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WINDOWS ON THE ART WORLD

The latest "Community Arts Series" opens at the Windows Gallery at the Tahawus Center Gallery, NYS Route 9N, Au Sable Forks, NY, on Friday, August 1, from 5:30 to 8 p.m. The event is free, an all are welcome. The exhibit runs through August 23.

Featured are: "Double Visions," prints and poetry by Jay artist Nadine McLaughlin; "Japanese Scrolls," a collection of rare images by Hans Laverge; and a "Find Out More" symposium and roundtable discussion titled "A Few Degrees. A Profound Change," presented by John Johanson on Thursday, Aug 21, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Triple Visions

Nadine McLaughlin is a poet, illustrator, and photographer whose photo art has been exhibited extensively in the High Peaks area of the Adirondacks. She is the author of several books of poetry, including Sunrise, Sunset: Poetry ... just for the joy of it.

Hans Laverge (Lake Placid, New York City) shares his collection of avian and floral representations in computer enhanced simulation of flat painted, high detailed, large scale images, mounted with the traditional cylinder wooden rollers and fastening ribbons and showcases this new form of traditional Japanese art. Spanning a great variety of subject matter, from political commentary to epic romances to religious tales, Japanese illustrated hands scrolls bring stories to life in a vivid, engaging manner.

John Johanson is an upstate NY designer and natural resource manager focused on sustainable architecture, historic rehabilitation, and stewardship of our forest resources, particularly in the Adirondack Park.

The goal at Tahawus is to identify artists, innovators, and educators, who are working away in our mountains and valleys to share their work with the community. Placing these ideas or results in a public



Black Rooster with red blossoms, collection of Hans Laverge

space and causing a gathering, provides a forum for the artist and the work to become interactive, educational, and inspirational. A stimulating event is always cause for celebration! Please call (646) 734-7151 for more details about gallery events and openings.

ART AND ETC MEET UP AT "SMOKEY JOE'S CAFÉ"

Adirondack Regional Theatre (ART) and Essex Theatre Company (ETC) present Jerry Leiber and Mike Stoller's musical revue *Smokey Joe's Café* at the Masonic Lodge (next to the ferry dock) in Essex, NY, on August 6 at 5 pm, August 7, 8, 9 at 7 pm, and August 9 at 2 pm. The show is directed and choreographed by Antonette Knoedl, with vocal direction by Allison Andre and showcases 39 pop standards including rhythm and blues and rock and roll songs.

The original Broadway cast recording, Smokey Joe's Café: the Songs of Leiber and Stoller, won a Grammy award in 1996. After a Los Angeles tryout, the revue opened on Broadway in 1995, running for 2,036 performances, the longest-running musical revue in Broadway history. It also ran in London in 1996. The songs featured include such favorites as "Keep on Rollin", "Kansas City", "Fools Fall in Love", "Poison Ivy", "Treat Me Nice", "Hound Dog", "There Goes My Baby", "Love Potion #9", and "Stand by Me." Originally conceived by Stephen Helper, Jack Viertel, and Otis Sallid, it has no unifying theme or dialogue, just the wonderful songs presented in various combinations by the performers.

Tickets are \$13 pre-paid, \$15 at the door. Call (518) 526-4520 or e-mail tickets@essextheatre.org for reservations. ETC must receive a non-refundable check or cash for the correct amount before the day of performance. Send to Essex Theatre Company, PO Box 117, Essex, NY 12936.