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## Denise VandenShay is Seeds Design, LLC Providing Creative and Colorful Gardening Solutions

By Lisa Dudley

This past winter was an example of climate conditions many of us remember as 'normal'. Denise VandenShay, owner of Seeds Design, LLC, is actually grateful for the cold temperatures and snowfall we endured. "We haven't had normal winter temperatures in a long time," she notes. The freezing cold kills off ticks and the snow fertilizes the ground with nitrogen from the snowfall. "I find a regular winter climate to be very comforting," she adds.

Although it may sound fanciful, snow does contain nutrients that can help plants grow better. Snow contains trace amounts of nitrogen, which naturally exists in the atmosphere. This nitrogen is absorbed by raindrops and snowflakes while they're still up in the clouds and is returned to the soil when snow and rain fall to the earth. Snow also contains smaller quantities of other



Denise VandenShay

nutrients that plants love, like sulfur, magnesium, potassium, and calcium. [Wikipedia]

After 19 years in the business, Denise VandenShay is a talented landscape professional who calls upon her expertise to make Hudson Valley properties beautiful and sustainable. Denise studied interior design at FIT in New York City and fine art at SUNY New Paltz. After spending over 10 years as a greenhouse grower, she comes to her trade with an exceptional eye for detail and composition, as well as a true understanding of the value of plant life and design -- extrapolated to the out-of-doors.

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## The Annual Meeting of the Milan Union Cemetery Association

will be held at 9:30am on Saturday May 16, at the Milan Town Hall, 20 Wilcox Circle, Milan. All plot owners and non-plot owners interested in the Cemetery are invited to attend. For more information, please call Association president Tom Darby at 914-282-7970.

## Morton Day

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## Hillsdale Flea Market Returns Memorial Day Weekend

Annual event draws hundreds of bargain hunters to the town's Hamlet Park. The town of Hillsdale's popular flea market returns on May 23, the Saturday of Memorial Day weekend, with dozens of vendors offering a broad array of items. Items expected to be on sale range from the practical--kitchenware, furniture, toys, garden tools and clothing--to unique hand-made items, antiques and collectibles. The market's organizers encourage those interested in selling to sign up soon for a space, as the event has sold out of vendor spots in years past. Booth spaces are available in a large size (15' by 15') for \$50 and a small size (10' by 10') for \$30. The large space allows vendors to park one vehicle next to their booth. Vendors must bring their own tables and shade protection if desired. The vendor application form can be found at <https://tinyurl.com/4ftrx7es>. "The Hillsdale Flea is an annual tradition that brings our community together," said Tim Stookesberry, a co-organizer of the event. "For vendors, the market is an excellent way to find a new home for those no-

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## Stonewood Farm Announces 13th Season and 2026 Calendar of Events Preview

Stonewood Farm, a nonprofit working at the intersection of agriculture, education, and community connection, is pleased to share its upcoming 2026 season with regional partners and media. As the Farm enters its 13th season, it continues to cultivate a model where food, farming, and community engagement are deeply intertwined.

Stonewood Farm's work centers on building a connected local food system. By bringing together farmers, chefs, volunteers, and neighbors, the Farm creates opportunities for shared experience, education, and access. Its programs are designed not only to grow food, but to foster relationships and strengthen the broader community ecosystem that sustains it.

The 2026 season features a range of on-farm and off-site outreach that invite participation from across the region:



Upcoming Dates:

Friday, May 1 – Plant Preview Party

Saturday, May 2 – Annual Plant Sale

Wednesday, May

13 – Volunteer Fair and Lunch

Saturday, May 30 – Saturday Supper with Daniel Kanda of Flowering Sun Ecology Center

Friday, June 5 – First Pop-Up Market (continuing through November 19)

Tuesday, June 23 – Opening Day of First Harvest Pantry (continuing through September 22)

Wednesday, June 24 – First Farm Lunch and Tour (occurring monthly through October)

Through these programs,

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## UN REAL Exhibition opens May 8 at Millbrook Arts Project

UN REAL

Artists: Fern Apfel, Betsy Brandt, Monica Miller Link, Kevin Mosca, Laura Von Rosk, and Daniel Walworth  
Friday, May 8 - Sunday, June 28, 2026

Public Reception: Friday, May 8 | 6 - 8 PM

Conversation with Artists: Saturday, June 6, 2 - 4 PM

UAW Reception: Saturday, June 27, 5 - 6:30 PM

Un Real is an exhibition of six contemporary artists Fern Apfel, Betsy Brandt, Monica Miller Link, Kevin Mosca, Laura Von Rosk, and Daniel Walworth who share a commitment to looking closely at the world, yet what emerges in their work is something far more complex than simple representation. Drawing from



Daniel Walworth, Iceberg (d), 2025, watercolor on paper



Laura Von Rosk, Dead Trees, 2025, oil on panel

diverse source material – archival ephemera, woodland observation, cinematic landscapes and invented narratives – the familiar is rendered with such clarity that it slips into something less certain.

Fern Apfel's painted fragments of letters and books hover between document and abstraction. Betsy Brandt's ceramic sculptures animate the natural world with emotional charge, while Monica Miller Link distills landscape into intimate compositions where pattern and perception blur. Kevin Mosca constructs

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## ART GALLERY 71 PRESENTS

### "IDEAS/IMAGES"

featuring photography by YORAM GELMAN  
Showing May 8<sup>th</sup> to May 31<sup>st</sup>  
Opening Reception : Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, 2-4pm  
Rhinebeck Arts Walk Reception: Saturday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, 4-6pm

Yoram Gelman lives in the Hudson Valley and takes photographs that reflect his wide-ranging interests. In his May show at Art Gallery 71 he will include his evocative black and white images as well as his cyanotypes. He will also be showing newer work including explorations with



Spiral Staircase



Koi Triptych

triptychs and images in color. In addition, his booklet entitled Abstract-The Verb will be available for purchase. SeemoreorYoram'sworkat<https://www.ygelmanphoto.com/home> TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO SEE THE WORK OF ALL OUR TALENTED ARTISTS.

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# ACCORDING TO QUACKERS

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Mother's Day, a day truly grand,  
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## Memorial Day Tribute

Poet: Catherine Pulsifer  
We honor those who gave their all,  
Their lives for us, they did not stall,  
They fought for freedom and what's right,  
Their memory burns like candlelight.  
On Memorial Day we pay tribute,  
To soldiers forever deaf and mute,  
For they made the ultimate sacrifice,  
And will forever be remembered with pride.



## Appreciate Mom

Poet: Catherine Pulsifer  
A day we hold dear,  
One to cherish each year,  
For the one who gave us life,  
Our mother, our guiding light.  
On the second Sunday of May,  
Is when we show and say,  
The gratitude we feel inside,  
For all the love Mom provides.  
It's a day to appreciate and adore,

## A May Morning

by Ellwood Roberts  
The mist of early morning  
Has slowly passed away,  
A scene of rarest beauty  
Unfolds where late it lay.  
What can surpass in sweetness  
The charm that dwells in May?  
The wondrous fresh leaves glisten  
In sunshine glad and bright;  
The birds, in merry humor,  
Give thanks for Spring's sweet light;  
The miracle of May-time  
Bursts full upon the sight.  
The whole green earth rejoices  
In warmth and light to-day;  
The scent of myriad blossoms  
Is wafted far away.  
Where is there other brightness  
Like that we find in May?

## Denise Vandenshay is Seeds Design from page 1

Recently, Seeds Design worked with the DEC to restore a shoreline on Kinderhook Lake in Valatie. The project expanded, and included designing a boat dock, stone steps leading into the water, and installing native perennials along the shoreline to help with erosion. "This was a challenging project that was educational and difficult. Knowing that we were doing something positive for the environment was very satisfying.

"We had to get approvals from the DEC (Department of Environmental Conservation) every step of the way," she declares. "They required us to restore the shoreline (to DEC specifications) while still maintaining "our aesthetically pleasing design. "Our objective was to clear out invasive plant material and replace it with native plantings. We installed a stone landing, retaining walls and steps. We cleaned up the property and enhanced the living space and shoreline." The most exciting and creative part of the project, she explains, "was using natural stones to let water flow through and provide the space



Hutton Bricks from the clients house -- and a few new pieces -- we created a geometric, Portuguese pattern based on clients inspiration. "They were looking for a Mediterranean look and basically laid out the pattern and dimension to suit the design they wanted to accomplish." Denise called upon her previous education in design, art, and color to complete the stunning installation.  
Denise and her team are happy to tackle all projects

for animal access and nesting." Another interesting project, recently completed, is a patio and walkway at a residence in Kingston. Using upcycled

large and small. "Creating landscapes that are not only beautiful but beneficial is the goal. Incorporating edibles, Continued on page 3

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**Denise Vandenshay is Seeds Design from page 2**

native plants and pollinators into the garden should be a regular practice for a healthy landscape. Regular maintenance of any landscape -- pruning, planting, weeding, etc. -- are a requirement for successful and

to use them for healing." Denise finds it, "highly satisfying to cultivate herbs that can optimize health and vitality. "I literally have my hands in the ground all day every day. Now, I have a deeper understanding of the chemistry and frequencies of soil and vegetation that have



balanced ecosystems. We are able to provide these services."

