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## Cambridge Valley Fine Art Tour and Sale

CAMBRIDGE - Enjoy the historic walkable village of Cambridge the weekend of December 7 & 8.. Support local artists, find something unique and wonderful, and have fun doing it!

Take time the weekend of December 7 & 8 to visit five artists in their studios for our eighth Cambridge Valley Fine Art Tour. All of the participants live in the village of Cambridge and have been producing art for many years.

Starting on the west end of town, visit with Matt Chinian, plein air artist with many scenes of our local streets, streams and landscapes. Heading east a block,

visit Elana Mark who paints delicate oil paintings of local landscapes with barns, and village scenes.

Just down Myrtle Ave. from Elana is Sara Kelly with her fanciful and vivid watercolors and oils, along with calendars, cards and prints. Head east on Main Street to Grove Street, where George Van Hook will have his studio open, displaying his gorgeous oil paintings. The last stop on the tour is Mark Tougias, at the corner of Spring Street and North Park (Rt. 22 N) with his luscious, vibrant landscapes.

Look for our signs, and visit the web-

site for more information about the artists and a map to their locations. <http://www.cambridgevalleyart.org> Most artists can't process credit cards so be sure to bring cash or your check book to purchase art.

While in Cambridge make sure to visit our restaurants, shops and galleries.

This weekend also has other events around the village during Christmas in Cambridge weekend. Go to [cambridge-nychamber.com](http://cambridge-nychamber.com) for a schedule of those events.

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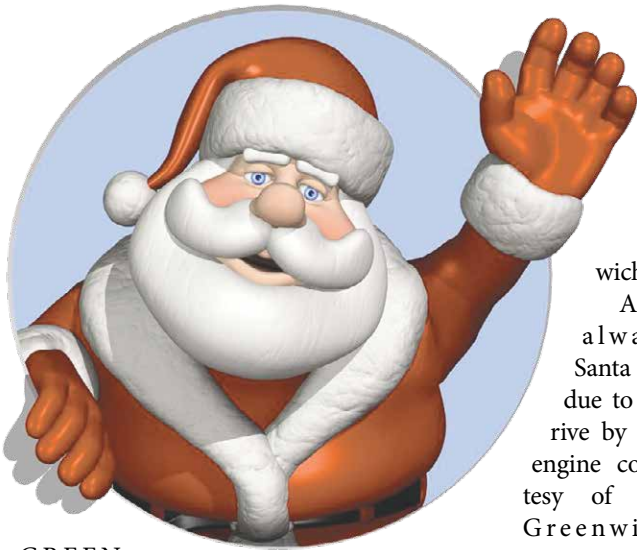
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# Annual Greenwich Breakfast with Santa



**GREENWICH** - Santa is coming to Greenwich!! The Annual Greenwich Breakfast with Santa event will be held on Saturday, December 7th, 2019 from 7:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. at the Greenwich Elks Club on Route 40 in Green-

wich. Always Santa is due to arrive by fire engine courtesy of the Greenwich Fire Department at approximately 8:00 a.m. The cost is \$6.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 10 - tickets are available at the door. The breakfast is a family style pancake breakfast cooked by the Greenwich Elks Club.

Children will have the opportunity to get their picture taken with Santa, make holiday crafts, create Christmas cards, and write Christmas Lists to Santa. The FFA, FBLA and local vendors will also have Holiday decorations, GCS Clothing and other craft items for sale. The Pooch's Corner Preschool will also be on hand to spread some

cheer as they sing some Christmas carols.

The event is sponsored by the Greenwich Women's Service Club in association with the Greenwich Central School District's FFA, FBLA and National Honor Society Clubs. The proceeds from the event will go towards Operation Santa and local Community projects.

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**December 7 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**  
**December 7 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

Ring in the holidays with this popular family event. We furnish greens, ribbons and tools, you provide the merriment. Bring along your own decorations to add to your wreath.



**Full Cold Moon Hike - \$5**

**December 14 @ 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

This staff-guided hike will be of moderate difficulty. Participants must be dressed appropriately for the weather -- keep in mind that it's not called the "Cold Moon" for nothing! Have sturdy footwear, micro-spikes and a headlamp or flashlight. Please register for the hike here.

**Full Wolf Moon Hike - \$5**

**January 11, 2020 @ 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm**

A moderate hike (or snowshoe -- de-

pending upon snow cover) on moonlit trails. Dress for the cold and have sturdy footwear, micro-spikes/snowshoes, water & snacks, and a headlamp or flashlight.

