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Art Exhibit, Family Event in New Canaan to Promote Girls' Confidence

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The Carriage Barn Arts Center will open an exhibit, May 27, "She Is Rising," a celebration of women of various ages, backgrounds and ethnicities — some captured from life, and others imagined — who represent female power.

— *an announcement from* [LiveGirl](#)

LiveGirl, a co-sponsor of the exhibit, also will host a "celebratory event" outside the Carriage Barn on Friday, June 4. "Family Fun Friday" is a "celebration of female power and the arts" featuring carnival games, an art scavenger hunt, cocktails, Flaco's Taco Truck, Darien artist/activist TL Duryea "completing a masterpiece," live music by Melissa Wasserman.

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Family Fun Friday runs from 5 to 7 p.m., June 4. Tickets are \$25 and available [here, on the LiveGirl website](#). The first 50 registrants will be entered into a raffle to win an Ashley Longshore gift bag.

The fourth annual exhibit, a partnership between LiveGirl and the arts center features artwork by Duryea, pop artist phenomenon Ashley Longshore and contemporary artist Michele Voight. The exhibit will run through June 5.

LiveGirl Founder and CEO Sheri West said the exhibit and event "give a platform to female artists and give voice to the movement of unstoppable young women rising up today for social change." She said the benefit will make possible LiveGirl's free leadership development and mentoring programs for girls in Grade 5 through college.

"The selected pieces reflect many interpretations of female power and celebrate LiveGirl's mission to building confident, inclusive leaders," said Hilary Wittman, executive director of The Carriage Barn Arts Center.

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Ashley Prymas, Founder of Plucky, co-curated the exhibit, said: “These talented artists harness the idea of female power through various media — from pure abstraction to images of recent protests to pop art and

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All artwork is available for sale [online, here](#), with proceeds benefiting the artists, the Carriage Barn, and LiveGirl.

This event is sponsored by Avalon Bay Communities, Bankwell, Fatou Niang (Luxury Real Estate Advisor for William Pitt Sotheby’s International Realty), and New Canaan Moms.

About LiveGirl

Founded in 2014, [LiveGirl, Inc.](#) is a Connecticut-based nonprofit organization created to build confident, inclusive leaders. Our mission is to prepare the next generation of diverse, brave female leaders with the skills, community, and connections so that ALL girls may thrive and make a positive impact on the world. Learn more on the website or email info@goLiveGirl.org.

About Carriage Barn Arts Center

[The Carriage Barn Arts Center](#) is home to the New Canaan Society for the Arts, Inc. whose mission is to promote the visual and performing arts, and to enrich the community through exhibitions, education, and cultural experiences.

About Ashley Prymas and Plucky

Plucky is a new platform that encourages new and avid collectors to support emerging women artists by providing direct access to affordable original work by exceptional artists. Ashley has 20 years experience working in marketing and development at museums including the Guggenheim, The Aldrich Contemporary Art Museum, Cooper-Hewitt, Peabody Essex, Museum for African Art, and ICA Boston.

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