



# ALAMANCE ARTS

WHERE ART LIVES

Newsletter

May 2024



## Alamance Arts' Spring Fundraiser was a Success- Thanks to YOU!

Our 8th Annual Reverse Raffle was held on Saturday, April 20 in the Pavilion at the Burke Manor Inn in Gibsonville. In addition to the delicious meal, exceptional entertainment and fabulous raffle items, we had CASH WINNERS throughout the evening. Our big winner of the night was Patricia Wade who won \$5,000! Special thanks to our sponsors for the evening - Rick and Lummy Barnes, Scott Insurance, Lane Jewelers and E-Style Jewelry.

Thank you to everyone who helped make it a success and congratulations to all our winners! We hope to see you at our signature Fall Fundraiser, Blank Canvas, on September 21 at the Inn at Elon.

# NOW ON EXHIBIT

**Congratulations to our Best in Show  
Winners- Nora Fisher from the  
Burlington School and Oliver St. Pierre  
from Eastern High School**



## Come View the Art of local Middle & High Schoolers

The 66th annual Visual Arts Competition for Young People continues through May 13 in the galleries at Alamance Arts. This competition for our local middle and high school students in Alamance County is one of the longest running programs at Alamance Arts.



## The Sons of The American Revolution Poster Contest

Location: Picasso's Gallery at Alamance  
Arts

Now thru May 18

Reception May 9: 6 - 8 pm

Come view posters created by area  
Elementary School students as part of the  
Sons of the American Revolution Poster  
contest

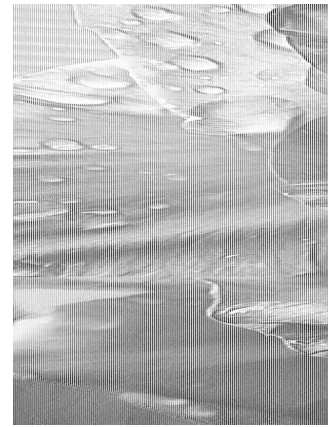
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## Doran Morald

Location: Mebane Arts & Community Center

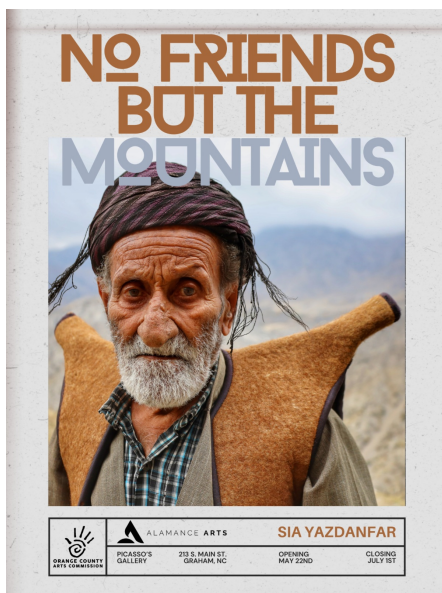
Now thru May 31

Doran Morald's geometric abstractions are bold visual statements of color and design that reflect a sense of organized chaos. She collaborates with her husband Frank Lane, an art director and fine artist.

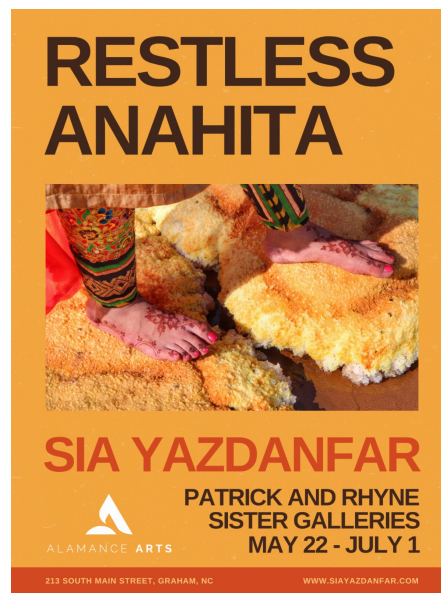


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Opening May 22 at Alamance Arts - The photography of Sia Yazdanfar



We are featuring freelance photographer, Sia Yazdanfar in a dual exhibition May 22-July 1 in the Sister galleries.



