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NEWS from the CWC

Catskill Mountain photographs on view at CWC office

MARGARETVILLE, Feb. 21, 2014 – An exhibition of 23 photographs by Edward C. Hansen is on display through April 15 at the Catskill Watershed Corporation (CWC), 905 Main St., Margaretville.

"Catskill Mountain Views" can be seen from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The public is warmly invited to stop in.

The show features a wide range of imagery: a sweeping summer vista from Wittenberg Mountain, a rising moon over Harpersfield, a handsome goat, a storm approaching Margaretville Cemetery, a hang glider soaring above Stamford.

All of the works are for sale, and a portion of sales proceeds will be donated by the photographer to the Thomas Cole House Historic Site in Catskill. Among the works is an evocative image, appropriately printed on canvas, of the interior of artist Cole's studio.

Edward C. Hansen graduated from Long Island University, C.W. Post with a BA in photography. His work has received national awards, and is published in Photographer's Forum Magazine and Best of Photography annuals.

Recent exhibitions include the "Art and Science" show at the East End Gallery in Riverhead and "Art by the Falls" in Babylon, NY. Mr. Hansen's work is currently featured in "Waves and Watercolors," a yearlong exhibition at the Cold Spring Harbor Whaling Museum.

The CWC exhibition is his first showing of a new body of Catskill Mountain photographs. Mr. Hansen's family has had a house in Harpersfield since 1979. The abundant natural beauty and the legends and myths of this majestic and fabled region all inspired these images.

Washington Irving's "Rip Van Winkle," the wisdom of naturalist writer John Burroughs, the creative energy surrounding the art colony of Woodstock, and the storied past of the Catskill Mountain resort culture all stimulated a desire to explore, hike and rediscover the magic that has stirred so many.

The CWC is a non-profit, Local Development Corporation responsible for several environmental protection, economic development and education programs in the New York City Watershed West of the Hudson River. Visit www.cwconline.org for more information.