

Community Access Quarterly



Community Access Television

Next Orientation
Thursday, February 12
6:00 p.m.

Being a paid member and attendance at an orientation session are the prerequisites for signing up for Level I.

Level I classes are held Thursday, either morning or evening, for six weeks. Sign-ups take place at orientation sessions, which are held every six weeks.

Level II classes are on hold until the spring.

Field Camera Workshop

January 13, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Field Lighting Workshop

January 20, 6:00-9:00 p.m.

Master Series Winter Workshops

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The Value of Your Community Access Television Membership

A Message from Executive Director Jeanne Bleil

What do you think the value of your Community Access Television membership is? I've been giving that some thought lately, while we work on our Community Voices Campaign. As with any membership, the true value lies in what you would receive if you took advantage of everything that is offered.

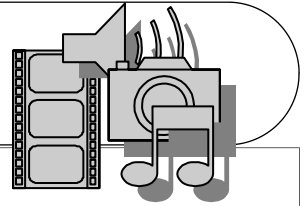
If you pay \$390.00 for a single adult membership at the Erie YMCA and only go once or twice a month, you would probably not feel as though you got your money's worth. If you go three times a week, it's a real deal. Same thing with the Erie Zoo. That \$50.00 family membership card becomes a real bargain if you take your kids or grandkids to the zoo three or four times over the summer, but if it sits in your wallet you haven't received any value for your membership.

At Community Access Television, we think you are getting one of the best bargains in town. Your \$35 or \$45 membership buys you access (hence our name) to training, equipment, and cablecast time. If all you do all year long is borrow a camera, tripod, and mic kit for a single day, you have already gotten more than your money's worth. To rent that equipment, it would cost \$102.50! If you are one of our members that borrows equipment often, just think of the value you are receiving!

What about our training? Where else can you take twelve hours of classes for the cost of your membership? We won't even try to figure out how much it would cost for thirty minutes of air time on one of the other local television channels, but you can be sure it is many times the amount of your annual dues.

The value you receive for your membership is a very good reason to contribute generously to the Community Voices Campaign. If you have already contributed, we thank you once again. If not, why not think about the value you receive here at CATV and decide what is right for you to give. Now is the time of year to jump on that tax deduction bandwagon, so please complete the enclosed envelope and mail us your donation today. It's not too late to be included on our donor list for 2003. Every dollar will be dedicated to equipment

2004 Master Series Workshops Raising the Bar



Our Winter Workshop Master Series will run on Tuesday evenings in February at 6:00 p.m. Join Shawn Phelps, Dale Evanoff, or Charles Walker for these advanced workshops. More information along with a signup form will be mailed to members in January. Cost: Members \$7.00 per workshop or \$25.00 for the series. Non-members \$10.00 per workshop or \$35.00 for the series.

Advanced Studio Pre-Production and Execution

February 3rd

Instructor: Shawn Phelps

The primary focus will be a clear and concise plan of action to produce your television program. We will learn how to overcome common obstacles in television production. This evening will also include instruction and discussion on Character Generator, Graphics, Video Switcher, and ChromaKey.

Advanced Audio

February 10th

Instructor: Shawn Phelps

Audio is more than half the story. This evening encompasses audio techniques and examples for studio and the field, from acquisition to mastering. We will unravel the mysteries of wireless audio and special sound gathering techniques.

Lighting and Design

February 17th

Instructor: Charles Walker

Found in this segment of our series is deep information and discussions for enhancing your field or studio production with the direction and design of light. Charles Walker, a graduate of The Maine Lighting

WELCOME!

Please join us in welcoming Ruby McCormick to her new role as administrative assistant. Although originally from Crawford County, Ruby comes to us from the Bennett Center in London, Kentucky, a nonprofit organization where she served as office manager. You will generally find Ruby at her desk most weekday mornings where she will have primary responsibility for greeting visitors, answering the telephone, membership and other data tracking, scheduling reservations, and that well-known "other duties as assigned." Ruby is also an artist and is very excited about working in the creative field of public access television and to be surrounded by our dedicated and energetic members.

Name the CAT Contest!

Have you submitted your entry in our Name the Cat Contest? The winner will be selected in January, so it's not too late. If you don't have a suggestion, how about a vote? Let us know what you think of the submissions so far:



Tom
Iris (for Eye on Erie)
TAC (Totally Available Communication)
Catchup
Cosmos
Cinema

Community Access Television Awards 2003

Congratulations to the winners of our 2003 Catalyst Awards and special awards! Our members are really raising the bar on volunteer and programming hours. In the years since 1999, the first year for which we have statistics, we have increased volunteer hours by almost eight times and have almost quadrupled member-produced first-run hours. Not only that, but our members are providing outstanding services to CAT and to each other. All of our awards are listed below, but special mention is due D.J. Barker, Caulene Sanford, and the members of The Card Table Connection. D.J. was awarded the CAT Watchdog Award for his faithfulness in watching our channel and alerting us to technical issues. Caulene was awarded the Standout Member Award for her service to all of us in the design and implementation of our website, www.cattv-erie.org, and the members of The Card Table Connection earned the Standout Organization Award for their many services all year long not only to CAT but to many members in many ways.

Thanks to everyone who contributes to our efforts to empower community voices and visions! We couldn't be successful without you!

Catalyst Volunteer Awards

Debbie Marks 157.5 hours
Lois Bartos 167.25
D.J. Barker 207.25
John Hackenberg 211.5
Ed Whitbred 217.75
Beary Clark 225
Jean-Marc Baier 233
Jim Globa 364.75



Catalyst Programming Award (Non-Series)

Beary Clark 25 programs

Catalyst Programming Awards (Series)

Revival Outreach, Christine Hubbard 40 programs
Around the Card Table 44
Bosnian Program, Nijaz Berberovic 94

CAT Watchdog Award

D.J. Barker

Standout Member Award

Caulene Sanford, Northwestern Legal Services

Standout Organization Award

The Card Table Connection



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Holiday Closings

Christmas

Wed., Dec. 24, Close at Noon
Thursday, December 25
Friday, December 26

New Year

Wednesday, December 31
Thursday, January 1

Hours of Operation

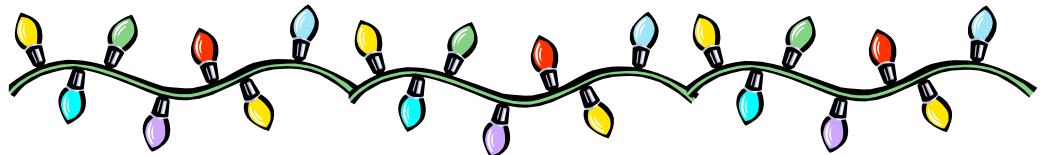
Monday through Friday
8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Evenings Mon–Wed
Saturday mornings
By appointment
Subject to staff availability

*All appointments must be
made seven days in advance.*

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2003 Holiday Hours

Wednesday, December 24—8:30 a.m. to 1:00

Thursday, December 25—Closed

Friday, December 26—Closed

Monday, Dec. 29, and Tuesday, Dec. 30—8:30 a.m. to 1:00

Wednesday, December 31, and Thursday, January 1—Closed



**Have a Safe and Happy
Holiday Season!**