This dual exhibition consists of two beautiful collections, "No Friends But the Mountains" & "Restless Anahita".

[Download Our Spring Exhibition Calendar Here](#)

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# "A Salute to Alamance"

Honoring Our Veterans & Active Military with ties to Alamance County

**July 11- September 10**

**We are searching for:**

**Painters, Photographers, Poets, Writers, etc.**

Alamance Arts is honoring our veterans and active military in Alamance County through an upcoming summer exhibit titled, "A Salute to Alamance." This group show will feature veterans and active military who are also creatives and artists. There is no theme of subject matter for this exhibit- the artist must be a veteran or active military member.

## WE WANT YOU!

**Extended  
Deadline**

**Deadline : May 17**

Learn more at:  
<https://www.alamancearts.org>  
or call 336.226.4495



# CLASSES AND EVENTS



**FREE Musical Concert Series. Every Friday May thru August. 7-9pm.**  
(Get your \$5 Musical Chairs T-Shirts at Alamance Arts.)

It's time for Musical Chairs - the FREE weekly musical series that happens every Friday from May thru August. This Friday, May 3rd kicks off the series at Bill Cooke Park in Graham featuring the sounds of Mel Melton and The Wicked Mojos. Stop by Alamance Arts and pickup your Musical Chairs T-Shirts for only \$5! Download this year's schedule [here](#).

*Only 2 Seats Remain!*

# MOTHER'S DAY TEA

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 10AM - 11:30AM  
AT ALAMANCE ARTS

*Hosted by Perfectly Steeped Teas*

*Enjoy a variety of delicious teas and delectable finger foods in a warm and inviting atmosphere.*

ONLY 24 SEATS WILL BE SOLD.

**\$40**  
per person  
Registration  
Required

Join us for a special Mother's Day Tea this Saturday from 10 - 11:30 am at Alamance Arts. Just a couple of tickets remain! Click [HERE](#) to reserve a seat!

**FREE FUN**

**Visit our Craft Tent**  
 Sat, 5/4 & Sun, 5/5  
 at the Carousel Festival  
 Burlington City Park

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Look for Alamance Arts at this weekend's Carousel Festival on Saturday, May 4 and Sunday, May 5. We will be there with free crafts for families - come make a one-of-a-kind hat to wear during the festival. We'll also have an information tent where you can spin the wheel for a prize! In addition to enjoying all the things we have to offer, this festival features many vendors and lots of activities for all ages. Best of all - the event is FREE! (Interested in volunteering at our tent? We NEED you! Email your interest [HERE](#).)

**FREE GRANT WRITING WORKSHOP**

Choose to attend  
 Monday, May 6  
 OR Tuesday, May 7  
 11:00-1:30

Register by  
 Thursday, May 2 by  
 signing up online at  
[alamancearts.org/classes](http://alamancearts.org/classes)

Held at Alamance Arts  
 213 S. Main St, Graham

You are invited to a FREE Grant Writing Workshop hosted by Alamance Arts. This workshop is for anyone in the community who is interested in learning more about grant opportunities and tools to improve grant writing. There are TWO sessions being offered. Choose the date that works best for you. Feel free to bring a lunch to enjoy while attending the workshop. These sessions will be led by Bud Warner, Senior Faculty Fellow in Human Service Studies at Elon. Registration is requested. Please register [here](#) by Thursday, May 2.

EAT OUT IN SUPPORT OF THE ARTS - ALL DAY, THUR. MAY 16



20% OF PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO ALAMANCE ARTS IF YOU MENTION US!

What's better than enjoying a good meal while supporting a great cause? You can do BOTH on Thursday, May 16 by dining at Red Robin in Burlington and mentioning Alamance Arts. Go anytime that day and mention you are there in support of Alamance Arts, and 20% off all proceeds will be donated back to our organization. It's a win-win! We hope to see you there!



**[THE]NIXONS**  
p h o t o g r a p h y

50% of Proceeds donated to Alamance Arts!



