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BETHEL WOODS CENTER FOR THE ARTS CALLS FOR VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN NONPROFIT ORGANIZATION

Learn About the Positive Impact of Volunteering and Different Opportunities Available



Caption: In 2019, Bethel Woods' 286 volunteers donated an amazing 20,480 hours to the organization.

January 22, 2020 (BETHEL, NY) – Bethel Woods Center for the Arts will host a Volunteer Open House on February 15th from 9 AM – 12 PM in The Event Gallery to provide information on volunteering during upcoming year.

Volunteers play an integral role in concerts, creative programming, and festivals, as well as in The Museum at Bethel Woods. As a 501(c)3 nonprofit, the Center relies on the generosity of volunteers who give their time, talent and attention every season. The Open House will include museum tours, presentations, and the opportunity to talk with current volunteers and staff members about spring opening, training, scheduling, and the rewards of volunteering.

“We need to keep the [Woodstock] message strong, and the only way to do that is through Bethel Woods’ mission statement and to make sure that the generations that follow us understand what happened here, and continue on the same path,” Nick Ercoline, a Bethel Woods volunteer said.

In 2019, Bethel Woods' 286 volunteers donated an amazing 20,480 hours to the organization – a 52% increase from the previous year. The volunteer retention rate remains at 91% – an impressive number, especially when compared to the nonprofit organization industry standard of 66%. Bethel Woods also welcomed 78 new volunteers during the 50th anniversary year – the largest amount of recruits in one year since the department began.

In case of inclement weather, the Open House will be rescheduled to the following **Saturday, February 22nd**. Those who cannot attend the Open House, but are still interested in getting involved, can attend one of the following:

- Museum Hands-On: Saturday, March 7th
- Museum Education and Creative Programs Hands-On: Wednesday, March 11th
- Concert Hands-On: Saturday, April 25th OR Saturday, May 16th

Those interested, but unable to attend any of the aforementioned, can [fill out an application](#) to receive more information. To RSVP, please visit BethelWoodsCenter.Org or call 845-583-2122.

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About Bethel Woods Center for the Arts

Bethel Woods Center for the Arts inspires, educates, and empowers individuals through the arts and humanities by presenting a diverse selection of culturally-rich performances, popular artists, and community and educational programming. Located 90 miles from New York City at the site of the 1969 Woodstock festival in Bethel, NY, the lush 800-acre campus includes a Pavilion Stage amphitheater with seating for 15,000, an intimate 440-seat indoor Event Gallery, the award-winning Museum at Bethel Woods, and a Conservatory for arts education programming.

Through the in-depth study and exhibition of the social, political, and cultural events of the 1960s, as well as the preservation of the historic site of the Woodstock Music and Art Fair, Bethel Woods educates individuals about the issues and lessons of the decade while inspiring a new generation to contribute positively to the world around them. The not-for-profit organization relies on the generous support of individuals, corporations, and foundations to develop and sustain programs that improve the quality of life in the region and beyond.

For more information please visit www.BethelWoodsCenter.org.