# What's happening in Washington,

#### Bee Brook Road -**The 2018 Washington Arts & Culture Axis**

By Dan Sherr

Washington has been a center of the arts since the late 1800s with a longstanding tradition of artists, writers, architects, dancers, and musicians. And 2018 is a clear reminder of this attraction with a virtual Arts & Culture Axis of multiple events created along Bee Brook Road.



Lauren Booth. Goats

WAA & Gallery - Four Bryan Hall Plaza anchors the southern end of the Washington Arts & Culture Axis. Founded in 1952 with its first exhibition in a local drugstore, noted for its exhibitions, gallery and art schools. 2018 will see the WAA transform the entire Village with the Sculpture Walk. Forty outdoor sculptures creating an arts immersion trail throughout the Depot -July 14 through the end of October.

Judy Black Memorial Park and Garden - One Green Hill Road illustrates a gardener's view of art fully revealed with architecture. A forum for community events ranging from a farmers market, Friday night movies, Arthur Murray dancing to major art exhibitions, it's literally the

center of the Depot. Collaborating with WAA, the Sculpture Walk includes a major sculpture piece - Currents - at Judy Black Park

The Hickory Stick Bookshop - Two Green Hill Road is literally an institution in Washington fostering a deep commitment to learning, discourse and arts & culture. Book signings, personalized reading, learning and most importantly thinking. The weekly Summer 2018 Storytime with the Author fosters imagination and gives you lots to talk about at the beach and barbecues.

**ASAP!** – Six Bee Brook Road is driven by the mission, passion might be a better word, to foster hands-on learning through the arts. Since its founding in 1999, ASAP! programs have impacted kids by providing experiential learning that encourages them to think creatively, ask questions and explore possibilities. And Summer 2018 continues that commitment with ASAP! Summer theatre and camps.

Bee Brook PopUp Park – 38 Bee Brook Road is a workin-progress, rebirthing the historic Shepaug Club Tavern site with a PopUp Arts and Events Park. Supported by the owners, Lauren and Mark Booth, DAZE, a world-renowned graffiti mural artist, has shown Washington what large scale art can add to our daily drives along Rte. 47. Planters, picnic tables and events are on the agenda for summer 2018.

Pilobolus - Five Senses Festival - 292 Bee Brook Road at the northern terminus of the Washington Arts & Culture Axis, is bringing a blended local-international three-week festival to Washington July 21 - Aug 11. The July 27-29 and August 3-5 weekends will explore the five senses with multi-arts programs for all ages. The festival will close



Bee Brook PopUp Park

August 11 with the Pilobolus Kids Show and premiere a new evening show, Come to Your senses. All at low cost or no cost to the community.

The Washington Arts & Culture Axis promises to engage you for the entire summer of 2018... along with amazing nearby food and coffee.

#### From the Board of Selectmen

It appears we are past the spring season, while it was a long time arriving it appears summer may be here to stay. Our highway crew persevered through a long winter season and have moved on to warm weather activities. With the motivation of a deadline for the Sculpture Walk in July we have completed the cleanup of the old Town Garage site at 16 Titus Road. This was made possible by two years of work creating additional material storage space above the current garage at 10 Blackville Road. Not only have we created a wonderful green space along the Shepaug River; with an earthen sculpture; but there is improved parking for Depot businesses.

The summer paving schedule is being put together with our paving contractor, watch our Friday email blast for details on what roads will be done and when.

Aquarion Water is once again working on the Green. Their contractor has a few house hookups to complete, paving of Old North Road and completion of the hookup at Bell Hill and Wykeham Road along with repaying the intersection.

We're once again including inserts in your tax bill requesting contact information: name, address, email and cell phone number for text messages. If you're not currently receiving our weekly announcements, please return it with your tax payment. Washington is working to grow our email list to provide information on Town events, reminders of Town Meetings, and general information about goings on in Town. Your information will NOT be shared and our current Alert Now reverse 911 phone system will still be used for emergency messages.

