



SUSQUEHANNA SUMMER SOLSTICE FEST

# SPEAKERS AND PRESENTERS

Susquehanna  
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WED JUNE 14 - SUN JUNE 18, 2023

French Azilum, PA

SAT  
JUNE  
17

12:30 -  
1:00 PM



Labyrinth Stage

## VICTORIA SWITZER “COURAGE TO CREATE”

Victoria Switzer returns for her second year at the Susquehanna Summer Solstice Fest, to share her experiences in environmental advocacy - as an impassioned and effective defender of the natural beauty of Pennsylvania. Victoria is also an artist, a painter of landscapes and moonscapes, reflecting her reverence for the Earth.

Last year Victoria presented a slideshow on her mission of confronting the abuses to our land by the gas companies in her home town of Dimock, PA. She's had a long involvement and her work has been reflected in two best selling books by authors of national renown, namely Seamus McGraw in his book, "The End of Country" and in Tom Wilbur's book, "Under the Surface." Victoria was also featured on a Leslie Stahl TV segment.

Victoria is a retired elementary teacher from the Tunkhannock School District and she also taught social studies and US History later in Tunkhannock.

Victoria's art was initially inspired by an obscure artist who lived in Germany during WWII, Katharina Heise. Heise's art was banned and oppressed by the Nazi's as degenerate. Victoria found common cause with Heise, as she related in a profound way to another creative person who was battling an oppressor.

Victoria recently held a one-woman show this spring of her new work at the Chamber Gallery in Carbondale, PA. She will be presenting a talk at SSSF entitled "Courage to Create".