

Vermont Sampler Calendar

May 2024 Calendar

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See the end of the Daily Events for Ongoing Listings and Farmers Markets. Call ahead to confirm events before going.

DAILY EVENTS

WEDNESDAY, MAY 1

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Fiber Crafts. Bring fiber crafts including cross stitch, needlepoint, crochet, embroidery, and knitting. Free. Wednesdays, 1-3 pm. Bugbee Senior Center, 262 N. Main St. (802) 295-9068. www.bugbeecenter.org.

THURSDAY, MAY 2

CABOT. Concert. Country-crooner and bluegrass picker Brett Hughes in a rare solo performance. Brett has been a mainstay in the Burlington music community for decades and has spent years hosting the ever-popular "Honky Tonk Tuesdays" at Radio Bean. Tickets \$12-\$15, Willey Building Auditorium, 3084 Main St. (802) 793-3016. director@cabotarts.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Lampshade Poets Open Mic. Open to all Lampshaders as well as any poet who is interested in reading an original piece or two. Poets have the opportunity to be videoed for JAM's community access station and YouTube channel. 7-8:30 pm. Free. Junction Arts & Media, 5 S. Main St. (802) 295-6688. info@uvjam.org.

FRIDAY, MAY 3

BENNINGTON. Concert. A night of brass-fueled, swinging music of New Orleans with the Soggy Po Boys, part of the Basement Music Series, Vermont Arts Exchange. Free. 7 pm. Mount Anthony High School, 301 Park St. (802) 442-5549. www.vtartxchange.org.

HANOVER, NH. Community Dinner. Prepared by the Hanover Community Kitchen. To-go meals available upon request. Free. 5-6 pm. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 5 Summer St. (603) 643-3703. office@oslchanover.org. *Every Friday.*

HANOVER, NH. Film Screening: "The Monk and the Gun." This political comedy-drama captures the wonder and disruption as Bhutan becomes one of the world's youngest democracies. Admission \$5-\$8. 8-9:45 pm. Black Family Visual Arts Center, Loew Auditorium, 22 Lebanon St. (603) 646-2422. www.Hopkins.Center.for.the.Arts@dartmouth.edu.

LEBANON, NH. Concert. The Anonymous Coffeehouse, a community venue for live folk music. Baked goods and hot drinks available. 7:30 pm. Free. Donations appreciated. First Congregational Church of Lebanon, 10 S. Park St. (603) 448-4281. *Friday evenings thru May 10.*

NORWICH. Fiddlehead Fling Gala. A fundraising event to support educational programs. 6 pm. Montshire Museum of Science, 1 Montshire Rd. (802) 649-2200. www.montshire.org.

TINMOUTH. Concert. The Sky Blue Boys will perform bluegrass in this wonderful intimate space with good vibes and cookies. Admission. 7:30 pm. The Old Firehouse, 8 Mountain View Rd. old.firehouse.concerts@gmail.com.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. First Friday Pound Auction. Grab a pound of something including coins, cookies, seeds or veggies to donate to the church auction. Creativity encouraged. Items will go to the highest bidder. Free. 6-8 pm. United Methodist Church, 106 Gates St. (802) 295-7091. wrighttd@hartfordschools.net.

SATURDAY, MAY 4

ADDISON. Bird Walk at Dead Creek Wildlife Management Area. Join us for a morning bird walk of 2-3 miles. Slightly uneven terrain with minimal to no elevation gain. We will try to find as many species as time allows at a comfortable pace. Bring your binoculars. Plan for three hours. Plan for early morning start time. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club, Bread Loaf

Section. Please contact Jen Kluever at jennifer.kluever@yahoo.com with questions and to register. www.greenmountainclub.org.

BARRE. Art Social. Meet the artists, enjoy the new shows, and make a purple portrait with The Drawing Machine by Joe John. Featured exhibits: Violaceous; Art it Up!; Silent Auction; Anne Sarcka: An Exuberant Journey, Glancing in the Rearview Mirror. Free. 4:30-6 pm. Studio Place Arts, 201 N. Main St. (802) 479-7069. info@studioplacearts.com.

BURLINGTON. Concert. Vermont Symphony Orchestra performing Mozart, Mazzoli, and Muhly. Also, Vermont-native pianist Adam Tendler premieres a new piano concerto composed by fellow Vermonter Nico Muhly, based on 18th century hymn tunes by Justin Morgan. VSO's guest vocal soloists explore Des Prez' moving love song, and the VSO Chorus joins for Mozart's enduring requiem. \$8.35-\$59. 7:30 pm. Main Stage, The Flynn, 153 Main St. (802) 863-5966. www.flynnvt.org.

CASTLETON. Rutland Area Chorus Spring Concert. The Rutland Area Chorus (RAC), the Castleton University Chorale, guest soloists and Festival Orchestra will present Giacomo Puccini's magnificent *Messi Di Gloria*. Tickets at theater box office. Casella Theater. (802) 775-4301. www.gracechurchvt.org. *Also May 5.*

CENTER RUTLAND. Rutland Railway Museum & Model Club. Maintained by the Rutland Railway Association, Inc., the historic depot is now a museum that houses an operating HO scale model railroad setup and displays hundreds of rare or antique model trains, photographs, signs and memorabilia saved from an earlier time, including the former Rutland Railroad Caboose #45. Free admission. 11 am - 3 pm. 7 Rutland Railway Museum & Model Club, 9 Depot Lane. www.rutlandrailway.org. *On Saturdays.*

DANVILLE. 3rd Annual Rail Trail & Ale 5K. Please join us for a fun 5K run/walk/bike along the scenic Lamoille Valley Rail Trail. Participants will receive a commemorative pint glass filled with their choice of craft or root beer. Registration is \$25. 11 am - 11 pm. Goodfella's Restaurant and Tavern, 59 Parker Rd. (802) 748-4249.

DERBY. Rockin' Out for Humanity Benefit Dance. We will have ETA there providing the entertainment, The Farmer and the Spud for food and a cash bar. There will also be 50/50 and a silent auction. Tickets \$35 each. 6:30 pm - 11:30 pm. Elk's Lodge, 3736, US Rt. 5. www.vermontrealtors.com/ocbr-home.

HANOVER, NH. Film Screening: "The Thing." In John Carpenter's classic film, a shapeshifting alien lifeform infiltrates a team of American scientists stationed in Antarctica. Tickets \$5-\$8. 7-8:50 pm. Black Family Visual Arts Center, Loew Auditorium, 22 Lebanon St. (603) 646-2422. hopkins.center.for.the.arts@dartmouth.edu.

HARDWICK. Spring Craft Fair. Crafts and gifts, just in time for Mother's Day, plus a raffle and bake sale! 9 am - 3 pm. Hazen Union School Gymnasium, 126 Hazen Union Dr. mmercier@ossu.org.

HARTFORD. Plant Sale. Offerings will include vegetable and flower starts and indoor plants. A table available where children can paint their own pots. Free. 9 am - 12 noon. Cornerstone Community Center, 14 Elk St. (802) 299-6190. ashley@cccvt.org.

HARTLAND. May Day Dance. Free dance lesson with Jamie and Amy Orr. "The Moonlighters" will play swing to soft rock tunes from Basie to ballroom. 8-30-10:30 pm. Refreshments provided. Non-dancers balcony seating, \$15. Dancers, \$20. Donations of non-perishable food gratefully accepted for Hartland Foodshelf. Damon Hall, 1 Quechee Rd. (603) 252-1543. themoonlightersbigband@yahoo.com.

KILLINGTON. Killington Green-Up Day and BBQ. The Town of Killington is hosting Green-Up Day, inviting residents, businesses, and volunteers to pick up Green-Up bags from the Town Office on 2706 River Road, the Transfer Station on 2981 River Road, or the Public Safety Building on 800 Killington Rd. Green-Up bags can be collected at the Killington Transfer Station on Saturday and Monday, and a BBQ picnic lunch will be provided at the Johnson Recreation Pavilion on Saturday. 8 am - 4 pm.

QUECHEE. Drawing from Nature Class. The subject is reptiles and amphibians and your own experience of them. All skill levels welcome. Fee \$13. 9 am - 12 noon. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, Nature's Way off Rt. 4. (802) 359-5000.

LINCOLN. Concert. Genticorum at Burnham Presents — The beauty of the Award-Winning Trio Genticorum. An intoxicating mix of flute, fiddle, feet, guitar and three-part harmonies. Admission. 7:30-10 pm. Burnham Hall, 52 East River Rd. (802) 349-3364.

MANCHESTER. Manchester Community Library Benefit Concert with Paul Rishell & Annie Raines. Join country blues guitar and harmonica masters for a concert to benefit the Manchester Community Library. Tickets \$25. 6-9 pm. Southern Vermont Arts Center, 860 Southern Vermont Arts Center Dr. (802) 362-2607.

MONTPELIER. Green Up Day Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser, A fundraiser for the Kiwanas Club and the Kellogg Hubbard Library. 7-11 am at Cafe NOA, 8 Putnam Street (park on Stonecutters Way).

ORWELL. Spring Guided History Walk. Explore the remains of Revolutionary War defenses at Mount Independence State Historic Site on a guided history walk. Led by experts, discover hidden features and gain insights into this fascinating site. Admission \$1-\$5. 12 pm. At Mount Independence, 472 Mt. Independence Rd. www.historicsites.vermont.gov.

PUTNEY. Concert. Polky – a Toronto-based sextet that blends Polish traditional music with sounds and rhythms from across the globe. Beer, wine and cocktail cash bar. Tickets \$22-\$25. 7:30 pm. Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. www.nextstagearts.org.

RANDOLPH. ‘The Next Generation’ performs. Inspired by “From the Top,” “The Next Generation” showcases young local talent. Tickets \$20 in person or livestream. students \$5, 12 and under free. 7 pm. Chandler Center for the Arts, 71 N. Main St. Tix: chandler-arts.org/cca-events/next-generation.

RUTLAND. Spring Tea & Sweet Treats with Artisan Market & Makerie. 10 am – 2 pm. Chaffee Art Center, 16 South Main St. (802) 775-0356.

RUTLAND. Spring Sprockets & Walk-Its: Family Scavenger Hunt. Benefiting the Homeless Prevention Center. Explore Pine Hill Park’s mountain bike trails and walking loops, enjoy music, snacks, and prizes. Fee \$2-\$10. 10 am. Pine Hill Park, 2 Oak St. Ext. For more information and to sign up, visit: givebutter.com/SpringSprockets24forHPC.

RUTLAND. Film. *Trolls Band Together*. Both events free but tickets required. Ticket limit 4 per person. 11 am. And Barbie, 7:30 pm. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0903. paramountvt.org.

RUTLAND. Annual Free Fishing Derby. Open to children up to 13. Prizes, trophies, and raffles will be awarded, with prizes including an 11-foot Boston Whaler, a Minn Kota Trolling Motor, rod and reel combos, tackle boxes, and fishing nets. Free hot dogs and snacks. Registration at 8 am. Derby at 8:30 am. Combination Pond, Sharon Dr.,

SHARON. Concert. The Grinding Stone. The trio plays traditional songs and tunes from North America and the British isles as well as original compositions. Tickets \$20-\$25, children under 12 free. 7-9 pm. Seven Stars Arts Center, 5126 Rt. 4. (802) 763-2334. sevenstarsarts@gmail.com.

SPRINGFIELD. Raku Pottery Workshop. Andrew Berends will be teaching the Japanese firing technique known as Raku, developed by Japan in the 16th century for making tea ceremony ware. The firings take about an hour and participants get a finished piece. 1-5 pm. Fee \$270 includes 25 pounds of clay, glazes and firing costs in a gas fired kiln. Wear old clothing and bring pottery tools if you have them. Directions to Andrew’s studio in Springfield will be given at registration. Hosted by Gallery at the VAULT, 68 Main St. (802) 885-7111. www.galleryvault.org.

STATEWIDE. Green-Up Day. Pick up your Green Up trash bags and get out in your community to clean up your neighborhood roads and waterways. For more information about how you can help green-up in your town, visit: greenupvermont.org.

WEST NEWBURY. Variety Show. Features folk, jazz, piano solos, fiddles and songs. Refreshments: Mitzi’s rhubarb punch, cookies and other goodies. Everything is by donation. 7-9 pm. West Newbury Hall, 219 Tyler Farm Rd. (802) 505-5279. tombkidder@gmail.com.

WEST RUTLAND. Green-Up Day, West Rutland Marsh. Meet at the

viewing boardwalk on Marble Street north of the Carving Studio. An activity of the Rutland County Audubon Society. 9 am – 12 noon.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Concert. Shy Husky, Jake McKelvie and the Countertops & the Genji’s. Tickets \$10. Snacks and a bonfire too. 7-11 pm. Main Street Museum, 58 Bridge St. (802) 356-2776. info@mainstreetmuseum.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. The Great Gatsby. Northern Stage’s fresh take on F. Scott Fitzgerald’s classic novel of the Roaring Twenties, directed by Kelvin Grullon. Tickets \$19-\$40. 2 & 7:30 pm. Barrette Center for the Arts, 74 Gates St. northernstage.org/new-works-now/#gatsby.

WOODSTOCK. Film Screening. ‘*Wicked Little Letters*’. Set in a small seaside town in England, a feisty young Irish woman is accused of sending poison-pen letters to respectable townspeople. Based on a true story from 1920. Adults \$10, seniors \$9, kids \$8. 7:30 pm. Woodstock Town Hall Theatre, 31 The Green. (802) 457-3981. pentangle-arts.square.site/movie-tickets. Also May 5.

SUNDAY, MAY 5

BELLOWS FALLS. Benefit Appraisals – What’s It Worth? Appraisers evaluate items and provide information about them. Up to three items at a cost of \$8 each or \$20 for a box lot of coins, stamps, postcards, jewelry or the like. Firearms, knives, ammunition and other weapons are excluded, as well as rugs larger than 6 by 9 feet. Large furniture pieces evaluated through photographs. Benefits scholarships at Bellows Falls Union High School and Fall Mountain Regional High School. 1-5 pm. United Church, 8 School St. (802) 462-4223. www.bellowsfallswomansclub.weebly.com.

BURLINGTON. Concert. Young musicians of the Vermont Youth Orchestra rejoice in the coming of spring with a performance of Dvorak’s masterful Symphony No. 8. Tickets \$22-\$25. 7:30 pm. Main Stage, The Flynn, 153 Main St. (802) 863-5966. www.flynnvt.org.

CLAREMONT, NH. Circus Springboard. The New England Center for Circus Arts (NECCA) presents the annual Circus Springboard show, featuring America’s next generation of circus artists. The performers are soon-to-be graduates of NECCA’s three-year professional training program. Admission \$12-\$18. 2-4 pm. Claremont Opera House, 58 Opera House Square. (603) 542-4433. pr@cohhn.org.

GRANBY. Trail Work at Cow Mountain Pond Forest. Please join us for a trail maintenance day. Due to limited parking at this trailhead, we’ll need to carpool from the East Burke Clubhouse at 9 am. Most of our work will be focused on removing blowdowns and cleaning out waterbars, so please bring your favorite tools for these tasks. All participants should be prepared for a full day on the trail. The total hiking distance involved is about six miles. SPONSORED by the Green Mountain Club. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. 9 am – 4 pm. RSVP gmcnek@gmail.com. Map: www.trailfinder.info/trails/trail/cow-mountain-pond.

HANOVER, NH. Bike Rodeo. Targeted for beginner riders: safety check, start & stop, turns, scanning for hazards. Bring helmets. Free. 12-3:30 pm. Ray Elementary School, 26 Reservoir Rd. (604) 667-7758. Hannah.Falcone@hanovernh.org.

HANOVER, NH. Film Screening. “*Red, White and Brass*.” A Tongan superfan assembles a ragtag marching band to gain entry to the Rugby World Cup finals in this family comedy based on a true story. Admission \$5-\$8. 1-2:25 pm. Black Family Visual Arts Center, Loew Auditorium. 22 Lebanon St. (603) 646-2422. www.hopkins.center.for.the.arts@dartmouth.edu.

