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HAVERSTRAW RIVERARTS & MUSIC FESTIVAL
CELEBRATES THE FREEDOM TO FLY

Haverstraw RiverArts is hosting a full day of free music, art and food set against the backdrop of the breathtaking Hudson River at the Fourth Annual Haverstraw RiverArts & Music Festival on Sunday, September 24, 2017 11:00 am – 5:00 pm in Emeline Park, 16 Front Street, Haverstraw, NY.

Nationally recognized bands Maverick (Hip Hop) and Brooklyn's Topsy Oxcart (Balkan) will rock the waterfront stage. Live Art Event Haverstraw RiverArt Projex: 4, juried by Sara Pasti, Director of the SUNY New Paltz Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art. National and internationally shown artists and artist teams, Lance Johnson, Mia de Bethune, Louise Aleman Cadoux and Richard Vivenzio, will create site installations live for the duration of the festival. Lining the Hudson River beach they will use a variety of mediums to evoke wind, light, water, and sound in an attempt to express the event's theme: Freedom to Fly. International artist Isolde Kille will have an off site installation, as well.

RiverArts is excited to welcome the Haverstraw African American Connection (HAAC), a Haverstraw organization dedicated to ensuring the preservation and dissemination of African slave history and emancipation, and the story of the fight for black liberty in the Hudson Valley. HAAC will enter the Festival via a traditional African American procession and provide lectures and storytelling throughout the event.

An annual Community Tile Project event highlights local children and visitors producing a tile mural to be installed at Village Hall. Meet with children's book author Jesse Strauch and illustrator Brittany Flynn to try your hand at puppet-making and storytelling, and then learn to make traditional and colorful kites for flying along the Hudson River shore.

Back by popular demand, Haverstraw RiverArts is hosting two festival sailings on South Street Seaport's Schooner Pioneer, which will dock at waterfront restaurant Catch on the Hudson. Tickets are \$28 for adults/seniors and \$25 for children per sailing. Advance reservations are required. Sign up for either sailing time at www.haverstrawriverarts.org. After sailing the widest part of the Hudson stop by the restaurant to watch the waves and quench your thirst at the RiverArts Beer Garden. At the nearby Craft Path, over ten Hudson Valley craft vendors will sell one-of-a kind handmade products. Also stop at the Food Truck Corral for a wide variety of appetizing treats and food plates.

The Haverstraw RiverArts Festival is not possible without the support of the Town and Village of Haverstraw, the Haverstraw RiverArts Festival Committee, the Rockland Community Foundation, the Arts Council of Rockland County, New York State Council of the Arts, Rockland County Tourism, I Love NY, Tilcon, Orange & Rockland, Rivertown Magazine, and News12.

For more information, please visit: <http://www.haverstrawriverarts.org>