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Fox Run at Orchard Park hosts Buffalo Weavers' 50th Anniversary Art Show

The Weavers' Guild of Buffalo is excited to be presenting their 50th anniversary art show, March 3rd through May 30th, at The Community Gallery at Fox Run in Orchard Park. The Weavers' Guild was started by a small group of women in 1968, who had the common interest of expanding their knowledge and experience in the art of the loom. The organization has grown to almost sixty active participants currently and continue to welcome members of all ages from all over western New York. Their mission is to not only keep this art form alive and relevant but to offer a supportive community for artists to cultivate their projects, discuss philosophies, and discover new techniques.

Weaving, simply put, is the overlapping of threads at 90 degree angles which create fabric or other textiles. This is an intricate and mathematical process with a variety of techniques available for execution of a project, such as weaving, felting, and spinning. Viewing a variety of these techniques, will be just one of the perks that you can expect while attending the Guild's opening reception, The Golden Web, on March 21st at 6:00pm.

This event is open to the public and will premiere new works from its members, along with historical work from late members who have been influential assets to the organization and the local community. The opening reception in the Michael J. Maloney Event Center at Fox Run, will also feature live classical guitar music, hors d'oeuvres, a cash bar, artist presentations of their work, and a unique indigo dying presentation.

With the unique challenge to create art that must be hung on a wall (rather than presented in a three dimensional space), there seems to be plenty of excitement surrounding this upcoming event! Hand-woven crafts such as clothing, tapestries, mixed media, and baskets are some of the categories expected to be displayed thus far. The show will be judged by Heather Olsen, who has a strong background in this artform and an MA in textile design from Philadelphia University. The guild is excited to have her aboard as well other masters of this craft.

The Community Gallery at Fox Run, located on the 54-acre Fox Run at Orchard Park campus, corner of California Road and Route 20A, features various local artist installations throughout the year. Their most recent show was a culmination of work collected from their active senior Community Members, which included photography, quilting, needle point, painting, mixed media and more! The gallery is located in the heart of community in the Commons building to be enjoyed by staff, Community Members, and the surrounding communities.

If you would like to attend the reception, please RSVP to Michelle at Fox Run (716.662.5001), as we expect this to be a widely attended event.

To learn more about the Weavers' Guild of Buffalo visit weaversguildofbuffalo.org

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