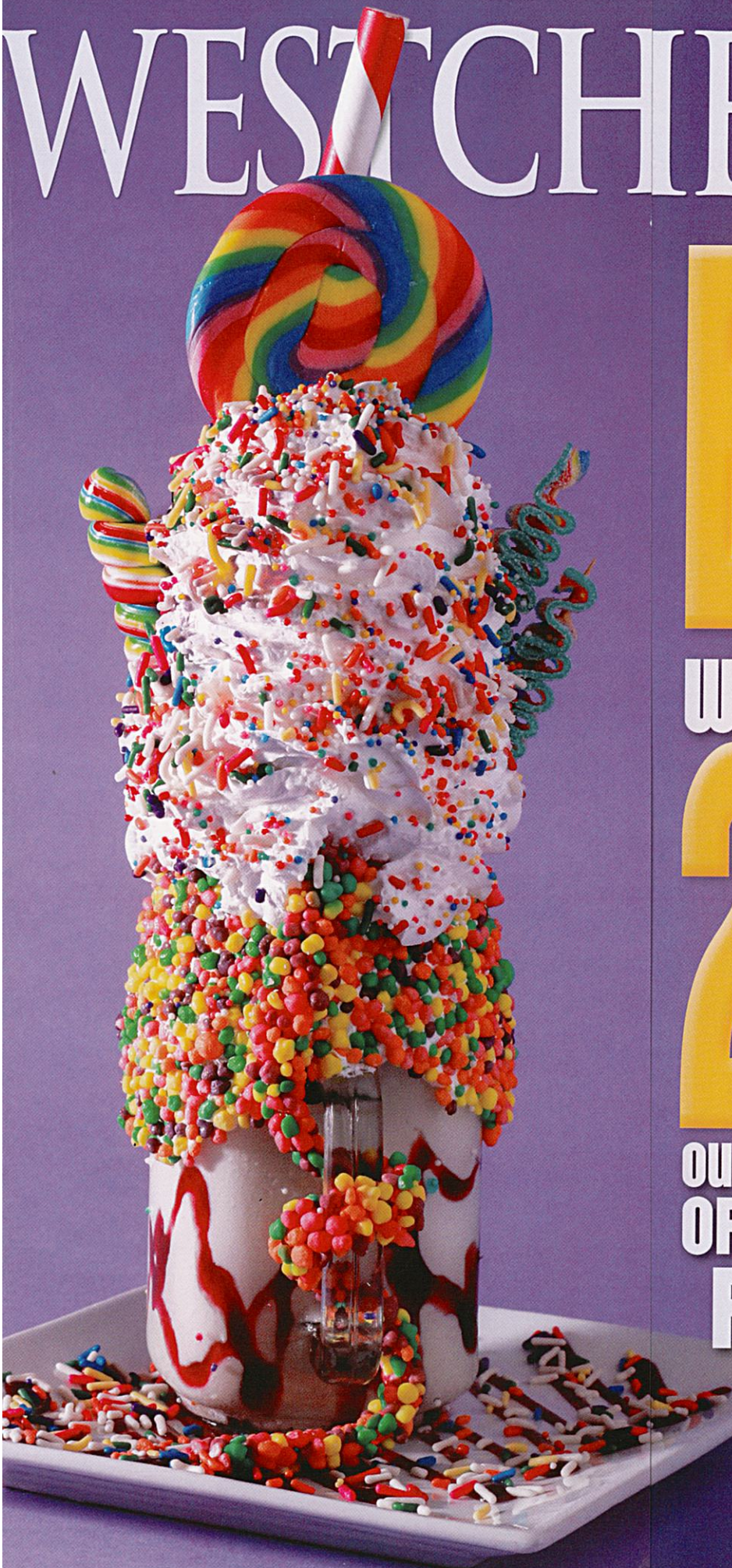


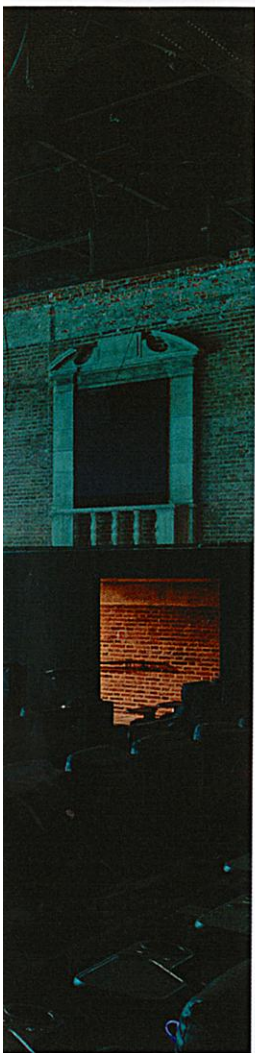
# WESTCHESTER

# BEST OF WESTCHESTER 2024

OUR ANNUAL ROUNDUP  
OF THE COUNTY'S  
FAVORITES







## LECTURE SERIES

### Jay Heritage Center Author Talks

Rye; [jayheritagecenter.org](http://jayheritagecenter.org)

From nationally acclaimed thought leaders in social justice, environmental stewardship, and American history to culinary and cultural changemakers, author appearances at the childhood home of Founding Father John Jay are not only marvelously curated but free. Seats vanish, be they in the 1838 mansion or the award-winning new gardens, and the refreshments and book signings afterward may find you perched on the veranda, gazing out to the Long Island Sound. What lovelier setting to reflect on our society's past and future?

