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NEWS from the CWC

Aerial images of Delaware County at CWC office

MARGARETVILLE, Jan. 5, 2011 -- An exhibition of 26 aerial images of Delaware County towns and villages is on view through January 28 at the offices of the Catskill Watershed Corporation, 905 Main Street, Margaretville.

“Delaware County Air & Space” can be seen weekdays (except January 17) from 8 to 4:30.

The exhibit was created by Bovina artist Corneel Verlaan assisted by funding from the New York State Council on the Arts Decentralization Grant Program, administered in Delaware County by the Roxbury Arts Group. Additional support came from the O’Connor Foundation.

The exhibit will travel throughout the County during 2011. It offers a remarkable perspective on region’s small towns, and how the geography of rivers and mountains has shaped them. Delaware County makes up 51% of the New York City Watershed, and harbors two massive New York City reservoirs – the Pepacton and the Cannonsville – which are shown in some of the photographs.

Born in Leidschendam, Netherlands, where water is a force to be reckoned with, Corneel Verlaan came to the US in the early 1970s. He earned his Master’s in Fine Arts at Indiana University, and his work has been exhibited throughout the Midwest and Northeast, including several shows in New York City.

Since 1979, he has been President of Seifert Verlaan Inc., International Fine Arts Shipping, based in New York and at his home in Bovina. The firm packs, crates, coordinates and ships art exhibitions – from sculpture to paintings, archaeological artifacts to architectural models -- for museums and galleries worldwide.

Corneel has taught drawing at Hartwick College, and continues to create new paintings, prints and drawings from his Bovina studio. He has exhibited widely throughout the Catskills, as well as in the Netherlands and elsewhere. In 2003 and 2004, an exhibition of his digital photographs, “At Play, Performance in Delaware County,” traveled throughout the region.

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. For more information, go to www.cwconline.org, or call toll-free 877-928-7433; or 845-586-1400