



May/June 2022

Arts are in full swing!

So much is happening! We juried the Ewing Arts Awards with the Keene Sentinel, we began the AEP6 study and surveyed over 50 folks attending the Thing in the Spring, the Discover Monadnock program was a recipient of a grant to redevelop its website, we supported Keene ArtWalk, the Keene Arts Core project received its design book from the Citizens Institute on Rural Design, and so much more. We also welcome Nina Taylor-Dunn as a part time office assistant and blog contributor!

We also accepted a new logo design! What do you think?!

Here are some ways you can stay connected!

Membership signups for artists or arts organizations: Sign up to receive the latest info on upcoming workshops and opportunities to connect.

[Learn more and sign up!](#)

Attend the 2022 Ewing Arts Awards: This year's annual awards night is happening and we're back at the Redfern Arts Center and fully open to the public! There will be a gallery show, live music, inspirational speeches, and an after-awards reception.

[Get your Tickets!](#)

Ongoing Coaching Sessions for artists and new arts community members Learn about the *resources* Arts Alive! has and the *community connections* we can help you make. 45 minute sessions are free and open to anyone!

[Coaching: sign-up!](#)

Getting arts programming going again? Let us help! Folks are looking for

ways to connect at arts events. Our results from the Arts Access study are out - and you can watch a webinar, bite sized YouTube videos, or just take a gander at the fact sheet (which also has some neat data to be used in grant applications and program case statements).

Study Resources Page

Ewing Awardees sneak peek!

Celebrating Excellence in the arts

Arts Alive! is proud to partner with the Keene Sentinel each year to celebrate artists of excellence with home-town recognition



And the 2022 winners are.....

Jared Flynn, in the category of Traditional/Folk Art

Liz Myers of Salt Project, in the category of Interdisciplinary Art

Molly Fletcher, in the category of 2D

Michael Moore, in the category of 2D

Jessie Pollock, in the category of 2D

Medora Hebert, in the category of 2D

Sharon Myers, in the category of 3D

Firelight Theatre, in the category of Performing Arts

Mitchell Giddings Gallery, in the category of Arts Presenting

Jaffrey Civic Center, in the category of Presenting

Rosemarie Bernardi, in the category of Community Engagement

Alice Fuld, in the category of Arts Advocate

Lawrence Benequest, Lifetime Achievement

Carlson Barrett, Lifetime Achievement

Save the Date

for the glamorous awards night:

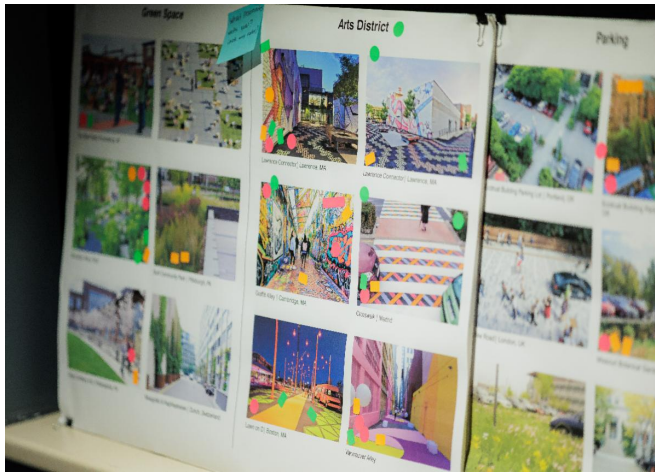
6pm July 21, 2022

at the Redfern Arts Center at Keene State College

Get your tickets today!

Keene Arts Core

Time to do some advocacy and take action!



Citizens Institute on Rural Design (CIRD) visited Keene New Hampshire in March of 2022, and worked with a steering committee and the greater community to develop some additional ideas that could be integrated into public infrastructure to celebrate and enhance our area's vibrant arts community. ([Read the Article by CIRD](#)) It has been an

excellent way for Keene to get on the national map as a creative destination, a place with a strong creative economy, and a place where collaboration and creativity rule! The Keene Sentinel did a lovely [article on this project](#), and another on why artsy streets are safer streets. You can check out the final product of that visit online - [The Design Book](#).

In September CIRD folks will return in September to share their process, philosophy, and to welcome some of their past participants in this program to share how **design was a transformative element for their rural communities**. They will present the first Arts Track session at Radically Rural!

Get Involved!

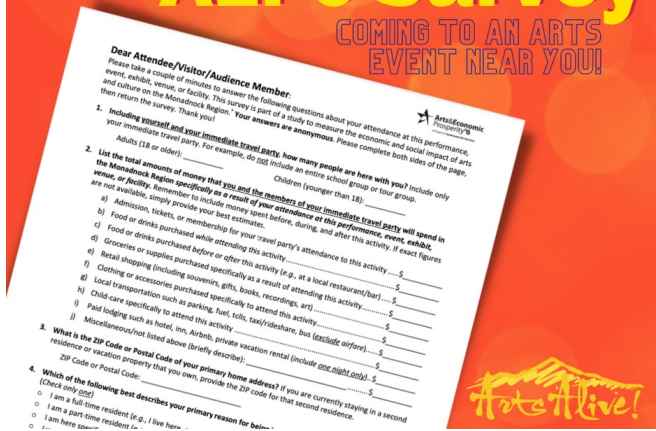
Register for Radically Rural

Our next Study is underway!
Arts & Economic Prosperity

Arts Alive! partners with

INTRODUCING THE AEP6 Survey

COMING TO AN ARTS
EVENT NEAR YOU!