**Tracking Workshop - \$5**

**January 25 @ 10:00 am - 12:00 pm**

We'll hike across snowfields and into the woods to find ... whatever has come before. Held weather-permitting. Dress for the cold and have sturdy footwear, micro-spikes/snowshoes, water & snacks.

**Treats for Tweets Workshop - \$10**

**January 25, 2020 @ 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm**

Learn about the birds who stay through winter, and make special treats to bring home to sustain your own feathered friends. Children must be accompanied by an adult companion.

**Full Snow Moon Hike - \$5**

**February 8, 2020 @ 4:00 pm - 5:30 pm**

Staff-guided hike/snowshoe (snow-cover-dependent) across the winter landscape. If the sky is clear, the trails will be moon-lit, and the evening air cold so dress warmly! The snow conditions

will dictate whether this is a micro-spike or a snowshoe hike: bring both if you have 'em, as well as water, snacks and a headlamp/flashlight

**WINTER IN THE WOODS**

**Kids' Camp for Winter Vacation - \$50**

**February 18-20, 2020 @ 9:00 am**

February 18, 19, 20. 9am to 3pm. Winter Vacation Camp for children, grades 2 through 5. Come join our Winter-Break Day Camp for second through fifth graders. We'll explore the snowy woods, create wintry crafts and play! Merck Forest is a winter wonderland and you can come to camp for one day or all three, from 9am to 3pm each day. Bring a bag lunch, water and snacks (we'll supply the hot chocolate!) and dress for outdoor play.

**Owl Presentation & Hike - \$5**

**February 22, 2020 @ 4:00 pm - 6:00 pm**

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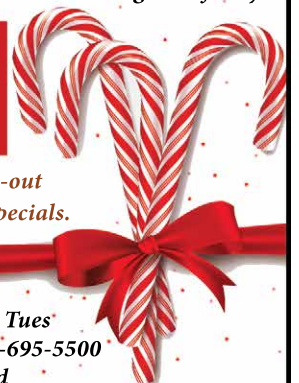


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# Christmas in Cambridge

CAMBRIDGE - Starting with Black Friday and Small Business Saturday the annual Cambridge Valley Chamber of Commerce Holiday Raffle begins. Every time you shop in a chamber member business, put your name and phone number on the receipt and place it in the raffle bag. We will be drawing the winning receipt December 23, so you have plenty of time to enter often. Our local businesses donate items to make a substantial gift basket of goods and gift certificates.

Shopping local helps keep our village vibrant and alive. Supporting our small independent businesses is good for the community, and you'll find some unique gift items you won't find at the mall.

## Christmas in Cambridge

**December 6th ~ 8th**

Schedule of Events  
(subject to change)

### FRIDAY December 6

6:00 pm: Santa comes to town in Memorial Park for the lighting of the Christmas Tree. There will be photo opportunities with Santa and Mrs. Claus, glow necklaces given out to all the youth, and jolly good fun!

5-9 pm: Village stores will have extended hours. Eggnog, cider and cookies will be served in the retail stores participating in the Chamber's Christmas Cash.

6:00 pm: Peter Bailey Project plays at Argyle Brewing in the Depot

Christmas Cash is only available on Friday evening, so make sure to shop!

### SATURDAY December 7

9am & 11am: Holiday Breakfast at Hubbard Hall. 2 seatings: 9am and 11am, reservations suggested.

Throughout the day stores will be open so you can spend

your Christmas Cash.

10am-5pm: Cambridge Valley Art Tour at 5 art studios for more info: [cambridgevalleyart.org](http://cambridgevalleyart.org)

10am-4pm: Cambridge Central School PTA Craft & Vendor Fair, benefitting Operation Santa Claus. Basket Bingo will be held in Room 80, Local Cambridge/Greenwich PD will be present, accepting new, unwrapped toys for Operation Santa Claus. Everyone donating will receive an entry into the chance to win \$100.00 gift certificate for fuel oil with BOVE Fuels, donated by Michael Sullivan and 2 separate \$50.00 Visa Cards.

10am-2pm: Christmas Goodies Bazaar Craft and Bake Sale at Cambridge United Presbyterian Church.