LYME, NH. Lyme Pinnacle Hike. Lollipop loop with a great view at the top! Four miles, 640 foot climb. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Upper Valley Ottauquechee Section of the Green Mountain Club. Leader: Lynne Miller, (603) 643-6194. www.greenmountainclub.org.

LYME, NH. Post Pond Fair. Try pickle ball, juggling, corn hole and other games. Talk to experts about wildlife, plants, and ecology. Take a nature walk. Bake sale and prizes. Free. 1-4 pm. Hosted by Friends of Post Pond, Chase Town Beach, Rt. 10/Post Pond Lane. (603) 277-0709. friends.of.post.pond@gmail.com.

Sunday, May 5, continued:

MIDDLEBURY. Concert. Join the Middlebury College Orchestra in a program featuring Mozart's Bassoon Concert in B-flat major featuring soloist Roeskva Torhalsdottir ('25), the premiere of Gino Abrams' ('24) symphonic work *The Bronze Horseman*, and Elgar's *Enigma Variations*. Free. 3-4:30 pm. Mahaney Arts Center, Olin C. Robison Concert Hall, 72 Porter Field Rd. (802) 443-5938. bennett@middlebury.edu.

MONTPELIER. All Species Day. Opening ceremonies begin in Hubbard Park at noon, then at 1:15 pm, a parade of people dressed as animals leads to the Statehouse lawn and from 2:30-4 pm a celebration and the Birth Of Spring Pageant. Come dressed as your favorite species and join in celebrating our interdependence with all of life. 12-4 pm.

PITTSFORD. Spring Fling. Games, Safety Day, soccer kick off, treats and more. Bike helmet giveaway courtesy of Omya. Free. 2-3:30 pm. The Village Farm, 42 Elm St.

ROCKINGHAM. Herricks Cove Wildlife Festival. A family-friendly event with an emphasis on the wildlife and natural resources of Vermont featuring live animals, nature-focused walks, kids' activities, presentations by environmental and nature organizations, and demonstrations that include the return of Vermont Game Warden Canine Units. 10 am - 4 pm. Bird walk at 7 am. Donations \$2-\$5 for a family. Herricks Cove, just off Route 5, less than three miles north of Bellows Falls. (802) 777-5771. joshua.morse@vermont.gov.

RUTLAND. VFW Loyalty Day. Breakfast Buffet 8-11 am. Parade 2-3 pm. Luncheon, 3-4 pm. VFW, 15 Wales St. (802) 353-5081.

RUTLAND. Rutland Area Chorus Spring Concert. The Rutland Area Chorus (RAC), the Castleton University Chorale, guest soloists and Festival Orchestra will present Giacomo Puccini's magnificent *Messa Di Gloria*. Free admission, freewill offering. 5 pm. Grace Congregational Church, 8 Court St. (802) 775-4301. www.gracechurchvt.org.

VERNON. Concert & Cookies. Celtic, French, and Quebecois tunes with soaring beauty and unapologetic drive. \$15-\$20 sliding scale. Eloise & Co. w/Bethany Waickman. 3:30-5 pm. Community Center, 22 Governor Hunt Rd. (802) 380-0226. www.rachelbellmusic.com/eloiseandco.

WESTFORD. Westford Music Series: Howling Waters. Enjoy some classic, lively bluegrass courtesy of this outstanding trio. Free. 4-5 pm. Westford Common Hall. (802) 8879-4028. westfordcommonhall.org.

WEST PAWLET. Bird Walk. D&H Rail Trail. Join bird walk with Southern Adirondack Audubon. Meet at parking area where Egg St. meets VT Rt. 153. Free. Walk begins 7:30 am. birding@rutlandcountyaudubon.org. www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

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MONDAY, MAY 6

BROWNSVILLE. English Country Dance. Join a series of introductory classes covering movements, figures, terms, and other interesting bits about English Country dancing. Live band dance later for you to enjoy. \$10 per class. 7-8:30 pm. Town Hall, 22 Hartland-Brownsville Rd. (802) 484-3138. delaneystables@gmail.com. Also May 13.

TUESDAY, MAY 7

BURLINGTON. Musical. *Mean Girls*. Direct from Broadway, *Mean Girls* is the hilarious hit musical from an award-winning creative team, including book writer Tina Fey (30 Rock), composer Jeff Richmond (Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt), lyricist Nell Benjamin (Legally Blonde) and original director and choreographer Casey Nicholaw (The Book of Mormon). Tickets \$64.70-\$100.50. 7:30 pm. Main Stage, The Flynn,

153 Main Street. (802) 863-5966. www.flynnvt.org. Also May 8 & 9.

MIDDLEBURY. Concert. Middlebury College Music Dept. presents the debut performance of the MICA string quartet. The concert will explore stylistic transformation across string quartet works spanning the 18th-20th centuries, featuring works by Scarlatti, Haydn, Schubert, Smetana, Debussy, and Bartok. Fee. 7:30-8:30 pm. Mahaney Arts Center, Olin C. Robison Concert Hall, 72 Porter Field Rd. (802) 443-5221. achabot@middlebury.edu.

MONTPELIER. Bicycle Class for Adults. Each session will feature an hour in the classroom followed by an optional, guided bicycle ride. Bicyclists must arrive with a bicycle in good working order and wear a helmet. Free. 5:30 pm. Community Room, Montpelier Senior Activity Center, 58 Barre St. (802) 223-2518. SaddleShoes2@gmail.com. Also May 14, 21, 28 and June 4 & 11.

POULTNEY. Bird Walk. Fairgrounds East. Meet at parking area 131 Town Farm Rd. 3 miles on easy terrain. Free. 7:30 am. birding@rutlandcountyaudubon.org. www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

STOWE. Basketry Festival. Five days of many types of basket making workshops for basket makers who are just starting out as well as experienced basket makers. View the various workshops and register here. Learn to make a God's Eye. Weave in 3 quadrants. Weave with reed and seagrass. Colors choices will be available. Fee. 8 am-5 pm. Midway Lodge, 7231 Mountain Rd. (802) 353-3000. stowebasketryfestival@gmail.com. Through May 11.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Talk. *Suds & Science: Understanding the Spread of Ticks and Lyme Disease*. Joseph Savage will talk about the presence of Lyme disease and blacklegged ticks in the Northeast. Free. 7-8 pm. Vermont Center for Ecostudies, 20 Palmer Court. (802) 649-1431. jhill@vtcostudies.org.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

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HANOVER, NH. Concert. Handel Society & Glee Club. The two choirs join forces with orchestra, narrator and soloists for a performance of Arthur Honegger's symphonic psalm, "Le Roi David." Filippo Ciabatti, director. Tickets \$20. 8-9:30 pm. Rollins Chapel, 29 College St. Hopkins.Center.for.the.Arts@dartmouth.edu.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. BugbeeTalks: HomeShare Vermont has been matching people who have room in their home with those seeking an affordable place to live for the past 42 years. HomeShare guests can contribute to rent and utilities and/or provide help with household tasks, such as cooking, yardwork, housekeeping, snow removal, pet care, or running errands. Free. 1-2 pm. Bugbee Senior Center, 262 N. Main St. (802) 295-9068. susan@bugbeecenter.org.

WOODSTOCK. Concert. Zack's Place Musical: "*Peter Pan and the Pirates of Zackland*." Free donations accepted. 5:30-6:45 pm. Woodstock Town Hall Theatre, 31 The Green. (802) 457-3981. excedir@zacksplacevt.org.

THURSDAY, MAY 9

BURLINGTON. Musical. *Mean Girls*. Direct from Broadway, *Mean Girls* is the hilarious hit musical from an award-winning creative team, including book writer Tina Fey (30 Rock), composer Jeff Richmond (Unbreakable Kimmy Schmidt), lyricist Nell Benjamin (Legally Blonde) and original director and choreographer Casey Nicholaw (The Book of Mormon). Tickets \$64.70-\$100.50. 7:30 pm. Main Stage, The Flynn, 153 Main Street. (802) 863-5966. www.flynnvt.org.

HARDWICK. Book Club. May's book club discussion is *Peach Blossom Spring* by Melissa Fu. A novel about war, migration, and the power of telling our stories. This covers three generations of a Chinese family searching for a place to be home. Drop-ins welcome. Free. 8:30 am. Galaxy Bookstore, 41 South Main St. (802) 472-5503. galaxybookgals@gmail.com.

Thursday, May 9, continued:

HARDWICK. Book & Author Event. Nutritionist, herbalist, and health coach Lisa Masé will discuss her recently published book, *The Culinary Pharmacy*. Incorporating wisdom from Ayurveda, traditional Chinese medicine, the Mediterranean diet, and modern nutrition science. Free. 7 pm. Galaxy Bookstore, 41 South Main St. (802) 472-5503. galaxybookgals@gmail.com.

MIDDLEBURY. Documentary Film. *The Janes*. A timely documentary from directors Emma Pildes and Tia Lessen. Admission fee. 7 pm. Town Hall Theater, 68 S Pleasant St. (818) 406-3492. middfilmfest.org.

PUTNEY. Concert. Carsie Blanton and trio presenting American popular songs from folk and swing to pop-punk protest anthems. Singer/songwriter Milton opens the show. Tickets \$25-\$35. Beer, wine and cocktail cash bar. 7 pm. Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. www.nextstagearts.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Play: "Ripcord." A sunny room on an upper floor is prime real estate in the Bristol Place Assisted Living Facility, so when the cantankerous Abby is forced to share her quarters with new-arrival Marilyn, she has no choice but to get rid of the infuriatingly chipper woman by any means necessary. Tickets \$20-\$40. Thursdays, Fridays, Saturdays 7 pm; Sunday matinee 2:30 pm. Shaker Bridge Theater, Briggs Opera House, 5 S. Main St. (802) 281-6848. grant.shakerbridge@gmail.com. *Also May 10, 11, 12, 16, 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 25 & 26.*

FRIDAY, MAY 10

BARRE. Concert. Bluesman Buffalo Nichols and his trio to perform traditional blues while adding 21st century accents to music that's centuries old. Tickets \$37-\$44. 8 pm. Barre Opera House, City Hall, 6 N. Main St. (802) 476-0292. www.barreoperahouse.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Book & Author Event. Michael & Glenna Rose Nethercott will share their views on storytelling, offer readings, and engage in lively literary banter. Genna Rose's recent novel is *Thistlefoot*. Michael's new novel *The Ballad of Black Powder* is his first foray into writing westerns. Brooks Memorial Library, 224 Main St. (802) 254-5290. www.brookslibraryvt.org.

BURLINGTON. Honoring Rueben Jackson. Join Poets Toussaint St. Negritude, Betha Isaiah Hines and Rajni Eddins as they explore musings on life, mortality, personal story, grief and the absurdity of race in remembrance of Poet and Loved One, Reuben Jackson. 6:30- 8 pm. Fletcher Free Library, 235 College St. (802) 863-3403. www.fletcherfree.org/event.

BURLINGTON. Concert. Hear world-renowned Nepali Sarangi Player Shyam Nepali perform with his five-member band Himalayan Dreams hailing from the centuries old Gandharba musical tradition. Tickets \$20. 7-9 pm. (802) 578-9846. info@vermontfolklifecenter.org.

HANOVER, NH. Film Screening: "*They Shot the Piano Player*." An animated film about the mysterious disappearance of 35 year old Brazilian piano virtuoso Francisco Tenorio Jr., who vanished after a 1976 concert in Buenos Aires. Tickets \$5-\$8. 7-8:45 pm. Black Family Visual Arts Center, Loew Auditorium, 22 Lebanon St. (603) 646-2422. hopkins.center.for.the.arts@dartmouth.edu.

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HIGHGATE CENTER. Community Supper. Chicken and biscuits with glazed carrots, stuffing, cranberry sauce and chocolate cake with peanut butter frosting. Tickets \$12. Reservations encouraged. Take-out available. 4:30-6 pm. Carolyn's Highgate Methodist Community Center, 3227, Rt. 78. (802) 868-4921. www.neumc.org.

LEBANON, NH. Concert. The Anonymous Coffeehouse, a community venue for live folk music. Baked goods and hot drinks available. 7:30 pm. Free. Donations appreciated. First Congregational Church of Lebanon, 10 S. Park St. (603) 448-4281. *Friday evenings thru May 10.*

MIDDLEBURY. Piano Concert. Mathis Picard to play original compositions and interpretations of solo piano classics, ranging from

Duke Ellington, Thelonious Monk & J.S. Bach to Chopin & Ravel. Tickets \$30. Students \$15. 7:30 pm. Town Hall Theater, 60 South Pleasant St. (802) 382-9222. www.townhalltheatre.org.

PUTNEY. Poetry Reading. Sundog Poetry and Green Writers Press present an evening of poetry featuring Julia C. Alter, winner of the 2023 Sundog Poetry Book Award for *Some Dark Familiar*, and special guests Pablo Medina, Rage Hezekiah, and Ben Aleshire. Free. 7:30 pm. Next Stage Arts, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. tockify.com/next.stage.art.

RUTLAND. Musical. Rutland Youth Theatre presents three showings of *Moana Jr*. Tickets adults: \$15, children under 18 and seniors over 65 \$10. 7 pm. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0903. www.paramountvt.org. *Also May 11 at 2 and 7 pm.*

STOWE. Concert. An evening with Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center with David Finckel, Wu Han, and Chad Hoopes. Artistic directors Finckel and Han have assembled a scintillating collection of works that reveal the joy and depth of the chamber music literature. Tickets \$55-\$95. 7-9 pm. Spruce Peak Arts, 122 Hourglass Dr. (802) 760-4634. www.sprucepeakarts.org.

TUNBRIDGE. Family Contra Dance. Sponsored by the Ed Larkin Dancers. Free refreshments at intermission. Admission \$8, children under 2 free. 7-10 pm. Tunbridge Town Hall, 279 Rt. 110. (802) 436-1152. clydo46@gmail.com.

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WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Now & Then. 70th Annual League of Local Historical Society and Museum Conference will cover what has changed in the last 70 years for local historical societies and museums and what has stayed the same. Events include Hartford Historical Society Tour. Day-long programs start at 9:45. Coolidge Hotel, 39 S. Main St. (802) 828-1414. andrew.liptak@vermonthistory.org.

WOODSTOCK. Wildflower Hike, Mt Tom. Spring ephemerals (wildflowers that disappear after blooming). About four miles on a variety of trails. Easy to moderate. Marsh-Billings-Rockefeller National Historic Park. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. Leader: Debbie Marcus, debbie.marcus57@gmail.com. (978) 578-4198. www.greenmountainclub.org.

SATURDAY, MAY 11

BARNARD. Concert: *New Inca Son*. The group's mission is to preserve their indigenous heritage while instilling an understanding and appreciation of it to all who encounter them. Tickets \$5 and \$20, sliding scale admission. Food available. 5-8 pm. Barnard Town Hall, 115 North Rd. (802) 234-1645. info@barnarts.org.

BELLOWS FALLS. Dance Rituals. Join Lisa Nevada, Tyler Rai, and the ecology of The Field Center for four days of movement, performance scores, and dances shaped by the land and the work of Anna Halprin. Daily 1 pm. The Field Center, 61 Williams Rd. www.thefieldcenter.com. *Through May 15.*

BURLINGTON. Concert. Genticorum with the Touring Group at the Young Tradition Festival. Genticorum is one of the leading groups in Quebec's traditional music scene also featuring an opening act by the 20 teen performers of the Touring Group. Tickets \$20. 7-9:30 pm. (802) 578-9846. info@vermontfolklifecenter.org.

BURLINGTON. Sansari Festival. Sansari Puja (Mother Nature Ceremony) is a community celebration held on the first full moon day of the Nepali New Year. Various groups within Vermont's Bhutanese Nepali community will perform traditional dances throughout the day. Suggested donations: fruit, juices, and water. Nepali food and drinks will be available for free to attendees. 11 am – 3 pm. Ethan Allen Homestead Museum, 1 Ethan Allen Homestead. (802) 829-1291. vtfolklife.org.

Saturday, May 11, continued:

BURLINGTON. Concert. The Aurora Chamber Singers will present “Seeds of Modernism,” featuring the late Romantic European music by Gabriel Fauré, Charles Gounod, César Franck, and Anton Bruckner with the voices of the Aurora Chamber Singers, soloists and organ, under the leadership of conductor David Neiwem. Tickets \$25, students \$10. 7:30-9 pm. College Street Congregational Church, 265 College St. (802) 864-7704. info@aurorachambersingers.org.

