



Legal Name: Canajoharie Library & Art Gallery
2 Erie Boulevard, Canajoharie, NY 13317

DIRECTORS' REPORT March 13, 2024

FEBRUARY OVERVIEW

Circulation & Attendance

LIBRARY CIRCULATION AND REACH

Month	January 2024	February 2024
Door Count*	849.5*	861*
Libby	483 Circs	395 Circs
Wi-Fi	106 Unique Clients	125 Unique Clients
Computer Use	76 Sessions	75 Sessions
Program Attendance**	124 Attended/Taken	133 Attended/Taken
Circulation	1288 Circs	1113 Circs
Reference	111 Questions	109 Questions
Space Use***	13 Reservations	16 Reservations
Social Media	Insta Reach: 631; FB Reach: 5,462	Insta Reach: 461; FB Reach: 4,200

*This is half the total door count for the month (door tally counts in and out).

**Combined attendance for all Library & Museum programs.

***Reservations and Rentals not including Library/Museum programs.

MUSEUM ATTENDANCE REACH [MUSEUM IS CLOSED JANUARY-FEBRUARY]

	Total	Adult*	Children	Senior*	Student*	Member	Event/Guest	Pass/Rec/ MusAll**	Blue Star
'24	10 (12)	10 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (12)	0 (0)	0 (0)
'23	14 (56)	1 (0)	13 (0)	0 (0)	0 (28)	0 (0)	0 (28)	0 (0)	0 (0)
'22	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)

(previous month figures)

*Admission income; all others are free

**Starting June 2022 includes Museums for All (SNAP recipients)

MUSEUM VIRTUAL REACH

	Website Visits	Facebook Reaches	Instagram Reaches
'24	4,825 (5,068)	184,900 (132,034)	881 (1,014)
'23	3,785 (4,291)	8,857 (8,968)	1526 (1,770)
'22	3,511 (3,788)	10,106 (9,925)	1,320 (1,723)

(previous month figure)

Buildings & Grounds

- Stants Combustion repaired one boiler pump, they will be returning this week (as of this writing) to fix the other boiler pump, they were delayed due to needed parts.
- Trane replaced the heat actuator Nightwatch Gallery. The part had failed and needed to be replaced, one was ordered, and they returned for the installation.

Programs & Events - Highlights

- Lego Build-a-thon: Stop in to see this round of creations! We have consistently had attendance for this type of program and will be selecting a winner for this winter break winner!
- Art We Love – Lunch Box Lesson with Schoharie Crossing State Historic Site: A Collaborative virtual program headed by Mary discussed works by Winslow Homer, Harriet Whitney Frishmuth, George Inness and why they are some of our favorites.
- Cabin Fever Club: Arm Chair Adventures – Get to Know the Winslow Homer Collection: Another virtual collaborative program headed by Mary. This was in conjunction with MVLS, discussing our homer collection and bringing it to a broader audience.

Collections & Exhibits

- Museum Galleries: reopened Saturday March 2; initial reception of new exhibit was very positive; visitors specifically asked about the wood engravings.
- Regional Art Galleries: Spring solo shows have been installed, Zimou Tan in the Adult Fiction stacks, Mary Beth Vought in the downstairs gallery. They will be on display until April 28th. The Solo show reception is Saturday March 16th at 2:00 pm.

New Business, Updates, and Reminders

- New updated 2023 Handbook for Library Trustees of New York
 - <https://nysl.ptfs.com/aw-server/rest/product/purl/NYSL/s/ecaec4e1-1c91-4ad6-85b6-5d23cfd2c61d>

Noteworthy

- Maria attended Library Advocacy Day in Albany on Feb 7th.

SAVE the DATE! – MORE to COME!

[Italics indicate tentative Museum/Library event/date or Community/Rental Events]

See our Calendars for additional information and more events:

<http://www.arkellmuseum.org/events-calendar>

<https://engagedpatrons.org/EventsCalendar.cfm?SiteID=8271>

Tuesdays

10:30am - 12:30pm Reference Desk

Drop in Tech Time with Maria!

Fridays

11am Kids Area

In person Story Time with Mary!