12:30-1:30pm: Ballet Dance demonstration, Hubbard Hall Studio,

Ballet Living Window Displays 1:45 Battenkill Books, 2:00 Cambridge Food Co-op, 2:15 Hubbard Block Antiques,

2:30 location to be determined, 2:45 Round House Bakery Cafe

2pm: Cookie Swap, location to be determined

4-6pm: Carol Sing around the Village, contact [cambridgechamber@gmail.com](mailto:cambridgechamber@gmail.com) to join in

5pm: Mystery Movie Night at the Brieman Building, 81 E. Main Street, potluck supper and movie, Cambridge United Presbyterian Church.

7:00 pm: Lighted Holiday Parade, Sponsored by the

Cambridge Lions Club. The Lighted Parade begins on East Main Street and ends on Broad Street.

7:00 pm: Live Music at Argyle Brewing in the Depot with Angelina Valente.

### SUNDAY December 8

10am-5pm: Cambridge Valley Art Tour at 5 art studios for more info: [cambridgevalleyart.org](http://cambridgevalleyart.org)

10am-2pm: Holiday Farmers Market in the Lovejoy Building, Freight Yard (be-

hind Hubbard Hall)

12pm-4pm Makers Market at Argyle Brewing in the Depot

5:30pm: Cambridge Lions Club Eternal Illumination Memorial Tree Lighting in Memorial Park

Please check the Cambridge Valley Chamber of Commerce web page and facebook page for more information. [www.cambridgenychamber.com](http://www.cambridgenychamber.com) 518-677-0887 or e-mail [cambridgechamber@gmail.com](mailto:cambridgechamber@gmail.com)

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- Pay as You Wish throughout December! Visit The Hyde free of charge, then fill out a brief survey and, if you so choose, make a donation based on your experience.
- Get in the spirit of giving with the expanded Museum Holiday Shop in Hoopes Gallery. Find books, stationary, and collectibles for the art lover on your list! Members always receive a 10 percent discount in the shop!
- Not sure what to get the person on your list who has everything? Give the gift of art with a Hyde membership! New Individual and

Dual/Family Memberships are half-off throughout the month of December, with packages starting at \$30!

- The Hyde joins forces with Glens Falls Symphony and Crandall Public Library to host a live holiday armed forces radio broadcast at 2 pm Saturday, December 7, performed by Captain Gary Ferris. In honor of the seventy-fifth anniversary of Glens Falls being dubbed "Hometown USA" by Look Magazine, enjoy festive songs and stories paired with accompanying piano and imagery of Glens Falls in the height of its hometown heyday. Free. RSVP by contacting Kayla at 518-792-1761, ext. 310, or [adminassist@hydecollection.org](mailto:adminassist@hydecollection.org).
- Hyde Night: Candlelight tours return for the holidays, with new themes and artworks to explore. Tour Hyde House by candle-

light (LED, that is) at 6 pm Wednesday, December 4, 11, and 18, and learn about the Museum's permanent collection artworks and their connection to the traditions of gift giving and textiles of the season. \$15 members; \$20 non-members. RSVP by contacting Kayla at 518-792-1761, ext. 310, or [adminassist@hydecollection.org](mailto:adminassist@hydecollection.org).

- The Hyde celebrates its founder with Mrs. Hyde's birthday Tuesday, December 10, with free admission and docent tours of Hyde House. Tours are drop-in and will be available at 10 and 11 am, and 1 and 2 pm. Free (with suggested donation to support education programs).
- Back by popular demand, join Museum educator Jenny Hutchinson in the Art Studio to try your hand at Open Studio: Bookmaking from 10:30 am to 1 pm Saturday, December 14. Participants will

learn to make a decorative artist book used for presenting special mementos, pictures, or as a perfect holiday gift. \$15 for members; \$20 for non-members. Register by contacting Kayla at 518-792-1761, ext. 310, or [adminassist@hydecollection.org](mailto:adminassist@hydecollection.org).

- Make the most of the school break with Family Fridays! At 10:30 am December 13, 20, 27, and January 3, explore the collaborative process of printmaking and mixed media with the children in your life. Inspired by the famous friendship of Picasso and Braque, each week explore a new art technique with our Museum educators. Learned techniques can be used to create printed cards and artwork for the holidays. In the spirit of collaboration, each session's art will contribute toward a large collaborative artwork display in the Museum. Free.



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## Holiday House Tour

GREENWICH - Tour of Homes' is taking place in Greenwich on Sunday afternoon, December 8th. This is an annual event where owners of historic residences in the village open up their homes to the community for holiday tours. The home owners decorate for the holidays, offer refreshments and allow guests to view inside their homes.

