

Artist Joel Griffith, left, with Tivoli Mayor Marcus Molinaro.

## Paintings unveiled at Watts dePeyster Hall

Tivoli Mayor Marcus Molinaro and local artist Joel Griffith unveiled Griffith's "4 Paintings of Tivoli" at the Historic Watts dePeyster Hall. The village commissioned Griffith to paint four landscapes of village landmarks. The effort was paid for by contributions raised from village sponsored arts events over the last two years.

Saying he was a "very fortunate boy," Griffith joined nearly 100 friends and admirers for the event. Molinaro presented him with a citation from state Sen. Steve Saland. Dutchess County Arts Council President Benjamin Krevolin presented him with a certificate of recognition and the village named him "Painter Laureate."

The paintings will be on permanent display at the Historic Watts dePeyster Hall.