# Spotlight on Business: **Aspetuck Animal Hospital**

By Dan Sherr

Relationship is at the heart of the Aspetuck Animal Hospital. Not just the relationship with the client but enhancing the relationship of the pet to the owner. Founded in 1970 by Ferris Gorra in MarbleDale, the Aspetuck Animal Hospital has become a Cornell schooled multi-generational protector of the four-legged citizenry of Washington.

Born in Yonkers, NY, Ferris arrived in Granby, CT to provide both large and small animal veterinary services. Quickly



developing a commitment to Connecticut, he used a map of the state with the veterinary providers plotted and realized that Northwest Connecticut presented a real opportunity for a vet with his schooling, experience and passion. He opened his practice in a 1780 colonial house on the New Milford – Litchfield Turnpike (Rte. 202), raising his family in the front section and nurturing client pets in the rear.

Michael, the next generation of Aspetuck Animal Hospital veterinarians, grew up in Washington, graduating from Shepaug schools with a strong interest in medical science and a commitment to sports – soccer and hockey. Recruited to Colby College in Maine, he majored in biology with an interest in medical engineering. On an extended trip to Europe in his junior year of college, Michael realized he shared his father's deep interest in veterinary medicine. Importantly to the story of the Gorras, he met Michelle during the first semester of his freshman year at Colby.



Applications to veterinary school produced two options, Penn and Cornell. Legacy spoke, and he chose Cornell but with a oneyear delay to ground himself in veterinary medicine and to fulfill some prerequisite classes. Off to Missoula, Montana for handson experience in a small animal veterinary clinic. Almost to the day, Michael graduated 30 years after his father from Cornell College of Veterinary Medicine. His father beckons but Michael waivers. Tours in Cooper City, Florida and wild animals

and emergency medicine in the Carolinas give Michael a greatly enriched experience in veterinary surgery and medicine.

His father provides the final challenge, join Aspetuck Animal Hospital or it'll have to be sold. Michael's longstanding emotional attachment to Washington prevails and the next generation of Gorras assumes leadership of Aspetuck Animal Hospital in the fall 2003. And like his father, Michael Gorra is driven not only by a passion for animals but a real commitment to providing enriching pet services to an increasingly diverse client base and their four-legged companions.

Aspetuck Animal Hospital, 278 New Milford Turnpike, New Preston, CT 06777.

#### **Washington Parks & Rec**

FLASHBACK RETURNS! Kicking off the summer season, join us for a FREE concert at the River Walk Pavilion on July 4 at 2pm. Come and enjoy the familiar sounds of a band you know and love. Bring a picnic basket to complete the experience. Don't feel like bringing food? We'll be serving up some BBQ pulled pork and baked beans. Quantities limited.

The beach and boat ramp are now on summer hours through Labor Day. The beach is open 10am - 5pm, seven days a week and the boat ramp is open from 6am - sunset, Friday-Monday and 10am - 5pm, Tuesday – Thursday.

There's still time to register for some of our later summer camps. Don't wait any longer. Get those registration forms in. Stay tuned for more info on upcoming activities and events and be sure to follow @ WashingtonParksandRec on Facebook.

### Town of Washington Tax Benefit Programs

The assessor reminds Washington residents of the following:

### Tax Assistance for Elderly or Disabled Renters

Renters in Washington with total household income at or below: Single - \$35,300 or Married - \$43,000 may be eligible for a benefit payment if they have been a Connecticut resident for a one-year period prior to filing. Persons 65 years of age by December 31, 2017 and persons receiving total disability from Social Security are eligible to apply. Applications are filed between May 15-October 1, 2018; available at: www. washingtonct.org/assessor.

#### **Tax Exemptions for Veterans**

Residents who are honorably discharged veterans, having served at least 90 cumulative days during wartime *or* who have a disability rating from the Veteran's Administration, may be eligible for some tax exemption. Their DD-214 or honorable discharge must be filed with the Town Clerk by September 30 for exemption on the upcoming Grand List.

