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## Community Art Jam



Community Art Jam exhibit at Hudson Guild's Lowe Gallery.

left, top to bottom: Harry Bohrer (l), Richard Jeanty (c), enjoying each other's art and company; a serious discussion about art; Theatre, Gallery and Video Director, Jim Furlong (c) and friends point the way at this year's Community Art Jam.



The 6th Annual Community Art Jam had almost 60 participants this year, a record number, over half of them exhibiting at the Lowe Gallery for the first time. For some of them, this was their very first contact with the Guild. Participants included seniors, staff members, youth from the neighborhood, clients from the Gay Men's Health Crisis, patients from our mental health programs and persons from throughout Manhattan. Of those, many invited families and friends to join them at the event, which led to a packed house and many different and fascinating kinds of interactions among strangers and friends. The Project Liberty staff was very helpful in encouraging participation by several youth from the neighborhood, which helped to make the event one which spanned a wider range of ages than ever before. The Jam exemplifies the Guild's mission of bringing people from diverse backgrounds together for celebration and sharing of ideas. ■

# Annual Meeting 03

Annual Meeting Guest speaker  
Clyde Haberman of *The New York Times*  
addresses audience



Hudson Guild Dance Troupe performers  
dance to "Latin Mix"



Trustee Marc Beshar presents Andreita Chan  
with an award for 10 years of service to Hudson  
Guild as a teacher's aid at the Children's Center.



Jim Furlong, Director of Arts Programs at Hudson  
Guild, presents an "outstanding volunteer"  
award to Debbie Stein, Hudson Guild Theatre  
Company stage manager.



Hudson Guild's Annual Meeting is held at the end of each fiscal year to celebrate our accomplishments over the past 12 months, as well as the contributions of outstanding volunteers, dedicated staff and significant supporters. This year marked the Guild's 3rd Annual Meeting, which took place on Tuesday, June 17, 2003 in the Lowe Gallery and the Hudson Guild Theatre.

A special highlight of the evening was our guest speaker, Clyde Haberman, celebrated columnist at The New York Times. Mr. Haberman captivated the audience with a stimulating commentary related to current world and domestic events.

There was also an awards ceremony in recognition of employees who have given significant years of service to the Guild and individuals who have demonstrated outstanding efforts as volunteers. Festivities included a warmly received dance performance by 12 members of the Guild's own dance troupe, aged 7 to 12. Overall, the Annual Meeting was a great ending to a year of progressive accomplishments for the Guild. ■

## PLANNED GIVING for the Next Century of Service— Remembering Hudson Guild in your Will

*If you have named Hudson Guild a beneficiary in your will or retirement plan, or if you are considering a deferred gift to Hudson Guild through your will or retirement plan, we invite you to consult with Joy Pereths, our Director of Development, who is ready to discuss your plans at no obligation and in the strictest confidence. She can be reached by phone at 212.760.9812, or simply check off the box requesting further information about planned giving opportunities on the enclosed return envelope.*

Executive Director Janice McGuire with Rick Rohn (center) and Brian Taylor (right) at the Annual Meeting. Both received "outstanding volunteer" awards later in the evening for their pro-bono legal work for the Guild.

## Neighborhood Advisory Committee



**Rally to protect funding for Youth Employment Services on the steps of City Hall on May 8th— Marina Oteiza (center), President of NAC was in attendance.**

**N**eighborhood Advisory Committee (NAC) is comprised of representatives from each Guild program as well as from the residents' associations of the Fulton and Elliott-Chelsea developments and from the Chelsea community at-large. Two NAC members serve on the Guild's Board of Trustees.

NAC members provide an important voice for the community, advising both trustees and staff. This year, the committee has chosen to focus on the key issues of Affordable Housing and Youth Employment Services.

NAC empowers the community. It regularly hosts forums to solicit community responses and to stimulate debate on a wide range of issues on how to jointly make Chelsea a better neighborhood for all. Most recently, it presented a Town Hall Meeting on Affordable Housing in West Chelsea.

