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Women's Studio Workshop's Announces their 21st Annual Chili Bowl Fiesta!

Chili Bowl Fiesta Fundraiser

SUNY Ulster
491 Cottekill Rd
Stone Ridge, NY 12484

Saturday, February 24, 2018
\$5 early admission: 2-4pm
Free admission: 4-7pm
Featuring live music by In The Kitchen

Rosendale, NY — On February 24th, the Women's Studio Workshop will transform the SUNY Ulster dining hall with a vast and colorful landscape of hand-crafted pottery to celebrate over two decades of ceramics and community! This is the second year the event will be hosted in the dining hall at SUNY Ulster, providing us with more space to showcase the increasing amount of bowls, attendees and delicious chili. The dining hall is also just five minutes away from the Workshop!

Every bowl purchased at the Chili Bowl Fiesta comes with a hearty helping of chili. Everyone's sure to find a bowl and a flavor to satisfy their craving!

Each year, the Chili Bowl Fiesta draws over 700 attendees and has become a staple of Rosendale's public festival schedule. To prepare for the event, WSW's ceramic studio has been abuzz with activity. Local artists and volunteers have been hand-building their unique pieces or throwing them on the potter's wheel, then glazing, decorating, and firing them in the WSW kilns.

Nearly 1,000 handmade bowls, mugs, and tumblers are created throughout the year by staff, interns, resident artists, students, and volunteers. Because so many hands contribute to this process, each vessel is one-of-a-kind, and widely varied in shape, size, color, decoration, and, of course, price-point. Guests always have a blast looking for the perfect piece.

Not only will Fiesta guests enjoy live entertainment, raffle drawings, and the satisfaction of supporting local arts, but they'll also put their new wares to use with a complementary serving of delicious, piping hot chili. More than 20 Hudson Valley restaurants and chefs donate 50+ gallons of chili, satisfying meat-lovers, vegans, and vegetarians alike. Guests can also buy a paper bowl, and bottomless bellies can purchase additional servings.

All proceeds from the Chili Bowl Fiesta support artistic programming at WSW.

Women's Studio Workshop (WSW) is a visual arts organization in Rosendale, New York. Since 1974, WSW has brought over 5,000 artists from across the globe to work in the printmaking, hand papermaking, letterpress printing, photography, book arts, and ceramics studios. Over 6,500 Ulster County youth have

participated in WSW's Art-in-Education program. WSW's artists' book grant program has published more than 200 artists' books, collected by special collections of major libraries and museums including The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Tate Modern, and The Library of Congress, among others.

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