**\$75 Professional  
Headshot Sessions  
Saturday, May 18  
10am to Noon**

At Alamance Arts  
213 S. Main St, Graham

**REGISTER AT**  
[alamancearts.org/classes](http://alamancearts.org/classes)

The Nixons Photography will be at Alamance Arts on Saturday, May 18 to offer digital professional head shots. This is open to ANY ONE who needs or wants an updated headshot. Cost is ONLY \$75 and 50% of the proceeds are being donated BACK to Alamance Arts. Don't miss your chance to get a great photo at a great price while also supporting the arts. Request an appointment [here](#).

**Wine Tasting at The Silver Corkscrew**

Alamance Arts' board member Bob Almond has extended an invitation to anyone to join a wine tasting event May 18 at the Silver Corkscrew benefiting Alamance Arts. Pricing and details will be based on interest.

If interested in attending, click [here](#).



## Mixed Media Workshop Series for Middle Schoolers

3-week course starts Monday, 5/6  
and runs each Monday thru 5/20.  
\$15. Includes all supplies

Use a variety of artistic mediums over the course of this 3-week class for Middle Schoolers that takes place at Burlington Artists League within Holly Hill Mall. This series will focus on flowers. Cost is only \$15 and includes all supplies. Space is limited to only 8 students, so sign up today!

Register  
HERE



## Introduction to Pottery Wheel at Recovering Clay Studio in Graham

Friday, May 10 ~ 6:30 - 8:30 pm  
\$65 - Includes all supplies

Spend a Friday evening experiencing the pottery wheel during this fun and engaging workshop held at Recovering Clay Studio in Graham. This makes for a perfect girl's night, date night or just a fun evening out. Space is limited to only 7 participants per class, so sign up today!

Register  
HERE





## Middle School Saturday - Paint Acrylic on Canvas

Saturday, May 11

10 am - noon

\$10 - Includes all supplies

Middle Schoolers will enjoy a couple of hours on a Saturday morning painting with acrylics on Canvas during this workshop that is held at Burlington Artists League. This month, the focus will be on painting flowers. Cost is only \$10 and includes all supplies. Space is limited to only 8 students, so sign up today!

Register  
HERE



## Hand build Pottery Garden Flowers at Recovering Clay Studios in Graham

Friday, May 17

6:30 - 8:30 pm

\$10 - Includes all supplies

During this 2-hour hand building workshop, you will create a variety of lovely garden flowers out of clay. This class is taught in Graham at Recovering Clay Studio in a relaxed and welcoming environment. It's a great way to spend a Friday evening.

Register  
HERE





## Wheel Workshop at Frickery Frackery Pottery in Burlington

Saturday, May 18 ~ 4 - pm  
\$85 - All supplies included

Spend a Saturday afternoon experiencing the pottery wheel during this fun and engaging workshop held in West Burlington. This makes for a perfect girl's outing, date night or just a fun afternoon out. Space is limited to only 5 participants per class, so sign up today!

Register  
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## Make Clay Kurinuki Cups and learn Hand Building Basics

Saturday, May 18 ~ 10 - 12 pm  
\$65 - All supplies included

Spend a Saturday morning with local artist, Aliyah McAllister, as she leads you in this creative and fun workshop where you will create Japanese Style Kurinuki Cups. This class is held at Alamance Arts.

Register  
HERE

— MAKE —  
A SUGGESTION  
*Your Idea Counts!*

Did you know that when you take a class



## Acrylic Landscape Painting Workshop with Jim Miller

Saturday, June 1 ~ 10 am - pm

This workshop is being led by local artist, Jim Miller. You will create a beautiful landscape painting on an 11x14 canvas resembling the above photo. Learn about composition, atmospheric perspective, light and shadows and color theory. Space is limited to just 12 students. All supplies are included, except for aprons and gloves. All who attend will be entered to win the original sample piece created by Jim. This workshop will be laid back and fun and is perfect for anyone wanting to improve their painting skills and learn more.

Register  
HERE

through Alamance Arts, you are not only support Alamance Arts, but also supporting local artists?

We want to be sure to bring you programming and events that interest YOU! Please click on the button below to share any thoughts and ideas with us!