An additional service from Seeds Design, LLC is planting herb gardens. "I have obtained a diploma in Practical Herbology from Wild Rose College of Herbal Medicine. I really enjoy learning about cultivating plants as medicine and the many ways



been a part of my work life -- and all life in the Hudson Valley -- for generations." For more information about Denise VandenShay and her company Seeds Design, LLC call 914-456-4287, visit her website [www.SeedsDesignLLC.com](http://www.SeedsDesignLLC.com) or like her Facebook page @seedsdesignLLC and see impressive photos of their work. Fully insured.

**Stonewood Farm Announces from page 1**

Stonewood Farm continues to demonstrate how farms can serve as vital community hubs, where access to fresh food, hands-on learning, and shared meals come together in meaningful ways. Members of the press are encouraged to attend upcoming gatherings, schedule visits, or connect with the team to learn more about Stonewood Farm's work and impact. For more information, event details, or media inquiries, please contact: Kristen Essig Director of Culinary Outreach and Development [chef@stonewoodny.org](mailto:chef@stonewoodny.org)



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**Hillsdale Flea Market from page 1**

longer-needed items in your or basement--and to make a bit of money in the process." The market, which is overseen by the Hillsdale Hamlet Committee, takes place in the Hillsdale Hamlet Park, located

Fire Company #1. The market will continue from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Fire Company will also be raising funds by serving breakfast sandwiches and coffee at the event. As this is an outdoor event, a rain date for severe weather is set for Sunday May 24, with the same times. Notice of a rain



just southwest of the traffic light at the intersection of N.Y. Routes 22 and 23 in Columbia County. The market will open at 9 a.m. for early-bird shoppers during the first hour, with a suggested donation of \$10 for the Hillsdale

delay will be posted on various Facebook pages as well as the town website, [hillsdaleny.com](http://hillsdaleny.com), and other social media outlets. For more information on the event, contact the organizers at [hillsdalenyparks@gmail.com](mailto:hillsdalenyparks@gmail.com).



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- 1) Cereal grains
  - 5) Grazing ground
  - 8) Noticeably shocked
  - 13) Mingle-mangle
  - 14) Improvise musically
  - 15) Something to work for
  - 16) Duck's home
  - 17) Mayberry drunkard
  - 18) Man with a mission?
  - 19) Not be taken in
  - 22) Green gem
  - 23) Hawaiian gift
  - 24) Chinese government offices
  - 27) Monopoly token
  - 29) Birds that sound deserving?
  - 33) Prefix with "mentioned"
  - 34) Bettered, as skills
  - 36) Awed answer
  - 37) Is hardly angelic
  - 40) Noise of disapproval
  - 41) Make fun of
  - 42) Gov't interest bearer
  - 43) \_\_\_-ran
  - 45) Feeling of anger
  - 46) Move unsteadily
  - 47) Dust remover
  - 49) Adventurous
  - 50) Have a different opinion of
  - 58) Keyboard key
  - 59) 1996 presidential candidate
  - 60) Small combo
  - 61) Past its prime
  - 62) Costly
  - 63) Not yet a marquis
  - 64) Trucker's expenses
  - 65) Done with a wink
  - 66) Not the original color

**TAKE IN THE SIGHTS** By Carla Azure

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- DOWN**
- 1) "My bad"
  - 2) Soothing succulent
  - 3) Fork feature
  - 4) Fountain worker of old
  - 5) Cafe concoction
  - 6) Arabian chieftain
  - 7) It abuts the bema
  - 8) Copious
  - 9) Water polo position
  - 10) Sheriff Taylor of Mayberry
  - 11) "Scope" prefix
  - 12) Storm centers
  - 14) Annuls
  - 20) Most together mentally
  - 21) Make changes to
  - 24) Big Three conference site
  - 25) Run \_\_\_ of the law (commit crimes)
  - 26) Makes irrelevant, as a debating point
  - 27) It may be taken for a ride
  - 28) Poker starter
  - 30) Mechanical being
  - 31) Nick of Hollywood
  - 32) Complete and utter
  - 34) Wintry frost
  - 35) "This I gotta hear!"
  - 38) Pretend to have, as an illness
  - 39) Like a first draft
  - 44) "1984" author George
  - 46) Babel had one
  - 48) Buenos \_\_\_
  - 49) Secure, as a sailor's rope
  - 50) Optional part of a suit
  - 51) "What's gotten \_\_\_ you?"
  - 52) And others, for short
  - 53) Does simple arithmetic
  - 54) Holiday song
  - 55) Not black or white
  - 56) Engage for work
  - 57) Gave an account
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**UN REAL Exhibition opens from page 1**

a fictional yet eerily plausible world shaped by narrative, and Laura Von Rosk and Daniel Walworth approach landscape as a site of both psychological and material layering.

Curated by Sharon Bates, the exhibition brings together artists who begin with the visible world but do not remain there, using representation not as a means of certainty, but one of inquiry.

UN REAL opens Friday, May 8 and runs through Sunday, June 28, 2026. The public is invited to an Opening Reception on Friday, May 8 from 6:00 to 8:00 PM. A Conversation with Artists: Fern Apfel, Monica Miller Link and Kevin Mosca is scheduled for Saturday, June 6 at 1:00 PM.

Millbrook Arts Project, a community art space, is pleased to participate in 2026 Upstate Art Weekend. Please visit <https://www.millbrookartsproject.org/millbrook-arts-opening-reception-2026>, for more information about Millbrook Arts

& Open Studios. As a part of UAW there will be a Public Reception on Saturday, June 27 from 5 to 6:30pm with light refreshments.

Millbrook Arts Project, a community art space is located at the Millbrook Library, 3 Friendly Lane, Millbrook, NY. All programs are free and open to the public.

**UPCOMING MAP EXHIBITIONS: PLACE | MEANT**

An exhibition of artists exploring location and place through collage

Laura Cannamela, Monica Church, Elisa Lendvay, Susan Newmark & Barbara Todd Monday, July 6 – Saturday, August 22, 2026

OPENING RECEPTION: Friday, July 10, 6:00-8:00pm Place | Meant is pleased to be part of Making Meaning: a Collage Symposium at Vassar College from July 22-24, that explores new perspectives on collage history and current approaches to curating, publishing, and making.

**THE STATE WE'RE IN** Brian Cirimo, June Glasson, Jeff

Wigman & Yu Yan Friday, August 28 - Saturday, October 17, 2026

OPENING RECEPTION: Friday, August 28, 6:00 - 8:00pm

**PATTERNS OF LIFE** Shari Diamond, Rich Garrison, Paul Lewandowski & Jim Morris Friday, October 23 - SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 28, 2026

OPENING RECEPTION: Friday, October 23, 6:00-8:00pm **ABOUT MILLBROOK ARTS PROJECT:** *The Millbrook Arts Project, a community art space, is a recent project of Millbrook Arts Group and the Millbrook Library that is committed to providing exhibition opportunities to visual artists and to enriching the understanding of contemporary art to Millbrook and the surrounding communities. For more information about upcoming exhibits at Millbrook Arts Project, visit: <https://millbrooklibrary.org/millbrook-arts-project/>.*

**SRO P.L.U.S PRESENTS THE WIZARD OF OZ**

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On Friday, May 8, at 7 p.m. and Saturday, May 9, at 2 p.m., In Flight, Inc. and Standing Room Only's SRO P.L.U.S. (Performing. Learning. United for Success) program will present The Wizard of Oz – Youth Edition at Cunneen-Hackett Theater in Poughkeepsie.

Follow the yellow brick road in this magical journey based on L. Frank Baum's classic story and the beloved MGM film. The Wizard of Oz Jr. tells the tale of Dorothy, a Kansas farm girl who dreams of a place "somewhere over the rainbow". When a twister sweeps her away to the Land of Oz, she sets off on an adventure to find the great Wizard who can help her return home. Along the way, Dorothy meets a Scarecrow in need of a brain, a Tin Man searching for a heart, and a Cowardly Lion longing for courage. Together, they face challenges, outwit the Wicked Witch of the West, and discover the true meaning of friendship, bravery, and home.

SRO P.L.U.S. is an inclusive theater program created by In Flight, Inc. and Standing Room Only Theater Company, designed to provide meaningful,

accessible performing arts experiences for individuals with intellectual and developmental disabilities, while remaining open to all teens and young adults who wish to participate. The program emphasizes creativity, collaboration, confidence-building, and community through the arts.

This production of The Wizard of Oz – Youth Edition marks the third full-scale production since the program's launch in 2022, continuing its growth as a space where performers of all abilities can learn, create, and shine on stage together.

Tickets are available at **Eventbrite.com.**

**About In Flight, Inc.** In Flight, Inc. is a local nonprofit organization that empowers people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, to reach for their hopes and dreams, and support a meaningful quality of life. The organization has programming and services in Dutchess, Columbia, Greene, and Ulster Counties. For more information about In Flight, Inc, please contact Jill Rodriguez at (845) 835-6060 x190 or [jrodriguez@inflightinc.org](mailto:jrodriguez@inflightinc.org).