#### **Additional Veterans Exemptions**

Persons currently receiving a veteran's exemption may be eligible for an additional exemption if household income is at or below: Single- \$35,300 or Married- \$43,000. Washington residency is required. Applications are accepted until October 1, and are available at the Assessor's Office or at www.washingtonct.org/assessor

# Washington Scholarship Fund grants \$179,000 in scholarships for 2018-19 academic year.

Established in 1964, the Washington Scholarship Fund has invested over \$3 million in the continuing education of our local high school students. This June, WSF granted \$57,800 to 13 seniors and \$121,200 to 24 graduates continuing their post-secondary school education.

This year's seniors are: Zachary Bowman/Endicott College Emmalyn Brenner, University of Miami Nicholas Fleming, University of Hartford Will Giarrano, King's College Lilly Hoeniger, Lasell College Tobias Ketchum, Dickinson College Eleni Kolpak, Salve Regina University Lily Mandl, University of Vermont Mary-Genevieve Moison, St. Catherine University

Olivia Moore, Western CT State University Arturo Ortega, Western CT State University Jessica Rivera, Naugatuck Valley

Community College Emily Ward, Central CT State University These scholarships will be renewed annually as long as the student remains in good standing at his/her respective college or technical school.

The Washington Scholarship Fund is only able to continue investing in its local students with the annual support of our generous community. Donations may be made by visiting **washscholarshipfund**. **org/support** or by mailing your donation to PO Box 243, Washington Depot, CT 06794. Transform lives by investing in the future of tomorrow.

# The Washington Art Association & Gallery "WAA Sculpture Walk 2018" Exhibition

The Washington Art Association & Gallery is proud to present "WAA Sculpture Walk 2018," a four-month public art project.

WAA Sculpture Walk 2018 is an outdoor public sculpture exhibit showcasing the works of local, regional and national sculptors. The sculptures will be placed in sites throughout the historic village of Washington Depot and will be on view July 1 – November 1, 2018.

Curated by WAA Trustees Mark Mennin and Barbara Talbot, the exhibition is organized by

the Washington Art Association & Gallery in collaboration with community partners and the Town of Washington.

NW Connecticut has been the home for artists of all disciplines and this exhibition celebrates that legacy. This public art project will present established as well as up and coming artists to exhibit work in a rural environment with a strong urban base from NY.

Participating artists include: Mary Adams, Lauren Booth, Joy Brown, Arthur Carter, Wendell Castle, Paul Chaleff, Ralph Derby, Tom Doyle, Miles Driscoll, Caio Fonseca, Sam Funk, Joe Gitterman, Harry Gordon,



Phillip Grausman, Heather

Phil Grausman, Timothy Hochstetter, Fitzhugh Karol, Cornelia Kubler Kavanagh, Peter Kirkiles, Elizabeth MacDonald, Ann Mallory, Mark Mennin, Alan Boeding|Momix Dance Theater, Daniel Murray, Hugh O'Donnell, John O'Reilly, Jake Paron, Michael Patterson. Marsha Pels, Don Porcaro, Tim Prentice, Steve Shaheen, Ned Smyth, Michael Steiner, Augusta Talbot and Eliot Noyes Jr, William Talbot Sr, William Hyde Talbot, Robert Taplin, and Peter Woytuk.

WAA Sculpture Walk

2018 will include an opening reception for the community on Saturday, July 14, 2018, 4-6pm at the Washington Art Association & Gallery. Special events planned during the exhibit include activities for children and families and lectures to enhance the public's appreciation of art. The Washington Art Association & Gallery aims to create an inclusive venue that draws a greater community to partake in a special event of cultural tourism and civic pride.

The Washington Art Association & Gallery is a nonprofit organization dedicated to enriching our community through education, exhibitions and special events.

### Side by Side: Process and Collaboration

Side by Side: Process and Collaboration John Willis / Joseph Byrne Dudley Zopp / Susan Finnegan July 7 - August 4, 2018 Reception: Saturday, July 7 from 4-6pm

This summer exhibition brings together two pairs of artists where collaboration has been a significant part of their process and influential in their individual work. Willis' and Byrnes' collaboration has involved an initial critique session of their drawings, an exchange of each others work, "living" with the pieces, and ultimately meeting again to share in-depth dialogue.

