# The New Canaan Society for the Arts, Inc./Carriage Barn Arts Center Accessibility Statement

#### **Our Commitment**

The Carriage Barn Arts Center is committed to ensuring that our programs, events, and facilities are accessible to all individuals, including those with disabilities. We believe in creating an inclusive and welcoming environment that celebrates diversity and provides equal opportunities for everyone to engage with and enjoy the arts.

# **Accessible Programs and Events**

We strive to make all of our programs and events accessible to individuals of all abilities. This includes providing:

- Accessible Venues: Our event venues are chosen with accessibility in mind. We select spaces that are wheelchair accessible, and we work closely with venue partners to ensure that accommodations are available.
- **Assistive Technologies:** We aim to incorporate assistive technologies to enhance the experience of individuals with disabilities during our programs and events. This may include captioning, sign language interpreters, or other assistive devices, depending on the nature of the event.
- Accessible Information: We are committed to providing information about our programs and events in accessible formats. This includes offering alternative formats for printed materials, providing captions for online content, and ensuring that our website is designed with accessibility in mind.

#### **Accessible Facilities**

Our facilities are designed to be inclusive and accessible to all visitors. This includes:

- Physical Accessibility: We prioritize venues that are wheelchair accessible and provide ramps or elevators as needed. We work to eliminate physical barriers that may hinder access for individuals with mobility challenges.
- **Restroom Facilities:** We ensure that our event venues have accessible restroom facilities, including features such as grab bars and adequate space for maneuverability.
- **Service Animals:** Service animals are welcome at all our events and in our facilities. We recognize and respect the important role that service animals play in the lives of individuals with disabilities.

## **Feedback and Accommodation Requests**

We welcome feedback from our patrons on how we can improve accessibility. If you have specific accommodation requests or suggestions, please contact us at Hilary Wittmann at hwittmann@carriagebarn.org. We will do our best to address your needs and ensure that you can fully participate in our programs and events.

## **Ongoing Commitment to Accessibility**

The Carriage Barn Arts Center is dedicated to continually improving our accessibility efforts. We regularly review our practices, seek feedback, and update our policies to better serve individuals with disabilities.

## **Contact Information**

If you have any questions, concerns, or feedback regarding accessibility at the Carriage Barn Arts Center, please contact:

Hilary Wittmann, Executive Director at <a href="https://www.hilary.com/hilary

Thank you for being a part of our inclusive community.
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