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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

MULTI Grant Awarded to Stirred Water Herbs



The GCEDC was joined by Legislators Harry Lennon, Sherry True, and Matt Luvera along with Beth Stewart from the GC Chamber of Commerce to officially present a MULTI Grant Award to Stirred Water Herbs owner Judi Ryan. The Ryan family hosted everyone with a wonderful spread of tasty and nutritious treats, and even offered free Oxygen Bar treatments! Read their Success Story at <https://www.investingreene.com/updates/stirred-water-herbs-in-durham-ny/>

Workforce Board Opens Office in Catskill



The GCEDC joined the Greene County Chamber of Commerce, legislators Jay Lucas and Sherry True, and business & education leaders from Greene & Columbia counties to cut the ribbon on the new Workforce Development Center on Main Street in Catskill. Columbia-Greene Workforce NY is a comprehensive workforce investment system designed to bolster the local economy by fulfilling the employment requirements of individuals and businesses. The Workforce Investment Board is aiming to streamline access to local, state, federal, and private employment services in the twin counties. Find out more at <https://columbiagreene.org/>

New Stewart's Opens at Exit 21 East Site



The GCEDC, Greene County Chamber of Commerce, Legislators Pat Linger, Matt Luvera, Harry Lennon, Sherry True, Jim Thorington and Jay Lucas were joined by Assemblyman Chris Tague, and notable community and business leaders at the ribbon cutting for the brand new Stewart's Shoppe at the Exit 21 East Site in Catskill. Future development of the Exit 21 East site will include a new Hotel under the Hilton franchise. Watch the video at <https://vimeo.com/1009927324>

DRI/NY Forward Deadline Approaching



October 18th is the deadline to apply for a share of \$200 million available through the NYS Downtown Revitalization Initiative (DRI) and the NY Forward Program. Applications

are available through the State's Consolidated Funding Application Portal at <https://apps.cio.ny.gov/apps/cfa/>. **Apply no later than 4PM on October 18, 2024.** For assistance with the application process, please contact the Invest Greene Team at 518-719-3290.

TOURISM

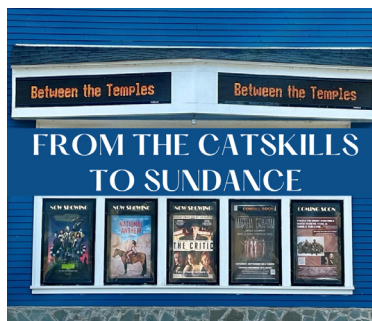
Greene County Tourism Wins Again



The Great Northern Catskills of Greene County Tourism team has once again been honored by the New York State Tourism Industry Association (NYSTIA). For the second consecutive year, they've received an award, this time for their "Find Your Catskills" marketing

campaign, developed in partnership with their "Agency of Record," Workshop. Tourism Director Patty Austin accepted the award at the NYSTIA event in Saratoga Springs. This recognition underscores the exceptional work and dedication of both the Greene County Tourism team and their agency.

From the Catskills to Sundance



"Between the Temples," directed by Nathan Silver and filmed in Jefferson Heights last March, premiered at the 2024 Sundance Film Festival, earning a Jury Prize nomination. It was screened at the Mountain Cinema in September. Additionally,

the historic Catskill Game Farm served as the backdrop for the indie feature film "Oh Hi," which we're excited to see upon its release. Stay tuned, as several more films are currently being scouted in Greene County! Watch the trailer at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DeqBcFAOOoU>



Catskills Comedy Festival: A Weekend of Laughter

The Catskills Comedy Festival, a three-day extravaganza of laughter and entertainment, is set to kick off on Friday, October 18th. From seasoned professionals to rising stars, attendees can expect a wide range of comedic styles and perspectives. Beyond the main stage performances, the festival will offer a variety of activities for all ages. Tickets for the Catskills Comedy Festival are now available for purchase on the official website. Don't miss this opportunity to experience a weekend of laughter and celebration in the heart of the Catskills. Listen to the Podcast at <https://greenecountyedc.com/best-kept-secrets-of-greene-county-ny/>

PLANNING

Adding Land to Our Agricultural District

From November 1 through November 30 of each year, any municipality whose territory is in Agricultural District No. 124, any State Agency or any landowner within or adjacent to the district may request an addition to the district. An 'Agricultural District 124 Application Form' must be completed and sent to Greene County Economic Development, Tourism & Planning, 411 Main Street, Suite 419, Catskill, N.Y. 12414 by November 30, 2024. Find out more at <https://www.greengovernment.com/departments/planning-and-economic-development/agricultural-programs-and-resources/district-no-124>

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