This year the tour includes 7 homes, as well as the United Church where there will be a concert performed by local artist, Bob Warren, before the event and a bell choir during. The tour is entirely walkable and brings a lot of foot traffic to the downtown area.

All event proceeds (ticket and raffle sales) go to Comfort Food Community. Last year the event raised over \$2,000!

## Feast of the Immaculate Conception

SALEM - The Feast of the Immaculate Conception will be on Friday, Dec. 7 at 6 PM at St. Patrick's and at Holy Cross's on Saturday, Dec. 8 at Noon. Reconciliation Service will be held at Holy Cross on Sunday, December 9 at 4 PM and at St. Patrick's on Tuesday, the 11th at 6 PM. Fr. Marty will celebrate a combined prayer service of Anointing, Adoration, and Absolution on Wed., Dec 12 at 6 PM at St. Joseph's in Greenwich. Area Christmas Eve Masses are 4 PM at Holy Cross and 6 PM at St. Patrick's. There will be No Mass at Holy Cross on Christmas Day. St. Patrick's Christmas Day Mass will be at 11 AM. The solemnity of Mary vigil Mass will be Monday Dec. 31 at 6 PM at St. Patrick's.




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# Christmas Goodies Bazaar

CAMBRIDGE – Begin your holiday celebrations by coming to Cambridge United Presbyterian Church on the corner of Main Street and Park on Saturday, December 7th from 10-2:00pm. We'll have plenty of baked goods, homemade crafts, a hot soup and sandwich luncheon, lightly used books for winter reading, and special handmade items from Guatemala obtained on mission trips. Please come to an old-fashioned church bazaar and fellowship with friends and our church family.

# Arts and Crafts Sale

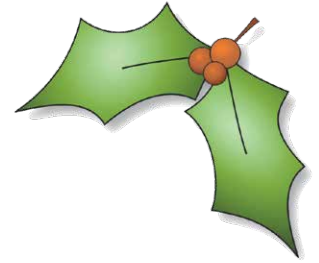
SALEM - The Courthouse's 14th Annual Holiday Art and Craft Sale will be held Saturday, December 7th from 10 am- 2 pm

Local vendors from all over sell their homemade goods. We will also have cookie decorating in our Battenkill Kitchen for children of all ages.

Come out and shop for the Holidays and support people in your local community.

We have pottery, knit items, gourmet food, keto-friendly food, earring designers, doll-maker, fine alpaca hand made wool items, specialty cards, wood carvings and so much more!

Stop in to see us in Salem, then head over to Gardenworks off Rte 30 in Salem for pictures with Santa. Proceeds



of pictures go towards our Lunch, Learn and Play program.

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On Saturday, Nov 30, at 2 p.m., the La-Mothe-Gee Family Singers, a family of five musical children and parents, will perform songs of the season.

Thursday, December 5 from 4-8 p.m. is the annual Gardenworks shopping night. The barn will be stocked with wonderful handmade gifts as well as fresh cut fir and balsam wreaths, trees, and table decorations, and the marketplace will be chock full of specialty chutneys, jams, chocolate sauces and delicious cheeses and condiments. Free chili and cider. Meet local author Matthew Rozell; jewelry makers; and learn about CBD products from Land

Craft Wellness.

On Saturday, December 7 and Sunday December 8 from 11-4 p.m. Santa will be visiting Gardenworks to share tales from The North Pole and listen to children of all ages. Donations will be accepted for all photos with Santa (whether you use your camera or ours) and will go entirely to Lunch, Learn and Play, a free summer program at The Historic Salem Courthouse and Community Center.

Saturday, December 14 at 9:30 a.m. is a Centerpiece Workshop. Participants will create a 15" Tabletop Tree or a 16" Centerpiece with two candles using mixed evergreens, velvet ribbon, cones and German statice. This workshop will be peaceful, fun and sure to calm your nerves! Enjoy creat-



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SALEM – Salem's Annual Christmas Parade 'A Gingerbread Holiday' will be held Saturday, November 30th at 2:30 PM on Main Street, Salem NY. Always a great time with Kids, Horses, Dancers and much more!

