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Final Artist Roster released for Peekskill Open Studios at The Flatz Properties

1008 Main Street in Peekskill June 6 & 7, 2015 to be a Host Location

PEEKSKILL, NY—Monica Flaherty, founder of The Flatz Properties, LLC, welcomes Peekskill's Open Studios to her flagship building at 1008 Main Street in the heart of Downtown Peekskill. The show is titled, "Art in Buildings, Buildings in Art," and will be open from 12-5pm on June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>.

The final roster includes an impressive collection of area artists, both living and deceased, covering a wide variety of media. Represented in the show will be:

- Aaron Stone
- Anthony Volpe
- Betsy Braun Lane
- Carla Rae Johnson
- Eugene Allen
- GeneFree
- Geoff Feder
- Lawrence Flood
- Maureen Winzig
- N. Christopher Rigney

Flaherty approached The Peekskill Arts Alliance (PAA) about being a venue at the 18th annual art show, and was met with great enthusiasm. PAA president, Maureen Winzig, was blown away by the venue: "The space has such a creative vibe, fantastic light, and is one of the best locations in the city." The Flatz supports local artists, believing that great art challenges us, and connects us with ourselves and our community.

Open Studios coincides with Flaherty's grand opening of the building, a 150 year old structure beautifully renovated under Monica's artful eye: Decorative moldings, hardwood floors, high ceilings, and custom paint colors adorn what was built as a hotel in 1865.

The full list of artists and details about the show can be found at <a href="https://www.theflatz.com/openstudios">www.theflatz.com/openstudios</a>.

The Open Studios exhibit embodies the heart and soul of Flaherty's concept for the building: A creative ecosystem where individuals collaborate, meet, and create. Her building will be home to co-spacing as well as artisan incubator initiatives. Her vision of development is informed by her love of growing community, cohesion, and vibrancy. Peekskill is the perfect foundation for Flaherty's important work.

Monica Flaherty is a graduate of Harvard University. After more than 20 years of real estate investing in Boston, she brings her resources and talent to Upper Westchester. She resonates with fellow artists as a semi-professional photographer and jazz singer herself. When not developing properties or consulting, Monica can be found working in the garden or enjoying time with her family.



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