## Join Pentangle's Community Art Project

I've written many columns in the past seven years that touch on the healing power of the arts and how shared artistic experiences improve our sense of well-being. And now, in the interest of the health and safety of our community, we're suspending all programming, including weekend movies, Youth In Arts and special events. As with other businesses and non-profits, this decision will have a significant financial impact on our small non-profit.

We respectfully ask patrons who have purchased to tickets to the screening of Fantastic Fungi or our March Dance Camp to consider donating their purchase during this difficult time. While financially challenging, our struggle does not compare with the challenges faced by families who struggle to keep food on the table and care for elderly and infirm family members under the best of circumstances.

The lights will go again, the doors will open, and spring will come. To welcome folks back, particularly those hard hit during the crisis, Pentangle will offer special screenings and family movie packages. We are just in the planning phase of this effort. Stay tuned for more information in the weeks ahead.

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We know social distancing can be a very isolating experience for all, especially our young people who will be out of school for the foreseeable future.

While we are "dark" we hope to create a community of light by urging residents and students of all ages to make and share art with Pentangle!

Send drawings, poetry, recorded songs or dance and creative movement to me at <u>director@pentanglearts.org</u>.

We will create a gallery on our website and on social media to share with everyone in the weeks ahead. The gallery will be ever changing! Folks can also mail artwork to our office, which remains open. Our mailing address is Pentangle Arts, 31 The Green Woodstock, VT 05091.

In the weeks ahead we will continue to work on our 2020-2021 season, Youth in Arts programming and continuing important upgrades to our space.

We send well wishes to our community and together we will emerge stronger and more vibrant than ever!