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The Art Effect Presents Art After Hours: Teen Visions at Poughkeepsie Trolley Barn

POUGHKEEPSIE – The Art Effect is hosting the **Art After Hours: Teen Visions** closing reception on Friday, January 18th from 5:30 - 7:30pm to honor young artists in a family friendly, happy-hour style event. Teen Visions is the first art exhibition at the newly renovated Poughkeepsie Trolley Barn, featuring over 70 works – from drawings, photography, paintings, and mixed media – from more than 35 student artists who participated in this past summer's Art Institute program at The Art Effect.

Art After Hours is part of The Art Effect's exciting and immersive event series. It features tastings from craft breweries and local food vendors, as well as live music. Attendees will enjoy tastings from Foreign Objects Beer, Twisted Soul, Noshi's Coney Island, Cyn's Sweet Tooth, Chakra Bowls, The Educated Chef, and more.

This reception also serves as an opportunity for The Art Effect to explore moving the their studios and offices from their two current locations at Pershing Avenue and the Poughkeepsie Underwear Factory into The Poughkeepsie Trolley Barn. The Art Effect invites its students, artists, families, and community supporters to experience the Trolley Barn on January 18 and provide feedback on the proposed move as well as to view the artistic excellence and accomplishments of their students.

Tickets to Art After Hours: Teen Visions are \$40/person or \$70/couple and can be purchased at <u>feelthearteffect.org/artafterhours</u>. For more information, visit <u>feelthearteffect.org</u> or call 845-471-7477.

The Teen Visions exhibition is open to the public from January 4 to January 18, Tuesday through Friday, from 11:30am - 4:00pm at The Poughkeepsie Trolley Barn at 489 Main Street in Poughkeepsie, NY.

About The Art Effect: Formerly Mill Street Loft + Spark Media Project, The Art Effect empowers youth in the Hudson Valley through the arts and media. Our programming sequence supports the personal and professional development of youth and provides them with the tools and support necessary to explore the arts, gain meaningful experiences, and eventually excel in their chosen tracks. It is our commitment to support personal growth, self-expression, cooperation, and enhanced human services to build the creative community of the Hudson Valley.