BURLINGTON. Dance. Performance. Animal Dance Company. FlynnZone Kids Hour. Shares new snippets of choreography from In the Rubble, a new piece for the stage. Members of the young audience can participate with movement games and dance exercises. Admission. 7:30 pm. Main Stage, The Flynn, 153 Main St. (802) 863-5966. www.flynnvt.org.

BURLINGTON. Concert. Aurora Chamber Singers present Seeds of Modernism: Fauré, Gounod, Franck and Bruckner. Tickets \$10-\$25. 7:30-9 pm. Congregational Church, 265 College St. (802) 372-3891. info@collegestreetchurch.org.

CASTLETON. Conservation Camp Volunteers Sought to Get the Camps Ready for the Season. Vermont Fish and Wildlife Dept. is looking for volunteers to join them for a “work-cation” weekend to get its Kehoe camp ready for the 2024 season. Volunteers can participate for one hour, one day, or both days and can stay overnight in onsite cabins or they bring their own tents. Lunch and dinner provided. Edward F. Kehoe Camp, 636 Point of Pines Rd. (802) 249-4199. joshua.morse@vermont.gov. Also May 12.

EAST HAVEN. East Haven Cabin Hike. Gordon DuBois will lead a day hike to the cabin on East Haven Mountain for lunch. The cabin sits on the edge of a cliff offering a spectacular view of Umpire Mountain and the White Mountains. We will hike to the summit of East Haven Mountain (3,060’). Meet at 9 am at the trailhead at the end of Young’s Road. A small donation is requested to assist with the maintenance of the cabin. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. 9 am – 3:30 pm. Please register by emailing Gordon at duboisgordon7@gmail.com by May 8. www.ehmicabin.net/about-the-cabin. www.greenmountainclub.org.

EAST MONTPELIER. Mayfest Community Festival. Celebrate the arrival of spring on our beautiful Grace Farm campus! Festivities include Maypole dancing, a visit from King Winter and Lady Spring, crafts, a puppet show. Bring your own picnic lunch! 10 am – 1 pm. Orchard Valley Waldorf School, 2290 VT Route 14N. www.ovws.org

GRANVILLE, NY. Blossoms & Babies. Bring your mom to our orchard for Blossoms & Babies. We’ll have baby animals from some of our local farmer friends. Pick up a gift for mom from our Barn Store or one of the on-site craft vendors. Whiskey River Band will be playing. Wood fired pizza for lunch and cider. 11 am – 3 pm. Hicks Orchard, 18 Hicks Rd. (518) 642-1788. www.hicksorchard.com.

HANOVER, NH. Screening: Met Opera in HD: “Madama Butterfly” by Giacomo Puccini. A tragedy of unrequited love between a young geisha and an American naval officer. Tickets \$10-\$22. 1-4:15 pm. Hopkins Center for the Arts, Loew Auditorium, 4 E. Wheelock St. (603) 646-2422. hopdarmouth.edu.

HANOVER, NH. Hood Museum Highlights Tour. Join Hood staff for in-person tours of the museum galleries. Meet in the Russo Atrium five minutes prior to the start time. No registration necessary. Free. 2-3 pm. Hood Museum of Art, 6 E. Wheelock St. (603) 646-2808. Sharon.L.Reed@dartmouth.edu.

HANOVER, NH. Concert. Dartmouth College Wind Ensemble welcoming Colonel Michael Colburn in guest-conducting the concert alongside promising young female conductors. Brian Messier, director. 7-8:45 pm. Rollins Chapel, 29 College St. (603) 646-2422. Hopkins.Center.for.the.Arts@dartmouth.edu.

HUNTINGTON. Carving Workshop. Ever wondered about woodcarving? Watch a woodcarver at work, questions, or learn about the Green Mountain Woodcarvers. Admission. 10 am – 2 pm. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. birdsofvermont.org.

LEBANON, NH. Concert. Harmony Night Community Chorus Spring

Concert. Directed by Mark Nelson, will perform a capella music from different eras and cultures. Free. Donations accepted. 7-8:30 pm. First Congregational Church, 10 S. Park St. (603) 443-2936. la14e@outlook.com.

LEBANON, NH. Film Screening: “Love Lies Bleeding.” Kristen Stewart and her bodybuilder girlfriend attempt to escape her seedy criminal family (Ed Harris, Dave Franco) in this tale of romance on the run. \$5-\$8. Black 7-8:45 pm. Family Visual Arts Center, Loew Auditorium, 22 Lebanon St. (603) 646-2422. hopkins.center.for.the.arts@dartmouth.edu

MIDDLEBURY. Bike Swap. Find the perfect new-to-you bike, sell that old bike that’s been taking up space in your garage, or better yet, do both. Knowledgeable staff members will be on hand to answer any questions. Free. 9 am-Noon. Onion River Outdoors, 89 Main St. (802) 225-6736. www.onionriver.com.

NORWICH. Spring Celebration. Local mini-market. Family fun! Meet our farmers, visit the gardens, check out baby animals, and tour our new barn. Pick up Mother’s Day flowers and macarons, Visit our tasting tents. Free. 10 am – 2 pm. Sweetland Farm, 742 Rt. 132. (802) 376-5945. www.sweetlandfarmvt.com.

QUECHEE. World Migratory Bird Day. Collect a passport and travel around the Nature Center to learn about the world of migratory birds. Live raptor program, meet songbirds, compete to find a habitat and go on a bug safari, among other activities. Collect stickers at each station to complete passports. Fee \$16-\$19. 10 am – 5 pm. Vermont Institute of Natural Science, 149 Natures Way off Rt. 4. (802) 359-5000. info@vinsweb.org.

RUTLAND. Musical. Rutland Youth Theatre presents Moana Jr. Tickets adult: \$15, children under 18 and seniors over 65 \$10. At 2 and 7 pm. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0903. www.paramountvt.org.

ST. ALBANS. 3rd Annual Kingman Fest Outdoor Block Party & Concert. Featuring Jesse Agan & Morgan Myles performing iconic hits from Bon Jovi, Journey, Madonna, Bruce Springsteen, Billy Joel, Chris Stapleton, Aerosmith, Queen, Def Leppard, Heart and more! Includes food for sale and cash bar. Free. 5-9 pm. Kingman St. (443) 798-5380. www.kingmanfest.com.

STRAFFORD. Wake Up the Garden. Work with master gardeners to prepare the Victorian gardens for the 2024 season. Designed to nurture the colorful annual beds and expand the kitchen garden – the laboratory for experimenting with plant hardiness that contains a variety of roses, perennials, berry bushes, and herbs. Admission \$7. 1 pm. Senator Justin Morrill Historic Site, 214 Justin Morrill Highway. (802) 649-2940. www.historicsites.vermont.gov.

WEST LEBANON, NH. Upper Valley Traditional Music Jam. A New England Style jam of acoustic musicians of all experience levels meet to play traditional tunes of the Celtic, Canadian, Old-time and Americana genres. There’s a piano in the room so we welcome pianist to play along. Free. 3-5 pm. At Kilton Public Library, 80 Main St. (603) 298-8544. www.leblibrary.com. Also May 25 and June 8.

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WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Drag Show. Coco Fox & Annabel Driussi present: A Drag Themed Variety Show. Come in your best drag or fave outfit. Bring extra dollars for tips. If you want to perform, arrive early. Portion of proceeds benefit WRJ Pride. Free or donation. 7:30-11 pm. Main Street Museum, 58 Bridge St. (802) 356-2776. info@mainstreetmuseum.org.

Saturday, May 11, continued:

WOODBURY. Conservation Camp Volunteers Sought to Get the Camps Ready for the Season. VT Fish and Wildlife Dept. seeks volunteers to join them for a “work-cation” weekend at its Buck Lake camp ready for the 2024 season. Volunteers can work for one hour, one day, or both days and can stay overnight in onsite cabins or they bring their own tents. Lunch and dinner provided. Buck Lake Camp, 1051 Buck Lake Rd. (802) 249-4199. joshua.morse@vermont.gov. Also May 12.

SUNDAY, MAY 12

BRATTLEBORO. Bird Walk. Join us for a morning of birding through shrubby fields, a wooded stream, and pine, hardwood, and mixed species woodland habitats. We’ll look for recent returning migrants and local year-round birds. Louisiana waterthrush, merlin, and blue-winged warbler have been seen in this location and scarlet tanager, indigo bunting, and eastern wood pewee are regulars. Free. 6-8 am. Whetstone Woods. www.brattbeat.com.

BURLINGTON. Concert. Higher Ground Presents Straight No Chaser. The Yacht Rock Tour. A festive blend of harmonious voices for more than two and a half decades. \$52.50 - \$84. 8 pm. . Main Stage, The Flynn, 153 Main Street. (802) 863-5966. www.flynnvt.org.

BURLINGTON. Concert. Contra Dance. Join us for a young traditional family contra dance with caller Luke Donforth and live music by Pascal Gemme, Véronique Plasse and friends. No experience necessary. All dances are taught by the caller. Bring clean, soft-soled shoes. Tickets \$10-\$30. 1:30-3:30 pm. Burlington City Hall, Contois Auditorium, 149 Church St. (802) 578-9846. info@vermontfolkcenter.org.

DANVILLE. Mother’s Day Bike Ride on the Northern or Lamoille Rail Trail. Bike ride on a section of either the Northern Rail Trail (Enfield and Lebanon, NH) or the Lamoille Rail Trail (West Danville, VT), about 15 to 20 miles. E-bikes welcome, car shuttle necessary. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. Leaders: Inge and Heinz Trebitz, (802) 785-2129. www.greenmountainclub.org.

ENFIELD, NH. Mother’s Day Brunch. Gourmet feast includes fresh baked breakfast goodies, quiche assortment, fresh cut fruit salad, garden vegetables, dessert pastries and much more. After brunch, head over to the Shaker Herb Garden and take a tour with garden coordinator Susan Quinlan. Fee \$20 to \$50. Advance registration required. Two seatings, 11 am and 12:30 pm. Enfield Shaker Museum, 447 Route 4A. (603) 632-4346. shakermuseum@gmail.com.

HARDWICK. Mother’s Day Fairy Tea & Field Day. An afternoon of fairy house building, arts and crafts, story telling, magical workshops for all ages. A fairy tea time and sacred celebration in the stone circle. Costumes are encouraged but not required. Feel free to bring your drums, rattles, and bubble wands. \$15 per ticket, 2 for \$25 and 5 for \$50. 1-4 pm. Lanzer’s Fruit Farm, 273 Porter Brook Rd. (802) 441-5550. www.lanzersfruitfarm.com.

LYME, NH. Concert. Harmony Night Community Chorus. Will perform a capella music from different eras and cultures. Reception follows concert. Free. 3-4:30 pm. Lyme Congregational Church, 1 Dorchester Rd. (603) 795-2850. la14e@outlook.com.

MORETOWN. Mother’s Day on the Farm. Families with young children are invited to honor our mothers and Mother Earth. We’ll share song, story, and the joys of planting. Donations. 10 am – 12:30 pm. Living Tree Alliance (LTA), 96 Living Tree Lane. (603) 387-8697. info@livingtreealliance.com.

NORTH BENNINGTON. Mother’s Day Walk & Tea. Certified Nature & Forest Therapy Guide Erin Labovitz offers a program for mothers and their family and friends. Walk through the woods and along pasture paths, and a gathering on the Park-McCullough veranda for tea and scones. Admission. 9:30-11:30 am. Park-McCullough Historic Governor’s Mansion, Rt. 67A. (802) 422-5441. parkmccullough.org.

QUECHEE. Raptors in Focus. Join local photojournalist Rob Strong for an exclusive photo shoot with our resident raptors that will leave you with stunning pictures and great memories. With a focus on capturing movement, our hawk and other raptor models will be flying for the camera. Tickets \$54 1-3 pm. VINS Nature Center, 149 Nature’s Way. (802) 359-5000. info@vinsweb.org. www.vinsweb.org.

RUTLAND. Concert. The Wailin’ Jennys. One of today’s most beloved international folk acts. Tickets \$48-\$68. 7 pm. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0903. www.paramountvt.org.

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WOODSTOCK. Garden Event. Fundraiser for Zack’s Place features locally sourced dinner prepared by chef Matthew McClure. Guest speakers will be Tery Dorman & Addie Gardner, producers & writers of the award-winning documentary “Whitman Brook and the Nature of Time.” Tickets \$200. 3-7 pm. Kelly Way Gardens, 106 Kelly Way (off Rt. 106). (802) 457-5868. execdir@zacksplacevt.org.

MONDAY, MAY 13

BROWNSVILLE. English Country Dance. Join a series of introductory classes covering movements, figures, terms, and other interesting bits about English Country dancing. Live band dance later for you to enjoy. \$10 per class. 7-8:30 pm. Town Hall, 22 Hartland-Brownsville Rd. (802) 484-3138. delaneystables@gmail.com.

ROCHESTER. Mt. Cushman Spring Hike. Follow a Class IV road from the trailhead off Rochester Hollow Road through the saddle between Rochester Mountain and Mount Cushman to the summit; return the same way. 4.6 miles, 1,350 foot climb. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. Leader: Tom McCleary, (802) 295-7592, cell (802) 356-0890. www.greenmountainclub.org.

TUESDAY, MAY 14

POULTNEY. Bird Walk. Endless Brook, meet at trailhead in Poultney, Endless Brook Rd. 9 miles from VT Rt. 30 South. Easy to moderate terrain. 3 miles, 3 hours. Free. 7:30 am. birding@rutlandcountyaudubon.org. www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

PUTNEY. Lecture. Scholar and vernacular architecture historian Thomas C. Hubka to speak on his seminal book *Big House, Little House, Back House, Barn*. Event sponsored by Landmark Trust USA in honor of Preservation Month. Free. 7 pm. Next Stage Arts, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 579-1853. heather@nextstagearts.org.

RUTLAND. Screening. Met Opera: *Madam Butterfly* (Puccini). Extraordinary soprano Asmik Grigorian tackles the demanding role of Cio-Cio-San, the loyal geisha at the heart of Puccini’s devastating tragedy. Tickets \$20. 1 pm. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0903. www.paramountvt.org.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

STOWE. Concert. Chamber Music of Lincoln Center featuring songwriter Matt Quinn of Mt. Joy, a folk singer & player of the melodeon, duet concertina and the mandolin. Tickets \$75-\$100. 7-9 pm. Spruce Peak Arts, 122 Hourglass Dr. (802) 760-4634. info@sprucepeakarts.org.

WEST BRATTLEBORO. Play. “*Alice in Wonderland*.” Presented by Theater Adventure, a caring and creative community offering year-round hybrid programming to youth and adults with disabilities. 2024 marks their 20th year. Tickets \$15. 10:30-11:30 am. West Village Meeting House, 29 South St. (802) 387-0765i. theatreadventure.org.

THURSDAY, MAY 16

BENNINGTON. Music & Classic Cars. The Better Bennington Corp. and Hemmings are teaming up to bring you a series of unforgettable evenings during a Cruise-In paired with BBC’s Thursday night live music series. Hemmings will line Main Street and a portion of School Street with an array of vintage automobiles to admire and enjoy. Live music from Thomson Stage in Merchants Park. Free. 5-8 pm Main and School Streets. (802) 442-5758. www.bbc.org. Also June 20.

Thursday, May 16, continued;

CABOT. The Cabot Folk Club Presents Hungrytown. Multi-instrumentalist and singer Ken Anderson and writer Rebecca Hall make up Hungrytown, a folk duo with beautiful arrangements, remarkable vocal harmonies, and a literary bent. Tickets \$15. Doors open at 6:30 pm, music 7 pm. At the Willey Building Auditorium, 3084 Main St. (802) 793-3016. director@cabotarts.org. www.cabotarts.org. www.hungrytown.net.

HANOVER, NH. Concert Dartmouth College Gospel Choir. Student and community vocalists. Tickets \$15. 8-9:30 pm. Rollins Chapel, 29 College St. (603) 646-2422. Hopkins.Center.for.the.Arts@dartmouth.edu.

