

June 22 2:00 pm Edith Wharton Summer

ONE TOWN, ONE READ

Edith Wharton's classic coming-of-age novel, Summer, is likely set in the Berkshires. Her themes — class divisions, female empowerment, desire and rejection—still resonate today, more than 100 years after its publication. Get a copy from your local bookstore or library or download it. Then come and participate in a freewheeling discussion. Wharton scholar Alan Price will provide important background. A panel of local readers will jumpstart the conversation. Then it's your turn! This free event is co-sponsored by The Mount (Edith Wharton's home), Friends of the New Marlborough Public Library, and the New Marlborough Meeting House.

HEARD WORLD JAZZ

Get ready to open your ears and hearts and get up dancing! The musicians and dancers of Heard World Jazz bring passion for world music, jazz and improvising together to create irresistible grooves set in a unique sonic tapestry. Together for 15 years, their vibrant sound incorporates influences from West Africa, Brazil, the Caribbean and beyond. Their CDs Karibu and the daring Flyway have garnered much critical acclaim. Heard World Jazz is a four-time Eddy Music Awards nominee in the World Music category. This is a family-friendly event you won't want to miss!

CHALLENGES! TRUE STORIES, LIVE ON STAGE!

Come hear the compelling and moving true stories of some adult learners from the Literacy Network community as they share personal vignettes (Moth Radio Hour style). The theme for the event will be Challenges. Stories shared will center on life as an immigrant and will include perspectives on learning a new language and culture. The program will be followed by light refreshments. This is a free event co-sponsored by LitNet. You can learn more about the Literacy Network at: litnetsb.org

TAYLOR MAC AND HEATHER CHRISTIAN TALK CREATIVITY

In one of the highlights of the summer, New Marlborough resident Taylor Mac and Heather Christian will discuss their individual work in the theater, their past collaborations and their music theatre consideration of Clarence Thomas entitled "Clarence, in a Pause" (a song or two from this work-in-progress will be presented). Taylor Mac is an American actor, playwright, performance artist, director, producer, singer-songwriter, recipient of a "Genius Grant" from the John D. and Catherine T. MacArthur Foundation and a finalist for the 2017 Pulitzer Prize for Drama. Singer, playwright and composer Heather Christian is a Drama Desk and a two-time Obie Award-winning composer/performer.

Eric Foner And Kerri Greenidge Discuss THE LEGACY OF SLAVERY **Moderated By Alice Kessler-Harris**

Eric Foner, one of the country's most prominent historians of the Civil War and Reconstruction, will be joined by Kerri Greenidge, acclaimed author of The Grimkes: The Legacy of Slavery in an American Family (finalist for the National Book Circle Award), to discuss her book and the legacy of slavery in the U.S. today. Moderating the discussion is the distinguished feminist historian of 19th-and-20th century America. Alice Kessler-Harris.





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FROM MOZART TO PIAZZOLLA: A PANORAMA OF MUSICAL EXPRESSION

Join world-class musicians, violinist Eugene Drucker (a founding member of the renowned Emerson String Quartet), cellist Roberta Cooper (winner of the Artists International Competition), and pianist Gili Melamed-Lev (an engaging, multi-faceted artist known for her vision, innovative programming, and unique artistry), as they thrill the audience with the music of Brahms, Beethoven, Piazzolla, Bartok, and Mozart in a fast-moving and fun-filled afternoon. Harold Lewin Memorial Concert



ARKAI - CROSSROADS

Prepare for a thrilling, rocking afternoon as the award-winning electroacoustic violin and cello duo, Arkai, appears in concert at the Meeting House. Arkai has inspired audiences around the world through their genre-defying string music, blending everything from classic ballads to fascinating and exciting new music. Graduates of The Juilliard School, their past engagements have included performances at such diverse venues as the MET, Joe's Pub, US Air Force Academy, Lincoln Center, Musikfest, Carnegie Hall and TED. They recently opened for Oscar and Grammy-winning musician Jon Batiste at New York City's Javits Center. Prepare to be amazed by their stunning musicianship and incredible music!



CELEBRITY INTERVIEW: JOE DONAHUE!

WAMC's legendary on-air personality becomes the interviewee instead of the interviewer. Come hear all about Joe's background and listen to engaging stories of high and low lights of his career on the radio and the countless celebrities he's interviewed. There will be plenty of time for questions and an opportunity to chat with Joe after the event.





SIMON WINCHESTER IN CONVERSATION WITH JOURNALIST LINDA GREENHOUSE **"ELECTION 2024"**

In a timely event, Simon Winchester, widely acclaimed author of more than 30 books, most recently Knowing What We Know, and Linda Greenhouse, longtime reporter on the Supreme Court for The New York Times and winner of the Pulitzer Prize in 1998, will discuss what is at stake in the upcoming elections. There will be plenty of time for questions.

New this year: the Meeting House will now offer discounted tickets for Card to Culture card holders as well as a limited number of discounted tickets for community members who might not otherwise be able to attend our events. Details on how to obtain these tickets will be forthcoming. It promises to be a great season!

Tickets will be on sale on June 1, 2024 at www.nmmeetinghouse.org.





June 21 thru July 21

Small Works

Opening Reception Friday, June 21

The New Marlborough Meeting House Gallery opens its 2024 season with "Small Works." Just as the name implies, this show features works of twenty-two artists that may be small in dimension but are large in heart and soul.



Farm and Table Opening Reception Friday, July 26

The Meeting House Gallery's second show of the 2024 season is a celebration of the reinvigorated role of farming in the Berkshires and the resultant benefits to the culinary arts of our region.

August **30** thru October **6**

26th Annual New Marlborough Artists Show Opening Reception Friday, August 30

Following long tradition, this final show of the Meeting House Gallery's 2024 season is comprised of a selection of artists residing in New Marlborough in an opportunity to put a spotlight on the amazing talents of our neighbors.



Gallery Hours: 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays. Saturday and Sunday only, after September 1 **Receptions** will be on the evening of the opening day of each show, from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. The community is invited!

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| College students over 21 with full-time student ID, \$10. <i>Programs subject to change</i> | | | |
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| SATURDAY, JUNE 22, 2:00 pm SUMMER, One Town, One Read | | FREE | FREE |
| SATURDAY, JULY 13, 4:30pm Heard World Jazz | | \$40 | \$35 |
| SATURDAY, JULY 20, 4:30pm Challenge: True Stories Live! | | FREE | FREE |
| SATURDAY, AUGUST 3, 4:30pm Taylor Mac and Heather Christian | | \$40 | \$35 |
| SATURDAY, AUGUST 24, 4:30pm The Legacy of Slavery | | \$40 | \$35 |
| SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 4:30 pm From Mozart to Piazzolla | | \$40 | \$35 |
| SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 21, 4:30 pm Arkai - Crossroads | | \$40 | \$35 |
| SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 4:30 pm Celebrity Interview: Joe Donahue | | | \$35 |
| SATURDAY, OCTOBER 5, 4:30pm Simon Winchester - Linda Greenhouse | | \$40 | \$35 |
| | TOTAL \$_ | : | \$ |
| Make checks payable to: NM Meeting House 154 Hartsville-New Marlborough Rd | | | |

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