Our Grand Marshall for this year is Lily Gallagher, an exceptional senior at Salem Central School. She is a member of The National Honor Society, recipient of the Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award, and a member of NYSSMA, All-County Chorus, Band, and Jazz Band. Lily is also a leader in soccer and track and contributes to the community through work with younger students, her church, and various other local organizations

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before or after the parade and Shop local this Small Business Saturday! Vote for your favorite Gingerbread House at Proudfit Public Library 10-2, visit the Train Station to purchase Blown Glass Ornaments from Salem Art Works and view a working 4 ft. x 6 ft., Lionel O gauge model train set up by Cory Ward in a por-

tal layout designed like the old traditional look from the 1950's.

Visit with Santa and Mrs Claus directly after the Parade at The Train Station, then watch Santa light up the Main Street Christmas Trees as he makes his way to the Courthouse Community Center for gingerbread cookies, hot

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Sponsored by The Salem Area Chamber of Commerce. All are welcome to join in the fun!

Register at [www.salemnycchamber.com](http://www.salemnycchamber.com) or [salemnycchamber@gmail.com](mailto:salemnycchamber@gmail.com) for questions

## Operation Santa Claus

CAMBRIDGE - Please put Friday, December 7, 2019 on your calendar! Christmas in Cambridge will once again enjoy the Christmas Craft Fair at Cambridge Central School. This event is hosted by the Cambridge Faculty Association, to Benefit Operation Santa Claus. Last year

we had over seventy vendors that filled the halls with exceptional gift ideas ranging from beautiful crafts, jewelry, food items, clothing, and beyond. Doors will open at 10 and close at 4. A beautiful raffle table, featuring items from vendors, will be available to take a chance on. The

raffle will announce winners at 2:30. You won't want to miss this day of shopping for those special crafted items to put under your tree. If you are a vendor, and would like to participate, please contact Dawn Case at [avondawn-case@gmail.com](mailto:avondawn-case@gmail.com) or (518) 669-2052



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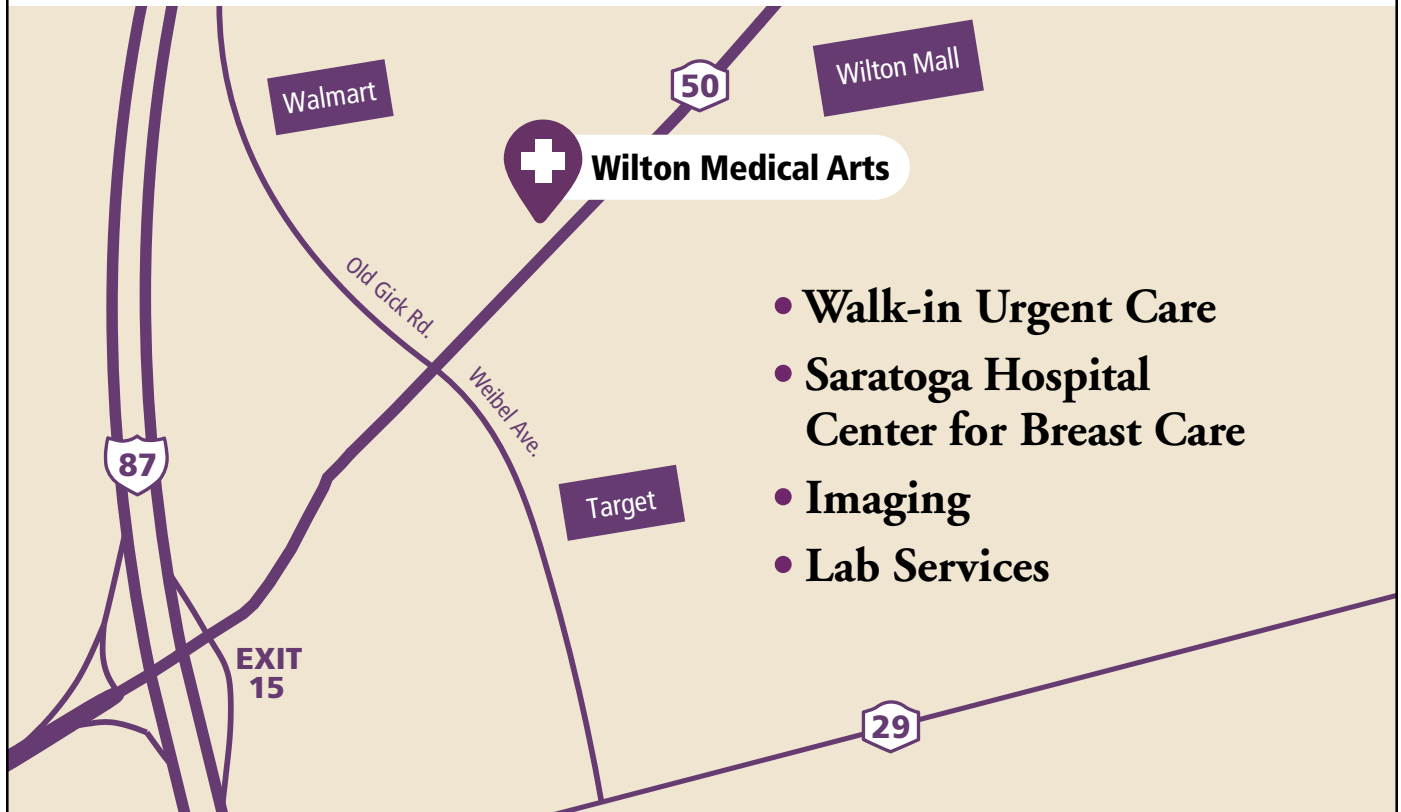
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Our annual holiday celebration at Hubbard Hall. Each year we focus on a different country and the ways people in that country celebrate the holidays. This year we will explore the culture and food of the Balkans.