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# God's Corner

## Planting for a Harvest

By Naomi Fata

As the grass grows, the days lengthen, and the weather turns warm, gardeners turn to planting. Though I consider myself a novice gardener, I relish the thought of fresh vegetables from the garden—especially the tomatoes. Some years I have had a fabulous crop, while other years bugs ate my crop. Last year I even tried to plant in a new plot of earth, but it had neither the right soil or not enough sun, so my crop only amounted to a couple of tomatoes per plant.

One thing I have learned is that producing a great harvest involves investment of commitment, both in the mental planning and the physical labor. Just as gardeners want to produce a vast crop, I hope that you also want your life to yield fruit that will last.

In John 15, Jesus gives a lesson on producing fruit that using the tending of a vineyard as the illustration. "I am the true grapevine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch of mine that doesn't produce fruit, and he prunes the branches that do bear fruit so they will produce even more. You have already been pruned and purified by the message I have given you. Remain in me, and I will remain in you. For a branch cannot produce fruit if it is severed from the vine, and you cannot be fruitful unless you remain in me."

If we want the reward of a fruitful life, it comes at a personal cost that may not always feel pleasant. This is especially true of the pruning process, as God cuts away things in our lives, which could include activities or relationships that are unhealthy. God is more concerned about our character and our relationship to Him than He is about our personal comfort.

According to Jesus, the other secret to a productive life is to remain in Him. One of the best ways to "remain in Him" is to have our hearts in tune with the things that He says are true, both about ourselves and about the world. Often our minds are scattered and rushed; as we listen to the words of our past, the everyday stressors of life, and the external stimuli of the news and social media. Remaining in Him involves learning to recognize which thoughts are His thoughts and which ones are not. The primary way to find out His thoughts about His is to read

and study His words (the Bible).

The Bible contains many passages that help us remain in Him. For example, when we are worried or afraid of lack, the words of Psalm 23 can become a prayer: "Lord, I believe you are my shepherd and that you give me all that I need. I believe that you will give me rest and renew my strength." The very act of feeding our thoughts the promise of the Word causes us to "remain in Him."

Do you want to have a fruitful life? Invest the time and energy it takes to learn to Remain in Him.

Naomi Fata is the author of the award-winning book and Selah Award finalist, *Stitching Your Story Piece by Piece*, available on Amazon.

## THE WORK AND MINISTRY OF THE HOLY SPIRIT IN THE LIFE OF THE BELIEVER!

"But ye shall receive power after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you and ye shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth" (Acts 1:8). The Lord Jesus Christ told his Disciples just before He Ascended back to Heaven that they would be receiving the power of Holy Spirit in their lives and that they would be His witnesses starting at Jerusalem. The Ascension occurred forty days after Jesus rose from the dead. After Jesus said those words He was taken up into Heaven. Ten days later the Holy Spirit came on the day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1-4). This year Pentecost Sunday will be May 24. Peter preached Christ on that day and three thousand people responded to the Gospel and were saved (became Christians). Today the Gospel is going out into all the world. The Holy Spirit empowers Believers to live the Christian Life and to be His witnesses.

When a person believes on the Lord Jesus Christ and receives Him as their Savior and Lord the person become a Christian and receives the indwelling presence of the Holy Spirit in their life. "What? Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and your spirit, which are God's" (1 Corinthians 6:19,20). Every Believer has the Holy Spirit living within them. The Believer is commanded

to be filled with the Spirit and live a victorious life in Christ.

The Apostle Paul wrote to the Christians at Ephesus and to us to today to be filled with the Holy Spirit. "And be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord; Giving thanks always for all things unto God and the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ; Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God" (Ephesians 5:18-21).

Being filled with the Spirit means that the Believer is committed to the Lordship Jesus Christ and is controlled by the Spirit of God. The evidence of a Christian being filled with the Holy Spirit will be seen in the way they live. When a Believer is filled with the Holy Spirit the fruit of the Spirit will be evident in their life. "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, Meekness, temperance, against such there is no law" (Galatians 5:22,23).

In Ephesians 5:19-21 three evidences of being filled with the Spirit are mentioned as the way a Christian will live. They will live a joyful life, a thankful life, and a submissive life. The Believer will live a joyful life because joy of the Lord Jesus Christ remains in them and their joy will be full. The Lord Jesus said, "These things have I spoken unto you, that my joy might remain in you, and that your joy might be full" (John 15:11). The Believer will live a thankful life. They will give thanks to God for all things and will be especially grateful for the blessing of personally knowing the Lord and for the joy of living for Him every day. Believers are thankful for the blessings that comes from the Lord's hand of grace. "In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you" (1 Thessalonians 5:18). The Believer will live a submissive life by submitting to one another in the fear of God. The

desire of the Spirit-filled Believer will be to Glorify the Lord and to edify one another by working and to be a blessing to the Body of Christ, the Lord's Church. It is important that Believers work together in order to accomplish God's will and work on this earth.

Now is the time to believe on and receive the Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Savior and Lord. Now is the day of salvation. Don't put it off! Come to Christ today! "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life" (John 3:16). Salvation is a gift of God's grace and is in Christ, and in Christ alone! If you don't know the Lord Jesus Christ personally I trust that the Holy Spirit will be speaking to your heart and through the teaching of God's Word that you will respond by faith and receive Jesus Christ as your Personal Savior and Lord! If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian and how to live the Spirit-filled Life contact us. We would love to share the truths of God's Word with you and why Jesus came to earth. You can contact us by sending an Email at [fdcirone@aol.com](mailto:fdcirone@aol.com) or by phone at (845) 876-2122 or (845) 876-6923. Grace Bible Fellowship Church is a local independent Bible Church located at the intersection of Route 9 and Route 9G, 1/4 Mile North on Route 9 in Rhinebeck, NY. Frank L. Cirone, Pastor.

## Ghent Reformed Church

The following will take place in May at the Ghent Reformed Church, 1039 County Route 22, West Ghent, NY. Worship service begins at 9:00 am every Sunday and Sunday School follows at 10:15 am. All are welcome. Our free community dinner is scheduled for 5/15/26 at 6 pm. with hotdogs, hamburgers, potato and macaroni salad and dessert being served. We hope to see you there. Any questions, please call the church at 518-828-5946. Have a blessed day.

## Colcha Embroidery

May 13, Freedom Plains United Presbyterian Church, 1168 Rte. 55, Lagrangeville, Skyllkill, a local chapter of the Embroiderer's Guild of America, presents Annette Gutierrez Turk, the Colcha Embroidery instructor for the Sandia Mountains Chapter, EGA. Annette, will discuss the techniques of Colcha embroidery which are similar to Chinese silk

embroidery with the laid stitch techniques. This embroidery followed early Spanish settlers to the southwestern United States. The designs and motifs reflect traditional Spanish and Mexican embroidery styles. The program begins at 12:30pm. Join other needleworkers for fun and learning beginning at 10am or come for this program only beginning at 12:30pm. For more information visit [www.facebook.com/SkyllkillEGA](http://www.facebook.com/SkyllkillEGA) or email to [EGASkyllkill@gmail.com](mailto:EGASkyllkill@gmail.com)

## WHAT: "The Blessing of the Animals" ... 2026 "The Year of the Humane Child"

WHERE: Third Lutheran Church, 31 Livingston St., Rhinebeck, NY 12572

WHEN: Sat. May 30th, 12PM-4PM (Rain Date Sun. May 31st, 1PM-5PM)

WHY: To strengthen the human-animal bond and encourage kindness in our communities by celebrating "Be Kind to Animals Week"

HOW: This is a free, outdoors, family fun event. Bring your pet for a hands-on blessing and stay to visit with the dozen plus charity exhibitors. Each is represented by their Ambassador Animal. This is an afternoon meant to delight and build compassion for all living things. No pet ... no problem come to enjoy nature and mingle with friends. <http://www.lutheranparishnortherndutchess.org/blessing-of-the-animals.html>

Preparing for our 4th year, "The Blessing of the Animals" has become a Rhinebeck "happening". Each May we bring the community together to honor and celebrate "Be Kind to Animals Week". This is the oldest commemorative week in US history, turning 111 years old in 2026. It was started by AMERICAN\*HUMANE in honor of their mission to ensure the safety, welfare and well-being of all animals. "The Blessing" is a free, outdoor, family event. People may bring their pets for an individual, hands-on blessing by Pastor Jim Miller. They then can stay to mingle and meet the Ambassador Animals representing the dozen plus charities that fill the great lawn at Third Lutheran Church, in the heart of Rhinebeck. Members of 4-H, Southlands Foundation, P.A.N.T., Hope Farm Animal Rescue, Inc, and Animal Farm Foundation.Org, are just a few

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## Rededication of the Rowe Church Cemetery to Honor Local Revolutionary War Veterans

Sunday, May 24, 2026 following the Milan Parade at Noon  
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### The Rhinebeck Garden Club

Our calendar has been packed with learning opportunities and social activities. We kicked things off in February with Ashley Gamell's presentation on the planned new village pollinator conservation garden. Two outstanding offsite visits followed: Battenfeld's Wholesale Growers in March and the ND Botanical Gardens in April.

