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Dear Friend of ACG,

On behalf of our staff, Board of Directors, Gala Committee, and all members of our community, we graciously invite you to join the Honorary Committee for Albany Center Gallery's (ACG) ***Sweetest Soirée Gala***. ***The event will take place in-person at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, November 18, 2023 at Scarlet Knife in Latham!*** By joining the Honorary Committee, you are at the forefront of the regional arts movement in supporting Albany Center Gallery bring "more art everywhere, together!"

At last year's gala, we hosted over 225 attendees and raised ~\$75,000! The generosity of our sponsors helped us expand programming, present an extensive exhibition season, pay local artists to create art and mentor students, as well as provide critical funding to sustain staff and the operations of the organization. We anticipate over 250 attendees at this year's event. During the Gala, we host our awards ceremony presenting the *Mona Ruth Brickman Memorial Artist of the Year Award*, *Dr. Joel Spiro Community Impact Award*, and *Les Urbach Lifetime Achievement Award*; there will also be silent and live auctions filled with art and other sought-after items, refreshments, music, artist performances, live art, entertainment, and oh, so much more!

For 45+ years, ACG has been promoting and exhibiting art produced by the region's emerging and established artists as well as engaging, enriching, and inspiring the community to appreciate the importance of art. Thousands of the area's finest contemporary artists have exhibited at Albany Center Gallery, and many of the artists gain national and international recognition afterwards. Our reach extends beyond the walls of the Gallery, working with the community through public art projects (like #CapitalWalls) and art programming. Through these pursuits, the Gallery consistently reaches over 50,000 individuals annually.

Because of supporters like you, ACG can continue providing much-requested accessible arts programming to community members and youth, as well as uplifting public art! With the empowerment of local artists and art enthusiasts at the core, we hope to have your continued generous support. **To ensure your name appears as Honorary Committee on gala promotional materials, please complete and return the enclosed Honorary Committee Form no later than September 15**. The deadline for recognition in the program book is October 14. Honorary Committee members also will be recognized on ACG's website and social media promotion for the event.

We look forward to welcoming you as an Honorary Committee member to an exciting evening. We hope you will join us at the ***Sweetest Soirée*** of the year.

Sincerely,

Karina Wojnar, Chair
Development & Membership Manager

Tony Iadicicco
Executive Director