NAC serves to develop strong leadership skills, such as public speaking and advocacy, which members can take out into the community. Marina Oteiza, President of NAC, is seen above, speaking on the steps of City Hall at a rally in support of City funding for Youth Employment Services. ■

## Council member Christine Quinn secures capital funding of \$1 million for Hudson Guild

**W**e are thrilled to announce that the Guild is the recipient of a major capital grant of \$1 million from the City Council, secured by Council member Christine Quinn. The funds will be used for capital renovations at two Guild sites – 441 W. 26th Street and Fulton Center at 119 Ninth Avenue. This is the second public grant we've received, following the important early project development funding of \$100,000 from Assemblyman Dick Gottfried.

Council member Quinn has been a consistently strong supporter of the Guild's programs, working hand in hand with us in a partnership to build community in Chelsea. On behalf of all the Guild's participants, volunteers and staff, we express our deepest gratitude to Council member Quinn and her staff. ■

### Council member Christine Quinn



## In Memory of Etta Louise Goldman

Sadly, we mark the passing in May of long-term Board Trustee, Etta Louise Goldman.

A memorial service was held at the Guild on Sunday, June 1, to honor her rich and generous life. Family, friends and neighbors filled the Lowe Gallery to share their loving memories. Born a southern "Georgia Peach," Etta Louise lived most of her adult life on the Upper West Side, and in her house at Sag Harbor. Her niece, Brenda Barney, told about her aunt's success as a talented fashion designer, whose creations were sold at Bloomingdale's and Bergdorf Goodman, how she traveled widely throughout Asia at a time when few American women did so, and of her devotion to animals, especially dogs.



Etta Goldman at Hudson Guild's 2003 Lucky Draw event last April.

Those of us who knew her by her years of service as a trustee of Hudson Guild knew about her long ties to the organization through her beloved Uncle Max, who had "grown up" at the Guild and who also served on its Board before Etta Louise. We knew, too, about her passion for the arts. She loved to participate every year in the

selection of the Wiener Arts Scholarship awardees, and was an avid supporter of Lucky Draw, the Guild's annual arts lottery and benefit. Etta Louise always got right into the spirit of the proceedings, as the inset photo can attest!

Etta Louise's presence on the Board will be greatly missed. ■



Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Oltarsh at the 2003 Send a Kid to Camp fundraiser.



Send a Kid to Camp co-founder and former trustee Fred Oltarsh (l) Executive Director Janice McGuire (c) and Send a Kid to Camp co-founder John Ketcham (r) at the 2003 Send a Kid to Camp fundraiser.

## Send a Kid to Camp

Hudson Guild's 12th annual Send a Kid to Camp event took place in the garden of the Chelsea Commons Restaurant on Tuesday, June 10th. Over 40 people came out on a lovely summer evening for the event, which was to benefit the Guild's Summer Day Camp.

The Guild's Summer Day Camp is a program in which youth from our surrounding community have the opportunity to join in a world of educational programming, recreational activities, arts and counseling which we call **A Summer Getaway in the City**. By offering participation in a *Summer Getaway in the City* to school-age youth, we not only support their healthy growth and development, but also complete the educational pie – exposing students to learning year-round.

Our Send a Kid to Camp event helped to raise a record \$22,091, a 20% increase over last year! The funds will directly benefit local youth and summer camp programming. We extend our appreciation for everyone's support in helping us make our Send a Kid to Camp fundraiser a great success.

## To all

*our friends and supporters:*

**Our goal is to improve the quality of life for all individuals and families in our neighborhood and to help people gain the skills to strengthen themselves and their community.**

**By making a financial contribution to our ANNUAL FUND, you help us to realize that mission. You also become a partner with us in building community. We ask that you support us by enclosing a gift in the attached return envelope.**

# Thank you!

## Staff News

### New staff members join the Guild as Department Heads

**A**s the Guild's new Controller, **Elissa Mosquera** will be in charge of managing the fiscal department and the agency's overall fiscal control system. Elissa has spent her entire career in the non-profit sector, previously working as a controller for Community Access, a housing agency, and the national division of Planned Parenthood. She was also Director of Internal Audit at Planned Parenthood. She is a Baruch College graduate.