## NEW AGE EXPO

### Awaken Wellness Fair

Tarrytown; [awakenfair.com](http://awakenfair.com)

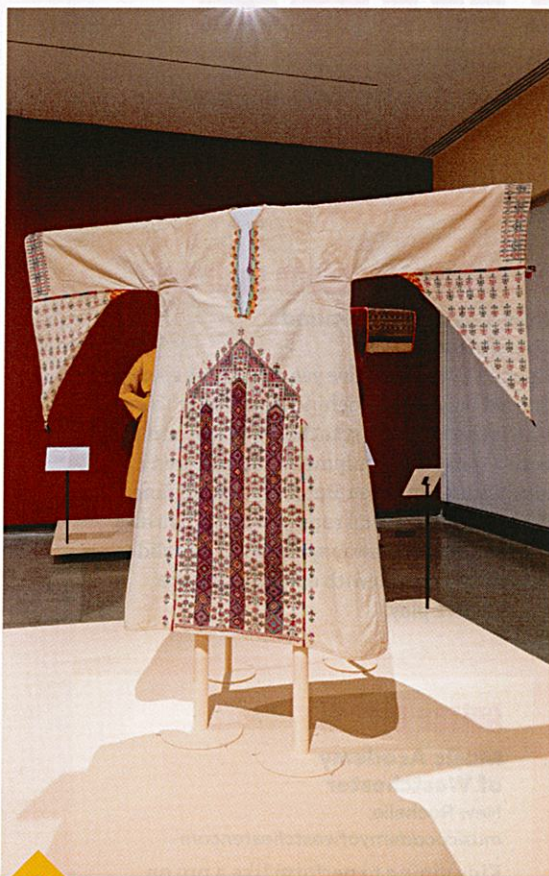
Grab your swag bag and dive into a ballroom of hand-picked crystals, intention-infused jewelry, natural self-care products, CBD goodies, smudge bundles, and holistic service providers. Across the room, readers and healers (Tarot, dream analysis, reiki) offer prebookable mini sessions, and breakout rooms buzz with workshops on modalities new and ancient. Whether you're at this decades-old event to do some mindful gift shopping or seeking spiritual sustenance, all signs point to yes.

## EXHIBITION (SOUTH COUNTY)

### Kengo Kito: Unity on the Hudson at the Hudson River Museum

Yonkers; [hrm.org](http://hrm.org)

Great art can make viewers reconsider everyday objects while simultaneously redefining the space in which they are exhibited. Kengo Kito's eye-catching installation *Unity on the Hudson* did just that, filling the Hudson River Museum's sleek new West Wing galleries with roughly 2,500 brightly colored hula-hoops floating up toward the sky. Known for repurposing everyday objects to explore concepts of philosophy, art, and culture, Ito's monumental, site-specific work investigated the interconnectedness of humanity and our relationship to the Hudson River while providing a joyous space to explore.



## EXHIBITION (NORTH COUNTY)

### Stories of Syria's Textiles at the Katonah Museum of Art

Katonah; [katonahmuseum.org](http://katonahmuseum.org)

History, art, and culture were woven together to startle effect in this singular exhibition at the Katonah Museum of Art this past January. Highlighting exquisite works produced between the mid-19th and mid-20th centuries, *Stories of Syria's Textiles: Art and Heritage Across Two Millennia* featured a host of rarely seen, finely woven clothing and unique silk garments that attested to the outside economic, artistic, and social relevance of textiles in Syria's rich history.

## READERS' PICKS: FUN & LEISURE

### PLACE FOR A DATE NIGHT

#### Jacob Burns Film Center

Pleasantville  
[burnsfilmcenter.org](http://burnsfilmcenter.org)

### PLACE TO TAKE VISITORS

#### Untermyer Gardens

Yonkers  
[untermyergardens.org](http://untermyergardens.org)

### PUBLIC PARK

#### Rockefeller State Park Preserve

Pleasantville  
[parks.ny.gov/parks/rockefeller/details.aspx](http://parks.ny.gov/parks/rockefeller/details.aspx)

### THEATER (COMMUNITY)

#### Arc Stages

Pleasantville  
[arcstages.org](http://arcstages.org)

### THEATER (PROFESSIONAL)

#### The Performing Arts Center at Purchase College

Purchase  
[artscenter.org](http://artscenter.org)

### TRIVIA NIGHT

#### Captain Lawrence Brewing Company

Elmsford/Mount Kisco  
[captainlawrencebrewing.com](http://captainlawrencebrewing.com)