Meetings are usually held at the Rhinebeck Village Hall at 10 a.m. on the fourth Wednesday of each month. On September 23, RBGC member and Master Gardener Linda DiGasper will give a talk on spring bulbs. In October, we'll gather at the Rhinebeck Reformed Church for a potluck fall harvest lunch. November's program will be a "Make & Take" hands-on workshop featuring creations made with pressed flowers and leaves from our gardens. Two field trips are also scheduled for members. In May, we'll travel to Skylands Botanical Gardens in New Jersey. Closer to home, in July, we'll enjoy a guided



Ashley Gamell of Partners for Climate Action Hudson Valley speaking on Rhinebeck's new pollinator conservation garden



Fred Battenfeld talking to members at our March tour

tour of the Burbee Experimental Garden at Montgomery Place. In addition to lectures and garden tours, the Rhinebeck Garden Club has, for over a decade, cared for the flower beds at the DeWitt Gurnell "Doughboy" Park. Visitors and residents alike often stop to compliment our efforts as we plant, deadhead, water, trim, and weed the beds. The Club also maintains the spring border garden on Rockefeller Lane.

Work has begun on our annual plant sale, which will be held at the Rhinebeck Reformed Church on September 19. An assortment of houseplants and hundreds of perennials from members' gardens will be available, along with delicious home-baked goods. If local gardeners have ceramic pots, garden art, or gently used garden tools they'd like to donate to the sale, please contact Diane Britton at [Dbrit34@gmail.com](mailto:Dbrit34@gmail.com) to arrange for pickup or drop off. Proceeds help fund stipends for speakers from nonprofit organizations, support maintenance at the DeWitt Gurnell garden, and contribute

each year to a different gardening-related community project. Our membership continues to grow, and we are now 70 members strong. For information about upcoming meetings or to become a member, please call Sue at (845) 797-3226.

### Sheriff Launches Foundation to Support Office and Members

The Columbia County Sheriff's Office has announced the formation of the Columbia County Sheriff's Office Mutual Aid Foundation, a nonprofit dedicated to supporting its members and strengthening the community it serves. A kickoff gala to launch the foundation will be held May 30, 2026, from 5 to 10 p.m. at The Farm at Pond Lily in Elizaville.

Led by Sheriff Jacqueline Salvatore, the foundation will fund initiatives, including youth outreach programs, officer training and professional development, wellness services and lifesaving equipment. It will also provide financial assistance to members of the Sheriff's Office and their families during times of unexpected hardship.

The foundation builds on the Sheriff's Office's ongoing community efforts, including child safety seat inspections, child identification programs, bicycle safety events and other public safety initiatives. Many law enforcement agencies establish foundations to enhance resources, support

personnel and strengthen community partnerships beyond traditional funding. "Supporting our members and investing in their well-being and growth is essential to providing the highest level of service," Salvatore said. "This foundation allows us to strengthen both our agency and our connection to the community."

A kickoff gala will be held May 30, 2026, from 5 to 10 p.m. at The Farm at Pond Lily in Elizaville. Proceeds will benefit the foundation's programs. More information is available at [www.columbiacountysheriffsfoundation.org](http://www.columbiacountysheriffsfoundation.org).

The foundation is rooted in the tradition of neighbors helping neighbors and aims to foster trust, create opportunity and contribute to a safer, stronger Columbia County.

### Germantown Garden Club

"On March 21 the Germantown Garden Club heard a presentation by Germantown Historian Tom Shannon. Tom gave an interesting and detailed accounting of the Palatines in the history of Germantown."



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## The Blessing of the Animals from page 5

of the exhibitors that will be returning. The State Police Canine Unit always participates assigning a working canine unit to thrill the kids. All of the exhibitors work within our communities to make them safer, healthier and more humane places. This is an afternoon meant to educate, build stewardship and compassion for all living creatures.

The theme for 2026, "The Year of the Humane Child" was selected to honor the work of animal behaviorist Dr. Jane Goodall. Dr. Goodall taught the world to see animals not as subjects of study, but as fellow beings - sentient, emotional, and intelligent in ways that mirror our own cognitive and emotional lives. Today, in laboratories from Atlanta to Vienna, neuroscientists are using magnetic resonance imaging (MRIs) to study the canine brain in action. They're asking an ancient question in a modern way: What does love look like inside a dog's brain? The answer, it turns out, glows from deep within the brain, in the very same reward centers that light up when we ourselves feel joy or affection. Science can measure the firing of neurons, but what it truly shows us is something timeless. LOVE, as it turns out, is not a human monopoly. It's a biological bond that transcends species.

Once again, "THE PET REMEMBRANCE TREE" will be in place. Tributes to pets who have passed are annually added to its' branches. Leashes, chewed slippers, an empty tuna fish can, photos, a large paper mâché chicken are just a few of the items that have been placed on the tree over the past three years. The tree is prominently displayed in front of the church. Nearby, there is reflection garden with benches. A box of tissues sits on each bench, and they are usually empty by the close of the day. All furred, finned, feathered and scaled friends are invited to attend with their companion humans. All animal guests must be properly escorted, leashed, kenneled, harnessed, etc. All pooper scooper and Village of Rhinebeck laws must be observed. Last year we welcomed 200 plus visitors many without pet escorts. Several went home with a new 4-legged addition to their family.

**ANIMAL FARM FOUNDATION, Org.** ... a 501c3 charity, AFF was founded in 1985 and built on the principal that "all dogs are individuals". Promoting animal and human welfare, their focus is to help people and pets in their communities by supporting local shelter programs, rescuing and placing at risk breeds, esp. pit bulls. Their "Old Friend" program focuses on senior shelter dogs. Their Ambassador Animal will be an adoptable "Old Friend".

**DR. LAURA JAWORSKI AND LAZARUS** ... Dr. Laura is a veterinarian, wildlife rehabilitator, educator and falconer. At her table visitors can meet and greet Raptor

Ambassador, Lazarus, a 9-year-old Eurasian Eagle Owl. He truly brings the "WOW" factor to this wonderful event. **4-H** ... a 501c3, the 4-H Small Animal Project allows youth to learn about the life history, management and care of a pet of their choice: birds, guinea pigs, rabbits, dogs even bugs! The project covers all aspects of pet care: selection, feeding, health, etc. Sarge, a 13lb Flemish Giant Rabbit, is the amazing Ambassador Animal for 4-H.

**HOLLY MENTZER** ... is a board-certified music therapist working for Hudson Valley Hospice. Uniquely trained, Holly knows the power of music. It enhances the lives of homebound patients and calms anxious pets. She will be playing her portable harp at "The Blessing".

**HOPE FARM ANIMAL RESCUE, INC.** ... a 501c3 charity Founded in 2021, this local non-profit farm operates with animals and children in mind. HFAR is a self-funded rescuer of farm animals and a place where children can learn and grow kindness. Their Ambassador Animal is Rosie, a 200lb. potbelly pig. Her favorite treats are lollipops!

**HOPE FOR DOGS PR** ... a 501c3, whose mission is to rescue and rehabilitate homeless and at-risk dogs from Puerto Rico. Once in the US, they have a second chance for a nurturing home and stress-free life. They will have several Ambassador Puppies available for adoption.

**P.A.N.T.** ... a 501c3, "Partnership for Animals Needing Transition" is an all-volunteer community group working to reduce feral and abandoned cat populations. They support early neuter and spay while maintaining an ongoing TNR (trap, neuter and return) program. They will have several adoptable Ambassador Felines looking for loving homes.

**S O U T H L A N D S FOUNDATION** ... a 501c3, the focal point of the Rhinebeck equestrian community will be highlighting many of their interactive programs. One of special note is "Mommy & Me". Starting 3 years of age, children, accompanied by an adult, learn how to approach, care for respect and share their lives with horses. The Foundation has many programs to accommodate all age groups and all level of riders. Their Equine Ambassador, Casey.

**STATE POLICE CANINE UNIT** ... The New York State department's participation is always a very exciting addition. From the moment the transport vehicle arrives everyone is eager to meet the team, 2 and 4-legged officers. Working members of the canine unit, these partners provide a great opportunity to answer questions from the public. Answering important questions about their role in keeping NY State communities safe. Their Ambassador is a classic, Tilly the Bloodhound.

**TWO BY TWO ANIMAL HAVEN INC.** ... "A traveling animal program whose purpose is to educate the public about

animals, their welfare and conservation. Their programs foster kindness for all living things." Their Ambassador Animals were previously adopted and have been placed with the 501c3 voluntarily due to care issues. Come visit their exhibit and bring lots of questions!

## May 2026 Program Highlights at the Millbrook Library

Sharing a list of upcoming events at the Millbrook Library in the month of May. All of these events are free and open to the public and take place at the Millbrook Library 3 Friendly Lane, Millbrook, NY (unless otherwise noted). For more information, please visit [millbrooklibrary.org](http://millbrooklibrary.org).