HANOVER, NH. Film Screening. “*Havana Divas*” with director Louisa Wei. Two Cantonese opera singers perform for decades (through Castro’s revolution) in this story of the Chinese immigrant experience in Cuba. Stage sisters Caridad Amaran and Georgina Wong, both of Chinese descent, learned the art of Cantonese opera from their fathers in Havana, Cuba in the 1930s. Free. 7-8:40 pm. Black Family Visual Arts Center, Loew Auditorium, 22 Lebanon St. (603) 646-2422. hopkins.center.for.the.arts@dartmouth.edu.

JEFFERSONVILLE. 40th Anniversary Party. Puffy hair, big shoulders, skinny ties and don’t forget your O-ring bracelets! Step back into the 80’s for our anniversary. Also the exhibit openings for “40 Years Together” and “New England Waterways.” Refreshments served. 80’s soundtrack provided! Free. 3-6 pm. Bryan Memorial Gallery, 180 Main St. (802) 644-5100. info@bryangallery.org.

NORWICH. Book & Author Event. Renée Bergland to discuss his book *Natural Magic* which explores how Dickinson and Darwin refused to accept the separation of art and science. Today, more than ever, he feels, we need to reclaim their shared sense of ecological wonder. Bergland is professor of literature and creative writing at Simmons University. Free. 7-8:30 pm. The Norwich Bookstore, 291 Main St. (802) 649-1114. www.norwichbookstore.com.

PUTNEY. Concert. The Hanneke Cassel Band featuring Keith Murphy (guitar/vocals), Jenna Moynihan (5-string fiddle/vocals) plus Yann Falquet (guitar/singer) presenting an evening of Scottish, Americana, and Québécois music. Tickets \$20-\$25. Beer, wine, and cocktail cash bar. Next Stage, 15 Kimball Hill. (802) 387-0102. nextstagearts.org.

WEST RUTLAND. Bird Walk. West Rutland Marsh monitoring bird walk. Meet at boardwalk on Marble St. Go 4 mile route or half way. Free. 7:30 am. birding@rutlandcountyaudubon.org. www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

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FRIDAY, MAY 17

ESSEX JCT. Concert. The VT Bluegrass Pioneers are returning for an evening of bluegrass. Fee. 7-9 pm. The Double E Lounge, 21 Essex Way. www.essexresort.com.

HANOVER, NH. Community Dinner. Prepared by the Hanover Community Kitchen. To-go meals available upon request. Free. 5-6 pm. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 5 Summer St. (603) 643-3703. office@oslchanover.org. *Every Friday.*

HANOVER, NH. Cuban Dance Classes. An introduction to rueda de casino, a fun and dynamic group dance from Cuba. No experience or partner needed, as you will switch partners and execute simple moves in unison according to the instructor’s calls. Please bring clean shoes. Tickets \$10-\$15. 7-8:45 pm. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 5 Summer St. (909) 263-0572. uvcasineros@gmail.com. *Also May 24.*

HANOVER, NH. Exhibit: “Coffee & Tea: A Brew of Cultural Symbolism, Solace, and Introspection.” Hood Museum Class of 1954 Intern Jeffrey Liu ’24 will discuss his student-curated exhibition

exploring how the cultural symbolism of coffee and tea is reflected in art. At times, artists feature coffee and tea to symbolize stability and reflect broad, popular sentiment. Hood Museum of Art, 6 E. Wheelock St. (603) 646-2808. Sharon.L.Reed@Dartmouth.edu.

LYME, NH. Ukraine Benefit. Special fundraiser to support relief efforts in Ukraine includes a silent auction of local artwork, crafts and services; and direct sales of lunch items, baked goods and clothing made in Ukraine. Proceeds will go to DirectRelief (directrelief.org), which provides medical services and supplies for Ukrainians. Browse among the donations. Coffee or tea, and muffin or wrap sandwich. Free. 10 am – 5:30 pm. Lyme Congregational Church, Fellowship Hall, 1 Dorchester Rd. (603) 795-5025. jenprilesan@comcast.net. *Also May 18 & 19.*

MIDDLEBURY. Town-Wide Garage Sale Days. Happy hunting! Garage sale sites available on the Chamber’s website: www.middleburyinchamber.com. *Also May 18.*

WEST LEBANON. Middle Eastern Food. Lebanon Gourmet Cooking Club hosting Middle Eastern cuisine potluck with an entree, appetizer or dessert to share. All welcome. Club meets monthly. Free. 6-8 pm. Kilton Public Library, 80 Main St. (603) 359-7116. lisagreen4444@gmail.com.

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SATURDAY, MAY 18

ATHENS. Annual Plant Sale. Visitors will find a variety of perennials, annuals and vegetable seedlings on the lovely Meetinghouse lawn, as well as delightful garden related raffle prizes. Experienced gardeners will answer questions and offer gardening advice. Free 10 am to 12 noon. (802) 275-2835. www.meetinghouseonthegreen.com.

BELLOWS FALLS. Concert. Smells Like Nirvana touring band. Sponsored by Cider Magazine. Fee. 6-9 pm. Bellows Falls Opera House, 7 Square. (802) 463-3964. www.bellowsfallsoperahouse.com.

BENNINGTON. Annual Plant Sale. Herbs, annuals, bushes, planters, vegetables, flowers, house plants, and a wide variety of hardy perennials which have been grown locally in members’ gardens: proof that what you’re getting can grow well here in Vermont. Gently used gardening books and equipment for sale. Rain or shine. 9 am – 2 pm. Second Congregational Church, 115 Hillside St. (802) 442-2559. bennscc.org.

BENNINGTON. Band Music. Performances by Tina’s Cantina. Experience a blend of classic country twang and the infectious energy of rock ‘n’ roll. Food available. Fee. 6-10 pm. Little City Cider Co., 139 Shields Drive. (802) 242-1611. littlecityciderco.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Concert. “Jazz Group of the Year.” Artemis, Blue Note Recording Artists performing. Group includes pianist and music director Renee Rosnes and other members trumpeter Ingrid Jensen, saxophonist Nicole Glover, bassist Noriko Ueda, and drummer Allison Miller. Sliding scale \$25-\$60. Online streaming of this concert will be offered free of charge but donations are welcomed. 7:30 pm. Studio 222, Vermont Jazz Center, 72 Cotton Mill Hill. (802) 245-9088. vtjazz.org.

BURLINGTON. Concert. Bella Voce “Singing and Living in Harmony.” The ensemble consists of 30-35 auditioned singers drawn from five northwestern Vermont counties and includes music educators, directors of church ensembles, music education majors, and women of all ages who simply enjoy singing. Tickets \$20. 7:30-9 pm. College Street Congregational Church, 265 College St. (802) 999-8881. vikki@bellavocevt.org.

CLAREMONT, NH. Musical Tribute. Satisfaction: International Rolling Stones Tribute band. Tickets \$24. 8-10 pm. Claremont Opera House, 58 Opera House Square. (603) 542-4433. cohnh.org.

DERBY. Lavender Essentials Opening for the Season. Farm tours, workshops, events. Lavender Essentials, 2103 Herrick Rd. (802) 323-3590. lavenderessentialsft@gmail.com. www.lavender-essentials.com. *Open through September.*

Saturday, May 18, continued:

EAST THETFORD. Farm Tour. Learn about farm practices including no-till and regenerative agriculture, perennial native plants, crop rotation, conservation and land management, wildlife habitat, and what crops are being grown. Bring sturdy footwear, a water bottle, and binoculars if you have them. Free. 10-11 pm. Cedar Circle Farm and Education Center, 225 Pavillion Rd. (802) 785-4737. gabrielle@vitalcommunities.org.

FAIR HAVEN. Friends of the Fair Haven Free Library Book Sale. Books are on a “take what you want and pay what you can” basis. Bring your book bag. Wednesday sales 4:30-6:30 pm, Saturday morning sales 10 am - 12 noon. Fair Haven Free Library, 107 North Main St. (802) 265-8011. www.fairhavenfree.org. Also *Wednesday June 12*.

HANOVER, NH. Film Screening: “*Shayda*.” This Sundance audience award winner follows an Iranian immigrant and mother who flee an abusive marriage to forge a new life with her young daughter in Australia. Drawn from personal experiences this is Iranian Australian filmmaker Noora Niasari’s debut feature. Tickets \$5-\$8. 4-6 pm. Black Family Visual Arts Center, Loew Auditorium, 22 Lebanon St. (603) 646-2422. hopkins.center.for.the.arts@dartmouth.edu.

HANOVER, NH. Multilingual Day. Celebrate the many languages of the community. Meet new folks to speak shared or different languages, have conversations about art, and try some artmaking. Two guided bilingual close-looking experiences in Spanish and Mandarin will be offered. Language speakers of any level welcome. Free. 1-3 pm. Hood Museum of Art, 6 E. Wheelock St. (603) 646-2808. Sharon.L.Reed@Dartmouth.edu.

LEBANON, NH. Bach Concert. Upper Valley Baroque Choir and Orchestra to perform Bach’s St. John Passion on period instruments celebrating the 300th anniversary of the premier of this masterpiece in Leipzig, Germany in 1724. Free admission. 7 pm. Lebanon Opera House, 51 North Park St. (802) 448-0400. www.uppervalleybaroque.org.

LUDLOW. Concert. The Phoenix, a sober active community with 300,000+ members across the country, presents Music on the Mountain, a concert created to celebrate recovery. Free. 2 pm. Okemo Mountain Resort, 77 Okemo Ridge Rd. (510) 915-0918. www.musiconthemtn.com.

LYME, NH. Ukraine Benefit. Special fundraiser to support relief efforts in Ukraine includes a silent auction of local artwork, crafts and services; and direct sales of lunch items, baked goods and clothing made in Ukraine. Proceeds will go to DirectRelief (directrelief.org), which provides medical services and supplies for Ukrainians affected by this war. Browse among the many donations. Coffee or tea, along with a muffin or wrap sandwich. Free. 10 am – 5:30 pm. Lyme Congregational Church, Fellowship Hall, 1 Dorchester Rd. (603) 795-5025. jenprileson@comcast.net. Also *May 19*.

LYME, NH. Library Book Sale. A large collection of adults novels, mysteries, histories, biographies, philosophies, cookbooks, sports and coffee table books, local interest books, rare books, and many more. A selection of audio books and DVDs. A children’s book room. Free. Converse Free Library, 38 Union St., Rt. 10. (603) 795-4622. cynthiaswart@gmail.com.

MARLBORO. Concert. An evening with pianist/jazz legend Kenny Werner and Grammy Award-winning cellist Eugene Friesen. Tickets \$15-\$20. 7:30-9:30 pm. Serkin Recital Hall, campus of Potash Hill, 2582 South Rd. 802-258-9331. www.beyondmastery.com.

MIDDLEBURY. Town-Wide Garage Sale Days. Happy hunting! Garage sale sites available on the Chamber’s website: www.middleburyinchamber.com.

MONTPELIER. Far-Flung French Concert. A diverse program of French music including César Franck’s Sonata in A major for cello and piano performed by cellist Edward Arron and pianist Jeewon Park (husband and wife), and a set Edith Piaf tunes including L’accordeoniste, performed by soprano Sophie Michaux, and her husband baritone and multi-instrumentalist Adam Simon. They will be joined by flutist Karen Kevra in additional works by Ravel and Duruflé. Tickets \$15-\$30. 7:30-9 pm. Unitarian Church of Montpelier, 130 Main St. (802) 223-9861. capitalcityconcerts@gmail.com.

PUTNEY. Concert. Bandwagon Summer Series: Mehrnam Rastegari and Habbina Habbina. Rastegari is a prominent Persian musician, film score composer, singer, violinist, and master Kamancheh, an Iranian string instrument performer. Habbina performs on accordion and Arabic flute. Tickets \$12-\$25. 6-8 pm. The Putney Inn, 57 Putney Landing Rd. (802) 387-0102. info@nextstagearts.org.

QUECHEE. Introduction to Birding. Join us for a birding adventure through the varied habitats at the VINS Nature Center, culminating in the treetops on the Forest Canopy Walk. During this workshop, VINS staff will help you build on your existing bird ID skills. Tickets \$28. 7:30-9:30 am. VINS Nature Center, 149 Nature’s Way, off Rt. 4. (802) 359-5000. info@vinsweb.org.

RUTLAND. Dance Performance. Starlights Dance Academy presents Reach For The Stars. Adults \$35. Children 17 and under \$25. 1 pm. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0903. paramountvt.org.

STATEWIDE. Century Bird Count. Celebrate World Migratory Bird Day when Rutland County Audubon Society tries to find and identify 100 species in a single day. birding@rutlandcountyaudubon.org. www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Dance Party. Naked Comedy & DJ Suave Sweat Stain Dance Party. Free, \$10 or best offer at the door. 7-11:30 pm. Main Street Museum, 58 Bridge St. (802) 356-2776. info@mainstreetmuseum.org.

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WILLIAMSTOWN. Memorial Day Picnic. Menu includes pulled pork dinner, sandwiches, settlers beans, coleslaw and drink. \$15. Town park on Depot St. 11:30 – 1 pm. (802) 433-6671. williamstownrec@yahoo.com.

WILMINGTON. Antique & Flea Market. Vendors offer a potpourri of antiques, collectibles, jewelry, glass, furniture, flowers, plants, vegetables, and artisan crafts on 10-acre property. This is Southern Vermont’s largest market. Admission and parking are free. Food concession on-premises. Free admission. 8 am – 3 pm. 225 Rte. 9 East. (802) 380-5669. www.vtflea.com. Also *May 19 and weekends through mid-October*.

SUNDAY, MAY 19

BENNINGTON. Presentation. Vermont folklorist Jane Beck shares the story of the Turner family, a multigenerational saga spanning two centuries, played out across three continents. She has completed a book, *Daisy Turner’s Kin, an African American Family Saga*, based on sixty interviews with the daughter of slaves. Free. 2-3 pm. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. info@benningtonmuseum.org.

BROWNSVILLE. English Country Dance. Participants need to know different types of heys, mirror B2B, poussettes and other basic figures without teaching the movements. Come watch. Clean soft soled shoes required for the dance floor. 2 pm general dance. \$20. Free for first-time dancers and children 15 and younger. Beginners introduction to terms and movements 1:45 pm. Everyone welcome. Potluck snack table. 1-4 pm. Town Hall, 22 Hartland-Brownsville Rd. (802) 484-0000. delaneystables@gmail.com.

BURLINGTON. Concert. The Pioneers will perform on stage for one of those fun bluegrass brunches. Fee. Skinny Pancake, 60 Lake St. (802) 540-0188. www.skinnypancake.com.

DANBY. Bird Walk. ‘Early bird’ walk from 6:30 am to 8:30 am, and then another “morning” walk from 8:45 to 11 am around the pond and then along edges of fields and forests, 2 miles, moderate, some up and down, well-defined trail. All skill levels welcome. No dogs. Bring binoculars if you have a pair. Meet in parking at Smokey House Conference Center. 426 Danby Mountain Rd. Free. 6:30-11 am. birding@rutlandcountyaudubon.org. www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

Sunday, May 19, continued:

GUILFORD. Dance. Fun, accessible French and European traditional dances. No experience or partner necessary. \$12-\$25. 6:30-9 pm. Broad Brook Community Center, 3940 Guilford Center Rd. 5. (716) 378-0943. rachel@rachelbellmusic.com.

HANOVER, NH. Art on Screen: *Macbeth*. Ralph Fiennes and Indira Varma star in the Shakespeare classic set in a modern-day war zone. Tickets \$5-\$15. 4-6:30 pm. Black Family Visual Arts Center, Loew Auditorium, 22 Lebanon St. (603) 646-2422. hopkins.center.for.the.arts@dartmouth.edu.

HUNTINGTON. Wildflower Walk. Explore our trails in search of spring wildflowers and ephemerals. Learn about the season challenges and changes influencing these briefly-blooming beauties with Museum volunteer Mary Ann Schlegel. Admission. 10:30 am – 12:30 pm. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org.