Zopp's and Finnegan's yearlong collaboration took place when they both lived in Louisville, Kentucky. Their process involved "dialogues" on large format drawing paper using various drawing materials and eventually paint. These drawings happened "on the spot, purposefully eliminated any verbal exchange and developed a system of investigation for each artist.

One of the interesting differences in process between the artist pairs is the element of time. Byrne/Willis give a greater amount of space and time in considering each other's work on individual formats. Zopp/Finnegan have had a process of direct exchange on a shared format that has included the immediacy of direct response.

These collaboration experiences have been ways to access valuable insights into the working process and are useful counterpoints to the solitary artist in the studio.

### What's Going on in Washington, CT

July

**14** | 10:00am-2:00pm

#### Washington Green Summer Fair

On the Washington Green

Enjoy egg sandwiches, aubrey's famous ribs, hotdogs, burgers and a traditional Yankee bakery. For the kids: jumpy house, face painting, dunk tank and hayrides.

Also, there'll be a silent auction, used book emporium, ladies' accessories booth, plant and garden shop, gift boutique, and a GIGANTIC tag sale.

Don't miss the exciting live auction at 12:30pm https://washingtongreenfair.tumblr.com

**20** | 9:30pm

Washington Friends of Music Summer Concert Festival, The New Baroque Soloists

The First Congregation Church 6 Kirby Road

The New Baroque Soloist will perform Bach, Telemann, Handel, Quantz, Vivaldi, with French horns, oboe, strings, tympani, and organ in the Historic Meeting House on the Washington Green. Facilities are airconditioned and handicap accessible. Tickets: In advance via PayPal \$25 | At the door \$30 | Children free| Students \$15 WashingtonCTforMusic.blogspot.com for info and tickets. Pre-paid tickets will be held for you at the door. Tickets are also available at The Hickory Stick Bookshop in Washington Depot.

**31** | 1:00 – 2:00pm

Midday Meditation with Lama Zangpo (30 or 60 minutes)

Valley Spirit Cooperative & Wellness Center, 6 Green Hill Road This 30 (or 60) minute midday meditation can help us connect with stillness in the midst of our busy day. Some gentle guidance is offered during the meditation. Offering yourself a gift of contemplative awareness can make a big difference in how you greet what meets you. Meditation cushions are provided at our studio.

#### **August**

**3** | 8:15 – 10:00pm **Outdoor Movie Night** 

Judy Black Memorial Park and Gardens, 1 Green Hill Road

Join Judy Black for their outdoor movie night in August! *Roman Holiday* will be screened. Bring your blanket, lawn chairs, picnic and your friends! Sponsored by The Matthews Group.



#### Washington Trivia by Shelia Anson

Which Washington Food Market/Liquor Store employee is celebrating their 40th anniversary?

See if your answer is correct in the next issue, out in September!

Last issue's answer: Scenes from Friday the 13th - Part 2 were filmed in the New Preston Village and at the Casino.

Visit ExploreWashingtonCT.com The official community website for events, things to do, and happenings around town.

What's Happening in Washington, CT is organized and printed through the Washington Economic Development Committee. Look for our next issue in September 2018.

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# **The Institute for American Indian Studies Museum and Research Center**

This is an exciting year at the Museum and Research Center founded in 1975 by Edmund K. Swigart and Sidney Hessel to tell the story of the native peoples who have lived in the Eastern Woodlands for thousands of years. Our replicated Algonquin Village will be reconstructed by Jeff Kalin and his team from Primitive Technologies. Using only stone tools, tree bark and saplings the Village will continue to preserve and present traditional construction techniques in a unique outdoor education site.

