

KEEP IT SURREAL

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MISSION: Albany Center Gallery's mission is to exhibit and promote contemporary visual art produced by emerging and established artists living primarily within a 100-mile radius of Albany and to inspire and provide enjoyment to an increasingly diverse audience.

Albany Center Galleries Inc. operating as Albany Center Gallery is a 501(c)(3) Organization for your tax purposes, contributions are tax deductible within the limits of the law

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 us as a business donor for Albany Center Gallery's (ACG) 2018 **Keep It Surreal Gala**. *The event will be held on Saturday, November 17th from 7 to 11 p.m. in the banquet facilities of Wolf's 1-11 Restaurant located at 111 Wolf Road, Albany, NY 12205.* By donating a product or service for our *Gala Auction*, your local business will be taking an active role in keeping visual art alive in a revitalized downtown Albany, while contributing firsthand to our region's rich culture, economic livelihood, and history.

We anticipate over 250 guests who will share in the spirit of art appreciation and enjoy live music, entertainment, auction items (including specially selected art by local artists throughout the region), raffles, beverages, and great food. ACG will also present the *Mona Ruth Brickman Memorial Artist of the Year Award* and the *Les Urbach Lifetime Achievement Award* during the evening's event.

The Gallery presents contemporary art exhibitions featuring all media, with a focus on innovative works that challenge the standard of today's art. Our reach extends beyond the walls of the Gallery into the community through public art projects in partnership with the City of Albany's Special Events office, and various other programs including but not limited to: children's learning activities, "Downtown is Pawsome," Art on Lark, Black Arts & Cultural Festival, our #CapitalWalls mural movement, and the Times Union Center Home Expo. Through these pursuits, the Gallery consistently reaches over 55,000 individuals yearly.

To ensure your business name appears in the Gala invitation as a donor, please complete and return the enclosed Auction Donor Form along with your donation or call the Gallery no later than September 25. The deadline for recognition in the program book is October 25. You will also receive recognition as a donor on ACG's website and on signage at the Gala.

We value your support! Please consider making a contribution, as well as enjoying a fun-filled evening at our **Keep It Surreal Gala** as Albany Center Gallery celebrates creative minds with the community.

Sincerely,

Tony Iadicicco
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Kevin Dubner
Gala Committee Chair