LYME, NH. Ukraine Benefit. Special fundraiser to support relief efforts in Ukraine includes a silent auction of local artwork, crafts and services; and direct sales of lunch items, baked goods and clothing made in Ukraine. Proceeds will go to DirectRelief (directrelief.org), which provides medical services and supplies for Ukrainians affected by this war. Coffee or tea, muffins or wrap sandwiches. Free. 11:20 am – 1:30 pm. Lyme Congregational Church, Fellowship Hall, 1 Dorchester Rd. (603) 795-5025. jenprileson@comcast.net.

PLAINFIELD. Dance Party. Soul Porpoise is a dance party you won't want to miss. Inspired by legends like Stevie Wonder, Dr. John, and Herbie Hancock. Soul Porpoise brings a fresh, organ-driven sound that compels an audience to dance from the very first note. Tickets \$20. 4-5:30 pm. Plainfield Opera House, 18 High St. (802) 454-1286. plainfieldtownhall@gmail.com.

RANDOLPH. Concert Baroque – St. John Passion. One of J.S. Bach's major oratorios, the St. John Passion dramatically recounts the story of Jesus' crucifixion as told in the Gospel of St. John. \$15-\$45. 3-5 pm. Chandler Center for the Arts, 71 N. Main St. (203) 240-1164. baroqueuv@gmail.com.

RANDOLPH. Bach Concert. Upper Valley Baroque Choir and Orchestra to perform Bach's St. John Passion on period instruments celebrating the 300th anniversary of the premier of this masterpiece in Leipzig, Germany in 1724. Free admission. 3 pm. Chandler Center for the Arts, 71 North Main St. (802) 728-6464. www.uppervalleybaroque.org.

RUTLAND. Book & Author Event. Book discussion of *Legends and Lattes* by Travis Balder. A tale of Viv's coffee shop that will warm your heart and make you want to try her cinnamon rolls and other treats. Free. 2 pm. Phoenix Books, 2 Center St. (802) 448-3350. phoenixbooks.biz.

THETFORD CENTER. Kids Field Day. A trails 5K and field day includes an array of by-donation games for children. Refreshments available at a dedicated table and a food truck. Proceeds will contribute to supporting the initiatives of the non-profit Maple Leaf Children's Center. Tickets \$25-\$30. 10 am – 1 pm. Thetford Academy Woods Trail, 304 Academy Rd. (802) 299-1447. anya.gendal@mapleleafchildrenscenter.org.

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WILMINGTON. Antique & Flea Market. Vendors offer a potpourri of antiques, collectibles, jewelry, glass, furniture, flowers, plants, vegetables, and artisan crafts on 10-acre property. This is Southern Vermont's largest market. Admission and parking are free with food concession on-premises. Free. 8 am – 3 pm. 225 Rte. 9 East. (802) 380-5669. www.vtflea.com. *Weekends through mid-October.*

TUESDAY, MAY 21

CASTLETON. Bird Walk. At VT State University at Castleton Trails. Meet at D&H Rail Crossing on South St. Parking behind the Stafford building. Easy terrain. 2.6 miles. Free. 7:30 am. birding@rutlandcountyaudubon.org. www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

NORWICH. Huntley Meadows Loop Hike. From the Foreign Legion parking lot on Beaver Meadow Road, across the new bridge over Blood Brook., then loop around Huntley Meadows. Between one and two miles on a completely flat trail. Slow pace. Easy, easy on the knees. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. Leader: Inge Brown, (802) 280-8017. www.greenmountainclub.org.

QUECHEE. Birding Meet-Ups. Join us for a birding meet-up in taking place in different locations each time so that we can visit the varied habitats of our region and observe the diverse birdlife that inhabit each. Get practice identifying grassland, wetland and forest species. Fee \$5. 7:30-9 am. VINS Nature Center, 149 Nature's Way, off Rt. 4. (802) 359-5000. info@vinsweb.org.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 22

RICHMOND. Concert. Moira Smiley & The Rhizome Quartet with Community Choir. Admission \$22. 7:30- 8:30 pm. Congregational Church, 20 Church St. (802) 434-2053. www.rccucc.org.

RUTLAND. Book & Author Event. Lisa Mase will discuss her book *The Culinary Pharmacy. Intuitive Eating, Ancestral Healing and Your Personal Nutrition Plan*. Free. 6:30 pm. Phoenix Books, 2 Center St. (802) 448-3350. www.phoenixbooks.biz.

THURSDAY, MAY 23

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FRIDAY, MAY 24

BURLINGTON. Concert. Transcontinental Piano Duo – Elaine Greenfield and Janice Meyer Thompson at one piano. The duo performs original music written for piano four-hands. Works by Bach, Grieg, Brahms, Bizet, Bernstein, Faure, and Barber. Tickets \$15-\$25. 7-8:30 pm. Cathedral Church of St. Paul, 2 Cherry St. (802) 864-0471.

HANOVER, NH. Community Dinner. Prepared by the Hanover Community Kitchen. To-go meals available upon request. Free. 5-6 pm. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 5 Summer St. (603) 643-3703. office@oslchanover.org. www.oslchanover.org. *Every Friday.*

HANOVER, NH. Cuban Dance Classes. An introduction to rueda de casino, a fun and dynamic group dance from Cuba. No experience or partner needed, as you will switch partners and execute simple moves in unison according to the instructor's calls. Please bring clean shoes. Fee \$10-\$15. 7-8:45 pm. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 5 Summer St. (909) 263-0572. uvcasinos@gmail.com. *Also June 14 & 21.*

LYNDONVILLE. Plant Sale. Friends of the Cobleigh Library are having a two-day plant sale. Indoor and outdoor plants. Free admission. 10 am – 5 pm. Cobleigh Library, 14 Depot St. (802) 626-5475. www.cobleighlibrary.org. *Also May 25,*

RIPTON. Hike Ripton Frost Mountain. Moderate hike of 5.4 miles round trip up National Forest Rd. 234, on the west side of Frost Mt. with nice views of the Adirondacks. Meet at the parking lot in East Middlebury on the uphill side of Sand Hill Bridge, on Rt. 125 over the gorge. There is an option to end our outing with popping into the Waybury Inn for a beverage and snack. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. For more information and to sign up contact Anne Christie at (802) 388-4347 (home) or (802) 989.9771 (cell). www.greenmountainclub.org.

Friday, May 24, continued:

STATEWIDE. State Historic Sites Opening Day. Those reopening include: Bennington Battle Monument, President Calvin Coolidge, President Chester Arthur, Chimney Point, Hubbardton Battlefield, Senator Justin S. Morrill, and Mount Independence. Admission. 10 am. (802) 505-8592 www.historicsites.vermont.gov.

STRATTON. Memorial Day Weekend. Celebrate the weekend the Stratton way. Welcome back to the Green Mountains with the opening of your favorite activities, shops and restaurants. Free. Stratton Mountain Resort, 5 Village Lodge Rd. (800) 787-2886. www.stratton.com. *Through May 27.*

STRATTON. Bike Park Open. Clean your chains, check your tire pressure and stoke your spokes for opening day at the Stratton Bike Park. Free. (800) 787-2886. www.stratton.com. *Open through May 27.*

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WILMINGTON. Concert. Someone You Can X-ray perform as an acoustic folk rock and roots band, billed as X-ray Lite, most often seen performing as a duo, with Bryan and Dana Newman. Free. 7-9 pm. Molly Stark State Park, 705 Route 9 East. (802) 464-5460. www.vtstateparks.com.

WOODSTOCK. Woodstock's Memorial Day Weekend Celebration. Friday and Saturday: Sidewalk Sale Days. Saturday 8 am – 5 pm, Woodstock Garden Club Plant Sale 8 am – 1 pm and Woodstock Memorial Day Weekend Parade, Saturday 10:30 am start. (802) 457-3555. info@woodstockvt.com. www.woodstockvt.com. *Through May 27.*

SATURDAY, MAY 25

BENNINGTON. Mayfest Arts & Crafts Festival. Over 75 vendors showcasing handmade jewelry, clothing, sculptures and paintings. Delectable food offerings including fried dough, cheese curds, freshly squeezed lemonade and more. Live performances across several stages, and shows for kids on the Thomson Family Stage in Merchants Park. 10 am – 5 pm. Events along Main Street. (802) 442-5758. www.betterbennington.com

BETHEL. Open Studio Weekend. Paintings and prints from a group of local artists. Free. Day Breaks Glass Studio, 285 Main St. (802) 281-0666. www.vermontcrafts.com. *Also May 26.*

EAST FAIRFIELD. Concert. Bluegrass group Beg, Steal or Borrow will perform at an outdoor show. Bring a lawn chair. Lite dinner fare & desserts for sale and BYO. Tickets \$10, kids under 12 free. Well behaved dogs welcome. 5 pm. Meeting House on the Green, 53 School St. (802) 827-6626. meetinghouseonthegreen.org.

ENOSBURG FALLS. Storytelling. Join former Chief of the Missisquoi Abenaki Nation Eugene Rich for an afternoon of Abenaki storytelling. Meet at the campfire area. Free for campers or with purchase of park day use pass. Children 11 and under accompanied by an adult. 2 pm. Lake Carmi State Park, 460 Marsh Farm Rd. (802) 933-8383. vtstateparks.org.

ESSEX. Memorial Day Parade. 9:30 am Service at Veterans Memorial Park, Five Corners. Parade begins at 10 am. Parade theme is "All Gave Some, Some Gave All". (802) 878-1375. bluck@ejrp.org. www.essexmemorialdayparade.net.

HANOVER, NH. Performance. Dartmouth Dance Ensemble. Director John Heginbotham and choreographer-in-residence Rebecca Stenn lead ensemble in performance of new work developed throughout the year. Tickets \$15. 5:30-6:30 pm. Bema Outdoor Amphitheater, College Park. (603) 646-2422. Hopkins.Center.for.the.Arts@dartmouth.edu.

HARDWICK. Hardwick Kiwanis Annual Spring Festival and Parade. Parade begins at 10:30 am Saturday. Midway rides, horse & wagon rides, entertainment, street dance, food vendors, bird walk, baseball game, fun run. sherryluss@yahoo.com.

LYNDONVILLE. Plant Sale. Friends of the Cobleigh Library are having a two-day plant sale. Indoor and outdoor plants. Free admission. 10 am – 5 pm. Cobleigh Library, 14 Depot St. (802) 626-5475. www.cobleighlibrary.org.

PUTNEY. Concert. Dominican jazz guitarist Yasser Tejada is an award-winning composer, guitarist, vocalist, and producer. Yasser is giving traditional folkloric music a new spin with jazz, rock, and Caribbean rhythms in "a frenzied celebration of ancestral union. Tickets \$20-\$25. Kids under 12 free. Next Stage will provide a beer, wine, and cocktail cash bar. Bring lawn chairs. or blankets for outdoor seating on the grass. 6 pm. Cooper Field, 41 Sand Hill Rd. (802) 387-0102. nextstagearts.org.

SHELBURNE. Goat Snuggles. Like more interaction with animals? Goats have a keen ability to ground us, especially the wee babes. Sign up for one session or plenty. Wear appropriate clothing and musk boots. There will be a farmer present to introduce you to the goats and explain how to be with them. Fee: \$45 for 1 to 4 persons. Please pre-register for a time slot. Sessions start at 10 am. New Village Farm, 700 Harbor Rd. (802) 265-0555. newvillagefarmprograms@gmail.com. www.newvillagefarm.com.

STATEWIDE. Open Studio Weekend. Celebrate the visual arts and creative process and meet a variety of artists and craftspeople in their studios, some of whom are only open to the public during this event. Participating small galleries and art centers show the work of local artists. For up-to-date directions and locations, visit our website and map of participating sites. Free. (802) 828-3291. www.vermontcrafts.com. *Also May 26.*

STRATTON. Memorial Day Weekend. Celebrate the weekend the Stratton way. Welcome back to the Green Mountains with the opening of your favorite activities, shops and restaurants. Free. Stratton Mountain Resort, 5 Village Lodge Rd. (800) 787-2886. www.stratton.com. *Through May 27.*

STRATTON. Concert. Live music by Raise Your Hands – a Bon Jovi tribute band. Admission. Beginning at 6 pm. Doors open at 5:30-8:30 pm. Stratton Mountain Resort, 5 Village Lodge Rd. (800) 787-2886. www.stratton.com.

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TICONDEROGA, NY. Memorial Day Weekend. Witness the labor of liberty as soldiers from the Continental Army bring to life this defining story through military drills, historic trades, and fatigue duties such as carpentry. Narrated scenic boat tours aboard the Carillon and cruise along the shores of Lake Champlain. Daily tours of the fort, King's Garden, and museum exhibits; historic trades programs; ongoing living history programs; weapons demonstrations; the Mount Defiance experience; and the Carillon Battlefield hiking trail. A special commemorative ceremony will take place on Sunday, May 26. Admission. 9:30 am – 5 pm. Fort Ticonderoga, 102 Fort Ti Rd. www.fortticonderoga.org. *Also May 26.*

UNDERHILL. Sculpture Exhibit. More than 50 whimsical, graceful welded sculptures showcasing a home studio where sculptures have been created for two decades. Gerald K Stoner Sculpture. 185 River Rd. Free. (802) 324-3897. www.geraldkstoner.com. *Also May 26.*

WEATHERSFIELD. Mt Ascutney Traverse. Up the Windsor Trail, down the Futures Trail. Enjoy the observation tower on the summit with a 360-degree view. Strenuous and steep. Short car spot. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. Leader: Patrick O'Neill, (802) 291-3208. kpmhoneill@gmail.com. www.greenmountainclub.org.

WEST LEBANON, NH. Upper Valley Traditional Music Jam. A New England Style jam of acoustic musicians of all experience levels meet to play traditional tunes of the Celtic, Canadian, Old-time and Americana genres. There's a piano so we would welcome a pianist to play along. Free. 3-5 pm. At Kilton Public Library, 80 Main St. (603) 298-8544. la14e@outlook.com. *Also June 8.*

Saturday, May 25, continued:

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Play: *“Ripcord.”* A sunny room on an upper floor is prime real estate in the Bristol Place Assisted Living Facility, so when the cantankerous Abby is forced to share her quarters with new-arrival Marilyn, she has no choice but to get rid of the infuriatingly chipper woman by any means necessary. Tickets \$20-\$40. Saturdays 7 pm. Shaker Bridge Theater, Briggs Opera House, 5 S. Main St. (802) 281-6848. grant.shakerbridge@gmail.com. *Also May 26.*

WOODSTOCK. Woodstock’s Memorial Day Weekend Celebration. Friday and Saturday: Sidewalk Sale Days. Saturday 8 am – 5 pm, Woodstock Garden Club Plant Sale 8 am – 1 pm. Billings Farm & Museum Family Sheep and Wool Weekend, 10 am – 5 pm, admission. Woodstock Memorial Day Weekend Parade, Saturday 10:30 am start. (802) 457-3555. info@woodstockvt.com. www.woodstockvt.com. *Also May 26.*

SUNDAY, MAY 26

BETHEL. Open Studio Weekend. Paintings and prints from a group of local artists. Free. Day Breaks Glass Studio, 285 Main St. (802) 281-0666. www.vermontcrafts.com.

ELMORE. Spring Hike on Mt. Elmore. From Elmore State Park we’ll hike up the Fire Tower trail to the old ranger station foundation and continue up to the fire tower at the summit. We’ll then follow the Ridge Trail past Balancing Rock and back to the parking area. Free. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. Contact leader by 5/24/2024. David Hathaway, david.hathaway.78@gmail.com or (802) 899-9982. greenmountainclub.org.

GROTON. Annual Wildflower Hike in Groton State Forest. See what’s in bloom and enjoy a spring hike from New Discovery about 5-6 miles. Bring lunch and water. Park entrance fee. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. Contact leaders: George Longenecker & Cynthia Martin for meeting time and place. georgelongenecker17@gmail.com, (802) 229-9787. www.greenmountainclub.org.

KILLINGTON. Concert. Enjoy acoustic covers and original songs by Rhys Chambers. Concert free with park entry. 6-8 pm. Gifford Woods State Park, 34 Gifford Woods Rd. (802) 775-5354. www.vtstateparks.com.