And, be sure you are following Alamance Arts on Social Media and check our website frequently so you don't miss out on any class offerings!

Make your Suggestion  
HERE

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Alamance Arts Annual Meeting -  
June 13 at noon



Join us for our annual meeting June 13 at noon in the Multipurpose Gallery of Alamance Arts. Hear about our accomplishments from the past fiscal year. There is no charge to attend but registration is requested.

Register [Here](#).



## Need space for an event? Want to rent a room to teach a class or workshop?

Think about hosting your next event at Alamance Arts!

Alamance Arts rents rooms and our outside garden area for business meetings, bridal showers, baby showers, birthdays, rehearsal dinners and more!



We now also rent space for workshops and classes. (And, even have an option for groups to come for a craft and exhibit tour.)

We have plenty of parking, are located in a beautiful historic house and are conveniently located off of the interstate in the middle of the county. (And, you'll have a hard time finding better rates!)



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[Click here for rental info!](#)

# UPCOMING TRIPS



**Best of Spain  
9 Days- \$4,799  
including airfare**

*There are still a few spots left*

**SPAIN  
OCTOBER 30**

Don't delay! Travel with your friends and family, and let Alamance Arts/Premier World Discovery handle all the details.



## Join us for a Wine & Cheese Reception on June 4 at 5 pm at Alamance Arts

**Best of Spain October 30  
9 days \$4,799 per person**

This is an exclusive trip for Alamance County residents-  
limited to 25 travelers.

If you want to experience "The Best of Spain," you need to go to Barcelona, Valencia, Granada, Sevilla, Córdoba, Madrid and Toledo!

All Trips Include Airfare

Registration is requested.

[Click Here to View All Trips](#)

To sign up for trips or for more information, please  
email [travel@alamancearts.org](mailto:travel@alamancearts.org)  
or call 336-226-4495 - ask for Karen.

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# PEOPLE AND PLACES



## Alamance Arts Bids Farewell To Karen Carrouth

Our volunteer director of 12 years will soon be stepping away from her responsibilities in herding the cats! Karen Carrouth began her career with Alamance Arts during the Seward Johnson's *Beyond The Frame* exhibit.

"I have loved this job," Karen said. "The chance to work in a beautiful place with amazing people- it's been a honor to herd the cats so to speak with our treasured volunteers over the years. They have shared their time and stories for which I'll be always grateful."

Her role expanded to include marketing and travel during her tenure here at Alamance Arts. As of May 1, she will be overseeing our travel program only.

Marina Hilbert is currently working with volunteers and marketing.

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## **Volunteers Needed for Alamance Arts**

If you like people, and/or art, and/or entertaining and/or gardening, then we have the place for you!

Alamance Arts, located on S. Main Street in Graham, is recruiting new volunteers. Some of our volunteers serve as docents as they welcome visitors to the house and give basic information about the current exhibits. Other volunteers like to help with displays. Some like to help with our receptions. While others may choose to represent Alamance Arts at outdoor festivals and musical concerts. And then there are those who like to get their hands dirty in the garden, pulling weeds.

Anyone who wants to help can be utilized in some way. We regularly utilize the help of students in need of earning community service hours and are happy to write reference letters.

What kind of commitment is required? Whatever level you would like! Many of our docents (a "docent" is an volunteer who acts as a greeter and can help answer questions and lead tours) one morning or afternoon a month, such as the second Tuesday morning of the month or the fourth Friday afternoon of the month. The shifts are 9-1 or 1-5. Some docents fill in holes in the calendar when they are available. The garden folks know when to come. And we call the heavy lifters as needed!

We do provide training for our docents so they will be knowledgeable about the current exhibits. Our volunteers truly are the face of Alamance Arts. Did we mention

that our volunteers always get a 10 percent discount off of regularly priced merchandise in the gift shop?

Call Alamance Arts if interested in volunteer opportunities!!!  
Our number is 336-226-4495, or email [outreach@alamancearts.org](mailto:outreach@alamancearts.org).