The image shows a survey form titled 'AEP6 Survey' with the following text:

Dear Attendee/Visitor/Audience Member:
Please take a couple of minutes to answer the following questions about your attendance at this performance, event, exhibit, venue, or facility. This survey is part of a study to measure the economic and social impact of arts and culture on the Monadnock Region. **Your answers are anonymous.** Please complete both sides of the page, then return the survey. Thank you!

1. Including yourself and your immediate travel party, how many people are here with you? (Please include only your immediate travel party. For example, do not include an entire school group or tour group.)
Adults (18 or older): _____
Children (younger than 18): _____

2. List the total amounts of money that you and the members of your immediate travel party will spend in the Monadnock Region specifically as a result of your attendance at this performance, event, exhibit, venue, or facility. Remember to include money spent before, during, and after this activity. If exact figures are not available, simply provide your best estimate.

- a) Admission, tickets, or membership for your travel party's attendance to this activity: _____ \$
- b) Food or drinks purchased while attending this activity: _____ \$
- c) Groceries or supplies purchased before or after this activity: _____ \$
- d) Retail shopping (including souvenirs, gifts, books, recordings, art): _____ \$
- e) Local transportation such as parking, fuel, tolls, taxi/rideshare, bus (exclude airfare): _____ \$
- f) Child care specifically to attend this activity: _____ \$
- g) Paid lodging such as hotel, inn, Airbnb, private vacation rental (include one night only): _____ \$
- h) Miscellaneous/not listed above (briefly describe): _____ \$

3. What is the ZIP Code or Postal Code of your primary home address? If you are currently staying in a second residence or vacation property that you own, provide the ZIP code for that second residence.
ZIP Code or Postal Code: _____

4. Which of the following best describes your primary reason for being here?
(Check only one)
 I am a full-time resident (e.g., I live here...)
 I am a part-time resident...
 I am here...

The form also features the 'Arts & Economic Prosperity 6' logo and the 'Arts Alive!' logo.

Americans for the Arts to conduct the Arts & Economic Prosperity 6 Study, which will survey audiences and nonprofit arts organizations to better understand the economic impact of arts and culture organizations on our community.

If you are an arts patron, please take this survey enthusiastically when offered it at an arts event! Ushers may hand one to you, there may be one placed on your

seat, or you may be directed to a QR code that will take you to a version you can fill out on your phone.

If you are an arts organization, we welcome you to survey your audiences! No more than 50 surveys per event.

Info & Materials to participate

We're getting a facelift Discover Monadnock is gonna get even better!

NH GIVES

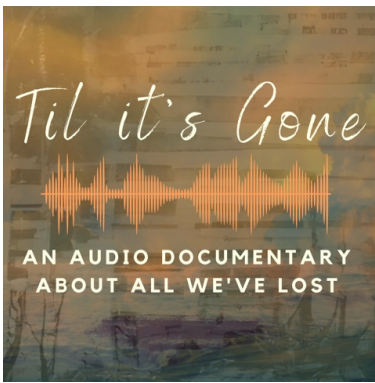
The NH Division of Travel and Tourism Development has awarded us a \$10,000 Matching Grant to support a complete overhaul of the

[Discover Monadnock website](#), and to develop additional content for it. We are so excited and grateful for this new partnership! This month we raised almost \$1,000 during our NH Gives Day campaign...

Will you help us meet our match so we can create the best website possible to support promoting the arts across our region to new audiences?

Make a sustaining gift towards this project

Support Discover Monadnock



MiniGrant Recipient News!

A 2021 Grantee Kate Semro is launching a new project!

Til it's Gone is a feature-length audio documentary about all we've lost — places, freedoms, abilities, identities, dreams — told through the voices of people from around the world. Monadnock audio artist Katie Semro will weave the stories of ordinary people together with sound and music to create a rich sonic tapestry of our collective losses, so that we can grieve them and move on together, lighter. The audio documentary will be experienced through virtual listening events. Tickets to the events are available through the project Kickstarter which is live now.

Last Year, Arts Alive awarded Kate a mini-grant to support her work in creating digital soundscapes. The grant went to the purchase of equipment to develop her business. We are so proud of her progress!

Support this Local Artist!



Keene ArtWalk a BLAST!

Arts Alive supported Keene ArtWalk's annual festival!

We are proud to have supported [Keene ArtWalk](#) again this year with technical assistance and providing an online digital presence - Facebook and on our website - to celebrate and promote this great event that brings art out of galleries and studios and onto the streets! The music, the artist demos, the window displays - it was a great time to take it all in all over downtown Keene. Would you like to partner with Arts Alive?

Email Us!



Fiscal Sponsor making a splash

The Thing in the Spring was a HUGE success!

We are proud to have supported The Thing in the Spring and its move to Keene! The Thing has been adopted by [Nova Arts](#), and continues to be curated by the multi-talented Eric Gagne, who is now the Program Director at Nova. Talent came from around the world to present an eclectic lineup of music and spoken word performances. We were so proud to have been a part of it!

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Thank You