MENDON. Bird Walk at Kent Pond. Meet at Kent Pond fishing access on VT 100 North (half-mile north of US 4.) After the pond, we will go on Contest Trail for warblers and buntings. (Ride share from Mendon Town Office, 2282 US 4 at 6:30 am). Free. Walk starts at 7 am. birding@rutlandcountyaudubon.org. www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

NORTH BENNINGTON. Opening Day. Some special guests give insights into items in the collection, a barn sale with great deals on new and old items for your own collections, and some yard games to enjoy the grounds. The Park McCullough House Association is a nonprofit organization to preserve an exquisite village landmark – the home, carriage barn, gardens, and grounds – a gathering place for the community. 10 am – 4 pm. Park-McCullough, Historic Governor’s Mansion, Rt. 67A. (802) 422-5441. www.parkmccullough.com.

NORTH DANVILLE. Lamplight Services. Ecumenical Memorial Day services with Sally Fishburn playing Taps. Free. 7 pm., 2724 Old North Church Rd. www.northdanvillebaptistchurch.org.

ORWELL. Memorial Day Parade. The parade steps off at 1:30 with classic cars & tractors, bands, local veterans and more!

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STRATTON. Doggie and Me 5K. Come run with your pup, your kids or just yourself. Give it your all or walk the course. This family friendly road race is a 5k. T-shirt for you and your pup included. Fee. 8:30 am. Stratton Mountain Resort, 5 Village Lodge Rd. (800) 787-2886. www.strattonmountain.com.

STRATTON. Memorial Day Weekend. Celebrate the weekend the Stratton way. Free. Stratton Mountain Resort, 5 Village Lodge Rd. (800) 787-2886. stratton.com. *Also May 27.*

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TICONDEROGA, NY. Memorial Day Weekend. Soldiers from the Continental Army bring to life this defining story through military drills, historic trades, and fatigue duties such as carpentry. Narrated scenic boat tours aboard the Carillon and cruise along the shores of Lake Champlain. Daily tours of the fort, King’s Garden, and museum exhibits; historic trades programs; ongoing living history programs; weapons demonstrations; the Mount Defiance experience; and the Carillon Battlefield hiking trail. Admission. 9:30 am – 5 pm. Fort Ticonderoga, 102 Fort Ti Rd. www.fortticonderoga.org.

UNDERHILL. Sculpture Exhibit. More than 50 whimsical, graceful welded sculptures showcasing a home studio where sculptures have been created for two decades. Free. Gerald K Stoner Sculpture, 185 River Rd. (802) 324-3897. www.geraldkstoner.com. *Also May 26.*

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Play: *“Ripcord.”* A sunny room on an upper floor is prime real estate in the Bristol Place Assisted Living Facility, so when the cantankerous Abby is forced to share her quarters with new-arrival Marilyn, she has no choice but to get rid of the infuriatingly chipper woman. Tickets \$20-\$40. Sunday matinee 2:30 pm. Briggs Opera House, 5 S. Main St. (802) 281-6848. grant.shakerbridge@gmail.com.

WOODSTOCK. Woodstock’s Memorial Day Weekend Celebration. Friday and Saturday: Sidewalk Sale Days. Saturday 8 am – 5 pm, Woodstock Garden Club Plant Sale 8 am – 1 pm. Billings Farm & Museum Family Sheep and Wool Weekend, 10 am – 5 pm, admission. Woodstock Memorial Day Weekend Parade, Saturday 10:30 am start. (802) 457-3555. info@woodstockvt.com. woodstockvt.com.

MONDAY, MAY 27

HIGHGATE CENTER. Volunteer Fire Department’s Annual Memorial Day chicken BBQ. A half chicken, a side of coleslaw, roll, a bag of chips and water. Fee \$12. The BBQ starts at 11 am. and goes until we are sold out. Highgate Volunteer Fire Department, 2996 VT Rt. 78. (802) 866-4409.

HUBBARDTON. Memorial Day. The Hubbardton Battlefield will be open in honor of Memorial Day. At noon flags will be raised to full-mast and tribute paid at the battle monument to the soldiers of Hubbardton. Free event, admission required to enter museum. 12 pm. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. elsa.gilbertson@vermont.gov. www.historicsites.vermont.gov.

MIDDLEBURY. Middlebury Memorial Day Parade. 9 am. Parade will kick off at Porter Field Road off Town Main Street with a ceremony to follow the parade in front of the Town Hall Theater. www.middleburyinchamber.com.

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VERGENNES. Memorial Day Celebration. American Legion Post 14 will host its annual Memorial Day 1.5 mile long parade. The theme for this year’s parade is “All Gave Some, Some Gave All.” Free. 11 am. Post #14 will host its annual chicken BBQ following the parade at 100 Armory Lane. (802) 877-3216. marsulli75@gmail.com.

TUESDAY, MAY 28

BRISTOL. Spring Hike on Bristol Trails. Plan for 2.5-3 hours for the 3.4-mile section around Bristol’s historic areas. Total elevation gain is under 100 feet. Excellent options for snacks/lunch in Bristol before or after the walk. Morning departure. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. For more information contact Porter Knight at knight@gmavt.net or (802) 343-3920. www.greenmountainclub.org.

Tuesday, May 28, continued:

HANOVER, NH. Film Screening. “Taylor Mac’s 24-Decade History of Popular Music.” A glittering behind-the-scenes look at drag artist Taylor Mac’s 24-hour magnum opus, which offers an alternate take on US history through popular music from 1776 to the present. Free. 7-9:40 pm. Black Family Visual Arts Center, Loew Auditorium, 22 Lebanon St. (603) 646-2422. hopkins.center.for.the.arts@dartmouth.edu

RUTLAND. Stage Show. Matchboxes, brooms, garbage cans, Zippo lighters, and more fill the stage with energizing beats at Stomp: the inventive and invigorating stage show. Tickets \$35-\$55. 7:30 pm. Paramount Theatre, 30 Center St. (802) 775-0903. paramountvt.org. Also May 29.

WELLS. Bird Walk. Delaney Woods. Enter Delaney Cross Rd. off North St. across from Lakeside Park. Look for parking area on right. Easy to moderate terrain. 3.4 miles. Free. 7:30 am. birding@rutlandcountyaudubon.org. www.rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 29

HARDWICK. Book & Author Event. Sydney Lea discusses the publication of two books: an essay collection, published in limited edition by *The Humble Essayist*, *Such Dancing as We Can* and a novel of fishing and friendship, set in Maine and published by *Downeast Books*. Free. 7 pm. Galaxy Bookstore, 41 South Main St. (802) 472-5503. galaxybookgals@gmail.com.

HIGHGATE. Highgate Volunteer Fire Department. A portion of the proceeds from the BBQ will go toward funding medical expenses for Swanton firefighter Gary Longe. 11 am. Highgate Volunteer Fire Department, 2996 VT Rt. 78. (802) 868-7722.

JOHNSON. Memorial Day Parade. 10 am. Parade begins on Pearl Street and ends at the Lamoille View Cemetery with a ceremony.

MIDDLEBURY. Memorial Day Parade. 10 a.m. This year’s theme is “Honoring the Memory” and will kick off at Porter Field Road off South Main Street with a ceremony to follow the parade in front of the Town Hall Theater. marklwillpost210.com.

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THURSDAY, MAY 30

MONTPELIER. Chekhov Play: *Three Sisters Four Women*. An intimate, fun, and modern reimagining of Anton Chekhov’s classic story of hope in the hardest times. LNT/City Hall’s elevator inoperable due to flood, requiring climbing stairs to attend. Fee. 7:30-9 pm. Lost Nation Theater, 39 Main St. (802) 229-0492. lostonationtheater.org. Also May 31 through June 16.

SOUTH HERO. Concert. Sticks and Stones delivers top quality entertainment. The band plays everyone’s favorite modern pop dance music, classic rock, and country rock songs. Fee. 6:30-8:45 pm. Snow Farm Inn, 153 West Shore Rd. (802) 324-5563. www.snowfarm.com

FRIDAY, MAY 31

CABOT. Cabot Arts’ Green Mountain Oldtime Workshop Weekend. With special guests: The Moon Shells, Katie Trautz, and Matt Flinger. Workshops in oldtime and Cajun fiddle, banjo, guitar, mandolin, harmony singing, bass, and string band. Plus dances, concerts, and jam sessions! Sunday afternoon jam sessions in Cabot Village at Harry’s Hardware and the Willey Building. Admission \$10-\$100. 4 pm. The Barn at Beaver Brook Farm, 645 McCrillis Rd. www.cabotarts.org. Through June 2.

HANOVER, NH. Community Dinner. Prepared by the Hanover Community Kitchen. To-go meals available upon request. Free. 5-6 pm. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 5 Summer St. (603) 643-3703. office@oslchanover.org. www.oslchanover.org. Every Friday.

LYNDONVILLE. Caledonia Home & Garden Show. Exhibitors, events and live demonstrations. 9 am – 4 pm. Caledonia County Fairgrounds,

1 Back Fairground Rd. (802) 473-1887. caledoniahomeshow@northeastkingdomonline.com. www.caledoniahomeshow.org. Through June 2.

MOUNT TABOR. Little Rock Pond Hike. On the Long Trail from U.S. Forest Service Road 10 to beautiful Little Rock Pond, one of the most popular places on the trail. If the road is not yet open we will enjoy a road walk toward the trailhead (not to the pond). Moderate (not easy) due to rough footing. Newcomers and non-members welcome. Sponsored by the Green Mountain Club. Leader: Dick Andrews, (802) 885-3201. www.greenmountainclub.org.

WOODSTOCK. The Inaugural Pride of Woodstock. Celebration of love, diversity, and community with fun events all weekend. Highlights include the High Heel Race, Drag Brunch, Trivia Night, Made with Pride Craft Fair & Tea Dances. Fee. 3-7 pm. Woodstock Inn & Resort, Village Green. (802) 457-6615. www.prideofwoodstockvt.org. Also June 1 & 2.

ONGOING ACTIVITIES 2024

ADDISON. Chimney Point State Historic Site. Indoor and outdoor exhibits. Chimney Point history trail. Gift shop. Access for boating and fishing. Admission adults \$6, under 15 free. Open Wednesday–Sunday, 10 am – 5 pm. Chimney Point State Historic Site, 8149 Route 17W. (802) 759-2412. www.historicsites.vermont.gov. Through October 31.

ARLINGTON. Martha’s Used Books. Open for the season! Benefit of the Martha Canfield Memorial Library. Free admission. 5-8 pm. Arlington Community House, 3842 VT Rt. 7A. (802) 375-6153. marthasusedbooks@gmail.com. www.marthacanfieldlibrary.org.

BARRE. Art Exhibits. Wednesday–Friday 11:30 am – 5 pm, Saturday 11:30 am – 4 pm, and by appointment. Studio Place Arts, 201 N. Main St. (802) 479-7069. www.studioplacarts.com.

BELLOWS FALLS. Classic Films. Tickets \$6. 7 pm. Bellows Falls Opera House. www.bellowsfallsoperahouse.com. Every Wednesday.

BELLOWS FALLS. Art Around Books & Brighton Press East. An unconventional gallery featuring fine press artists’ books, drawings, paintings and prints for sale by international, national and local artists. An eclectic bookstore specializing in used and rare poetry, art, literary fiction, philosophy, children’s books and first editions. Readings, musical events and artist talks. Open Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 am to 5 pm and Thursdays from 10 am to 2 pm. Art Around Books, 5 Canal St. (619) 200-1326. artistsbooks@brightonpress.net. www.artaroundbooks.com.

BENNINGTON. Micro-Photo Exhibit. Photographer Juan Carlos Gonzalez photographed 38 female farmers across Vermont during the course of several years. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. ajones@benningtonmuseum.org. Daily through August.

BENNINGTON. Bennington Museum. Works by Grandma Moses and much more. Admission: adults \$15, seniors (62+) and students \$12, 17 and younger free. Open 10 am – 4 pm daily, closed Wednesdays. Bennington Museum, 75 Main St. (802) 447-1571. info@benningtonmuseum.org. benningtonmuseum.org.

BENNINGTON. The Dollhouse and Toy Museum of Vermont. Admission \$4 adults, \$2 children three and older, \$10 families. Please wear masks. Sat. and Sun. 1-4 pm. 212 Union St., corner of Valentine St. (401) 578-9512. dollhouseandtoymuseumofvermont.com.

BRADFORD. Star Cat Books. Gently used, new, rare, and antiquarian books. Specializing in children’s and science fiction. Call for hours. Star Cat Books, 157 Main St. (802) 222-5826. www.starcatbooks.com.

BRADFORD. Open Mic. Bring your instrument or your voice or just come to listen. Free. Tuesdays, 7-9 pm. East Coast Van Builds, 490 Lower Plain. (603) 353-9268. cervus35@yahoo.com. Every Tuesday.

BRADFORD. Jackson Antiquarian Books at Village Eclectics. Gently Used and Rare Books. Open 10 am – 5:30 pm, closed Wednesdays and Sundays. Jackson Antiquarian Books, 35 Bank St. South. (802) 449-3330. lejackson43@gmail.com.

Ongoing Activities 2024, continued:

BRANDON. The Guild Gallery. Ever-changing selection of fine art and crafts from 30+ member-artists. Tuesday-Saturday 10 am – 5 pm, Sunday 10 am – 4 pm. Brandon Artists Guild, 7 Center St. (802) 247-4956. brandonartistsguild.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Open Mic Monday. Acoustic Open Mic. Free. Mondays, 6 pm; sign-up starts at 5 pm. River Garden Marketplace, 157 Main St. (802) 200-2040. jason@whetstonestation.com. *Every Monday.*

BRATTLEBORO. Retreat Farm. Labyrinth garden, arts installations, walking paths and trails. Historic cow tunnel, pollinator pathway. Meadows waterfront trail. Forest playground, storybook walk. Woodlands interpretive trail. Living sculpture. Learn about the significance of this site to the Abenaki people. No restrooms or public facilities available. Free and open from dawn to dusk. 45 Farmhouse Square. (802) 490-2270. www.retreatfarm.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Brattleboro Museum & Art Center. Admission: “pay-as-you-wish;” recommended \$5-\$10 per adult. Open Wednesday–Sunday, 10 am – 4 pm and select Monday holidays. Brattleboro Museum & Art Center, 10 Vernon St. (802) 257-0124. info@brattleboromuseum.org. www.brattleboromuseum.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Vermont Jazz Center. Concerts online and in-person, classes, workshops. Vermont Jazz Center, 72 Cotton Mill Hill. (802) 254-9088. www.vtjazz.org.

BRATTLEBORO. Live Music. Stone Church presents rock, jazz, folk, Americana concerts. Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. The Stone Church, 210 Main St. (802) 579-9960. www.stonechurchvt.com.

BRADFORD. Stitch ‘n B*tch Gathering. Bring your latest portable craft project and hang out with other crafters. Coffee and tea available for free. Bring snacks. Free admission. Saturdays, 1-3 pm. Star Cat Books, 157 Main St. (802) 222-5826. starcatbooks@starcatbooks.com. *Every Saturday.*

BRIDGEWATER. Cook, Learn, Eat. Cooking classes at mountain-top retreat. Fee. Odyssey Events, Bridgewater Corners. (802) 342-1513. info@odysseyeventsvt.com. www.odysseyeventsvt.com.

BURLINGTON. Merry Traveling Theatre. A unique, 19th-century style traveling theater wagon, complete with a fold-out stage, is transported to community settings, transforming local parks into live theater venues. Children, ages 6-18 learn the art of performance in school and residency programs and summer camps. Donations. 12 pm. Locations vary. (802) 863-6607. www.verymerrytheatre.org.

BURLINGTON. The Amtrak Ethan Allen Express Train. Expanded passenger rail service to and from New York City to Vermont. (802) 279-2647. amtrak.com/ethan-allen-express-train.

BURLINGTON. Speaking Volumes. Thousands of high-quality used books, oddities, and art. All genres including Vermont, children’s, fiction, poetry, spirituality, sci-fi, and cookbooks. Open Mon-Sat 10 am – 5 pm, Sun 10 am – 3 pm. Speaking Volumes, 377 Pine St. (802) 540-0107. www.speakingvolumesvt.com.