Our staff will open Wigwam Escape, a new addition to the Museum as well as Connecticut's Escape room industry. Since 2014 Escape rooms have tripled in number and Wigwam Escape will challenge

players to work as a team while living for a day in the year 1518. Wigwam Escape is a unique opportunity to learn about the challenges faced by the native peoples who lived and flourished at sites in and around Washington and Lake Waramaug. Wigwam Escape will be open for IAIS members in early July and the general public in mid-July, the first announcements will be on our website (www.iaismuiseum.org). Wigwam Escape will host groups of 3 to 8 who will need to communicate effectively and find solutions to puzzles based on day to day tasks from 1518 using all their senses in a one hour game set. Part of the challenge will be to solve our puzzles without cell phones, watches or any other 21st century objects, other than your team's ingenuity and problem solving skills.

On Sunday July 15, July 22 and August 12 our staff will host free dugout canoe rides at Warren Beach from 11am until 2pm, in a replicated dugout canoe made by Jeff Kalin. Bring the whole family for a memorable summer event! On Saturday August 4, IAIS will be hosting our annual Green Corn Festival, join us for a memorable afternoon of music, dancing performances, powwow style food, storytelling, and crafts!

The Museum and Replicated Algonquin Village are open for visitors and tours Wednesday to Saturday from 10am to 5pm and Sunday 12 to 5pm with the last admission at 4:30pm. Our events are listed on the Town Calendar as well as on our website.

#### **Steep Rock Association**

#### **Programs, Events and Volunteer Opportunities**

Fishing for Science: A Family Weekend Workshop Saturday, June 30, 2018, 10:00 – 11:30am @Hidden Valley Preserve

Bring the family to put on their biologist hat (or boots). Join UConn PhD candidate Lucas Nathan and CT DEEP Fisheries Biologist Michael Humphreys to learn how professionals sample fish. We'll see firsthand what species depend on SRA's most significant natural resource, the Shepaug River

Photographing Gardens with Rich Pomerantz: A Judea Garden 10<sup>th</sup> Season Celebration Event Saturday, July 7, 2018, 4:00 – 6:00pm @Macricostas Preserve

Join local photographer Rich Pomerantz in helping to celebrate Judea Garden's 10th season. Rich will share tips on garden photography. Put your new found skills to task and enter our upcoming Judea Garden photography contest.

River Recreation: An Intergenerational Family Weekend Workshop Saturday, July 14, 2018, 11:00am – 12:30pm @Steep Rock Preserve

Connect with family members and immerse

in nature! Steep Rock Association invites grandparents and their grandchildren to explore the banks of the Shepaug River. Enjoy snorkeling in the river, or flip a rock near the bank to see what bugs live below. Place your catch in an observation tank and document your findings in a journal. Shade tents and lawn chairs will also be provided. We would like to personally recognize the Connecticut Communication Foundation for sponsoring this program.

#### Steep Rock Association Save the Date

#### **Programs and Events**

Key: FWW=Family Weekend, Workshop, EN= Exploration in Nature, CE=Community Event, CS=Citizen Science, JG10=Judea Garden 10<sup>th</sup> Season Celebration Event

July 14- FWW: River Snorkeling July 21 - JG10: Round Table with Patrick Horan

August 2 - JG10: Pilobolus in the Garden August 16 - JG10: Summer Garden Abundance Talk

August 23 - EN: Seniors in Steep Rock 1 August 25- JG10: Open Garden September 8 - CE: SRA Annual Family Picnic @ Steep Rock Preserve September 15 - CS: Macroinvertebrate Sampling

October 4 - EN: Seniors in Steep Rock 2 October 6 - EN: Tunnel Road Connector Hike

October 27 - FWW: Fall Hayride and StoryWalk

November 16 - FWW: Fly Tying November 17 - EN: Guided Hike (Focus TBD)

December 8 - EN: Owl Prowl December 16 - CS: Christmas Bird Count

Please visit www.steeprockassoc. org/programs-and-events for more information.

#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

June 13-August 15, Every Wednesday 5:30-7pm: Weed and Wine @ Judea Garden
June – August, Every Monday, Wednesday
& Friday, 8am-12pm: Judea Garden
Volunteer Hours

July 28: Trail Workday (Focus TBD) August 18: Trail Workday (Focus TBD) October 20 & 21: Fall Clean Up @ Judea Garden

November 10: Trail Monitor Meeting

Please visit www.steeprockassoc.org/volunteer for more information.

