

Meet the Artist Clem Fiori

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Event Date

Thu, Feb 29 2024, 5 - 7pm

MEET THE ARTIST

Montgomery Arts
Council invites you to
Meet the Artist
Reception and Talk
Clem Fiori

Thursday, February 29
From 5 – 7 pm

Council Chambers
100 Community Dr
Skillman, NJ 08558



Clem Fiori

<http://test.fioriworks.com/>



**The striking photography exhibit now on display in the
Municipal Center lobby is by local artist and open space**

advocate Clem Fiori. It is the first in an ongoing program of exhibits which will feature local Montgomery artists, curated by the Montgomery Arts Council.

Come join us for an artist' "meet and greet" to officially open this display on Thursday, February 29. Refreshments will be served.

Location: Montgomery Municipal Center, 100 Community Drive, Skillman, NJ 08558

INAUGURAL EXHIBITION AT MONTGOMERY MUNICIPAL CENTER TO FEATURE LOCAL ARTIST CLEM FIORI

When the Montgomery Municipal Center was planned, community members envisioned a gathering space that could showcase the beauty of the municipality. On Thursday, Feb. 29, local artist and longtime resident Clem Fiori is presenting his work that highlights the region's natural landscape in the inaugural exhibition in the atrium.

"Clem is a force of nature, literally, who generously shares his immense artistic talent while he advocates for the land, tirelessly leading Montgomery's open space preservation charge for the last 35 years," remarked Mayor Neena Singh.

Presented photographs feature selections from Fiori's book "The Vanishing New Jersey Landscape" published in 1994, as well as images of Hobler Park in Blawenburg.

"Clem is a Montgomery original and so he is the perfect person to kick-start this new display by Montgomery-based artists for Montgomery residents to enjoy," explained Montgomery Arts Council Chair Karen Tuveson.

What: Artist reception and talk with local photographer and resident Clem Fiori

Who: Mayor Neena Singh and Montgomery Township Committee members, Photographer Clem Fiori, Montgomery Arts Council members

When: Thursday, Feb. 29, 5 - 7 p.m.

Where: Montgomery Municipal Center (100 Community Dr., Skillman, NJ 08558)

About the Artist:

Clem has been a Montgomery resident since 1978, and much of his fine art photography reflects the rural landscape of Montgomery and the surrounding Piedmont region. This association of his art and his natural surroundings has played an important role in his efforts in land preservation. While exhibiting and publishing his art, he has brought much public attention to the beauty and vulnerability of the landscape and enabled him to play a direct role in preservation. He has chaired the Montgomery Open Space Committee since 1989, served 30 years as a trustee of New Jersey Conservation Foundation, is currently an advisor to The Montgomery Friends of Open Space, and interacts with many other conservation groups. He has an exhibit running concurrently with this one at the Watershed Institute entitled, "Blawenburg: A Village With Sky," which highlights Hobler Park and the surrounding 400 plus acres of preserved land.

The photographs on the westerly wall appear in Clem's book, "The Vanishing New Jersey Landscape," published in 1994 by Rutgers University Press.

Images on the easterly wall along the stairway were made in Hobler Park, Blawenburg, showing the flora and views of this park, devoted primarily to maintaining a naturalizing grassland migratory bird habitat. Clem played a key part in the preservation of this park, and he remains active in the continuing stewardship.