## Picasso's Gallery & Gifts

Alamance Arts' Picasso's Gallery and Gifts is open. We are still working on refreshing inventory, but pieces are available for sale in a wide range of prices and mediums. Our current inventory reflects our current season and brings much of the outdoors in. Check in often, as we will be featuring new art work and artists on a regular, rotating basis in the next couple of months.

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## MAY CALENDAR OF EVENTS - Upcoming Alamance Arts Supported Events!

- **May 3** - Musical Chairs Concert Series Kicks Off in Graham at Bill Cooke Park
- **May 4 & 5** - Burlington Carousel Festival  
*(Volunteers Needed! If interested in volunteering, email [outreach@alamancearts.org](mailto:outreach@alamancearts.org).)*
- **May 4** - Mother's Day Tea at Alamance Arts
- **May 5 and May 6** - Free Grant Writing Workshop at Alamance Arts
- **May 6** - 3-week Mixed Media Workshop Series starts for Middle Schoolers at BAL
- **May 9** - SAR Poster Contest Reception at Alamance Arts
- **May 10** - Musical Chairs Concert at North Park in Burlington
- **May 10** - Introduction to Pottery Wheel Workshop at Recovering Clay Studio in Graham
- **May 11** - Middle School Canvas Painting Saturday at BAL within Holly Hill Mall
- **May 11** - Poetry Stroll Closing Reception at Alamance Arts with ACPL and Burlington Writer's Club
- **May 15** - High School Scholarship Entry Deadline
- **May 16** - Red Robin Profit Share. Eat at Red Robin in Burlington ANYTIME on Thursday, May 16 and mention Alamance Arts for 20% of sales to be donated back to Alamance Arts
- **May 17** - Musical Chairs Concert Series in Downtown Mebane
- **May 17** - Garden Flowers pottery hand building class at Recovering Clay Studio
- **May 18** - Introduction to Pottery Wheel Workshop at Frickery Frackery Pottery in Burlington
- **May 18** - Professional Headshots at Alamance Arts with Nixon Photography. 50% of costs donated back to Alamance Arts
- **May 18** - Pottery Kurinuki Cups Class at Alamance Arts
- **May 22** - Sia Yazdanfar Exhibit Opens at Alamance Arts
- **May 24** - Musical Chairs Concert at Burlington Historic Depot
- **May 30** - Opening Reception for Sia Yazdanfar
- **May 31** - Musical Chairs Concert at Cedarock Park

Learn more about these events our website - [Alamancearts.org](http://Alamancearts.org) or call 336.226.4495

**UPDATED DEADLINE**

**HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS**

**Hurry!**  
**Scholarship**  
**Deadline**  
**May 15**

Alamance Arts awards four \$500 scholarships annually to local high school students who will be majoring in the arts in college.

Call us at 336-226-4495 for more information or visit <https://www.alamancearts.org/scholarships>

**Are you regularly checking our Community Arts & Cultural Calendar to see what's happening in Alamance County?**

**If not, bookmark it and check it regularly - <http://www.alamancearts.org/everwondr>**

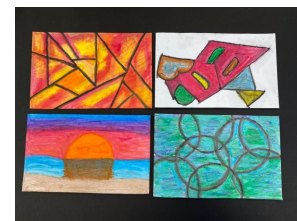
**And, if you know of an arts or cultural event happening in the area, please add it to our calendar!**

**This is a FREE Resource to the community to help expand the reach of the arts.**

**FREE CRAFT KITS**

Stop by our front porch and grab one of our free craft kits! These kits are created with elementary-aged kids in mind, but anyone is welcome to take a kit.

New kits are available on Tuesday mornings beginning at 9:30 am and can be picked up on the front porch of Alamance Arts.



**Share Your Creative Pursuits By  
Joining One Of Alamance Arts' Affiliates!**



## ALAMANCE ARTISANS

### Alamance Artisans

Alamance Artisans is a North Carolina guild formed to

- nurture the production of fine arts and fine crafts
- increase the awareness of handmade objects
- facilitate networking among artisans
- develop marketing venues for members

Artisans meet on the third Tuesday of every month except July and December at Alamance Arts. Guests are welcome!

