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## Slpc Employee Featured in Ritchie's Local Artists Program

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### **Nearly Two Dozen Showcased So Far Through Initiative Highlighting Local Talent**

An employee of the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center, a renowned historical landmark artist and a budding watercolor painter are the new featured artists for the “Senator Patty Ritchie Celebrates Local Artists” program, an initiative organized to highlight local talent from Central and Northern New York.

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Nearly two dozen artists have been featured through the program, which showcases local artists from the region with free public displays of artwork in the Senator's district office locations in Oswego, Watertown and Ogdensburg.

"From painters to photographers, our region is home to so many individuals with a broad range of talents," said Senator Ritchie. "I'm so pleased to be able to celebrate their creativity and draw attention to those who are creating works of art right here in our backyard."

**Artists currently on display** include:

**St. Lawrence County:** Ogdensburg artist and photographer Dave Bracy takes his inspiration from everyday scenes on the Oswegatchie and St. Lawrence Rivers. An employee of

the St. Lawrence Psychiatric Center, Dave spends a lot of his time studying landscapes and fishing on the two rivers near his home. Dave's work can be viewed at Senator Ritchie's St. Lawrence County office, located at 330 Ford Street in Ogdensburg.

**Jefferson County:** Mary Randazzo is a renowned historical landmark artist inspired by the natural history and beauty of the Thousand Islands. A resident of Clayton, Mary is a self-trained artist who uses photos and on site sketches to paint the natural surroundings of her home. Mary's work can be viewed at Senator Ritchie's Jefferson County office, located at 317 Washington Street in Watertown.

**Oswego County:** Phyllis DiSalvo of Palermo began watercolor painting in 2008. She continues to grow as an artist by learning new techniques using different types of media. Phyllis's work can be viewed at Senator Ritchie's Oswego office, located at 46 East Bridge Street in Oswego.

Past featured artists include:

Gale Armstrong

Peter Basta

Sandra Dowie

Edward Elsner

Justin Fishel

James Fitzgerald

Joe Galvin

Herb Holmes

Marie Ingalsbe

Ellen Landphere

Bonnie McClellan

Loie Mechetti

John Morrow

Aurora Mosher

Joanne Neff

Michael Ringer

Michael Simmons

Marcella Slater

Kathryn Wehrung

Artists interested in being featured in the “Senator Ritchie Celebrates Local Artists” program can contact (315) 782-3418.

