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Oct-Nov 2020

HALLOWEEN

Ansonia is the place to be!

The Valley Arts Council was proud to launch our Annual NIGHT GALLERY Exhibit at our Main Street Gallery!

The show features our members Halloween artwork - some scary some rather pleasant - but befitting of the season.

You really should stop by the gallery and check it out!

The show runs through November 3 at our Main Street Gallery at 258 Main St., in downtown Ansonia

Our Sponsors



Watch for our Virtual Presentation on Facebook

f Main - Street Gallery

Friday, October 30th

6:00 to 8:30pm



AT ANSONIA CITY HALL

A DRIVE THROUGH HALLOWEEN EXPERIENCE

THE ANSONIA CITY HALL DRIVE-WAY WILL BE TURNED INTO A WONDEROUS HALLOWEEN EXPERIENCE!

GATHER THE KIDS, LOAD UP THE CAR AND TAKE A RIDE THROUGH GHOSTS, GHOULS AND ZOMBIES!

ENTER IF YOU DARE, ON MAIN STREET. THE EVENT IS FAMILY FRIENDLY

TREATS FOR THE KIDS (WHILE SUPPLY LASTS)

NEW DATE!

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30

Ansonia is the place to be for Halloween!

In addition to our Night Gallery exhibit, be sure to catch Ansonia's new event, Nightmare Alley, a quick drive-through Halloween treat for the whole family at 6 p.m. Friday at City Hall.

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INTERVIEW WITH A VAMPIRE



Valley-Voice: *Hi Count, how are you and what are you doing in Ansonia?*

Count: Gooooood Eeeeevening...

V-V: *Please talk normally, your accent makes it too long to type and we're limited with space in these kinds of publications.*

Count: So sooooo, I mean, sorry, its tough to be in and out of character.

V-V: *Speaking of character, you're not quite what one expects when we think of vampires? You are after all "a frog."*

Count: Yes, what's the big deal, it's Halloween, just go with it!

V-V: *O.K, so why are you in Ansonia?*

Count: Ansonia is my home, Thats where the gallery is located- right across the street from Mayor Dave and City Hall. The Mayor and I go back some time. He's a great sport and supporter of fostering the arts in the community. We did a few video presentations together over the summer.

V-V: *Yes I enjoyed the "Story Times."Are you planning any more?*

Count: As simple as they look they are tke time to create, but keep a lookout for more.

V-V: *You were great as the Night Gallery host, how did you get the gig?*

Count: Well, I am handsome and talented, as you can see but actually my good friend Rich Di Carlo had a big hand in making it all happen...get it? That was a joke!

V-V:*Get what??? That was bad and actually more of a "pun."*

Count: Technically a "pun" is a "joke". But I consider it to be clever wordsmithing,

V-V: *Yeah, OK. What are your plans for Halloween? I'm sure you're busy?*

Count: Actually, after this, I'm going to probably sit around and watch some scary movies on TV and eat lots of popcorn .I'm not a big trick or treater any more though I do enjoy my fair share of candy.

V-V: *I had you pegged as a fly guy... What's your favorite candy?*

Count: I used to enjoy those old wax Halloween whistles... It was some kind of chew wax. You'd play the whistle for a second and put the whole thing in your mouth all at once and wear your jaw out chewing on it. They were the epitome of Halloween, but they are long gone...And whatever happened to "Mary Janes?" You used to get them everywhere. They'd get stuck in your teeth like Sugar Daddys and now they have vanished, yet Smarties are still around... and who really likes Smarties? But I do like a Snickers bar with a cup of coffee.

V-V: *What's your favorite thing about Halloween?*

Count: The Night Gallery Exhibit is always a favorite, but I'm a fan of classic Halloween decorations. The cardboard witches and ghosts and scary cats...there was something about them...I also liked the early light-up pumpkin thingies

V-V: *So you long for the "nostalgia thing"? Why?*

Count: Everything is kind of in your face. Halloween has lost its face. The classic monsters like Dracula, Frankenstein, and The Mummy are forgotten. Replaced by maniacs and killers. It's all blood and gore! That's not what it was about. We lost it somewhere. I know Ansonia's new Nightmare Alley is a return to the basics -.though they do have "Zombies." Everyone's got to have "Zombies."

V-V: *Do you have anything planned that we can "count" on? Get it? Count on?*

Count: That was worse than mine. But yes we have some big things happening. The Arts Council is working on a new program called "Blank Canvas" where I'm the host. I will be interviewing artists and musicians in the region to check out their creativity and why they do what they do. We have about 20 artists lined up and are awaiting funding and sponsorships because they are expensive to produce. But we already have begun all the preliminary work and will start production by late November. It's going to be great!

V-V: *Thank you, Count.*

Count: Happy Halloween to everybody, stay safe!



Also on Saturday, Halloween night, The Ansonia Drive-In Movies present the last movie of the season, "Hocus Pocus" at Warsaw Park, 119 Pulaski Highway. Check the City of Ansonia website for ticket information.



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