



TUGBOAT FLEET

First created for the celebration of
Town of Esopus Bi-Centennial

Live Auction starts October 1st at 2 PM
Sealed Bids accepted from September 6 - October 1 at
Town Hall, 284 Broadway, P.O. Box 700, Port Ewen, NY
c/o Bernice McNierny 845-338-6486
Minimum Bid \$250 / No Credit Cards



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Maple Ridge Community

Our very special thanks to Maple Ridge Community located at 10 Hellbrook Lane, Ulster Park, NY 1248. It is because of their efforts by designing and coordinating Usheco, Inc. (polystyrene boats production), Universal Metal Fabricators (stands), and finally First Place Auto (clear finishing coat) that any of this was possible.

This truly has helped us to celebrate our Bi-Centennial in a special, special way . . . Thank You.



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Langston Williams III #1

My name is Langston Williams III, a 34 year-old native New Yorker. I am originally from the Bronx, then Dutchess County and moved to Esopus about four years ago. I began to work for the Town in 2008 when they were moving into the new building. At first sight I was amazed by the unique architecture and color combination of the structure. Also, the addition of the solar panels fit well with the futuristic design and green energy efficiency of the building. As the sole grounds and building

maintenance keeper for the Town Hall as well as an artist, I decided to combine the two. The tugboat presented an opportunity for me to represent the Town Hall that I take care of through art. I named the boat the **SS Meehan** in dedication to my friend and deceased co-worker John Meehan who loved this building as well as the arts. I believe he would have enjoyed my tugboat creation and hope you all do too.



Erin & Nora (Maple Ridge Community #2)

My name is Erin. My friend Nora and I live at the Maple Ridge Community in Ulster Park, NY. Nora is 19 and I am 20.

We were inspired to paint a tugboat in celebration of the 200th year anniversary of the Town of Esopus. We have been interested in our local history, and thought this was a good opportunity to help others appreciate it too.

The Hudson River has been a formative part of local history. More than history, it provides endless inspiration and beauty today. We tried to capture some of this on our tugboat. The bald Eagle on the front symbolizes freedom and the boundless space of the future. The Fish outlined on the deck are native to the Hudson.



Alex Mallen #3

Hi...I'm a decorative painter and my area of expertise is faux bois, faux marble, trompe l'oeill, European lacquer, gilding, tortoiseshell. I studied at the Isabel O'Neil Studio of Decorative Finishes, so when I decided to paint the tugboat, I did what I do best. Hence the faux burl mahogany on the bottom

of the boat and the birds eye maple on top. The middle stars were done for whimsy.

I found out about the tugboat through my husband who heard about it and it sounded like a fun project and it was.

My website is www.thepainteddesign.com.



Chelsea Marino #4

I am a local artist in the Town of Esopus, always interested in artistic opportunities within the community. I heard about the Tugboat idea from my grandfather, Dan Terpening, and thought it sounded like a fun and interesting way to commemorate the town. It turned out to be quite a challenge.

My initial plan was to portray a few of the various changes within the town over the past 200 years. I struggled with it, however, to the point where I was not enjoying the project.. So with only a week to spare, with the help and support of a few friends and family, I started from scratch and repainted my entire tug, this time as the Tugtanic. The story of the Titanic has captivated so many

people over the course of history, and I am no exception. The magnitude, mystery, folly, heroism, and romance of the tragedy make it most intriguing. James Cameron's rendition of the disaster has become one of my favorite films. So as I sat down and tried to come up with a more doable, comprehensive theme for my boat, "Tugtanic" came to mind and stuck. It was smooth sailing after that, literally!



Carol Cypher #5

I have been a resident of town of Esopus for 25 years and specifically of Port Ewen, "my fair city", for the past 4 or 5. I simply adore living here. My neighbors are fabulous. I can ride my bicycle ride to the best post office ever!; can walk for a quart of milk, a bottle of wine, or dose of aspirin. Jazzercise is right down the street twice a week, when I can make it. The most beautiful library is right over there and we have beautiful sidewalks and street lamps to get me there.

