

Buffalo Cultural Cards are here for the holidays

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Not sure what to get your loved ones this holiday season. Well, look no further!

Arts Services Initiative of Western New York (ASI) has reintroduced a crowd favorite when it comes to shopping for culturally inclined people. It's a deck of cards filled with amazing deals and discounts at local cultural institutions – Buffalo Cultural Cards.

Not only does the deck of cards (produced by Block Club) benefit Buffalo's wondrous collection of cultural destinations, it also helps out the programming initiatives offered by ASI, including trainings, grant opportunities, advocacy and health insurance – many of which coincide with local artists and the culturals that they are affiliated with. "We provide [some of] these things free of charge, and that means we have to raise funds by other methods." explained ASI Executive Director Tod A.

Kniazuk. "The cultural cards are a great way to do that because not only are they a fundraiser for ASI, they provide an opportunity for increased awareness and new audiences to the participating organizations. What's great is that with the first card used the deck can pay for itself, but then there are dozens more opportunities for someone to discover a new theatre or gallery they've heard of but never been to thanks to the discount. If you make the arts part of your holiday shopping with cultural cards, it's a gift that keeps on giving for a year and supports the arts and ASI too."

You can get your Cultural Cards here for \$20.

The participating organizations:

African American Cultural Center
Albright Knox Art Gallery
Aquarium of Niagara
Botanical Gardens of Buffalo & Erie County
Buffalo Art Studio
Buffalo History Museum
Buffalo Music Hall of Fame
Buffalo Philharmonic Chorus
Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra
Buffalo Suzuki Strings
Buffalo Zoo
Burchfield Penney Art Center
Castellani Art Museum
CEPA Gallery
Community Music School
Darwin Martin House
Explore and More Children's Museum
Graycliff
Herschell Carrousel Museum
Infinity Music School

Irish Classical Theatre Co.
Jewish Repertory Theatre
Just Buffalo Literary Center
Kavinoky Theatre
Kenan Center
Lewiston Council on the Arts
Locust Street Neighborhood Art
Lucy Desi Comedy Center
Mundo Images
Museum of disABILITY History
Music is Art
MusicalFare Theatre
Neglia Ballet
Niagara Arts and Cultural Center
Orchard Park Chorale
Penn Dixie Paleontological Center
Road Less Traveled Productions
Sportsmen's Tavern
Springville Center for the Arts
Starlight Studio & Art Gallery
Subversive Theatre
Theatre of Youth
Theodore Roosevelt Inaugural Site
Torn Space Theater
Ujima Company
University at Buffalo Center for the Arts
Young Audiences of WNY
710 Main Theatre

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