- **Exhibitions** — has the largest professional gallery in Westchester County and produces a minimum of 5 major exhibits annually.

- **Arts and Education** — provides the only professional exhibiting space for talented high school painters, photographers and sculptors through the “Westchester Artist in the Schools” program.

- **Arts Exposure** — Its first program, “Westchester Artist in the Streets” (WAITS) was designed to deliver art experiences to the children in Westchester who were deprived of the enrichments to be found in the arts.

Through its services, **AC-BAW** responds to requests from communities for consultation on community arts program development, as well as strengthens the vitality of the creative community through its professional exhibition and instruction resources.



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