BURLINGTON. Speaking Volumes Audio Store. Audio repair, turntables, receivers, amplifiers, speakers, tape decks, and more. Vinyl: rock/pop, blues, folk, jazz, and soundtrack. Phone orders taken. Open Mon-Thurs 10 am – 5 pm, Fri 10 am – 7 pm, Sat 10 am – 5 pm, Sun 10 am – 4 pm. Speaking Volumes Audio Store, 7 Marble Ave. (802) 540-0791. www.speakingvolumesvt.com.

BURLINGTON. Contemporary Art Gallery. Thursday–Saturday 11 am – 5 pm, and by appointment. Soapbox Arts, 266 Pine St., Suite 119. (802) 324-0014. info@soapboxarts.com. www.soapboxarts.com.

BURLINGTON. ECHO, Leahy Center for Lake Champlain. Exhibits, workshops, programs, museum store. For all ages. Adults \$18, students & seniors \$16, children 3-17 \$14.50, children 2 and under free. Open seven days a week! ECHO, Leahy Center for Lake Champlain, 1 College St. (802) 864-1848. www.echovermont.org.

BURLINGTON. Art Exhibit. “Here Now: Art and Migration.” Experience a group of international and regional artists whose work challenges conventional notions of borders along with “Margaret Jacobs: Kinship,” showcasing Jacobs’ powerful steel sculptures. Free. Burlington City Arts, 135 Church St. (802) 865-7166. www.burlingtoncityarts.org. *Through May 11.*

BURLINGTON. Migrant Justice. Organizing for economic justice and human rights! Building the voice, capacity, and power of the farmworker community Migrant Justice, 179 S. Winooski Ave, Unit #202. (802) 540-8370. info@migrantjustice.net. www.migrantjustice.net.

CASTLETON. Green Mountain Conservation Camps. Campers, ages 12-14, participate in hands-on learning about fish and wildlife conservation, ecology, forestry, orienteering, safe firearm and archery techniques, swimming, canoeing, fishing and more. Open June 16 and until August 16. Tuition is \$250 for the week, including food, lodging and equipment, and financial assistance is available. Advanced sessions available. Camps are on Lake Bomoseen and on Lake Buck in Woodbury. Sponsored by Vermont Fish and Wildlife Department. (802) 261-0335. www.joshua.morse@vermont.gov.

CENTER RUTLAND. Rutland Railway Museum & Model Club. Maintained by the Rutland Railway Association, Inc., the historic depot is now a museum that houses an operating HO scale model railroad setup and displays hundreds of rare or antique model trains, photographs, signs and memorabilia saved from an earlier time, including the former Rutland Railroad Caboose #45. Free admission. 11 am – 3 pm. 7 Rutland Railway Museum & Model Club, 9 Depot Lane. www.rutlandrailway.org. *On Saturdays.*

CHARLOTTE. Clemmons Family Farm. 148-acre historic farm, African-American owned land and cultural heritage resource. Visit website for more info. (765) 560-5445. clemmonsfamilyfarm.org.

CHESTER. Workshops and Events. The Field Center, 61 Williams Rd. communications@thefieldcenter.com. www.thefieldcenter.com.

COLCHESTER. Sam Mazza’s Farm Market. Home-grown produce. Bakery, ice cream, fudge, maple, wines and specialty foods. Open 7 am to 7 pm. 277 Lavigne Rd. (802) 655-3440. www.sammazzafarms.com.

DERBY. Lavender Essentials Opening for the Season. Farm tours, workshops, events. Lavender Essentials, 2103 Herrick Rd. (802) 323-3590. lavenderessentialsft@gmail.com. www.lavender-essentials.com. *Open through September.*

EAST MONTPELIER. Bragg Farm Sugarhouse & Gift Shop. Tours, maple ice cream parlor, maple syrup, candies & cream. Mail orders welcome by phone or on-line. Open every day but Wednesday 8:30 am – 5 pm. Bragg Farm Sugarhouse & Gift Shop, 1005 Rt. 14. (802) 223-5757. www.braggfarm.com.

ESSEX JUNCTION. Vermont Genealogy Library. Classes, archives, research, books. Open Tuesday 3-9:30 pm and Saturday 10 am to 4 pm. Vermont Genealogy Library, 57 River Rd. (Rt. 117). www.vtgenlib.org.

FERRISBURGH. Rokeby Museum. Tours, events, workshops, trails. From 1793 to 1961, Rokeby was home to four generations of Robinsons — a remarkable family of Quakers, farmers, abolitionists, artists, and authors. Today, the Robinson family’s home is a National Historic Landmark, designated for its exceptional Underground Railroad history. Rokeby is among the best-documented Underground Railroad sites in the country. Admission: adults \$12, seniors \$11, students \$10, younger than 6 free. Open 10 am – 5 pm daily. Rokeby Museum, 4334 Rt. 7. (802) 877-3406. www.rokeby.org.

GLOVER. Bread & Puppet Museum. A massive accumulation of the puppets, masks, paintings and graphics of the Bread and Puppet Theater, housed in a 150-year-old barn in Vermont’s Northeast Kingdom, 25 miles south of the Canadian border. It is one of the largest collections of some of the biggest puppets and masks in the world. Open for drop-in visits to see museum puppets, masks, costumes, paintings, buildings, and landscapes. Admission is free; donations are welcome. Open June 1 to November 1, daily 10 am to 6 pm. Bread & Puppet Museum, 753 Heights Rd. (802) 525-3031. puppetsecretary@gmail.com. breadandpuppet.org.

Ongoing Activities 2024, continued:

GRAFTON. The Nature Museum at Grafton. Hands-on exhibits, dioramas, and mounted specimens. Pollinator garden, Village Park trails, Fairy House Trail, pond dipping, backyard picnics. The Magic Forest Playscape, open from dawn to dusk daily. Free admission. Open Friday through Sunday 10 am – 4 pm. The Nature Museum at Grafton, 186 Townsend Rd. (802) 843-2111. www.nature-museum.org.

HANOVER, NH. Tuesday Jukebox. Jakob Breitbach, fiddle ninja and impresario, hosts local, regional, and emerging national artists. Suggested donation: \$5–\$10. Every second Tuesday at 7 pm. Sawtooth Kitchen, Under Allen St. (603) 643-5134. jakobbreitbach@gmail.com. sawtoothkitchen.com. *Second Tuesday of every month.*

HANOVER, NH. Karaoke Bandstand. Your chance to sing your own song with a top notch band. All ages, family-friendly. Suggested donation: \$5–\$10. Every fourth Tuesday at 7 pm. Sawtooth Kitchen, Under Allen St. (603) 643-5134. jakobbreitbach@gmail.com. sawtoothkitchen.com. *Fourth Tuesday of every month.*

HANOVER, NH. Community Dinner. Prepared by the Hanover Community Kitchen. To-go meals available upon request. Free. Fridays, 5–6 pm. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 5 Summer St. (603) 643-3703. office@oslchanover.org. oslchanover.org. *Every Friday.*

HANOVER, NH. Disaster Relief Quilting. Turn donated fabric into simple quilts for worldwide distribution to refugees, survivors of disaster, and others in need. No experience or equipment needed. Also make simple school bags. Space limited; contact church office to sign up. Free. 9 am – 1 pm. Our Savior Lutheran Church, 5 Summer St. (603) 643-3703. office@oslchanover.org. oslchanover.org. *First and third Thursday of every month.*

HARDWICK. The Vermont Curators Group Itinerary: Hardwick to Waitsfield. Five exhibitions. Meandering scenic route on a trip through at least 11 towns. Sponsored by the 251 Club of Vermont. vt251.com. vermontcuratorsgroup.com.

HUBBARDTON. Hubbardton Battlefield Open for the Season. Open Wednesday-Sunday. Admission: adults \$5, children (6-14) \$1, children (under 6) free. 10 am – 5 pm. Hubbardton Battlefield State Historic Site, 5696 Monument Hill Rd. (802) 273-2282. elsa.gilbertson@vermont.gov. www.historicsites.vermont.gov. *May 24 through October 20.*

HUNTINGTON. Art Show. “The Power of Perspective.” Explore, examine, and delight in art that speaks to both humans’ and birds’ perspectives and experiences. How might a change in perspective alter our understanding of the lives and needs of the birds who share our world? Wednesdays through Sundays May through October. Admission. 10 am – 4 pm. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. birdsofvermont.org.

HUNTINGTON. Birds of Vermont Museum. Discover birds in the wild, from the windows, and in wood – our life-like carvings won’t fly away. Explore forest trails and a walk-in treehouse or picnic near our pollinator gardens or the pond. Immerse yourself in special exhibits from science to art. Admission: adult \$9, senior \$6, child \$4.50 (ages 3-17). Open May – October, Wednesday – Sunday, 10 am – 4 pm, Monday & Tuesday by appointment. Birds of Vermont Museum, 900 Sherman Hollow Rd. (802) 434-2167. museum@birdsofvermont.org. www.birdsofvermont.org.

LEBANON, NH. Revels North Community Singers. Weekly singing group, open to all. Ages 13+, all abilities welcome. Pay what you can. Tuesdays, 7:30-9 pm. Revels North, 31 Old Etna Rd. (802) 864-0123. alex@revelsnorth.org. revelsnorth.org. *Every Tuesday.*

LEBANON, NH. Revels North. A non-profit arts organization providing year-round, multi-generational programming which celebrates the power of traditional song, dance, storytelling and ritual. Events and performances. Revels North. (802) 864-0123. revelsnorth.org.

LEBANON, NH. Student Music Series. Join UVMC (Upper Valley Music Center) for a series of chamber music sight reading parties. We provide the space and the sheet music. Donations accepted. Upper Valley Music Center, 8 South Park St. (603) 448-1641. www.uvmusic.org. *Through May 10.*

LEBANON, NH. The Anonymous Coffeehouse. Informal “listening room” for emerging musicians. Each show features several acoustic acts. Come and go as you please; baked goods and hot drinks available. Free; donations welcome. 7:30 pm. First Congregational Church of Lebanon, 10 S. Park St. (603) 448-4281. anoncoffeehouse@gmail.com. *Second and fourth Fridays.*

LEBANON, NH. AVA Gallery and Art Center. Exhibits, classes, programs. Summer Art Camps every week June 27 – August 19. Hours: Tues–Fri 11 am – 6 pm, Sat–Sun 11 am – 4 pm. AVA Gallery and Art Center, 11 Bank St. (603) 448-3117. avagallery.org.

LEBANON, NH. Songwriter Night. Songwriters of all ability levels gather to play music. Composers of songs without words also welcome. Hosted by UVMC’s guitar instructor, Tristan Bellerive. Suggested drop-in fee: \$10. 4-5:30 pm. Bach Room, Upper Valley Music Center, 8 S. Park St. (603) 448-1642. www.uvmusic.org. *Third Saturdays.*

LUDLOW. The Book Nook. Where books find readers. Fine selection of new books and a small selection of discounted books (remainders and used). Seating and free wifi. Open Wednesday-Saturday 11 am – 5 pm. Closed Sunday thru Tuesday. The Book Nook, 136 Main St. (802) 228-3238. thebooknookvt@hotmail.com. www.thebooknookvt.com.

LYNDONVILLE. Green Mountain Books & Prints. New, used, and rare. Open Mon-Fri 10 am – 6 pm, Sat 9 am – 5 pm. Green Mountain Books & Prints, 1055 Broad St. (802) 626-5051. kim@greenmountainbooks.com. www.greenmtnbooks.com.

MANCHESTER. Hildene, Robert and Mary Lincoln’s home. Admission \$23 adults, \$6 youth, under 5 free. Thursday through Monday, 10 am to 4:30 pm. Hildene, 1005 Hildene Rd. (802) 367-7960. hildene.org.

MANCHESTER. Art Exhibits, Classes, Programs. Wednesday–Saturday 10 am – 4 pm, Sunday 12 noon – 4 pm. Southern Vermont Arts Center, 2522 West Rd. (802) 367-1311. www.svac.org.

MANCHESTER. Dutton’s Farmstand. Our own maple syrup, apples, cider. All your favorite fruits, and vegetables. Baked goods, pies, bread, cookies, creemees! Daily 9 am – 7 pm. Dutton’s Farmstand, 2083 Depot St., Rts. 11/30. (802) 362-3083. www.duttonberryfarm.com.

MANCHESTER. Check Mates: Intergenerational Chess Club. Free. Thursdays, 3:30-5:30 pm. Manchester Community Library. www.mclvt.org/event/the-check-mates. *Every Thursday.*

MARLBORO. Craft & Fine Art Classes and Workshops. Marlboro Studio School, Potash Hill. school@marlborostudioschool.org. www.marlborostudioschool.org.

MENDON. Mendon Mountain Orchards. Family-run motel and 26-acre heirloom apple orchard. Bakery and country store. Apple pies and cider. Mendon Mountain Orchard, 16 US Rt. 4. (802) 775-5477. www.mendonorchards.com.

MIDDLEBURY. Patent Pending Exhibit. Ingenuity and innovation in Vermont features many patents, ideas, and inspirational “firsts” that have come out of Vermont. While patents abound for everyday objects – including the clothespin, a fishing spoon lure, and even the sports bra – others include globally significant innovations like the first electric motor and our modern Global Positioning System (GPS). Henry Sheldon Museum, 1 Park St. (802) 388-2117. www.henrysheldonmusem.com. *Through November 19.*

MIDDLEBURY. Middlebury College Museum of Art. Collection of several thousand objects ranging from antiquities to contemporary art. Free admission. Tuesday through Friday 9 am – 12:30 pm, 1:30-4 pm; Sunday 12-5pm. Middlebury College Museum of Art, Mahaney Center for the Arts, 72 Porter Field Rd. (802) 443-5007. www.museum.middlebury.edu/visit.

MONTPELIER. Chekhov Play: Three Sisters Four Women. An intimate, fun, and modern reimagining of Anton Chekhov’s classic story of hope in the hardest times LNT/City Hall’s elevator inoperable due to flood, requiring climbing stairs to attend. Fee. 7:30-9 pm. Lost Nation Theater, 39 Main St. (802) 229-0492. lostnationtheater.org. *May 31 through June 16.*

Ongoing Activities 2024, continued:

MONTPELIER. Cross Vermont Trail Association. A project to build a multi-use, four-season path across the width of Vermont, following the Winooski River and Wells River valleys. (802) 498-0079. www.crossvermont.org.

MONTPELIER. Kellogg-Hubbard Library Ongoing Book Sale. Though lost to the 2023 flood, we are rebuilding the sale to recommence mid-2024. Kellogg-Hubbard Library, 135 Main St. (802) 223-3338. www.kellogg-hubbard.org/book-sales.

MONTPELIER. T.W. Wood Gallery. Preserving our artistic heritage and bringing the best of today's art to Central Vermont. Classes, special events, exhibits. Free. 12-4 pm Tuesday-Saturday. T.W. Wood Gallery, 46 Barre St. (802) 262-6035. www.twwoodgallery.org.

MONTPELIER. Vermont Bluegrass Band, Banjo Dan, has released a new CD, "Spirits." A thought-provoking collection of original songs with spiritual themes drawn from a wide range of cultures and traditions and delivered in a variety of acoustic styles. The CD may be purchased directly from Banjo Dan, 242 Main St., Montpelier VT 05602 (\$18) or ordered online at www.banjo-dan.com.

MONTPELIER. Nature programs online and in person. North Branch Nature Center, 713 Elm St. www.northbranchnaturecenter.org. (802) 229-6206.

MONTPELIER. Bicycle Class for Adults. Each session will feature an hour in the classroom followed by an optional, guided bicycle ride. Bicyclists must arrive with a bicycle in good working order and wear a helmet. 5:30 pm. Free Community Room, Montpelier Senior Activity Center, 58 Barre St. (802) 223- 2518 SaddleShoes2@gmail.com. *Six consecutive Tuesdays May 7 through June 11.*

MONTPELIER. Northeast Wilderness Trust. Forever-wild conservation is about freedom for wildlife, natural processes, and the untrammelled evolution of the landscape. We work with partner organizations and landowners to evaluate land for wilderness conservation. Northeast Wilderness Trust. (802) 224-1000. newildernesstrust.org.

