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Cantor Colburn Copyright Attorneys Present “Creativity and the Law” to Artists

Hartford, Conn. – On October 19, 2016, more than 30 artists attended a seminar on “Creativity and the Law,” presented by members of [Cantor Colburn’s Trademark & Copyright Department](#). Working with the [Greater Hartford Arts Council](#), a nonprofit supporting arts organizations for more than 45 years, these artists were invited to a seminar about the basics of copyright protection as it relates to their art and livelihood. Choreographers, writers, crafters, photographers, musicians, painters, illustrators and other artists attended the event.



“We know that part of what makes a city a great place to live is a thriving arts community,” said Co-Managing Partner [Michael Cantor](#) in his welcome to attendees at the seminar. Mr. Cantor is a member of the Arts Council’s Board of Governors. “As long-time financial supporters and fans of the Greater Hartford Arts Council, we were excited to share valuable information about copyright protection directly with the artists the Council supports. We believe this information to be of vital importance to artists.”

[Michelle Ciotola](#), the [Trademark & Copyright Department](#) Vice Chair and partner at the firm, lead the presentation with colleagues [Christopher Whalley](#), associate, Crysta Lemon, senior paralegal, and Alison Caless, legal intern. The team wanted to convey the basics of copyright law, what protection is available, what constitutes infringement, licensing and agreement options, and tips for avoiding problems.

For almost a decade, Cantor Colburn’s Hartford office employees have taken part in annual campaign to raise funds to support the Council’s mission of providing leadership for the financial success and organizational stability of the arts, heritage, and cultural community of Connecticut’s capital region.

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About the Greater Hartford Arts Council

The Greater Hartford Arts Council is the central voice for the cultural sector in our region. We secure community resources through the annual United Arts Campaign, and responsibly reinvest those dollars through a stringent grant-making process into a wide array of organizations and programs that keep our community strong. We promote the arts as a regional asset and connect citizens to the arts. To learn more about Arts Council programs and services, as well as our United Arts Campaign, visit LetsGoArts.org or follow us @letsgoarts_org on Twitter.

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