

Mayor's Cup honors Julia Devine and Amy Guglielmo with the 2022 "Spirit of Ianelli" Award

Plattsburgh, New York (June 21, 2022) – The Sunrise Rotary Club's Mayor's Cup Regatta & Festival Committee is pleased to announce that Julia Devine and Amy Guglielmo have been named the 2022 "Spirit of Ianelli" Award honorees.

The "Spirit of Ianelli" Award was established in 2010 in honor of the late Mayor John Ianelli, former Mayor of the City of Plattsburgh and co-founder of the Mayor's Cup Regatta in 1978. This honor is bestowed upon an individual or individuals – sailor or landlubber – who exemplify the same "community does matter" spirit that inspired Mayor Ianelli 45 years ago, empowering our lake community to thrive, not only on race day, but every day.

Artist activists Julia Devine and Amy Guglielmo founded Outside Art as a community organization that produces and creates public art for Plattsburgh. Outside Art works with local, regional, and national artists to animate public space with the goal of building community and making Plattsburgh a destination for art and a place for artists to settle and create. Since 2009, Outside Art has produced 20 murals for downtown Plattsburgh. They have blazed a trail for public art acceptance. The community organization is funded by donations and state grants and aims to attract children and families to downtown Plattsburgh. "Public art celebrates who we are. We're happy to have helped paint the town and make it a more welcoming place. Outside Art has shown that we can transform Plattsburgh and inspire a more colorful future," said Julia Devine.

"I truly believe that Mayor Ianelli would be thrilled to see Julia Devine and Amy Guglielmo receive this award in his name," said Sunrise Rotary Club President-Elect Eric McDowell. "Outside Art is an amazing initiative that celebrates art and our community in a very powerful and authentic way. Julia and Amy, along with local artists, community volunteers and sponsors have helped to re-energize and beautify our historic downtown at that same time that they have given us a renewed sense of pride in our ourselves, in our rich history and our unique heritage."

"The work of Outside Art Plattsburgh, led by Amy and Julia, is well deserving of this prestigious acknowledgement," said Plattsburgh Mayor Chris Rosenquest. "The Arts are an economic driver for our City and the region just as much as manufacturing and the accommodations industry. The Arts attracts tourism, beautifies our area, and provides employment opportunities for our resident artists. Amy and Julia have always been partners to our community and they will always have the support of this Mayor's office. Congratulations Outside Art!"

"We are thrilled to be honored with the 'Spirit of Ianelli' Award because Outside Art is all about making connections and building community," said Amy Guglielmo. We say, "It takes a village to paint the town!" and we are grateful for the local support, especially the artists, organizations, businesses, volunteers, and donors who help us make the murals possible. Community does matter!"

Past Honorees

The past honorees of the "Spirit of Ianelli" Award include:

- 2021 Thom and Betty Loreman
- 2020 Local Frontline Essential Workers
- 2019 The Plattsburgh Air Park Restoration Group of Volunteers
- 2018 Leigh and Stephens Mundy
- 2017 Janet Duprey
- 2016 Gordie Little
- 2015 Local Law Enforcement of Clinton County, NY
- 2014 Kit and Sally Booth
- 2013 Bob Wallet
- 2012 Roger Harwood
- 2011 Matt Spiegel
- 2010 Bob Pooler

About the Mayor's Cup Regatta & Festival

The Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary Club is proud to host the 45th annual Mayor's Cup Regatta & Festival, Plattsburgh's most time-honored and highly anticipated summer tradition on Lake Champlain, on July 9, 2022. The Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary Club hosts the Mayor's Cup Regatta & Festival as a way for our community to come together and celebrate summer in the North Country and to enjoy the beauty of the Champlain Valley and the majestic Lake Champlain. Proceeds from the sales of the highly popular Mayor's Cup T-shirts help Plattsburgh Sunrise Rotary support community-based projects, such as the Sunrise Rotary Pavilion at Wilcox Dock, and the Sunrise Rotary Gazebo at the Samuel D. Champlain monument. In fact, Sunrise Rotary raised over \$25,000 for the universally accessible Max Moore Memorial Treehouse on the Saranac River Trail in Plattsburgh.

About Sunrise Rotary

To learn more about the Sunrise Rotary Club, the community projects the club has helped to develop and the organizations they support locally and around the world, please visit <u>www.plattsburghsunriserotary.org</u> or contact the club at <u>rotaryclub1982@gmail.com</u>.

The Murals of Plattsburgh 2009- 2021	
2009	2018
Clinton County History through the eyes of its Children	Unity – All One Mural
137 Margaret Street	42 City Hall Place
2015	2019
Mountain Lake Mandala	Stop Domestic Violence Mural
15 Bridge Street	SW Corner of Durkee and Bridge Sts
2015	2019
Battle of Plattsburgh	Jean Arthur Mural
30 City Hall Place	30 Brinkerhoff Street
2016	2020
Woods and Wild Things Mural	Migrations Mural
110 Margaret Street	17 Court Street
2016	2020
Harvest Mural	Plucky Rooster Mural
North Country Food Co-Op, 25 Bridge Street	10 Oak Street
2017	2020
Read and Grow! Dream Garden Mural	Smiling Sun Mural
19 Oak Street	23 Brinkerhoff Street
2017	2020
Welcome Mural	Reach for the Stars! The Michael Anderson Mural
Plattsburgh International Airport	23 Durkee Street
2018	2021
4th of July in Plattsburgh Mural	Splash! Mural
SW Corner Durkee and Bridge Sts	7 So. Platt Street
2018	2021
Set Sail Mural	Community Garden Mural
1 Dock Street	90 Bridge Street
2018	2021
Music Mural	Adirondack Forest Mural
30 City Hall Place	10 Oak Street

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Julia Devine (L) and Amy Guglielmo (R)