**Rita Spinola** is the Guild's new Director of the Beacon After-School Programs. An MSW graduate from Fordham University, she is originally from Boston. Rita has a strong background in alcohol/drug, pregnancy, HIV/AIDS awareness and prevention training and a particular expertise working with disenfranchised populations and adolescents.

**Dwight King** is heading up our Operations Department, and we are certain he will keep things running like clockwork at all 5 Hudson Guild locations – after all, he comes to us after serving 13 years in the military. Dwight also has restaurant management experience, working as both an inventory manager and staff supervisor. Here at the Guild, Dwight will be responsible for the oversight of maintenance and receptionist staff at all locations as well working with outside vendors and interfacing with NYCHA on maintenance and repair issues.

## Hudson Guild Staff Honored

**O**n June 11, 2003, Hudson Guild paid tribute to dedicated staff for their years of service to the Guild at our 2nd Annual Recognition Luncheon. The following staff members were honored:

### 20 Years of Service

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**Marta Donaie**, Cook, Children's Center

### 10 Years of Service

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**Andreita Chan**, Teacher's Assistant, Children's Center

**Esther Olvera**, Education Director, Children's Center

### 5 Years of Service

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**Yuk Lan Cheng**, Family Assistant, Children's Center

**Maurice Engler**, Assistant Director, Community Mental Health

**Belgica Jimenez**, Meals on Wheels Deliverer, Adult Services

**Edwin Melendez**, Record Clerk/Receptionist, Outpatient Mental Health Clinic

**Hilda Oquendo**, Family Daycare Education Advisor, Children's Center

**Sonia Ortiz**, Case Manager, Adult Service

**Yvonne Rivera**, Operations Supervisor, Operations

**Kim Sarasohn**, Psychiatric Social Worker

**Noreen Stokes**, Meal on Wheels Deliverer

**Darryl Wilson**, Driver, Adult Services

*We would like once again to congratulate these individuals for their commitment and years of service with Hudson Guild!*



Hudson Guild Staff Luncheon, Esther Olvera (right), Marta Donaie (right center), Miguel Pedraza-Cumba (left center) and Andreita Chan (left).



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# Fall Happenings

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## Junior Committee Fall Fundraiser

Friday, October 3rd  
Landmark on the Park

Come celebrate fall with Hudson Guild's Junior Committee at their annual cocktail and dance party. Live music, food and drinks at a chic upper west side landmark venue. All proceeds go to Hudson Guild.

Tickets are \$90 in advance,  
\$110 at the door.  
Please call 212.760.9812  
for more information.

## Craft Fair

Saturday, November 15th  
Hudson Guild Fulton Center  
119 Ninth Avenue

Come to the Fair! Vendors of all types of arts and crafts are invited to participate. Please call 212.924.6710 for more information.

## Thanksgiving Dinner for Chelsea residents

Tuesday, November 25th  
Hudson Guild Fulton Center  
119 Ninth Avenue

Our 1st annual Thanksgiving dinner for Hudson Guild participants will feature live music, entertainment, and a holiday dinner with all the trimmings.

If you would like to participate as a volunteer we'd love to hear from you. Volunteers are needed to help prepare and serve food, provide entertainment, decorate etc.

Please call 212.760.9812  
for more information.

## Dr. Elliott Celebration

Tuesday, December 2nd  
Hudson Guild Fulton Center  
119 Ninth Avenue

We will hold our 46th annual Dr. Elliott Celebration, a dinner/dance and awards presentation that celebrates the community building spirit of the Guild's founder, Dr. John Lovejoy Elliott.

This year's guest speaker will be **Manhattan Borough President, C. Virginia Fields.**

Tickets start at \$15.  
Call 212.760.9812  
for more information.

