

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
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BAYVILLE DINOSAUR ARTIST ANNOUNCED

Bayville, NJ — The Bayville Dinosaur Landmark has returned to the front of the Heritage Square building at 510 Route 9 in Bayville, where it has been a roadside attraction since the early 1930's. To kick off the renovation, several dedicated Members of the Berkeley Township Historical Society, led by Treasurer Bud Magahan, removed appendages, deteriorated framing, and insects from the interior of the Dinosaur. Expansion foam was then installed inside the Dinosaur to stabilize and preserve it, before a boom truck moved it to the rear of Heritage Square for the prep work, in July. First, the old layers of paint were stripped off, then fiberglass was installed over parts of the Dinosaur. Finally, on September 18th 2018, Bud Magahan operated a rough terrain forklift to do the heavy lifting, while his wife Barbara Magahan gently guided the Dinosaur safely onto its base, with great relief.



Bud Magahan
Historical Society Treasurer



Janell Keneske
Lead Artist

Berkeley Township Mayor F. Carmen Amato Jr., Representatives of Berkeley Township, Berkeley Township Historical Society and Heritage Square, gathered for a September 27th, 2018 Luncheon to formally announce the Finish Artists. The Lead Artist is Janell Keneske who is quite honored to participate in finalizing this historic project. Joining her will be two accomplished Artists, Kim Calabrese and Deborah Fassi. Between them, these Artisans have performed several decades of commercial and residential decorative finishing work. They have worked in all kinds of environments and outdoor elements throughout the Tri-State Area, making them ideally suited to renovate the Dinosaur.

This talented trio of Artisans will be using specialize plaster products to form the Head, Tail and Feet. When completed the color of the Dinosaur will emulate aged copper and bronze. To achieve this, the Artisans will apply various stages of oil primers, faux metal primers, faux setcoats, copper and bronze metal oxidizing paints, and patina activators. After this extensive custom work is completed, several layers of protective coatings will be applied, to protect the Dinosaur.

Ever since concerned Citizens of the Dinosaur initiated a grass roots "Save the Dinosaur" campaign in 2015, support of the Dinosaur restoration has been received from Ocean County and beyond. This Summer, several businesses also donated to the cause, including but not limited to:

Henriques Yachts – Expansion Foam.

L&E Welding – Boom Truck.

Jersey Rents – Rough Terrain Forklift.

Millhurst Mills & Ace Hardware – Modern Masters Products.

The Finish Part of the Project is being coordinated by:

Carmen F. Amato, Jr. - Mayor, Berkeley Township

Bud Magahan - Treasurer, Berkeley Township Historical Society

James J. Byrnes - President, Berkeley Township Council

Janelle Keneske - Lead Artist, Owner of Janell's Designs

Anthony & Nino Zangari - Owners of Heritage Square



The Bayville Dinosaur
510 Route 9 South