

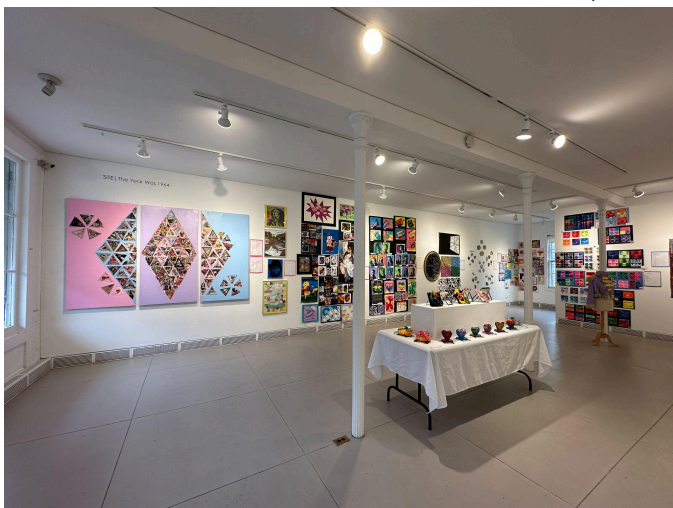
# Garrison Art Center

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## **SITE: SCHOOL INVITATIONAL THEME EXHIBITION | Exploring Identity** **HIGH SCHOOL MENTOR PROGRAM EXHIBITION**

March 15 - 30, 2025



LEFT: Work by students, K - 12, SITE 2024

RIGHT: Work by students in the Mentor Program Exhibition 2024

**FEBRUARY 4, 2025, GARRISON, NY**— Garrison Art Center (GAC) is delighted to announce **SITE: SCHOOL INVITATIONAL THEME EXHIBITION**, *Exploring Identity* featuring the creative artwork of Kindergarten to 12th-grade students in the Hudson Valley region. Additionally, the **HIGH SCHOOL MENTOR PROGRAM EXHIBITION** features the work of high school students from regional schools. We are very excited to have these two programs show in our galleries from March 15 - 30, 2025, with an opening reception on Saturday, March 15, from 1-3 pm.

### *Exploring Identity*

#### **SITE: SCHOOL INVITATIONAL THEME EXHIBITION**

Established in 1994, SITE has been a cornerstone outreach initiative of Garrison Art Center. This year's theme, *Exploring Identity*, invites students from 17 local elementary, middle, and high schools to express how they see themselves, their culture, and their unique experiences through art.

Identity encompasses the qualities, behaviors, and traits that define us—shaped by factors such as ethnicity, race, religion, language, culture, and personal choices. This exhibition celebrates the diverse ways identity influences our lives and connects us to the world around us.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL MENTOR PROGRAM EXHIBITION**

Since 1988, the Mentor Program has offered dedicated high school students a unique opportunity to collaborate with professional artists, fostering growth in their chosen medium. By pairing students with mentors, the program helps them refine their skills, explore creative boundaries, and gain invaluable insights from professional experience.

This year, 12 students are working with mentors across disciplines such as pottery and painting. The program culminates in a group exhibition, celebrating the students' artistic achievements.

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**EXHIBITION HIGHLIGHTS:** All exhibition related events are free and open to the public.

Opening Reception: Saturday, March 15, 2025, 1 - 3 pm

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**FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:** For information about exhibitions, classes, and other programs at Garrison Art Center, please visit [garrisonartcenter.org](http://garrisonartcenter.org) or call 845.424.3960. Join the conversation via Instagram @GarrisonArtCenter.

**ABOUT GARRISON ART CENTER:** Garrison Art Center (GAC), located in Garrison, NY, is a 501 (c) (3) not-for-profit arts and education organization founded in 1964. GAC is committed to making a difference by providing access to the visual arts to a diverse audience of learners, professional artists, community members, collectors, families, and friends from varied ethnic, cultural, geographic, and economic backgrounds.



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