### Coig

## Sunday, December 15, 6pm

\$25 Adults/\$10 Students 21 and Under

After a sold out concert last year at the Hall and a hit tour throughout the UK, Coig returns to Hubbard Hall with their addictive style of fun, thrilling acoustic Celtic music from Nova Scotia.

## Brews & Blues Featuring the Roadside Blues Band!

## Saturday, February 8, 6 pm

\$25 Adults/\$10 Students

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Our Annual Winter Fund-raiser Returns to Rock the House and Warm Your Spirits. Includes Delicious Food and Dancing the Night Away. Beer and Wine Bar available at an extra cost with ID

## Chamber Music Presented by Daniel Shulman

## Saturday, February 22, 7pm

Admission: \$25 Adults/\$10 Students 21 and Under

Join us for an evening of beautiful music in the Hall, led by one of our favorite local musicians and conductors.

## Russian Tea Party

## Sunday, February 23, 4pm

Adults \$10, Youth and Children (18 -3 yrs) \$5, Children 2 & under FREE

This delightful afternoon tea party will feature our Hubbard Hall ballerinas in residence of all ages, with short dance performance and photo op. Warm your hearts with a variety of

tasty teas and treats, and make sure to check out the raffle of handmade beauties for yourself or your little dancer. Submerge yourself in your childhood dreams of what you always imagined your teddy bear tea party really was. A treat for all ages! Don't forget your tutu and all the frills.

## Music from Salem Concert

## Walsh Plays Chopin! February 22, 7 pm

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# 2019 Festival of Trees at the Slate Valley Museum!

GRANVILLE - The 2019 holiday season is approaching fast! On December 6, 2019 from 4pm-9pm, the Slate Valley Museum will be hosting its 8th Annual Festival of Trees celebration as a part of the Granville First Friday revelry.



unteers to help transform the museum into a winter wonderland! If you are interested, please contact Board President, Molly Celani, at 518-642-9765 or 518-361-9475.

As always, we encourage members of the community to donate trees to be a part of this year's festival. We ask that participants provide artificial trees for this event, if you decide to register. Individuals who wish to register a tree for the festival must do so by November 25, 2019. From November 26, 2019 to November 30, 2019 trees will be set up throughout the museum.

There will be a tree of free hats for the children and seniors of the community, prizes for best tree, delicious eggnog and hot cocoa, and a fun kid's craft. The theme for this year's festival is "The Grinch that Stole Christmas", based on the children's book by Dr. Seuss.

If you would be interested in assisting us, we are looking for energetic and creative vol-

Throughout the month, a



silent auction will occur in order to pick the best tree! Winners will be notified on December 20, 2019 if their tree is chosen. Those interested can find further registration guidelines and festival information by visiting our web-

site: [slatevalleymuseum.org](http://slatevalleymuseum.org) or they can contact the museum at 518-642-1417.

We are very excited for this year's event, and we hope you choose to join us for this wonderful, enchanting winter evening!

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## Everlasting Lights Christmas Tree Memorial

GREENWICH – All are invited at 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 1st for the “EVERLASTING LIGHTS” Christmas Tree Memorial Illumination which will be held at “The Commons” behind the Greenwich Town Office Building.

