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## **Entergy Charitable Foundation Awards Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art \$20,000 for the 2005 Peekskill Project**

(New Orleans, La.). - The Entergy Charitable Foundation announces the award of \$20,000 to the Hudson Valley Center for Contemporary Art's (HVCCA) in Peekskill, New York. The funding will greatly support the 2005 Peekskill Project, a city-wide exhibition of indoor and outdoor site-specific works by some 100 artists.

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Entergy is proud to support the HVCCA. The Center for Contemporary Art is rapidly becoming an important part of the downtown renewal for Peekskill. It has become an international destination for cutting-edge art and is recognized as a catalyst for cultivating a partnership with Peekskill's diverse community, its businesses and the arts.

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Founded by the Marc and Livia Strauss family, the HVCCA is dedicated to the development and presentation of new art, exhibits and interdisciplinary programs that enrich our understanding of contemporary art, its contexts and its relationships to societal issues.

"It's exciting to be a party of a multicultural community that has recreated itself as a major center for art and culture. The Center is committed to enrichment of Peekskill. The generous contributions and involvement of the corporate community help make this all possible," said Sara Pasti, Executive Director of the HVCCA.

Peekskill Project operates at the cross-section of art, nature, culture and community. Featuring paintings, sculptures, video and performances, and a weekend of poetry, music and other special events. "The exhibition opens September 24-25 and will be on display through October. For more information about the Peekskill Project and other HVCCA programs/exhibits visit [www.hvcca.com](http://www.hvcca.com) or call 914-788-7166.

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