# Bright Hill Press & Literary Center of the Catskills

### WINTER LITERARY WORKSHOPS FOR KIDS

## NEW PROGRAM! Young Collectors Club

Bright Hill offers its first ever "Young Collectors Club" program (via Zoom) April 5, 7, and 9 (during BOCES Spring Break), led by master teaching artist Bertha Rogers, founding director of Bright Hill. The program is limited to

16 children and youth in grades one through eight. The week will begin with an introduction by Katharine Kreisher, art professor at Hartwick College.

Before the online sessions, students will be invited to pick up a workshop kit at Bright Hill during which all safety procedures for Covid 19 will be adhered to: a special, miniature collection of prints by artists who have shown at

the Bright Hill Word & Image Gallery, along with a large shadowbox frame and adhesive dots, their first "art collection." On the first day, after the introduction to the program, Rogers will work with the students in three sessions:

Katharine Kreisher on the importance and impact of the Bright Hill Legacy Program Young Collector's Club: Viewing art at museums and galleries helps people experience original art and understand the many ways that artists see the world around them. If viewers write about art, their understanding deepens. Art lovers often become collectors of art because they want to live with the images at home where they can spend time looking and thinking and understanding them more fully. The Young Collectors Club of Bright Hill provides young people with the opportunity to own original art and perhaps begin a life of collecting.

#### PLEASE NOTE THIS DAILY SCHEDULE

First Session: Grades one – three, 10 – 10:45 am; Second Session: Grades four to six; 11 am – noon; Third Session: Grades seven to ten, 1:30 – 2:30 pm.

Bertha will demonstrate how the art is displayed, then virtually tour with students a museum, during which time each student will select one work of art from the museum and one from the BH collection. They will write a group poem about an artwork.

**First Session: Grades one to three:** The first session assignment will be to write two poems, one about BHP art (students will write during workshop session). Each poem must have 5 lines. Final poems to be emailed to Bertha no later than **April 6** at noon at bkrogers@delhitel.net.



#### **Second Session: Grades**

four to six: The second session assignment will be to write poems of at least eight lines and email to Bertha no later than April 6 at 3 pm.

Third Session: Grades seven to eight: The third Session assignment will be to write pantoums or sestinas (they will learn how

during the session) and email to Bertha no later than **April 6** at 6 pm. Bertha will read the poems and email them back to students with comments; students will correct and email back to Bertha no later than **April 7** at 9 am. When we meet virtually on **April 7**, students will read their poems and discuss why they chose which work of art. They will also draw their own version of a work of art and arrange their shadowbox. On the last day, **April 9**, there will be one program for all three groups at 1:30 pm. Bertha will introduce and explain how students can continue program on their own. Students will show their completed collections and explain why they chose their art, then read one or two of their poems. Parents and guardians will be invited to the Zoom program.

#### SEE REVERSE FOR REGISTRATION FORM

#### FEES & SCHOLARSHIPS

Workshop Cost: Thanks to the generous support of our donors and funders, the registration workshop cost to you is only \$125 (includes art collection kit) Full Scholarships awarded to Students of Delaware Academy and Treadwell residents through the Abraham Kellogg Educational Fund. In addition, full and Partial Scholarships available for students in financial need. Please inquire about scholarship opportunities via email: info@brighthillpress.org or by calling 607-829-5055. The workshops are made possible through the NYS Office of Child & Family Services and the NYSCA Arts Education Program, supported by Governor Andrew Cuomo and the New York State Legislature. Other scholarships available on a limited basis, thanks to funding from the Dewar, Tianaderrah, A. Lindsay & Olive B. O'Connor, Mee, and Otis A. Thompson Foundations, the Delaware National Bank of Delhi, Stewart's Shops, Golden

#### **ABOUT BERTHA & KATHARINE**

Artists Colors, and Bright Hill's members and friends.

Bertha Rogers is a visual artist, poet, translator & educator. Her art has been shown in solo and group exhibits in the US and internationally. More than 500 of her poems have been published in literary journals and anthologies. Her poetry collections are Wild, Again (2019) and Heart Turned Back (2010), both published by Salmon Poetry, Ireland;, Sleeper, You Wake; A House of Corners; The Fourth Beast; and Even the Hemlock. Her illustrated translation of the Anglo-Saxon epic poem Beowulf was published in 2000 (Birch Brook Press); and her illuminated translation, Uncommon Creatures, of the 95 Anglo-Saxon Riddle-Poems from the 10th-Century Exeter Book, was published in 2019 (Six Swans Artist Editions). She has received grants from the MacDowell Colony, Millay Colony, Hawthornden Int'l Retreat for Writers; and many others. Among her NYSCA and SOS/NYFA grants are Planting Wildness (2015) & Wild: The Creatures of the Catskills (2016). With her late husband, Ernest M. Fishman, she founded Bright Hill Press and Literary Center of the Catskills in 1992; her literary/art accomplishments were read into the Congressional Record in 2017. She lives near Treadwell, NY with her dogs, Joya and Tillie, and her two cats, Embla and Aiya.

Katharine Kreisher is Professor of Art at Hartwick College where she has been teaching printmaking and photography since 1982. She is a member of the Board of Directors at Bright Hill Press and Literary Center. Katharine is a co-creator of the Young Collector's Club, with Bertha Rogers and executive director Beatrice Georgalidis.

#### **REGISTRATION FORM**

## BHLC WINTER LITERARY WORKSHOPS FOR KIDS/YOUNG COLLECTORS CLUB

STUDENT'S NAME	
ADDRESS	
CITY	ZIP
PHONE	
EMAIL	
SCHOOL	
GRADE 2020-2021	
BIRTH DATE	
PARENT/GUARDIAN	
ADDRESS	
CITY	ZIP
PHONE	
EMAIL	
EMERGENCY PHONE	
ALLERGIES (LIST)	
ANY MEDICATIONS?	
TOTAL FEE:	
PAYMENT INCLUDED	

Send Registration form, with your payment and/or request for a full or partial scholarhsip, to BHLC Winter Literary Workshops for Kids/Young Collectors Club 2021, 94 Church Street, Treadwell, NY 13846. Kids must be 6 years old and in first

grade to be eligible.

Bright Hill Workshop Kids Winter 2020 Program