# Judy Black Park Outdoor Movie Night

Movies will roll at 8:15pm following First Fridays in the Depot festivities at participating shops.

July 6: Rear Window

August 3: Roman Holiday

September 7: North by Northwest

#### **Farmers Market**

Saturdays from 10am-1pm starting June 2 until October.

#### Yoga

FREE Yoga/Meditation class held at noon every Sunday year-round.

#### **New Executive Director**

The board of trustees of the Washington Park Foundation, the nonprofit organization that operates the Judy Black Memorial Park and Gardens in Washington Depot, CT, announced the hiring of Laura L. Neminski

as its Executive Director. Ms. Neminski will succeed Katie Altadonna Morley.

"We are very excited to welcome Laura to The Park," said Denise Trevenen, president of the board. "She brings to us all the skills, experience, energy and enthusiasm we were looking for in an executive to help us fulfill our mission. At the same time, we want to

thank Katie for her dedication and valuable contributions to The Park over the past year and a half. Her role in marketing, programming and fund development was key to establishing The Park as a magnet for the community in the center of the Depot."

Ms. Neminski brings to the Judy Black Memorial Park and Gardens 25 years of experience in event planning, business development and administration for several nonprofits in the area, including the Washington Montessori School, Conversations on the Green, Greenwoods Counseling Referrals, Inc., and the Gunn



Memorial Library. She has also served as the manager of business and personal affairs of private clients; and as sales manager for the Mayflower Inn & Spa in Washington, CT and Four Seasons Hotels & Resorts in Austin, TX. In addition, she has volunteered her time and talents to the Housatonic Valley Association and the Parents Association of the Washington Montessori School.

As Executive Director, Ms. Neminski will be responsible for marketing, programming, development and overall operations of The Park, supported by the board and other volunteers. She'll assist the board of trustees in fulfilling the mission of The Park (www. thejudyblackparkandgardens.org): To create a gathering place in Washington that invites friends and neighbors to relax, learn, play and share all that our community offers.

All inquiries regarding events, exhibits and venue rentals should be sent to events@ thejudyblackparkandgardens.org.

#### **Washington Environmental Council**

#### **WEC'S EARTH DAY SUCCESS**

Washington's 2018 Earth Day was one for the record books. Families, individuals, businesses, schools, volunteer organizations, and churches had the opportunity to claim a road (or two or three) for this annual event, and boy did our community come through. Over 85 percent of all roads were cleaned, the dumpster at the town hall was filled to the top and four boxes of shoes were donated. In addition to the cleanup, dozens of runners and walkers participated in WEC's second annual Earth Day 5K at the Steep Rock Preserve.

WEC's sponsored Earth Day proves that the most successful communities are the ones built on community engagement and positive action, and living in such a small town allows each of us to see firsthand how the efforts of one person can create a lasting impact on the lives of others.

We're so fortunate and blessed to live in such a caring and compassionate community with a deep understanding of and commitment to its beauty and future.

#### Join us for WEC's Farm & House Tour

The Washington Environmental Council is pleased to announce their latest scholarship fundraising event which will take place on Saturday,

September 29, 2018 from 1-5pm in Washington. The Farm & House Tour features eco-friendly and architecturally significant houses, plus the Back 40 Farm.

The tour is self-guided and the properties may be visited in any order. There'll be representatives from the Council at each property. Coincident with the event, the Wykeham Room at the Gunn Memorial Library will be open for our guests to enjoy sweet and savory treats and accompanying libations.

Since 2006, WEC has awarded \$80,450 in college grants and summer sponsorships to students in our shared community. WEC was recently awarded the TownVibe Green Award, helped Washington become the first town in Connecticut to ban fracking waste storage and helped stop the Iroquois Gas Transmission System from running their pipeline through the middle of Washington.

Because of generous local underwriting, all proceeds from the tour will go directly into the scholarship fund. Tickets for the tour are \$50 and can be purchased online at Eventbrite at farmandhouse. eventbrite.com and locally at The Hickory Stick Bookshop in Washington Depot and at Dawn Hill Antiques in New Preston.

