The Write Up



IA news & updates



Thank You! Your Donation Matters

Thank you, Norway Savings Bank for visiting our Spindleworks Brunswick location. We greatly appreciate your continued support of IA and its programs.

Norway Savings Bank's Dan Walsh, President and CEO, and Janice de Lima, Vice President, Community Reinvestment Act, generously donated \$1,500 to help cover the cost of new windows and installation at one of our residential group homes.

100% of all donations we receive are invested in our programs and the people we serve. Without generous community support, our programs would not be possible.



Spindleworks Gardiner Grand Opening

Join us on Friday, December 1st for our Spindleworks Gardiner Grand Opening!

Stop by to meet some of our talented artists, enjoy refreshments, see our Black and White Show, and participate in our door prize giveaways!

Friday, December 1st 5pm-8:30pm 221 Water Street, Gardiner During ArtWalk Gardiner

Show Opening Black & White

Join Spindleworks Artists and submit your work to be displayed in our Black



Community Activity Board Grant Update

We have continued to roll out our Activity Board app that will provide and promote greater opportunities for independence and integration in community life for our clients. This new software, developed specifically for Independence Association, has streamlined scheduling and participation of community activities.

By December, all clients and staff will be using the Activity Board each day. New technologies such as this allow for consolidation of staff time and resources, helping minimize the costs to our programs.

For more information or questions, contact Brett Bulmer at bbulmer@iaofmaine.org and White show. Accepting any medium, under 2 feet by 2 feet.

Open on December 1st.

For more information, please contact Manon Whittlesey.

Where to Find Us

Shop Local November 25th | Small Business Saturday | Spindleworks Gardiner, 10a - 2p

December 1st | Spindleworks Gardiner Grand Opening, 5p-8p

December 2nd | Spindleworks Brunswick Holiday Sale, 10a - 2p

Through December 3rd | Spindleworks Salon on exhibit at Local 188 in Portland, opening during restaurant hours

December 8th and 9th | Bowdoinham Artisan Guild Show at Merrymeeting Hall, 10a - 3pm

Through December 30th | Sparkle Holiday Show at Meetinghouse Arts Gallery in Freeport

December 30th | Spindleworks Brunswick Open Studio, 10a - 2p



Congratulations! MACSP DSP Awards

The Maine Association for Community Service Providers (MACSP) has announced their Direct Service Professional Award winners of 2023. Independence Association congratulates its own Stephanie Batterman and Michael Perkins as two of this year's winners!

Stephanie and Mike will be celebrated on Friday, December 8th at the <u>MACSP Annual</u> <u>Awards Luncheon in Freeport.</u>

With a combined 26 years of DSP work at IA, and almost 60 years in the field, Stephanie and Mike have made a world of difference to our clients, our community, and our staff.

Congratulations, Stephanie and Mike!

Donate Today





Give the Gift of Independence

\$500 Purchases heating oil for one of our residential group homes
\$200 Buys a month of materials for one of our Spindleworks studios
\$100 Supports an outing to trails, museums, sporting events, and more
\$75 Pays for a set of dishes or pots and pans for our clients
\$50 Refills one bin of craft supplies or games
\$25 Helps our athletic program with the purchase of sports equipment

How Your Gift Will Benefit Independence Association:

Your gift today helps provide top quality services personalized to meet the needs of even those most challenged by their disabilities.

The majority of Independence Association's funding comes from government sources, with philanthropic support filling in the gap between the level of funding that service payors offer and the quality of service that Independence Association is committed to provide. As the costs of providing supports increases, we have seen that gap widen.

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