“EVERLASTING LIGHTS” is a lighted Christmas Tree memorial in remembrance of loved ones who are no longer with us. After a brief ceremony, 50 trees will be lighted simultaneously and will remain lighted throughout the holiday season.

## Living Advent Windows Project

CAMBRIDGE - A group of community volunteers, with help from the Cambridge Valley Chamber of Commerce, will create a “living advent calendar” in the Village and surrounding area this December. Windows in 24 homes, businesses, and churches will be decorated and illuminated each evening between 1 December and Christmas Eve. There is no theme for the windows; participants are just encouraged to use their creativity.

A map of the window locations and the dates when they will be lit up is available at: [fb.me/adventwindows12816](http://fb.me/adventwindows12816). Locations with an asterisk will serving refreshments. Most windows will be illuminated at 5 pm unless otherwise noted. The windows will stay lit until January 6th.

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## Battenkill Books Announces Special Day

CAMBRIDGE - On Saturday, November 30th, Battenkill Books will celebrate its 10th anniversary under the current ownership. Connie Brooks and Chris Callahan purchased the store in 2009 from then-owners Margaret Waterson and Catherine Crank. The day is also nationally recognized as Small Business Saturday. Battenkill Books will celebrate with special sales and complimentary beverages and events throughout the day.

The events that day will include a visit from author and illustrator Will Moses, who will sign books and offer cards, calendars, and puzzles for sale from 12 noon to 2 pm. At 7 pm, we will present the Story Circle of the Capital District's

Tellabration event with a host of local storytellers. Storytellers for this event will include: Siri Allison, David Bayne, Kelly Bird, Jack Boggan, Kate Dudding, Christie Keegan, Kelvin Keraga, Jay Kerr, and Margaret Waterson.

Also as part of this special day, Battenkill Books will debut its newest feature: the Wit & Whimsy vending machine. It is a one-of-a-kind vending machine that will surprise and delight, filled with unusual candy, gifts, games, and most-unusual finds!

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# Wonderful Fun at the Festival Family Day

BENNINGTON - Surprises will delight visitors in the galleries, as well as those who join us at Family Day on December 7.

Family Day and Children's Shopping Day - Saturday, December 7th, 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

Celebrate the season with a reduced admission of \$3 to Bennington Museum for everyone! Any child that brings a personal care item or non-perishable food item for Bennington County Coalition for the Homeless is admitted FREE. Visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus from 1:00 to 3:00 pm, create wonderful crafts throughout the day, and special this year, between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm create a "Memory Bear" with VNA and Hospice of the Southwest Region. Don't forget to visit the Children's Shopping Boutique from 10:30 am to 3:30 pm to shop from a wide range of gifts priced from \$1 to \$15. Shoppers' Helpers will be on hand to help children ages 5 - 12 select presents for their friends and family members. Free gift-wrapping and gift tags are included. On view and available to win are Classroom Creations! Students from the region have worked hard to create a decorative snowflake keeping with this year's Festival theme A Snowy Evening. For \$1, you can purchase a chance to win one of the Classroom Creations! Visit the display and enjoy their contribution.

Adults Can Go Shopping Too! The Museum Store is offering an expanded selection of artisan products just in time for the holidays. On November 29, 30, December 1 and 7, Museum members receive a 25% discount while not-yet-members receive 15% off their

entire purchase.

Mark your calendar to be with us on Saturday, December 7 beginning at 10:00 am for fun and festivities and for the Gala on Saturday, December 14. Visit our website for more information on both celebrations.

The Museum thanks its lead media sponsors the Bennington Banner, Vermont News Guide, and Manchester Newspapers. Invitation packages designed by Harper and Harley Design and printed by SPC Print Integrated, Springfield, VT. Thanks also to the businesses, sponsors, donors, volunteers, and individuals that have supported this year's Festival.

Bennington Museum is located at 75 Main Street (VT Rt. 9), Bennington in the Shires of Vermont. The Museum is open 10 am to 5 pm Thursday through Tuesday. It is also open December 24 until 1:00



pm for all your last-minute holiday shopping. It is wheelchair accessible. Regular admission is \$10 for adults, \$9 for seniors and students over 18. Admission is never charged for younger students,

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December 5th- Planning for Future Care, 1-2:30 pm- Free education and training for caregivers of people with Alzheimer's disease and other dementias. Program provided by the Caregiver Support Initiative.