March Take & Makes

Available all month

Paper Pot of Gold- Children

Paper Shamrock - Tweens/Teens

March 1

Library Regular Hours Return

Tues 10am – 5pm

Wed 10am – 6pm

Fri 10am – 5pm

Sat-Sun 12pm – 5pm

Closed Mon

March 8

11am Kids Area

Kids Concert Series W/ Gary Van Slyke

March 8

2:00pm Classroom

Teen St. Patrick's Day Rock Painting Program

March 13

All Day Drop-In Classroom

Adult Book Tasting - Women's History Month

March 16

2pm - 4pm

Regional Art Gallery Reception

Hosted by the artists

March 20

4:30pm Classroom

Teen Book Club

March 24

12:30pm+ Great Hall

Two Programs with Cultural Educator Perry Ground

12:30 pm - 1:30 pm - Haudenosaunee Women

2:30pm - 4:00 pm - Native American Solar Eclipse Stories

March 29

2:00pm Classroom

Spring Rainbow Painting for Kids

April 6

2:00pm Single Gallery

Free to members and

w/ regular admission

Guest Star Gallery Tour with Karen Quinn

Karen is a curator at the New York State Museum who wrote her thesis on Homer engravings; the family member who donated the engravings plan to attend

April 11

2pm - 4pm Great Hall

Painting with Patrice

For adults and older teens

April 12

11am Kids Area

Kids Concert Series W/ Gary Van Slyke

April 26-28

Basement Book Sale Area

Used Book Sale

Friday-Saturday noon – 5pm; Sun noon-3pm

April 27
Noon-5pm Great Hall

May 4
7pm Great Hall
Free to all

May 10
11am Kids Area

May 10 – July 21
Regional Art Galleries

May 18
1pm-4pm Great Hall

May 25 – September 22
Single Gallery

June 15
2pm Great Hall

June 13
2pm - 4pm Great Hall

June 14
11am Kids Area

June 28
Great Hall

July 12
11am Kids Area

July 12
4pm – 8pm (9pm?)

July 20
7pm Great Hall

August 1
Great Hall 7pm

August 2 – October 6
Regional Art Galleries

August 4
Noon-3pm Parking Lot

August 23
Great Hall

September 13
7pm Night Watch
Doors open at 6pm

Arkellebration
Free admission and more

Forbidden Music Regained
Musicians of Ma'alwyck with special guest Dutch soprano Elizaveta Agrafenina
Doors open at 6:30; <https://musiciansofmaalwyck.org/> (see "Other Performances")

Kids Concert Series W/ Gary Van Slyke

Art of New York: Annual Juried Show

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Reception and Awards Ceremony; Awards presented at 2pm by Juror Doretta Miller

Mary Michael Shelley – Art of the Everyday at the Arkell Museum
New Exhibit (replaces Homer Engravings); <https://www.maryshelleyfolkart.com/>

Say Gay!
Talk by Mary Alexander on artists in our collection who identified as LGBTQ+

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Summer Reading Launch Party
Check out the dedicated SRP calender

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Cycle the Erie Canal
Extended hours; free admission to cyclists; reduced admission 4pm-8pm

Empire Wild
Doors open at 6:30; free to all; <https://www.empirewild.com/>

Caroga Arts Ensemble Concert
Doors open at 6:30

Fall Solo Shows (artists tbd)

Brooks for Books

Utica Zoo - Summer Reading Closing Party

Cello Solo Concert: Kyle Price cellist
Prosecco and galleries open bfr concert; ticketed event; limited seating;

October 5

3pm Great Hall

Annual Gleich Lecture with Rabbit Goody of Thistle Hill Weavers

Rabbit will speak abt the textiles worn by the figures seen in Night Watch and interesting current studies regarding the weave patterns and more of the canvases used by the Dutch masters; <https://thistlehillweavers.com/>

October 18 – December 31

Regional Art Galleries

Arts Factory of Montgomery County group show

October tbd (19 or 26)

Regional Art Galleries

Arts Factory of Montgomery County Reception

November 2

Great Hall

Holiday Art & Craft Fair

December 7?

Special hours: 10am - 4pm

Elves Day Out