

Wall of Hope, Inspiration and Healing Gallery  
Anticipation and Celebration  
December 3 - 31, 2023

**Artists bios**

**Carole Gregory – Poet**



Carole E. Gregory earned a B.A. in English from Youngstown University in 1968 and a M.A.E.T.S. (Masters in Education and Theological Studies from Union Theological Seminary and Teachers College, Columbia University in 1976). Her poetry appears in the anthology *The Poetry of Black America*. This writer is a wordsmith in New York City.

**Poem:** “The Birth of Love”

**Karen Harris**



Hello All -

If you have been following me on previous Marble Church shows I am Karen Harris, Visual Artist & Poete.

I'm happy to present two poems for the online exhibit: “Music” and "Joy-awareness"(Blessings from God)”

I will be focusing more on my writing and poetry and new artworks later in 2024.

All the Best for everyone. You can contact me at [Karenharris998@gmail.com](mailto:Karenharris998@gmail.com)

**Marie Malluk - Photographer**



Somewhere along my way of growing up, I was gifted a Brownie camera. I have no idea who gave it to me, but it sparked my joy of taking pictures. My first outing with camera in hand was the 1964 World's Fair. Ever since then, a camera has been my traveling companion.

My photographic output as a youngster was minimal, as film, and developing it, was expensive. As I got older and began to travel, a

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camera was always with me. Rolls and rolls of film were my companions throughout my journeys. And then the long wait...what

did I get, did it come out okay? Oh, the anticipation, and sometimes the great disappointment of not having what I thought I had!

Nowadays, I have put my camera aside for the ease of using my phone, but I must admit, I miss the feel of holding a camera, the bracing of it for my shot, and the sweet sound of the shutter release. But convenience and practicality work better for me these days, and have me at the ready to capture that shot. All you have to do is open your eyes, and there is always a photograph right in front of you, just waiting to be discovered. My love for the written word inspired me to graduate with a BA degree in English Literature. I enjoy writing, and rhyming text is how I express myself best, in poetry and songs.

**Photographs:** “City Sidewalks Dressed in Holiday Style” “He Will Bring Us Goodness and Light” “In the Air There’s a Feeling of Christmas” “It’s Christmas Time in the City”



## Victoria Pepe—Pepe LuminSonics

Victoria Pepe is a lifelong multimedia artist living and creating in NYC. She is a composer, fine and digital artist photographer and video artist. For this current art show: *Anticipation and Celebration* –for Advent and Christmas 2023 at Marble, she created the online gallery presentation featuring photos from Marble artists; including her photo and one original fine art print..

On the Wall are 2 original art pieces created in her style: ArtInscribe for Advent. *Hope, Joy, Peace, Love* represents the themes of Advent and *O Come Immanuel* which present the words of our prayers for the coming of Jesus at Christmas. ArtInscribe integrates and inscribes free flowing geometric shapes with the forms of the letters of the words, creating an integrated harmonious art piece. It is then printed with archival ink and paper for a fine art print. *Madonna and Child* is originally hand drawn and then formatted for the computer to print this fine art archival print.

*Madonna and Child* is also featured in the video. *Santa at Macy’s --Santa for All*, is my photo featured in the online video show. I was at the Macy’s parade Thanksgiving 2023 and just caught this photo..It felt like Santa was looking right in my direction (maybe waving at me?) This photo is of Santa connecting to all in the spirit of our holiday.

For the music for the online show, I compiled my original pieces, some in segments for this *Christmas Medley*. The pieces included are: *For This Day Rejoice, What Child is This Improv, Rejoice, The First Noel Improv, Away in a Manger Improv*.

The complete pieces and more of Victoria's music can be found on the streaming venues such as Spotify, Pandora, Amazon; or email Victoria at [NewStar1234\(at\).gmail.com](mailto:NewStar1234(at).gmail.com). She is known as Pepe LuminSonics (Lumin- Light: Sonics- Sound) For more information visit <https://linktr.ee/PepeLuminSonics>

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**Susan Ceely Philips – photographer, poet**



Susan Barbre Ceely Philips  
Susan - my given name from my mom and dad  
Barbre - my mom's family name  
Ceely - my dad's family name  
Philips - my chosen family name  
All together, it's the name for me.

I have been a waitress, a secretary, a receptionist, a television advertising producer/production coordinator, a speech therapist and teacher, a church member, a volunteer, and a seeker - not necessarily in that order.

Now, I 'seek' to find and to share some of what has brought me to this point in my life. I offer a few of my thoughts, feelings, and observations through poetry in my photography and my writings. Thank you for pausing to 'listen'.

**Photographs:** "Bedazzled By Her Jewels" "Coming to Fruition"  
"Just 10 More Minutes?"

**Poems:** "When I Think of Christmas" "Wonderful Counselor" "Anticipation of"  
"What if Jesus Had Been a Girl?"

**Joan Silinsh - Photographer**



Joan did not actively pursue photography until her retirement. By contrast, in her childhood in Mexico, her father, an educator, was an independent film producer documenting the country's culture and screening his films in the United States for ten years.

In her 35-year career with McGraw-Hill (now S&P Global), Joan held various management positions. Her last post was as Director of Advertising and Promotion for two magazines in the construction field - ENR (Engineering News-Record) and Design-Build.

As an avid traveler, photography has enabled Joan to capture memories of the countries she has visited. Besides travel photos, she uses her camera to showcase the variety and beauty of flowers.

Joan studied photography in courses offered by Greenwich House and the Senior Center at St. Peter's Church. She has exhibited her photographs at several Greenwich House art competitions, Su Casa Creative Center and Marble Collegiate. For a number of years she

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volunteered at Greenwich House's Center on the Square taking photos of events and outings. Joan has produced numerous photo books documenting her travels, and she also uses her photos to design her own greeting cards.

Joan recently relocated to Sarasota, Florida, and is setting her sights on new photo opportunities. She recently exhibited her photographs at Bay Village's Inspirational Art gallery.

**Photographs (online only):** "Flower Aglow" "Unity – Muslims, Jews, Christians"  
"Church of The Redeemer, Sarasota"  
"Holidays in New York"

**Margery Westin – Photographer**



As a teenager it was fun to experiment with an old camera of my Dad's, creating double-exposure photos. Serving as the candid photographer for the yearbook in high school was also enjoyable.

Photography remained just a hobby until the age of thirty-seven, when I found out I had a 25% chance of losing my remaining 50% of hearing due to Meniere's syndrome. With that scary possibility, I became intent on building my photography skills. During work vacations, I would take week-long classes with established professional photographers all over the country, creating images of pets, people or locations and studying composition, lighting, posing and marketing.

When my full-time merchandising position was moved to South Carolina in the late 1990's, an SBA sponsored class on starting a small business was helpful. I joined the PPA (Professional Photographers of America) and attended monthly meetings of the WPPA (Westchester PPA). Marketing myself for 5 years as a portrait photographer, I specialized in Pets, Children and Families.

Now retired, my iPhone is my camera of choice, and my subject is whatever captures my eye. However, four-legged subjects will always be my favorite. [mwestinpix@aol.com](mailto:mwestinpix@aol.com)

**Photographs:** "Anticipating a Bountiful Crop" "Anticipating a Tasty Delight"  
"Celebrating Immersive Connections" "Celebrating Thanksgiving"

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