For more information, visit our website at

[www.alamanceartisans.com](http://www.alamanceartisans.com)

or email

[info@alamanceartisans.com](mailto:info@alamanceartisans.com)



### Alamance Photography Club

The Alamance Photography Club, founded in 2012, is a social organization of photography enthusiasts with a wide range of interests.

We welcome all, novice to professional, as a place to show, share, promote and learn about all aspects of photography.

The club meets the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month at 7 PM at First Baptist Church at 400 S Broad Street in Burlington in the Fellowship Hall at the rear of the church (facing Mebane St).

For more info, please see our website [www.alamancephoto.com](http://www.alamancephoto.com)



### Burlington Artists League

The Burlington Artists League's (BAL) purpose is to promote local artists and the local art spirit.

A gallery at Holly Hill Mall and exhibiting arrangements with area businesses allow artists to exhibit their art.



### Alamance Children's Theatre (ACT)

ACT provides theatre opportunities for all youth ages 8-18, and also offers ACT II, a program providing additional acting challenges for older and/or more experienced youth actors.

ACT presents three full-scale products each year, as well as ACTing Up, a summer performing

For information on membership, classes, exhibits, and events, please visit:

<https://burlingtonartistsleague.com>

arts camp.

For more info. visit

[alamancechildrenstheatre.com](http://alamancechildrenstheatre.com)



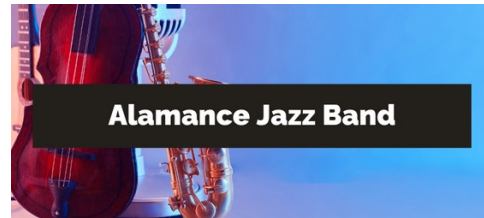
## Burlington Writer's Club

**Congratulations Alamance County Student Writers!**

The Burlington Writers Club annually sponsors the Student Writing Contest to recognize exceptional student writers in Alamance County. The contest is made possible in part by a grant through the North Carolina Arts Council, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources, and Alamance Arts. An Award Ceremony was held at Alamance Community College on April 28, 2024. A total of 39 schools submitted 359 entries from grades 3-12

For additional information visit:

[www.burlingtonwritersclub.org](http://www.burlingtonwritersclub.org)



## Alamance Jazz Band

The Alamance Jazz Band, organized by area musicians who have had considerable experience playing in jazz groups, provides an organized program for those interested in learning, performing and enjoying music of the big band idiom. The band rehearses Thursdays at Burlington's Broad Street Center.

For additional information or to inquire about booking the band, visit [www.alamancejazzband.com](http://www.alamancejazzband.com) or contact us at [alamancejazzband@outlook.com](mailto:alamancejazzband@outlook.com).



*This is why we*   
 *Sing!*



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## Alamance Chorale 50th Anniversary Spring Concert

Join Alamance Chorale for our Anniversary Concert, at St Mark's Community Church, Burlington on May 21, 2024, 7:30 pm. Our program will focus on sharing the message of why singing is important to us as we share words from our Chorale members explaining "This Is Why We Sing."

Former members, former directors, and accompanists will be invited to sing a selection with the Chorale and should contact Arleen Widerman at arleenwiderman@gmail.com if interested in participating.

The Burlington Boys Choir will also offer a selection and join the Chorale to express our joy in singing. There is no admission for the concert.

For more information, visit <http://www.alamancechorale.org/> or [Alamance Chorale on Facebook](#)

## Small Business Opportunities

Alamance Arts now offers opportunities to help recognize small businesses who help support the arts. If you are a small business owner (or an individual) who would like to help advance our mission, please contact Kim Williard to learn more. Click [here](#) or call 336.226.4495.

## Keep Up To Date

Be sure to check our website and follow us for all the latest info: [www.alamancearts.org](http://www.alamancearts.org)



**OUR MISSION:** Alamance Arts is committed to shaping the cultural identity of Alamance County by making art a tangible presence in the lives of its residents. We strive to enhance the quality of life by engaging people in a diverse array of art through the delivery of programming and education and through the provision of facilities, advocacy, promotion and funding. We are a non-profit that relies on the generosity of donors to sustain our mission. Please consider donating.

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