### Lotus Lantern Craft Workshop

Saturday, May 2

11:00am - 1:00pm

Join the Korean Spirit and Culture Promotion Project (KSCPP) for a hands-on workshop where participants will create a beautiful lotus flower lantern using colored paper and a pre-made wireframe. Along the way, they'll also discover Korea's rich history and unique cultural heritage. The program concludes with a short documentary film that offers a deeper look into modern Korea. Space is limited and registration is required for this program. Please register at [millbrooklibrary.org](http://millbrooklibrary.org)

### Library Jam & Community Sing-a-Long

Wednesday, May 6 & June 3

6:30 - 8:00pm

Fiction Room

Join Millbrook's musical community for Library Jam! Bring an instrument, or just your voice for singing, hands for clapping, or ears for listening. Eric Marshall will lead you through a myriad of memorable tunes. This group is perfect for beginner

and advanced musicians. All ages and abilities are welcome! The Millbrook Library Jam meets the first Wednesday of each month - outside on the library porch or in the Fiction room, depending on the weather.

### Millbrook Film Club: Cielo

Thursday, May 7

6:00-8:00pm

In honor of NASA's Artemis II mission to the moon, Millbrook Film Club presents CIELO - a stunning documentary that explores the night sky, as experienced by astronomers, local farmers, and cowboys in Chile's Atacama Desert - known for its high-altitude, aridity, and near-complete lack of cloud cover and light pollution. The resulting meditation on the heavens is an inspiring vision of a universe that we both see and cannot see.

### Un Real Exhibit Opening Reception

Friday, May 8

6:00 - 8:00pm

Millbrook Arts Project presents **Un Real**, an exhibition of artwork by Fern Apfel, Betsy Brandt, Monica Miller Link, Kevin Mosca, Laura Von Rosk, and Daniel Walworth. Un Real brings together a group of contemporary artists that share a commitment to looking closely at the world, yet what emerges in their work is something far more complex than simple representation.

Drawing from diverse source material - archival ephemera, woodland observation, cinematic landscapes and invented narratives - the familiar is rendered with such clarity that it slips into something less certain. Please join us for the Opening Reception on Friday, May 8th, 6-8pm, an Artist Talk on Saturday, June 6, 1-2:30pm, and an Upstate Art Weekend Reception on Saturday, June 27, 5-6:30pm. The exhibit runs May 8 through

June 28 at the Millbrook Library.

### Garden Matters: Roots to Blooms with Kristen Essig

Saturday, May 9

11:00am - 12:30pm

Explore the value of utilizing plants in their entirety, from underground roots to blossoms and seeds. We'll examine how whole-plant practices reduce waste, deepen our relationship with food, and support healthier soils, more resilient farms, and more equitable food systems. Learn practical ways that farmers, cooks, and communities can rethink abundance by honoring the full life cycle of the plants we grow. Taught by Kristen Essig, Director of Culinary Outreach and Development, [Stonewood Farm](http://StonewoodFarm.org)

### Volunteer Fair

Saturday, May 16

11:00am - 1:00pm

Act locally! Looking for ways to give back to the community? Connect with amazing organizations that help our community and learn how you can get involved at the Millbrook Library's fifth annual Volunteer Fair. Learn about local volunteer opportunities including animal rescue, environmental and nature programs, food security, health and wellness, literacy and tutoring, local history, and more. Participating organizations include: AARP, Dutchess County SPCA, Dutchess Outreach, Grace Smith House, Literacy Connections, Lucky Orphans Horse Rescue, Millbrook Historical Society, Dutchess County Office for the Aging, Poughkeepsie Farm Project, Puppies Behind Bars, Stonewood Farm, United Way of the Dutchess-Orange Region, and more!

**Office Hours with Dutchess County Legislator Eric Alexander**

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11:00am - 2:00pm  
Dutchess County Legislator Eric Alexander will be holding drop-in Office Hours at the library for local constituents.

Community members are invited to meet our local representative and receive help with questions and County services.

#### Spring Nature Journaling at Cary Institute

Wednesday, May 27

11:00am-12:30pm

Nature journaling is an accessible and enjoyable method of connecting with the local environment across all

seasons. Join Ecology Educator Ashley Alred on this guided exploration of Spring at the Cary Institute and learn field-based techniques for capturing our outdoor observations with sketching and watercolor. All materials will be provided; however, you are welcome to bring personal supplies like a journal, pencil, and pen. Space is limited and registration is required for this free program. Please sign up at [millbrooklibrary.org](http://millbrooklibrary.org).

#### Intro to AI for Beginners

Wednesday, May 27

6:30-8:00pm

Move beyond the hype and intimidation surrounding AI

and learn to understand what it is, what it can and cannot do, and how to start using it practically and responsibly. Instructor Sergio Fernandes is an Instructional Technology Consultant at Pace University with over 28 years of experience helping people use technology more effectively. Known for his calm, clear, anti-hype approach, Sergio translates complex tools into plain language and real-world workflows that enable beginners to build confidence without sacrificing their judgment.

#### Millbrook Film Club: A Man Named Pearl

Thursday, May 28

6:00 - 8:00pm

Bennett Room

For over three decades, Pearl Fryar dedicated himself to his yard work. And how. This documentary follows this self-trained topiary sculptor, the son of a sharecropper, as he turns his garden into a fantastical wonderland, becoming an inspiration to his community and drawing visitors from around the world. This free screening is brought to you through the generous support of Film Director Scott Galloway.

Flower Farm joins us for three early season dates with shrubs and trees from their Ellenville nursery. Simply Soupreme joins us weekly with a variety of plant-based, gluten free soups to take home or enjoy at the market. Vosburgh Brewing of Elizaville joins us for a handful of spring and summer dates featuring their rotation of locally crafted beer from the historic 200 year old Vosburgh Farm orchard.

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### Rhinebeck Farmers' Market Begins Its 32nd Season Sunday May 3rd

The Rhinebeck Farmers' Market begins its 32<sup>nd</sup> season on Sunday May 3rd from 10:00AM-2:00PM. The market will continue to run outside until December 27<sup>th</sup>. The market is held in the heart of the village at the municipal parking lot located at 61 East Market Street Rhinebeck, New York.

Over 30 vendors join us this season including seven new vendors! Alleyway Ice Cream (Saugerties), joins us with small batch hand crafted scoops and pints of ice cream every week. Matriarch Medicinals (Poughkeepsie) offers tallow-based skin care rooted in folk herbalism and guided by ancestral traditions (every other week). Milea Estate Vineyard joins us weekly featuring their expressive wines including Cabernet Franc, Chardonnay, and unique regional varietals. All produced from their vineyard in Staatsburg. Misto Eats (Red Hook) joins us every other week with a rotating seasonal offering of ready to eat prepared foods and frozen take home options. New York

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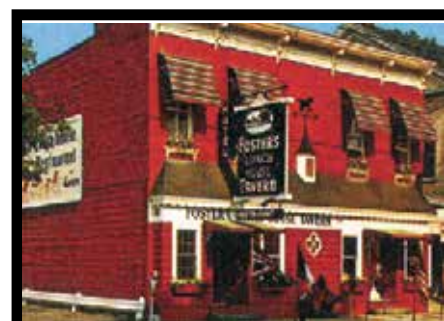


#### Ingredients

- 1 pound extra large shrimp (16-20), peeled and deveined.
- 2 tablespoons olive oil, or more as needed
- 1 teaspoon red pepper flakes, or to taste
- 1 teaspoon salt, or to taste
- ½ yellow onion, sliced
- 3 cloves garlic, minced
- ½ teaspoon dried oregano
- 1 cup white wine
- 1 ½ cups canned crushed tomatoes (such as San Marzano)
- 2 tablespoons chopped fresh flat-leaf parsley
- 2 tablespoons thinly sliced fresh basil leaves

#### Directions

Combine shrimp, olive oil, red pepper flakes salt, in a bowl; toss to coat shrimp completely in oil and spices.  
Heat a large skillet over high heat until very hot. Cook shrimp in a single layer in the hot skillet until the bottoms are browned, about 2 minutes. Turn shrimp and cook until browned on the other side, about 1 minute more. Transfer shrimp to a clean bowl.  
Heat the same skillet over medium heat. Cook and stir onion with a pinch of salt in the hot skillet until onions are slightly golden and translucent, 2 to 4 minutes. Add garlic and oregano; cook and stir until fragrant, 15 to 30 seconds. Pour white wine into onions; bring to a boil while scraping the browned bits of food off of the bottom of the pan with a wooden spoon.  
Add crushed tomatoes and lower heat to medium-low. Cook and stir until tomato mixture thickens and flavors blend, 10 to 15 minutes.  
Return shrimp to the skillet along with any accumulated juices in the bowl. Cook until shrimp are reheated, 2 to 4 minutes. Stir parsley and basil into sauce; season with salt and red pepper flakes. Serve over bed of linguini or spaghetti.



