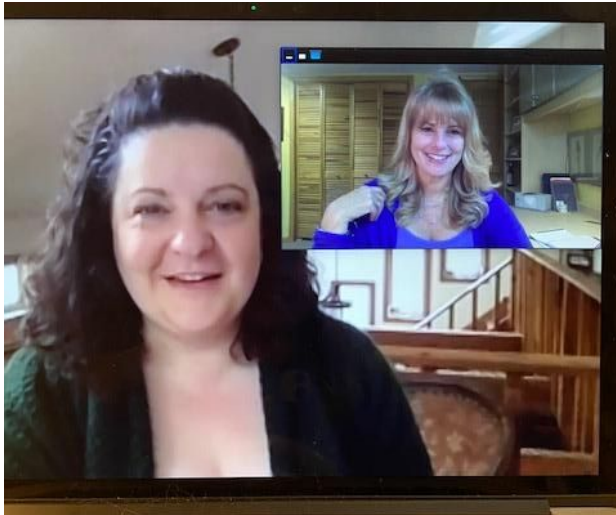


Six weeks since you've had a haircut or a night with friends? Yep, us, too. We're making it work with a [Road Trip](#) and [Desperation Meals](#), and hearing about the amazing people (like you!) and uplifting projects in the Capital Region. Hang in there, folks, and read on!

Cap Region Creatives in Quarantine: Margaret Hall & Yvonne Perry



This week, we have a great discussion about how artists are adapting to the times with [Margaret Hall](#), Associate Artistic Director of [Capital Repertory Theater](#), AKA theREP, and [Yvonne Perry](#), Associate Artist for theREP and Capital Region creative extraordinaire.

theREP has a new video series called [Got a Minute](#), which features artists providing tips for actors to keep honing their craft while in quarantine.

[Read more here!](#)

No Health Insurance? NYS Opens Up Enrollment Through May 15th



Have you lost your job, your health insurance, or some of your income due to COVID-19? **You can apply for no-, low- or reduced-price insurance through New York State of Health through May 15th.**

This enrollment period is usually limited to November and December, but they've changed their rules in response to this crisis. Apply at [NYStateofHealth.com](#), call NY State of Health Customer Service at 1-855-355-5777, or [click here](#) to get enrollment help.

Cap Region Road Trip!

[A Hudson River Drive,
From Coxsackie to Catskill](#)



River views, riverfront parks and hikes, forest walks, and three quaint historic towns... Maureen Sager, Executive Director of ACE, took a springtime drive this past weekend and is sharing all of the must-see's and must-stop's from her adventure! **Follow these [COVID-19 guidelines](#) for visiting parks and other recreation areas.**

[Read more here!](#)

Quarantine Emergency Meals By Deanna Fox



Writer / chef [Deanna Fox](#) is a food journalist and the founder of [Albany Cooking School](#), as well as being a regular guest on WAMC's "Food Friday" and WNYC-TV's "Let's Eat!". We checked in on how Deanna is doing during quarantine and asked if she could give us some tips in the kitchen, because, six weeks in, we're running out of ideas.

Want more? Watch her [cooking videos here!](#)

[Click here for recipes!](#)

APPLY for Unemployment and Business Relief

[The CARES Act](#) allows freelancers -- yes, freelancers! -- and all other affected workers to collect unemployment benefits, plus there's now a \$600/week supplement through July 31st. If you've experienced job loss or reduced income, start the application process as soon as you're able.

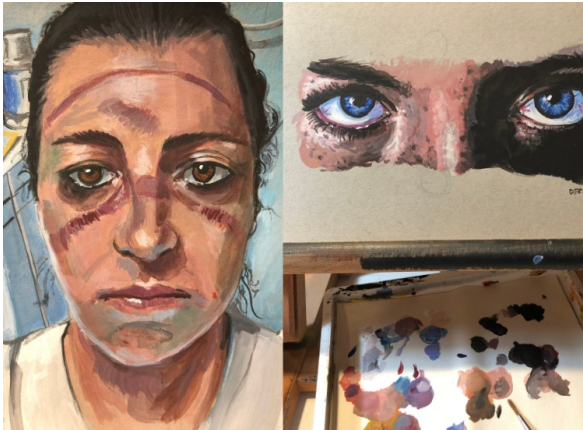
NEW: The NYS DOL has updated the unemployment application so New Yorkers can apply for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance without having to apply for traditional unemployment insurance first and get denied. This means they will process claims more efficiently and get you benefits faster. [Click here for more information.](#)

If you already applied for traditional UI but may be eligible for PUA, they will contact you. If you have previously filed for UI and filled out a standalone PUA application, they are processing your application and will be in touch if they need to speak with you for more information.

In addition, businesses can get help through the SBA's Relief Programs; more information is available [here](#). **Congress is right now putting together another round of Paycheck Protection Plan (PPP) and small business emergency funding, so hopefully there will be additional resources for these programs SOON -- they've got an agreement, keep on the lookout for the details...**



Creatives in Quarantine Gallery

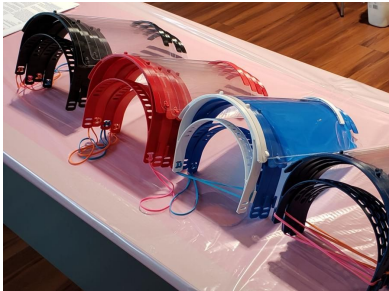


Cap Region Creatives in Quarantine Gallery is a collection of photos and works developed by creatives across the Capital Region during this time of isolation.

We believe that inspiration and vision are as contagious as the virus, so in that spirit, let's admire the creations of our fellow locals!

Last week, we got some awesome submissions from our readers. If you have work you'd like to submit, please **send us an email!**

Cap Region Community News



From The Troy Record
Tech Valley Center of Gravity Partners with Others to Produce PPE Devices



From The Times Union
Guilderland, Washington Park Farmers Markets Go Online



From The Daily Gazette
Capital Region Musicians Stay Creative During Outbreak



From The Times Union
Online Poetry Class Supports "Invisible"



From Albany Business Review
Magazine Printer Quad/Graphics wants to



From WMHT
WMHT Accepting Submissions for Next

Creative Spotlight

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From The New York Times
Learning from the Art of
Pandemics in the Past



From Creative Boom
What Creative
Freelancers Will Do
Differently When the
Lockdown Ends



From Coursera
Totally Free Classes
From MoMA, CalArts,
Yale, Berklee College of
Music and More

Job and Volunteer Leads



Center for Economic Growth (CEG) has job listings for a wide range of Capital Region companies. Click here for more information.



Fusco Personnel Inc. has leads on call center positions and other work in the Capital Region. You can reach them at 1-800-34-FUSCO or jobs@fuscopersonnel.net.



United Way of the Capital Region

United Way of the Greater Capital Region has in-person and virtual opportunities to volunteer with local agencies in need of support. Please sign up via this link.



DeCrescente has open job positions. Please visit their site to apply.



NYS Department of Labor Job Board has job openings in Albany. Click here for more.



Spectrum is currently hiring over 200 Customer Service Representative Positions in their Rotterdam office. Click here to apply.



Blue Shield of NENY is now hiring seasonal Medicare Sales Consultants. [Click here to apply.](#)



DAIM Logistics Inc. has career openings for Professional Class A Truck Drivers and all levels of office personnel in the Capital Region. [Click here to learn more and apply.](#)



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