For more information, please call 860-868-0845.

#### **Upcoming Events at The Gunnery**

**Litchfield Jazz Camp** is coming to The Gunnery! Students ages 12-17, from beginner to advanced musicians, are welcome. Residential and day students can enroll for one or more sessions: July 1–6, July 8–13, July 15–20, and July 22–27. Non-competitive program led by a faculty of amazing and inspiring jazz musicians. Campers may attend and perform at the annual Litchfield Jazz Festival, July 28 and 29 at the Goshen fairgrounds. Register at **litchfieldjazzcamp.com/camp-registration/**.

Learn to row on Lake Waramaug! The Gunnery's summer **Rowing Camp** is open to boys and girls entering grades 7-12. Day camp with overnight options available. This program introduces young athletes to the sport of rowing, helps intermediate rowers improve their skills, and assists advanced rowers in refining their training and technique to improve performance. Enroll for one or both sessions: July 9-13 and July 16-20. Register at **gunnery.org/page/camps/rowing-camp**.

**Dutch Total Soccer** is offering a full-day camp for boys and girls ages 9-16 from August 5-10. Day and residential campers are welcome to attend this high-level training program led by DTS staff, all of whom have KNVB and UEFA licenses. Players are challenged to think about the game and encouraged to develop all skills in game situations. To register, go to: **dtsnewjersey.com/gunneryovernightcamp/**.

The Gunnery is hosting a **Field Hockey Camp** for girls entering grades 7-12 from August 13-17. This day camp offers training under the instruction of an experienced and dedicated coaching staff. Learn the latest stick work, passing, offensive and defensive techniques, and goalkeeper training. Daily scrimmages provide players with the opportunity to compete and improve their game. To register, go to: **gunnery.org/Page/Camps/Field-Hockey-Camp**.

#### **Conversation on the Green**

July 15, 2018, Conversations On the Green presents "Democracy in Danger" with Mona Charen and Katrina vanden Heuvel

3 - 4:30pm

St. John's Church - Parish Hall, 9 Parsonage Lane, Washington, CT

For more information or to purchase tickets, go to: http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?llr=6pxmqkwab&oeidk=a07efcm7cmz02d5062a or you can go to www.conversationsonthegreen.com

Do you have a question about the WEDC? Want to submit something for the newsletter? Take a look at our page on the Town of Washington website washingtonct.org/economic-development-committee or email us with any questions or comments washingtonctedc@gmail.com.

#### Rumsey Hall School Summer Programs

rumseyhall.org/summer

#### summer camp / july 2-august 3

Summer Recreation Program for children ages 3 –10. Weekly themes explore exciting activities designed to expose campers to new and interesting projects. Experienced staff, small counselor-to-camper ratio, in our beautiful Bantam River Valley setting.

#### volleyball skills / july 23-july 27

One-week program for girls in grades 6-10, designed to develop and strengthen skills and understanding of the game, while increasing self-confidence.

### summer academic enrichment / july 2-august 3

A balanced five-week program of academics, recreation and enrichment. Focusing on academic enrichment, language skills, developmental reading, and English as a Second Language (ESL). Also, daily recreational activities, field trips and cultural experiences are offered. Day and boarding options are available.





#### **Gunn Memorial Library & Museum**

#### **CHILDREN, TWEENS & TEENS**

"Libraries Rock" with summer reading! Children receive a bag filled with goodies and a journal to record time spent reading, being read to or listening to books. Tickets are awarded for each hour and can be used as chances to win prizes donated by local businesses and patrons!