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## Vacationing When You Have Pets

By Julianne Porter

There can be quite a few things to check off the list when preparing for a vacation, and for many of us that includes making sure our pets are taken care of. Whether we are bringing them with us, or making arrangements for while we are away, they are always an important part of vacation planning. The first step is to decide if our pets will be better off at home or away with us. Many pets can become stressed while traveling or when exposed to a new setting. On the other hand, many pets can experience stress if their owners are not with them and/or when other people are entering their homes. Your decision must be based not only your pets' behavioral health, but their physical health as well – Are they healthy enough to travel? Will they require medications, and can medications be given by someone else if your pets are left at home? Will your pets get enough exercise? If you decide to take your pets with you, the requirements of the airlines and hotels must also be considered, if utilized. Will the pets be allowed to stay where their owners are staying, and will they be safe there? If you decide to take your pets with you, make sure they have their required vaccinations and flea/tick/heartworm preventatives

current, and that they have any necessary diets and medications on hand while you're away. Some destinations require a veterinary health certificate within a certain amount of time of travel. International pet travel and travel to Hawaii can be especially cumbersome and may require several months of preparation. Also, make sure your pets are easily identifiable with a collar with your phone number inscribed and ideally a microchip. Pets can become disoriented and scared when they are in an unfamiliar place and may run away. If applicable, have a carrier or crate handy as this is often the safest and easiest way to transport your pets. It is also a good idea to bring bedding and toys from your home so there is some sort of familiarity. If you know your pets are prone to motion-sickness or anxiety while traveling, discuss preventative options and treatments with your pets' veterinarian. There are supplements, medications, and even pheromone sprays to help calm pets as they travel. Sometimes it is in their (and our) best interest for our pets to stay home – Safety, stress, and feasibility are all factors that influence our decision. If you choose to leave your pets at home, be sure you've left enough food and medication handy while you're away, along with emergency contact information.

You may decide to have your pets remain at home with a caretaker, either staying with them at your home or routinely visiting to care for them. You may also decide to have them stay at a caretaker's home, or a boarding facility/kennel. It is highly recommended to leave written instructions in case of an emergency, especially if the caretaker is not thoroughly familiar with your pets. Some people will even leave an emergency credit card for any unplanned expenses and may ensure that they can be contacted while away. Planning for our pets while preparing for vacation is a common consideration for most people. The duration of the trip, the destination, mode of transportation, and overall health and well-being of the pets will influence whether they come along or stay home. The main point is to be prepared. Make sure your pets have everything they need while you're away. The last thing we want to deal with while on vacation is our furry family members being sick or stressed. Your veterinarian is a valuable resource in making sure you and your pets have peace of mind during a vacation!

### The Columbia-Greene Humane Society

is pleased to announce a special two-day sale on heartworm testing, as well as canine and feline SNAP tests. This limited-time offer is designed to help pet owners prepare for warmer weather, when the risk of vector-borne diseases, spread by mosquitoes and ticks, significantly increases. The feline SNAP test screens for Feline Leukemia Virus (FeLV), Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV), and heartworm disease. The canine SNAP test screens for heartworm and three common tick-borne diseases: Lyme disease, ehrlichiosis, and anaplasmosis. All testing services will be offered at 20% off, and the office visit fee will be reduced to \$15. The sale will take place on May 4 and May 18, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., and is by appointment only. Please note that if a pet tests positive for any condition, a follow-up examination with one of our veterinarians will be required to discuss treatment options. To schedule an appointment, please contact our office at 518-828-6044 or at [info@cghs.org](mailto:info@cghs.org).

### The Columbia-Greene Humane Society/ SPCA (CGHS)

extends its sincere gratitude to ShopRite of Hudson for hosting a successful pet food drive in support of the organization's Free Pet Food Bank on Saturday, April 11. The organization also extends a heartfelt thank you to the many community members who generously donated during the drive, making this effort possible. As a result of this collective support, nearly 1,500 pounds of dry cat and dog food, along with more than \$400 in monetary donations, were collected

to benefit the Food Pantry. The Free Pet Food Bank is available seven days a week at no cost to individuals and families in need. Community members seeking assistance or looking to contribute are encouraged to contact the office at 518-828-6044 for more information.



from left to right: WBPM Road Crewperson Blair Barrone, WBPM Mid-Day Host Bill Williams, CGHS President/CEO Ron Perez, ShopRite Manager Jon Gregory, CGHS Director of Development and Community Outreach Rebecca Warner, and WBPM Road Crewperson Andy Morales.



The Hudson Valley Animal Rescue & Sanctuary (HVARS) is holding a free rabies vaccination clinic for local pets. The clinic

is scheduled for Saturday, May 30th, Noon - 4PM at the Third Lutheran Evangelical Church, 31 Livingston Street in Rhinebeck. The clinic is open to dogs, cats and domestic ferrets 3 months of age and older. Pre-registration is required and is available online at [hvvars.org](http://hvvars.org). Walk-ins will be accommodated on an available basis. The clinic is free for Dutchess County residents and \$15 per pet for non-residents. Please bring proof of residency. All dogs must be on a leash, and cats and domestic ferrets must be in carriers. Vaccinations will be good for 3 years with proof of prior vaccination. For those without proof, the vaccination will be good for one year. Microchipping will also be available at a cost of \$45 per pet and one-year distemper vaccine for \$25 per pet.

Rabies vaccinations are required by New York State law for all dogs, cats and domestic ferrets by four months of age. Pet owners are required to revaccinate on a regular schedule to keep animals properly immunized against the rabies virus. Owners can be fined up to \$200 if they fail to get their pets vaccinated and keep them up to date.

HVARS is a non-profit animal rescue, wildlife rehabilitation center & low-cost vet service that opened in 2011 offering mobile pet clinics before opening its

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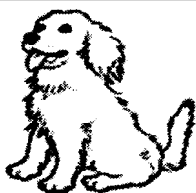
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**HVARs Free Rabies Clinic from page 10**

Poughkeepsie hospital location in 2015. Today HVARs is a main stay of Dutchess County, serving many communities at their permanent location, 9 Barnes Drive in Poughkeepsie.

This free vaccination clinic was made possible by a loving donation from the Estate of Charles Svatek. Charlie was known for his true acts of kindness and loving desire to make the world a better place for all living creatures.

**Annual Master Gardener Plant Sale Fundraiser Returns May 15th & 16th**

The Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County (CCEDC) Master Gardener Volunteers are pleased to announce the return of their 33rd Annual Plant Sale Fundraiser, taking place **Friday, May 15 from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM** and **Saturday, May 16 from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM** at the Farm and Home Center in Millbrook.

This highly anticipated community event features a wide selection of premium plants grown and curated by Master Gardener Volunteers, including annuals, perennials, vegetables, and herbs. Gardeners of all experience levels will find something to enjoy, with many new plant varieties available this year. To view what plants are available please visit the CCEDC website: [ccedutchess.org](http://ccedutchess.org)

“We look forward to welcoming the community back for this annual event,” said **Heather Brenner**, Community Horticulture

gardening while giving back to their community,” added Ms. Brenner. “Each year, our volunteers contribute thousands

Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County provides educational programs and resources based on Cornell University research, helping individuals and communities improve their quality of life through horticulture, agriculture, nutrition, and environmental stewardship. For more information on CCEDC’s programs and services, visit [ccedutchess.org](http://ccedutchess.org) or call 845-677-8223.

Dimston, Julie Evans, Shanti Grumbine, Kylie Heidenheimer, Martine Kaczynski, Alisa Sikelianos-Carter, Elena Sisto, David B. Smith, Charles Tisa, Jayoung Yoon and Deborah Zlotsky. Millay Arts is delighted to bring together these exceptional Visual Arts Alumni and present their diverse artworks; Time Space Limited Gallery hours are Monday through Sunday, 12:00–5:00 PM. On Saturday, June 20th, from 3:00 - 5:00pm, we will present readings by three Writing alumni, Sofi Stambo, Dominique C. Hill, and Ryan Nourai, plus a special performance by Composing alumni Will Lawrence. This event is free and open to the public, refreshments will be served. Monika Burczyk, Executive Director states: “this exhibition is both an introduction to Millay Arts, the third-longest running multidisciplinary artist residency program in the country, as well as an invitation to experience the talents of our extraordinary alums. The title of the exhibition, “With Quiet Eyes” comes from a poem by Edna St. Vincent



Customers shopping the variety of plants and vegetables at the 2025 32nd Annual Master Gardener Plant Sale at the Dutchess County Farm & Home Center in Millbrook.

Program Coordinator. In addition to plant shopping, attendees are encouraged to visit the **Master Gardener Volunteer Information Booth**, where knowledgeable volunteers will be on hand to answer gardening questions, provide research-based advice, and assist with plant selection.

Attendees also have the opportunity to purchase **soil test kits for \$25.00** at checkout; making it easy to take the guesswork out of improving garden soil health.

The program is also pleased to announce that the **2026 Master Gardener Volunteer Training Program** will begin this summer, welcoming **22 new volunteers** who will help expand outreach and strengthen community-based horticulture education across Dutchess County.