December 7th- Medieval Demonstrations, 11:00- 1 pm- Learn about medieval times with the dedicated history group, The Society of Creative Anachronism. Try on period clothing, armor, and discover the Middle Ages!

December 12th- Power of Attorney & Guardianship for Adults and Children with Disabilities, 6-7:30 pm - Program provided by the NYS Legal

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December 18th- Gift Wrapping at the Library!, 4:30- 8 pm- Bring your gifts that need to be wrapped in time for the holidays. Donations will be graciously accepted.

December 19th- Finding Meaningful Activities, 1-2:30 pm- Free education and training for caregivers of people with

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December 21st- An Elephant and Piggie Holiday Party, 1- 2:30 pm- Come celebrate the holidays with storytime, crafts and snacks. Signup for 1,000 Books Before Kindergarten and receive a free book! Please pre-register.

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# The Festival Gala, Celebrating the Season

BENNINGTON - It is that time of year. Bennington Museum is holding its Festival Gala on December 14 from 7 to 10 pm, so no better time than now to mark your calendars, make your reservation, and celebrate the creativity of thirty regional artists responding to the words of Poet Laureate Robert Frost. The theme for this year's Festival is A Snowy Evening. Bennington Museum's largest annual fundraiser, the Gala celebrates the words of Robert Frost which were written during his time in Vermont, 1920-1938. Art in the galleries, created by thirty regional artists are inspired by his words and the theme continues at the Gala.

The Festival serves as a prelude to next summer's major exhibition Robert Frost, "At Present in Vermont" on view June 27 through November 3, 2020. That exhibition will commemorate the 100th anniversary of Robert Frost's time spent in Vermont, moving to Shaftsbury where he wrote some of his best-known poems, including the iconic, "Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening," on which the Festival theme is based. This major exhibition will examine Frost's life and work in the context of the landscape and culture of Bennington County.

## The Gala

As Frost's favorite color was rumored to have been a shade of black, we welcome you to celebrate this black and white affair, be it chic, costumed, or country. Enjoy delicious holiday fare offered by the talented chefs from Chefs' Consortium, partnering with other non-profits to share their love of local

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There will be spirited bidding on over forty unique and diverse items in the silent auction. Check out the amazing exhibition of original one-of-a-kind artwork created by regional artists,

then place your best bid in the closed-bid auction that closes on December 22 at 4:00 p.m. Haven't found that perfect gift? Take a chance to win a week in Puerto Rico. Winner will be drawn at the Gala. Only 100 tickets are being sold and you can get them now online at [store.benningtonmuseum.org](http://store.benningtonmuseum.org)

Tickets for the Gala are \$100 per person. This year the Museum is offering Young Poets Society pricing - \$1 per year of age, 10 through 35. Or receive VIP treatment with a Vanguard package. Priced at \$500 to \$2500, you will be recognized in the program and, at the higher levels have a reserved table for the use of you and your guests throughout the evening. Reservations may be made through the Museum's online store at

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## Community Choral Society Christmas Concert

CAMBRIDGE - The Community Choral Society will present their annual Christmas concerts for the 2019 season on Saturday, December 7th and Sunday, December 8. Both concerts will begin at 3 p.m. at Jacob's Fellowship Center, located on Main Street, between Cambridge Village Market and Glens Falls National Bank.

The concerts will feature a wide variety of Christmas favorites including traditional Christmas carols, as well as some Classical favorites such as the very popular And the

Glory of the Lord, by George Frederic Handel. The concert will also feature contemporary Christmas songs such as Christmastime and Sing Noel, Sing Hallelujah, by Steven Curtis Chapman.

A reception with tasty FREE Christmas desserts will follow each concert performance on Saturday and Sunday. All are welcome. In addition, the chorus will hold their annual bake sale on Saturday and Sunday. All proceeds from the bake sale will go directly toward the 2020 concert season.

While there is no admis-

sion cost for the concert performances, a goodwill offering will be taken at each performance. We look forward to seeing you and ringing in the

Christmas season in music and song with you and your families. THANK YOU for supporting live choral music in the Cambridge community.

## Tree Trimming Party at Easton Library

EASTON - The Friends of the Easton Library invite the children of the community and their caregivers to gather at the Easton Library on Wednesday, December 4 at 6:30 PM to kick off the holiday season! Please join us to help decorate our tree, listen to a holiday story, sing holiday songs, and enjoy goodies. The raffle drawings from the Election Day Book and Bake Sale will be held.

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