I am not a painter, I am a fiber artist working in beads and felt and and sometimes pairing the

two. I'd thought I would Felt and bead NY boat when I was first asked to do a tugboat. The necessity to clear coat/seal felt and beads was daunting. So, I took the leap into painting it. Guess my life as a beadworker is evident by the motif I chose for my boat "What's with the dots?" Loved working on this project, though outside my scope. Eager to see our Broadway lined with our beauties.

www.carolcypher.com



Port Ewen School 4th Grade
(Robert Graves School) #6

"Lost and Found"

Tugboat done by Barbara Taylor and students at Robert Graves School

I am an art teacher, the Queen of Arts in the town of Esopus, as I teach the students at both Robert Graves and Anna Devine Elementary schools (approx. 550 art projects per week). Our Tugboat is inspired by the works of Louise Nevelson, and one fourth grade class and a few fifth graders worked on attaching the metal parts. The nuts, bolts, screws, and other attached metallic findings are mostly from the 1920s-50s from cleaning out my grandfather's basement. Several interesting finds are from walks along the sides of the road, including the small anchor (which I found and saved 23 years ago on the side of the road)

Art teachers have a hard time throwing anything into the trash! Look for keys, safety pins, a dog, a watch, the number six (Or is it a nine?) from a fancy car, and many others. Some have compared this work to pages in an I Spy book or a Where's Waldo book!

The metallic finish and assorted metal objects give this piece a strong masculine look, indicative of the strength and purpose of a tugboat. However, the title of this tugboat, "Lost and Found", also gives merit to the spiritual meaning and interpretation of the tugboat's job. If you were stranded on the water, wouldn't you appreciate being powered by another source and rescued to safety?



April Nelson #7

April Nelson has been a resident of Port Ewen for 32 yrs. She is a local business owner of the hair salon April & Co. 169 Broadway. Her specialty is hair coloring and design with hair cutting. April has been painting with oils and drawing with pastels on and off for 20 yrs. It has been her pleasure to do a tugboat for our town.

She would like to thank our town clerk Diane Mc Cord for suggesting this project to her and helping with theme ideas. "The Dying Boatman's Request" was April's choice. It was wrote in 1910 by an unknown boatman for The Boatmen's Ball.

She doesn't believe there was a dying sailor, but according to the poem, remember that legend has it a sailor has a girl in every port. There was two in Port Ewen.

Read the poem and enjoy the humor. The families of our town have a lot of history with the Hudson River and knows that hard work, a sense of humor and sharing love makes the world move to be a better place.

I hope those who travel thru Port Ewen will appreciate the charm that all the tugs will bring this summer and represent how much we love our town.



Robert Graney #8

Bob Graney has been an Esopus resident for many years. He became interested in the "Tugboat Project" last Spring and asked to do one with Historical references to the Town. We think it will go down in posterity. Take a closer look at what our heritage proudly tells us.....



Headless Horseman #9

Headless Horseman Hayrides & Haunted Houses is located at 778 Broadway, Ulster Park, N.Y. This attraction is open weekends during the great fall season in the Hudson Valley from September 17th through Saturday, November 5th, 2011.

Headless Horseman Hayrides & Haunted Houses has been named the number# 1 Haunted Attraction in the country several time by industry professionals as well as AOL, American Airlines,

Haunt World magazine and USA Today. The Food Network filmed the Emeril Live Show as well as The Sandra Lee Semi Home cooking Show. Comedy Central and CBS Evening News used Headless Horseman Hayrides for live broadcast coast to coast.

Headless Horseman Hayrides & Haunted Houses is happy to be located on 45 acres in the Town of Esopus for the past 19 years.



Rosane Balistreri #10

Rosane Balistreri: I have been an interior designer in NYC for over 30 years and for the past 14 owner of Rose Cottage Interiors in Port Ewen, NY. I have become very involved in the community with regard to the Klyne Esopus Museum and streetscaping improvements in the town. I love this area with its beautiful mountains and rivers and of course the wonderful friends I have made who have welcomed this former Mid-Western girl via NYC to Esopus and the Hudson Valley.

I chose to paint a Tugboat because; I think the idea, which was put together by The Bicentennial Committee, was terrific and I felt it would be an honor to be a part of the event which

will help make the year 2011 a truly special celebration of Esopus.

It's been a while since I picked up a paint brush to render interiors so this was a real challenge. I love my garden in Port Ewen and it never ceases to inspire me. So I looked at my flower beds and pictures from previous years, watched the birds and butterflies flying in for the Spring and. . . since there was a big white blank statue of a tug boat standing in front of me..... Voila-There you have it----**"My Garden Floats My Boat"**



David Van Loan #11

David designed this tugboat with a wonderful man in mind. . . **"TIGER,"** Donald Van Loan, proud owner for over 37 years of Van Loan's Discount Beverages. GO TIGER DON !

Tugboat Location & Artist



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