“This program offers a meaningful way for individuals to deepen their connection to

of hours delivering research-based education, supporting food security initiatives, and promoting environmental stewardship. We are proud to provide programs and resources that create a lasting impact throughout our community.”

Proceeds from the plant sale support community horticulture programming, educational initiatives, and outreach efforts throughout the county.

The **Master Gardener Volunteer Horticulture Hotline** is now open for the season. Available **April through September on Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:00 AM to Noon**, the hotline (845) 677-5067 provides free, research-based answers to home gardening questions. Gardeners can connect with trained Master Gardener Volunteers for guidance on everything from plant care to pest and disease management. **About Cornell Cooperative Extension Dutchess County**

**“With Quiet Eyes”**

An exhibition of visual artworks by Millay Arts’ NY-State based Visual Arts Alumni

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Selected by the Millay Arts’ Artists Committee (Jeff Bailey & Katharine Dufault, Chairpersons), works in the exhibition will include painting, sculpture, video and mixed media works. Alumni artists featured are: Polly Apfelbaum, Paolo Arao, Ann Burke Daly, Maya Ciarrochi, Danielle

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**“With Quiet Eyes” from page 11**

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**Taste of Rhinebeck Returns: A Walkable Culinary Experience Supporting Local Causes**

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Guests will stroll the charming streets of Rhinebeck, visiting a curated selection of restaurants, spirit shops, and specialty food retailers along the way. With more than 25 tastings included, attendees can enjoy an evening of exceptional flavors—whether exploring solo or gathering with friends.

More than a celebration of local cuisine, Taste of Rhinebeck is an opportunity to give back. Proceeds from this year’s event will support American Legion Post 429 as they rebuild following last fall’s devastating fire, as well as the Village Autism Supportive Community Committee and the Chamber’s ongoing give-back initiatives, including food drives, toy drives, and the Rhinebeck High School scholarship program.

Attendees may choose between two staggered start times—5:00 PM or 5:45 PM—designed to ensure a relaxed and enjoyable flow throughout the evening. Upon arrival, guests will be guided along a designated tasting path, allowing them to fully experience each stop without overcrowding.

Pre-registration is required, and all tickets must be purchased in advance. This is a cash-free event; day-of tickets may be available at the door if capacity allows. All ticket sales are final.

Proudly presented by Hudson Valley Food and Wine Festival, Six Senses Hudson Valley, WDST Radio Woodstock, and the Rhinebeck Area Chamber of Commerce, Taste of Rhinebeck highlights the very best of the region while fostering meaningful community impact.

Throughout the evening, interactive experiences will showcase the meaningful strides Rhinebeck and its partners have made toward environmental sustainability, adding an engaging and educational element to the event.

Rain or shine, Taste of Rhinebeck will go on, with tents and coverings in place to ensure a comfortable experience for all guests.

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Time: 5:00 PM – 8:00 PM

Location: Village of Rhinebeck

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**Sage City Symphony from page 12**

Johannes Brahms' *Concerto for Violin and Cello in A minor, Op. 102*, alongside Concertmaster Michael Emery.

The program also features Paul Hindemith's *Symphonic Metamorphosis of Themes by Carl Maria von Weber*, a vibrant and infrequently performed orchestral work. The symphony will be joined by singers from regional ensembles for a performance of Lili Boulanger's *Vieille prière bouddhique*.

Founded in 1972, Sage City Symphony is a community and college orchestra with close ties to Bennington College. The ensemble performs both traditional repertoire and contemporary works, commissioning and premiering new music each season.

Admission is free and open to all. The venue is handicapped accessible.

For more information, visit [www.SageCitySymphony.org](http://www.SageCitySymphony.org).

**About the Artists**

**Michael Emery, Violin**

Michael Emery is Senior Artist-in-Residence at Skidmore College, where he directs the string program and the Skidmore String Festival. He maintains an active career as a soloist, chamber musician, and educator, collaborating with internationally recognized artists and performing in major venues across the United States, Europe, and Asia.

**Michael Finckel, Cello**

Michael Finckel served as Sage City Symphony's Music Director for more than three decades and was principal cellist in its early years. A native of Bennington, he studied at Oberlin Conservatory and Bennington College with

Louis Calabro and Henry Brant. He has taught at Bennington and Marymount Colleges and at Princeton and Cornell Universities, and maintains an active career as a soloist, chamber musician, composer, and conductor.

**Choral Performers**

Singers from the Bennington County Choral Society, Battenkill Chorale, Northern Berkshire Chorale, and Burr & Burton Academy Vocal Music Ensemble will join the symphony for this performance. These ensembles represent a broad cross-section of choral activity in the region, drawing members from Vermont, New York, and Massachusetts.

Together, they bring a shared commitment to musical excellence and community-based performance, collaborating for Lili Boulanger's *Vieille prière bouddhique*.

**About the Conductors**

**Gerald Lanoue**

Gerald Lanoue, D.M.A., is an active conductor and bassoonist in the Southern Vermont and Upstate New York region. He serves as Music Director of the Music Company Orchestra and is principal bassoonist of Sage City Symphony. He studied at the Crane School of Music and the University of Southern California and has performed with numerous orchestras, including the Bakersfield Symphony and American Youth Symphony.

**Diane Bargiel**

Diane Bargiel holds degrees from the Dana School of Music, Michigan State University, and Carnegie Mellon University, with additional study in arts administration at NYU. She is a recipient of the SUNY Chancellor's Award for Excellence in

Scholarship and Creative Activities and has held leadership roles in arts organizations across the Northeast. She has been principal clarinetist of Sage City Symphony since 2012.

**About Sage City Symphony**

Co-founded in 1972 by Louis Calabro and Christine Graham, Sage City Symphony has long combined community musicians with college performers. The orchestra presents both classical repertoire and newly commissioned works, offering ambitious programming and opportunities for musicians throughout Vermont, New York, and Massachusetts.

Sage City Symphony is a nonprofit organization supported by donations, grants, and volunteer contributions. Concerts are always free and open to the public.

**2026 Dutchess Handmade Spring Pop-Up Shop Returns to Arts Mid-Hudson Featuring Over 60 Hudson Valley Artists**

Arts Mid-Hudson is proud to present the *2026 Dutchess Handmade Spring Pop-Up Shop*, returning from April 30 through June 12, 2026. This highly anticipated seasonal marketplace showcases the work of over 60 talented artists and makers from across the Hudson Valley, offering a vibrant and thoughtfully curated shopping experience for the community.

Visitors can explore a wide range of handcrafted goods, including glass, jewelry, greeting cards, textiles, ceramics, woodwork, prints, paintings, home décor, and more. The Pop-Up Shop is the perfect destination to find meaningful, locally made gifts for Mother's Day, Father's Day, graduations, birthdays, and all of life's special occasions or to discover something unique for yourself.

**Shop Hours:**

Monday – Friday | 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Saturdays, May 2, 9 & 16 | 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

**Location:** Arts Mid-Hudson's Gallery, 696 Dutchess Turnpike, Suite F, Poughkeepsie, NY. Join us for the Grand Opening Reception on Thursday, April 30, 2026, from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Guests are invited to celebrate the opening, meet participating artists, and be among the first to shop.

**Participating Artists**

**Include:** Amelia Acerra, Maryam Ali, Lucy Aponte, Carlise Azmitia, Roy Bartels, Janet Baskerville, Deborah Bein, Suzanne Bonser, Susan Bores, Patricia Broun, Peter Brown, Celia Calvo, Donna Castelluccio, Beth Creighton, Helen Crohn, Madeleine Cutrona, Jamila Dawkins, Daisy De Puthod, Carolyn Dickey, Susan DiGilio, Melissa Earle, Jennifer Edwards, Marie Elliott, Angela Engongoro,

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**Learn Smarter Tips, Better Upgrades, and Clever Fixes for Garden Tools**

The Germantown Garden Club will hold its next meeting on Tuesday, May 12, at the Hover Room at the Germantown Library, 31 Palatine Park Rd., Germantown. The meeting begins at Noon. On the agenda is a presentation by Diane VanKempen, Master Gardener and active in the Western Massachusetts Master Gardener Association and Bee Friendly Williamstown. Diane volunteers at various gardens and has helped to install and maintain three native plant gardens. Diane will present "Garden Tools: Hints, Upgrades, and Adaptations." Why cut off the

tip of the pinkie on one glove? Gear up for new tools to make your life easier. Never lose those Coronas again. Get ready to slay those tough roots and create your own "buckets of doom!"  
New members are always welcome. Refreshments will be served. For more information, please call Irene Clum at 518-537-4793.

The Germantown Garden Club is a member of the Federated Garden Clubs of NYS, Inc., and National Garden Clubs, Inc.

**Not to be Missed Annual Plant Sale**

The Germantown Garden Club will hold its very popular Annual Plant Sale on Saturday, May 16, from 8 am-1 pm at Palatine Park, Germantown. Locally grown nursery plants will be available for purchase. Plant selections include annual flowers, perennials, vegetables, and herbs. Garden club members will provide houseplants and seedlings.