#### **Summer Evening Programs:**

**Rock Painting** – Tuesday, June 26 – 6:30pm

"Sing Out" Movie Night – Tuesday, July 3 – 6:00pm

The Science of Music with Caryn Lin – Tuesday, July 10 – 6:30pm

**Tie-Dye Night** – Tuesday, July 17 – 6:30pm

Musical Chairs Competition – Tuesday, July 24 – 6:30pm

Music Trivia Night – Tuesday, July 31 – 6:30pm

**Lip Sync Battle** – Tuesday, August 7 – 6:30pm

"School of Rock" Movie Night, Tuesday, August 14 – 6:00pm

Ice Cream Social – Tuesday, August 21 – 6:30pm

4-H Summer Programs:

**A-MAIZE-ingly Corny** – Thursday, July 12 – 10:00am

**Branching Into Forestry** – Thursday, July 19 – 10:00am

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

Summer Foreign Film Festival

Loveless - Monday, July 9 – 1pm

A Fantastic Woman - Monday, July 16 – 1pm

The Wedding Game - Monday, July 23 - 1pm

Amelie - Monday, July 30 - 1pm

Mark Scarbrough & Bruce Weinstein, Best Selling Cookbook Authors, Talk & Signing for *The Kitchen Shortcut Bible: More*  *than 200 Recipes to Make Real Food Real Fast* - Thursday, July  $12-6:30\,\mathrm{pm}$ 

Of Bohemians and Bovines: Florence Griswold Museum and "The Art of the New England Farm" by Director of Education, David D.R. Rau Thursday, July 19 - 6:30pm

Simon Winchester, Revered Author Talk & Signing for The Perfectionists: How Precision Engineers Created the Modern World – Thursday, August 2 – 6pm

Lake Waramaug Task Force presents: "How We Got the Lake From Green to Clean" - Thursday, August 9 – 6:30pm

**Summer Garden Abundance: What to do with all those veggies** & herbs? - featuring Ann Hodgman & Robin Hirschfield, cosponsored with Judea Garden – Thursday, August 16 – 6:00pm

**Art Documentary Film – Title to be announced –** Thursday, September 13 – 6:00pm

**Beethoven Unvarnished Lecture by Waterbury Symphony Cultural Ambassador, Dr. Vincent DeLuise** – Thursday,
September 27 – 6:30pm

**Gunn Monthly Party Bridge** – Thursday, July 19, Thursday, August 16, Thursday, September 20 – 1pm

#### STAIRWELL GALLERY

<u>Angelo Perrone</u> – "Impressions of Nature" paintings on display June 30 to August 11

Phil Dutton photography on display August 18 - September 29

#### **MUSEUM**

Washington History Club in the Morning - Monday, September 17, 2018, 10am at the Senior Center - Topic: TBA.

For more information and a complete listing of programs and events at GML, Inc. visit **www.gunnlibrary.org** 

#### **ASAP!** Upcoming Events & Workshops

ASAP! Summer Theatre 2018 with Janelle Robinson

Washington Primary School, Washington Grades 1-5 | Monday-Friday, 9:30am-12:30pm

June 25-29 • 1 week: \$150

"If you can walk, you can dance and if you can talk, you can sing."— Zimbabwean proverb

In this week-long program, students will explore the use of their voices, minds and bodies to create a unique piece of their own through physical and vocal exercises and theatre games. We'll use improvisation, movement, speech, song, instruments, and storytelling to build a show. We'll learn how to connect breathing to thought to action and also discover what it means to be part

of an ensemble. The week culminates in a sharing with family and friends. So join us for a fun week of exploration on stage. ASAP! will provide a nut-free organic snack daily during this one-week program.

To register, please visit: asapct.org/summer-theatre/

#### **ASAP! Summer Camp 2018**

Washington Montessori School, New Preston

Ages 4.5-17 | Monday-Friday, 9:00am-3:30pm

July 30-August 10

Two-week registration: \$650

Now in its 18th year, children ages 4.5-17 come to ASAP! Summer Camp to play,

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make friends, explore their creativity, connect with nature, become inventors and discover something new! Voted #1 Cultural Arts Organization in Northwest Connecticut, ASAP! Summer Camp is a full-day camp like no other in the area. We offer a comprehensive arts experience led by professional artists. Daily adventures include visual arts, dance, drama, music, creative writing, circus arts, yoga, pottery, outdoor activities and so much more. At ASAP! Summer Camp, kids unplug so they can connect with themselves and each other.

ASAP! will provide a nut-free organic snack daily during this two-week program. Children must bring a nut-free lunch.

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