WEDNESDAY, APRIL 7, 2021
Opening Reception | Trolley Barn Gallery

THURSDAY & FRIDAY, APRIL 8 - 9, 2021
Virtual Film Screenings | Awards | Q&A
Welcome to the Reel Exposure International Teen Film & Photography Festival!

Reel Exposure focuses on three goals: encourage youth creativity, invigorate our local community through the arts, and showcase the incredible work done by emerging filmmakers and photographers. Reel Exposure is a natural manifestation of The Art Effect’s commitment to empowering youth to harness their creative voices. Thank you for your support! This year’s festival showcases the work of talented young people from nine countries — giving our audience a global teen perspective and celebrating some of the world’s strongest youth art and media!

I am so pleased to present the first-ever virtual AND in-person Reel Exposure event: from an incredible photography exhibition at The Trolley Barn Gallery in Poughkeepsie to two nights of engaging virtual film screenings, these twelve films and 55 photographs take us on journeys through the hopes, struggles, fantasies, and triumphs that young people are thinking about and experiencing all over the world. The selected youth filmmakers tackle hard-hitting issues through genres including animation, documentary, drama, horror, and comedy. These artworks connect us to one another and move us forward together with a greater sense of empathy and understanding.

Thank you for supporting these talented youth producers and Poughkeepsie’s very own film festival by joining us tonight. We hope you enjoy these wonderful, original productions and photographs as much as we have!

Sincerely,

Nicole Fenichel-Hewitt
Executive Director

About The Art Effect

The Art Effect empowers young people to harness their creative voice in order to shape their future and bring about positive social change. Formerly Mill Street Loft and Spark Media Project, The Art Effect helps youth in the Hudson Valley explore, experience, and excel in the arts, introducing them to visual art and media, giving them opportunities to get their hands dirty, and guiding them towards achieving their academic and career goals. For more information, visit feelthearteffect.org.
Reel Exposure Judges

**Professional Photo Judges**
Claude Beller, Emmy Award winning video and producer/director & photographer
Samantha Brinkley, Teacher & Photographer
Sharon Draghi, Photographer
Joanna Frang, Executive Director, Barrett Art Center
Allie Shelly, Photographer

**Professional Film Judges**
Rennik Soholt, Producer/Director/Writer
Amina Kearney, Film Production professional
Nicholas M. Pray, HBO location manager

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Schedule of Events
April 7, 5-7pm
Photo Opening Reception
April 7 - May 13
Photo Exhibition
April 8, 7pm
Virtual Film Screenings
April 9, 7pm
Virtual Film Screenings, Youth Producer Q&A, Awards Presentation
April 22, 7pm
Virtual Artist Talk
Re-activating the iconic Trolley Barn through an innovative approach to youth empowerment through the arts, The Art Effect is putting youth in the driver seat of this incredible space, empowering them to engage community members and visitors in transformative arts experiences that they curate.

Establishing connections with curators and arts professionals, The Art Effect at the Trolley Barn Gallery brings transformative exhibitions of high-caliber artwork to Poughkeepsie.

A unique mix of youth curated exhibitions and shows featuring art created by youth will become a permanent piece of The Art Effect’s portfolio of programs designed to strengthen our community and showcase the positive impacts of arts and arts education.
PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION ARTISTS

Tanner Ashenfelter
Lawrence, KS
Olivia Barker-Duncan
Poughkeepsie, NY
Alexis Barr
Naples, FL
Audrey Basham
Lawrence, KS

Mary-Elizabeth Boatey
Hopewell Junction, NY
Ava Ghahremanifar
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Liberty, NY
Ryleigh Leon
Lawrence, KS

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Never Give Up

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YOUR VOTE

AUDIENCE CHOICE AWARDS

Cast a vote for your favorite film & photo!

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Abigail Kelly
The Upside Down

Audrey Basham
Lawrence, KS

Alice Lubin
Lawrence, KS
Maya Dallow
North Salem, NY
Aaliyah Wilson
North Salem, NY
Katherine Lenahan
North Salem, NY
Kate Jeffery
North Salem, NY
Ruby Yarnall
North Salem, NY
Caitlin Mooney
Lawrence, KS

Dylan Parks
White Sulphur Springs, NY
Lilly Rafferty
Gulf Breeze, FL
Kate Schein
Oklahoma City, OK
Jason Stafford
Rhinebeck, NY
Nora Walburn
Lawrence, KS

OPENING RECEPTION EVENTS
5:00 - 7:00 PM
Opening Reception
5:30 PM
Welcome & Announcement of Photo Prize Winners

VIRTUAL ARTIST TALK
Thursday
April 22, 7pm
For details visit feelthearteffect.org

VISIT THE VIRTUAL EXHIBITION GALLERY

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Visit the link above or scan the QR-Code with your smartphone to access a virtual tour!
Cross Currents
Runtime: 0:02:00
A stop motion animation finds beauty, abstraction and movement in static electronic circuitry.
Filmmaker: Eli Berliner
New York, NY, United States

A Side of Light
Runtime: 0:08:35
Examining how Asian American organizations are keeping their communities safe from COVID-19 and racism spurred by the pandemic.
Filmmaker: Michelle Wu
Philadelphia, PA, United States

The Puppet
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A strange puppet encounters an old laptop that leads him into making a decision.
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Filmmaker: Zofia Żarska
Warsaw, Poland

Weighed Down
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Filmmaker: Ciara Bullington
Cohoes, NY, United States

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Players
Runtime: 0:02:50
A special girl, a cigar box, a dead bird. Today Thea adds a new player to her collection.
Filmmaker: Ava Bounds
Leeds, United Kingdom

TikTok: A Data Dilemma
Runtime: 0:08:14
A controversial video-based social media platform that has taken the entire world, but more specifically the United States, by storm. Find out what makes TikTok so divisive compared to other social media platforms.
Filmmaker: Alyssa Batcheler
Chicago, IL, United States

tub.
Runtime: 0:02:36
As external pressures mount, a young woman attempts to escape to the safety of her tub.
Filmmaker: Maya Koenig
Arlington, Virginia, United States

A Blur
Runtime: 0:04:41
An experimental first person narrative that uses animation and narration to tell two narratives: being blind as a result of not wearing glasses and intentionally blinding oneself from reality.
Filmmaker: Nicola Ríos
Puerto Rico

A Brother’s Love
Runtime: 0:03:17
A silent film about an older brother who is suffering from guilt and is experiencing flashbacks about his younger brother’s tragic accident.
Filmmaker: Michael Rosario
Sleepy Hollow, NY, United States

LIFELINE
Runtime: 00:8:25
This is a film about an 18 year old skateboarder named Dylan Evans; how skating saved his life and how it helped him express happiness.
Filmmaker: Noah Lipsitz
Merion Station, PA, United States

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Ages 5-11
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Ages 11-14
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Barrett Art Center, Poughkeepsie
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Session 2: July 19 – July 30
Session 3: August 2 – August 13

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Ages 14-19
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