The club will also offer a Gardening Tag Sale and a delicious Bake Sale. Get here early, as the most desirable plants sell out quickly! Funds raised at this event support the club's Germantown High School Scholarship Fund and other vital donations and projects for the town that the club provides. For more information, please call Joyce Vale at 518-821-2955.

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**HRMM Announces Walkie Talkie with Us Historic Walking Tours**

**Program Title:** Walkie Talkie with Us: Historic Rondout Walking Tours

**Dates & Time:** Easy Strolls: 10:00 AM on April 3, June 5, August 7, October 2

More Challenging Hikes: 10:00 AM on May 1, July 3, September 4

**Location:** Hudson River Maritime Museum - 50 Rondout Landing, Kingston, NY

**Pricing:** \$10 per person / \$5 Seniors

The Hudson River Maritime Museum has announced Walkie Talkie with Us, a new and novel series of educational historic strolls and more vigorous walks in the Kingston Rondout area. Led by an HRMM Educator and avid walker, each 1 -3-mile walk will explore a different neighborhood or street in the Kingston waterfront area (Rondout), uncovering stories behind historic homes and buildings, local landmarks, and the people who shaped Rondout's past.

**Walkie Talkie with Us** is different from other walking tours that provide a walk/stop/talk format which are generally anaerobic. Walkie Talkie with Us tours maintain a gentle yet

continuous pace which are more aerobic, with the Educator turning, walking and talking, to share stories and local historical musings with the group. Two routes will be offered on a rotating monthly basis, including a less strenuous "stroll" and a more rigorous "hike," which will include the steep incline of Wurts Street. Routes will be chosen for walkability and seating opportunities, ensuring comfort and inclusion for all participants. Find more information and registration details at [hrmm.org](http://hrmm.org) or [here](#). The Walkie Talkie with Us series of historic walking tours is sponsored by CDPHP. **The Hudson River Maritime Museum** is dedicated to the preservation and interpretation of the maritime history of the Hudson River, its tributaries and related industries. In addition to extensive collections documenting maritime transportation, industry, recreation, and natural science, the museum offers classes and programs at its Woodworking School, Sailing and Rowing School, and aboard *Solaris*, the 100% solar powered tour boat and floating classroom. Now in its 46th year, HRMM is located along the historic Rondout waterfront in downtown Kingston. For more information about the Hudson River Maritime Museum, please visit [hrmm.org](http://hrmm.org), find [HRMM on Facebook](#), or call 845.338.0071.

**Anna Plattner and Justin Wexler of Wild Hudson Valley**

**Program Title:** Connecting to History Through Wild Foods  
**Date & Time:** May 12, 2026 at 7:00 PM

**Location:** Hudson River Maritime Museum - 50 Rondout Landing, Kingston, NY

**Pricing:** \$10/non member - \$5/HRMM members

Discover the deep connections between nature, history, and food at *Connecting to History Through Wild Foods*, an engaging lecture that explores the edible landscape of the Hudson Valley and its cultural roots.

Presented by co-founders Anna Plattner and Justin Wexler of Wild Hudson Valley, this interactive talk highlights how wild plants have sustained the region's inhabitants for thousands of years—and how they continue to shape our



understanding of place today.

Drawing on their work in forest farming, education, and land stewardship, Plattner and Wexler will share how they connect modern audiences to the past through guided

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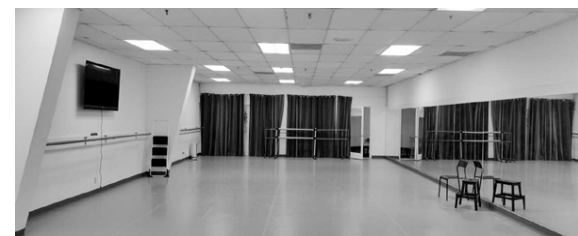
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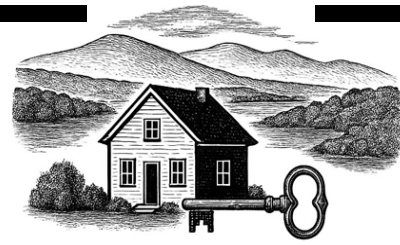
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**HRMM Announces**

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foraging walks, workshops on Northeastern Native land stewardship, and innovative programs like a wild food CSA. Attendees will gain insight into the ecological, cultural, and historical significance of



the Hudson Valley's diverse plant life—while seeing the landscape in a whole new way.

Both speakers bring extensive expertise to their work. Plattner, a graduate of Cornell University, has spent over two decades managing large-scale agroforestry operations. Wexler, an ethnologist trained at Marlboro College and Bard College, combines fieldwork with archival research to explore the land use practices and cultural traditions of Native communities in the Hudson and Delaware Valleys.

This event offers a fresh, immersive perspective on Hudson Valley history—one that engages both the mind and the senses.

**Event Details & Registration:** Tickets and additional information can be found here or visit [hrmm.org](http://hrmm.org)

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**Hillsdale Renames Park to Honor Longtime Town Official Tom Carty**

The Town of Hillsdale on Saturday April 25 renamed the park outside its town hall to honor Tom Carty, a longtime Hillsdale volunteer, community organizer and Town Board member who died last year.

Dozens of friends, family members and past and current Hillsdale officials gathered to formally rename the park as The Tom Carty Town Hall Park.

The park is one of the many projects that Carty helped organize or for which he oversaw the fundraising and construction.

Other projects in which he was instrumental include the Harlem Valley Rail Trail, the Hillsdale Climate Smart Committee Bronze Certification, installation of LED lighting in the Hillsdale

Light District, solar panels on the Town Garage, renovation of Town Hall, the Welcome to Hillsdale signs and Hillsdale's annual flea market. He served as Hillsdale Steering Committee chair and the town grant administrator. Moreover, he was a Town Board member for seven years.

At the ceremony at town hall, attended by Carty's husband and longtime community volunteer, Howard Van Lenten, Hillsdale Town Supervisor Mike Dvorchak presented a proclamation in honor of Carty's legacy to Van Lenten and unveiled a plaque with the new name of the park.

In the spirit of Tom's love of community and collaboration, Supervisor Dvorchak invited members of the audience to read sections of the proclamation: former Hillsdale supervisor Chris Kersten, current Town Board Member Irwin Feld, Infrastructure Committee member Steve Bluestone, Safe at Home Committee member Joyce Lapenn, former Safe at Home member Beth Gordon, and Economic Development Committee Chair Matt White.

"Tom was a vital force for improving Hillsdale and making it a better place for all of its residents," Dvorchak said. "His legacy will endure for a long time to come."

**HRMM to Host Stephen Blauweiss for Historic Rondout Multimedia Lecture Series**

This May, acclaimed historian and filmmaker Stephen Blauweiss headlines a dynamic three-part lecture series that invites audiences to explore the rich, surprising, and often overlooked stories of the Kingston Rondout. Blending meticulously restored historic imagery, engaging storytelling, and multimedia

presentations, the series offers a fresh and entertaining perspective on regional and cultural history. Designed for both longtime residents and curious newcomers, each event delivers an immersive experience—far from a traditional classroom lecture—complete with compelling visuals, little-known anecdotes, and opportunities for audience interaction.

**Series Lineup:**

**Rondout (Re) Visited — May 6** Step back in time with Stephen Blauweiss for a vivid, multimedia exploration of the historic Rondout neighborhood before more than 600 structures were demolished. This "virtual walk" features striking "Then & Now" comparisons and a remarkable collection of restored images, including rare glimpses of the famed Kingston Point Amusement Park in its heyday. Packed with fascinating, lesser-known stories, this presentation promises to both delight and inform—followed by a live Q&A session.

**The Dutch and Their New York Legacy — May 13**

In this engaging and accessible talk, Stephen Blauweiss unravels the often-overlooked influence of Dutch history in New York. Using an array of maps, timelines, and vivid imagery, Blauweiss connects the dots between fragmented historical narratives, transforming a complex subject into a clear, compelling story that resonates across generations.

**Sharkey and His Pals! — May 27**

Join filmmakers Gary Bohan Jr. and Stephen Blauweiss for an entertaining and heartwarming presentation featuring exclusive segments from their upcoming documentary *Sharkey & His Pals*. Audiences will meet Sharkey, a charismatic sea lion trained in Kingston at the

legendary Seal College, whose remarkable personality and talent led him to Broadway and beyond. Through stories of show business history, humor, and the powerful bond between animal and trainer, this event promises surprises, laughter, and inspiration.

**Event Details & Registration:** Tickets and additional information can be found here or visit [hrmm.org](http://hrmm.org)

**Stephen Blauweiss** is an historian with over 30 years experience as an independent filmmaker and produces work on a wide variety of subjects, from art and education to social and environmental issues. He has produced over 75 short films, including three features. Twenty of his short films about artists have aired on American Public Television and have been screened in museums and festivals across the U.S., Europe and Canada, including the New York State Museum, Mass Moca, the Albany Institute of History & Art, and the Dorsky Museum of Art.

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