MORGAN. Little Free Library. Please visit anytime and take a book or leave one – fully stocked with both adult and kids' books. Registered on the Little Free Library World Map. At the Town Clerk's Office, 41 Mead Hill Rd. www.dailymemoriamlibrary.org.

NEWBURY. Four Corners Farm. Farm stand with lots of produce – all we sell is our own. Already-picked and pick-your-own strawberries coming in June! Open daily. Bob and Kim Gray, Four Corners Farm, 306 Doe Hill Rd. off Rt. 5. (802) 866-3342. 4cornersfarm@gmail.com. www.4cornersfarm@gmail.com.

NEWFANE. Dutton's Farmstand. Our own maple syrup! Strawberries coming in June! Apples, cider, all your favorite fruits and vegetables. Baked goods, pies, bread, cookies. Dutton's Farmstand, 391 & 407 Rt. 30. (802) 365-4168. duttonberryfarm.com.

NORTH BENNINGTON. Wildflower Walks. Every Tuesday morning through May, members of the Bennington Garden Club will lead the group along The Mile Around Woods. Gather in the Park-McCullough parking area for an 8 am start. Free. Open to the public. Park-McCullough, Historic Governor's Mansion, Rt.67A. (802) 422-5441. www.parkmccullough.com.

NORTH SPRINGFIELD. Displays and exhibits about the town's history. Free. Saturdays 1-4 pm, or by appointment. Springfield Art and Historical Society, 65 Rt. 106. (802) 886-7935. sahs@vermontel.net.

NORWICH. Tasty Tuesdays. San Song Kitchens, purveyors of delicious Korean food, is returning for the summer. From bulgogi to bibimbap and mandu to K-chicken. Fee. 2-6:30 pm. Sweetland Farm, 742 Rt. 132. (802) 376-5945. www.sweetlandfarmvt.com. *Through June 18.*

NORWICH. Science Yoga. Full-body program combines body awareness with an introduction to early science topics ranging from dinosaurs to planets. Mats available. Fee: \$17-\$19, under 2 free. Wednesdays, 11:30 am – 12:30 pm. Montshire Museum of Science, 1 Montshire Rd. (802) 649-2200. honor.hingston-cox@montshire.org. www.montshire.org. *Every Wednesday.*

NORWICH. In Person: Mindfulness Meditation, in the tradition of Thich Nhat Hanh. Approximately 40 minutes of sitting and walking meditation, followed by a reading most days, and discussion. Offered by Heart of the Valley Mindfulness Practice Center. Please bring a mask. No experience necessary. Free; donations appreciated. Tuesdays, 9–11 am. St Barnabas Episcopal Church, Parish Hall, 262 Main St. (703) 727-5208. uvmindfulnessmeditation.org. *Every Tuesday.*

NORWICH. Montshire Museum of Science. See 150 hands-on exhibits. Programs, special events, museum store. Trails with views of the Connecticut River and outdoor exhibits on 100 acres. All ages. Adults \$19, children 2-17 \$16, under 2 free. Open daily 10 am – 5 pm. Montshire Museum of Science, One Montshire Road off Rt. 5. (802) 649-2200. www.montshire.org.

ONLINE. Workshop: Otter Creek Poets. Writers and aspiring writers of all ages and levels of experience welcome, as are poems in all forms and styles. By Zoom. Free, registration required. Thursdays, 1-3 pm. Community Room, Ilsley Public Library, 75 Main St., Middlebury. (802) 989-4314. ilsleypubliclibrary.org. *Every Thursday.*

ONLINE. Exhibit. "Pattern & Purpose: American Quilts from the Shelburne Museum". Free. Shelburne Museum, 6000 Shelburne Rd. (802) 985-3346. www.shelburnemuseum.org.

ONLINE. Night Owl Club. This informal, online discussion with astronomy and space exploration experts follows your curiosity to the edges of the universe! Visit website to join the meeting. Presented by Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium. 7 pm. www.fairbanksmuseum.org. *First Thursdays.*

ONLINE. Birding Hotspots in Rutland County. Publicly accessible places, variety of habitats. www.eBird.org. Rutland County Audubon. rutlandcountyaudubon.org.

ONLINE. Poetry Event: Recite! Poets, amateurs, first-timers, and those who just want to listen. Free. 7-9 pm. Norman Williams Public Library, 10 The Green. (802) 457-2295. normanwilliams.org. *Second Tuesdays.*

ONLINE. Outdoor Radio. Over 50 episodes online, with topics ranging from birds to bats and beavers to peepers. Co-hosts: Kent McFarland and Sara Zahendra. Find episodes on the website. Vermont Center for Ecostudies. www.vtecostudies.org.

ONLINE. Zoom Tunes. Virtual Jam Session. A way to play tunes, receive feedback, and hang out with the VJC community. Fee: \$15 per session. Last Sundays, 7-8:30 pm. Vermont Jazz Center, 72 Cotton Mill Hill, Brattleboro. (802) 254-9088. eugene@vtjazz.org. www.vtjazz.org. *Last Sunday of each month.*

ONLINE. Forevergreen: A Vermont Adventure in Music. Bringing the music of Vermont and the artists who have an affinity for the Green Mountain State directly to you. All shows stream live at 7 pm on Vermont Tourism YouTube and Facebook. vermontvacation.com/forevergreen.

ONLINE. 2024 Hunting, Fishing, and Trapping Licenses Available Online. License gift certificates also available. John.Hall@vermont.gov. vtfishandwildlife.com.

ONLINE. The Lake Champlain Digital Museum: Digital Exhibits, Virtual Shipwreck Tours. Lake Champlain Maritime Museum. (802) 475-2022. lcm.org.

ONLINE. Solstice Seeds 2024 Catalogue of Open Pollinated Seeds. Available on our website. Solstice Seeds, Hartland, Vermont. solsticeseedsvt@gmail.com. solsticeseeds.org.

ONLINE. Interactive All-Vermont Band Guide. Big Heavy World. (802) 865-1140. www.bigheavyworld.com/band-guide.

ORLEANS. Trout Jumping. One of the state's premier wildlife watching opportunities is taking place as steelhead rainbow trout have started their upstream migration to leap up Willoughby waterfalls on their way to their spawning grounds. Steelhead can be spotted moving up the falls during warmer days in mid-to-late April and sometimes into early May. (802) 371-8687. www.vtfishandwildlife.com.

Ongoing Activities 2024, continued:

ORLEANS. Vermont Reindeer Farm. Home of the Only Real Live Reindeer in Vermont! Farm visits by appointment only. Tours and reindeer school. Vermont Reindeer Farm, 3108 Chilafox Rd. (802) 754-9583. jpbroe@gmail.com. www.vtreindeerfarm.com.

PITTSFIELD, MA. Hancock Shaker Village. Farm, gardens, exhibits, walking trails. Tour 19 historic buildings. Bimi's Cafe. Shaker Mercantile. Admission: adults \$20, youth \$8 (ages 13-17), children (12 and under) are free. Opening for the season in April, hours: 10 am – 4 pm. Hancock Shaker Village, 1843 West Housatonic St. (413) 443-0188. hancockshakervillage.org.

POULTNEY. Art Gallery. Classes, workshops, events. Sundays 1-4 pm, Fridays 5-7:30 pm by appointment. Stone Valley Arts Center at Fox Hill, 145 E. Main St. www.stonevalleyarts.org.

PUTNEY. Green Mountain Orchards. Opening mid-July for blueberries. Green Mountain Orchards, 130 West Hill Rd. (802) 387-5851. mail@greenmtorchards.com. www.greenmtorchards.com.

QUECHEE. Songbird Aviary. Walk-through, 2,160 square-foot exhibit. Watch birds move about in this naturally landscaped exhibit. Admission: adults \$18; seniors (62 plus), college students, educators, and veterans \$17; youth (4-17) \$15; 3 & under free. 10 am – 5 pm daily. Vermont Institute of Natural Science Nature Center, 149 Natures Way. (802) 359-5000. info@vinsweb.org. vinsweb.org.

QUECHEE. VINS Nature Center's Outdoor Exhibits. Daily Programs. 11 am raptors up close; 12:30 pm songbird aviary tour; 2 pm. animal encounter; and 2:30 pm. raptor feeding time. Wild bird rehab, special events, online talks, homeschooling days. Adults \$17.50, seniors (62 plus) \$16.50, college students \$16.50, youth 4-17 \$15, kids 3 & under free. Open daily 10 am – 4 pm. 149 Natures Way off Rt. 4. (802) 359-5000. vinsweb.org.

RANDOLPH. Poetry Month. PoemTown Randolph will be posting selected poems to be displayed on the windows of local businesses through April in conjunction with National Poetry Month. Poems will also be printed in a yearly anthology. Main Street. (802) 728-9402. www.poemtowntown.org.

RANDOLPH CENTER. Silloway Maple. Have a tour, see an old sap bucket and new tubing used to gather the sap. Learn how sap is processed using a wood fire here at Silloway Maple. Take a self-guided hike to the sugar woods and see the network of tubing and mainlines that carry the sap down through the woods. Bring your family. Choose from award-winning maple syrup, cream, candy, sugar, and maple almonds to ship or take home with you! Sugarhouse, store and tours Monday-Saturday 10 am – 5 pm, Sunday 2-5 pm. Creamees Thursday-Sunday. Silloway Maple, 1303 Boudro Rd. (802) 272-6249. sillowaymaple.com.

ROCHESTER. Sandy's Books and Bakery. Browse and eat. A well stocked bookstore with welcoming children's area next door to a cafe stocked with goodies to eat. Sandy's Books and Bakery, 30 N. Main St. (802) 776-4258. www.sandysbooksandbakery.com.

ROCHESTER. Big Town Gallery. Exhibits, events. Free. Friday thru Sunday 10 am – 5 pm. Big Town Gallery, 99 Main St. (802) 767-9670. bigtowngallery.com.

ROXBURY. Roxbury Fish Culture Station. Producing 25,000 pounds of fish, and 60,000 brook and rainbow trout annually for stocking in state waters. Art installation: "The Origin of the River" by Vermont sculptor Sean Hunter Williams features a single pawning female wild brook trout enlarged six times. Roxbury Fish Culture Station, 3696 Roxbury Rd. (802) 461-6019. chris.ingram@vermont.gov. vtfishandwildlife.com.

RUPERT. Merck Forest and Farmland Center. Workshops, events, children's activities, over 30 miles of hiking trails, overnight camping in reserved lean-to's and cabins, and tenting. 3270 Rt. 315. (802) 394-7836. merckforest.org.

RUTLAND. Bookmobile. Used and new books, unique cards and gifts. Mon-Fri 10 am – 6 pm, Sat 9 am – 3 pm, Sun 11 am – 3 pm. The Bookmobile, 17 Center St. (802) 342-1477. bookmobilevermont.com.

RUTLAND. Chaffee Art Center. Exhibits, workshops, classes, gift shop. Wed, Thurs & Fri 12-4 pm and Sat 10 am – 2 pm. Chaffee Art Center, 16 S. Main St. (802) 775-0356. www.chaffeeartcenter.org.

RUTLAND. Rutland Recreation Center. Events, theatre, sports, parks, caps, classes. Check website for details. (802) 775-1182. www.rutlandrec.com.

RUTLAND. Wonderfeet Kids' Museum. A discovery center of the rich heritage of Vermont. Interactive exhibits and programs. \$5 ages 1-64, \$4 seniors 65+, \$2 anyone with a valid EBT card and identification. Friday & Saturday 10 am – 4 pm, Sunday 12-4 pm. Wonderfeet Kids' Museum, 11 Center St. (802) 282-2678. wonderfeetkidsmuseum.org.

ST. ALBANS. The Eloquent Page. 35,000 new & used, classic & modern, vintage & exciting. Find whatever your creative soul desires. Ephemera, vintage postcards, 19th century children's. Gifts and cards. Monday through Saturday 10 am – 5:30 pm, Sunday 11 am – 3 pm. The Eloquent Page, 70 North Main St. in the historic downtown. (802) 527-7243. books@theeloquentpage.com. theeloquentpage.com.

ST. JOHNSBURY. Northeast Kingdom Artisans Guild. A Cooperative Craft & Fine Art Gallery. Backroom Gallery exhibits change every six weeks. Open Tues-Sat 10:30 am – 5:30 pm. Northeast Kingdom Artisans Guild, 430 Railroad St. (802) 748-0158. nekartisansguild.com.

ST. JOHNSBURY. Eye on the Sky. Daily forecasts including temperature & winds and radar maps. Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium, 1302 Main St. (802) 748-2372. fairbanksmuseum.org.

ST. JOHNSBURY. Wildflower Table. An exhibit of wildflowers in bloom since 1903 now includes some 400 species displayed throughout the year, in both fruit and flowering stages reflecting the diversity of flowers, grasses, berries, ferns and evergreens found in Vermont's Northeast Kingdom. Fairbanks Museum & Planetarium, 1302 Main St. (802) 748-2372. www.fairbanksmuseum.org.

ST. JOHNSBURY. Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium. Exhibits, programs, special events, wildflower table, collections, Star Space Astronomy Tours. Adults \$12, seniors (65+) and children 5-17 \$8, 4 and younger free. Planetarium admission: \$7. Wednesday through Sunday 10 am – 5 pm. Fairbanks Museum and Planetarium, 1302 Main St. (802) 748-2372. fairbanksmuseum.org.

ST. JOHNSBURY. The Stephen Huneck Gallery at Dog Mountain and Dog Chapel. Free. Hike the trails, open seven days dawn to dusk! Gallery and Dog Chapel open Fri 10 am – 4 pm, Sat & Sun 11 am – 5 pm. Dog Mountain, 143 Parks Rd. off Spaulding Rd. (800) 449-2580. www.dogmt.com.

ST. JOHNSBURY. Star Movie Theatre. A real movie theater with low, affordable prices! Tickets: adults \$8, children and seniors \$6; Tuesday bargain price \$5, matinees \$6, 3-D films +\$1. Check website for what's playing. Star Theatre, 17 Eastern Ave. (802) 748-9511. independentcinemas@yahoo.com. www.stjaytheatre.com.

SHARON. Spinning & Fiber Crafts. Bring spinning wheel, drop spindle or fiber craft. 2-4 pm. Free. Baxter Memorial Library, 5114 Route 14. (802) 282-5814. www.bondore132@yahoo.com. *Meets first Sunday of each month through July 7.*

SHELburne. Shelburne Farms. Walking trails. Programs and activities for the whole family. Welcome Center parking lot. Admission by donation. Shelburne Farms, 1611 Harbor Rd. (802) 98255-8686. www.shelburnefarms.org.

SHOREHAM. Champlain Orchards. Fruit in season, already-picked and pick-your-own. Farm Store. Farm events. Tours and field trips. Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Sunday 10 am – 4 pm, Friday and Saturday 10 am – 8 pm. Champlain Orchards, 2955 Rt. 74W. (802) 897-2777. bill@champlainorchards.com. www.champlainorchards.com.

SOUTH ROYALTON. Open Mic. Weekly open mic hosted by George Nostrand. Bring talent, friends, instruments and mics if available. Free. Thursdays, 6-9 pm. 802 Pizza SoRo, 192 Chelsea St. (802) 417-7411. asoundspacevt@gmail.com. *Every Thursday.*

Ongoing Activities 2024, continued:

SPRINGFIELD. Open Wall Show. If you are an artist show your work with no fee at the VAULT. The next show's theme is "Thoughts of Spring". You can bring in two works if they are 18" x 20" or smaller, or one if it is larger. Sculpture, pottery, etc. are appreciated. Gallery at the Vault, 68 Main St. (802) 885-7111. www.galleryvault@vermontel.net. *March 13 through May 15.*

SPRINGFIELD. Gallery at the Vault. Exhibits, workshops, classes online and in-person, gift shop. Free. Open 11 am – 5 pm Wednesday through Saturday and Friday 11 am – 7 pm. Gallery at the Vault, 68 Main St. (802) 802-885-7111. www.galleryvault.org.

SPRINGFIELD. Art Exhibit: Scarf Show – Dragonflies and Daisies. A celebration on silk of the flowers and flutterers of spring featuring hand painted flowing silk scarves by guest London, UK artist Teresa Flowers. Open Wednesday, Thursday, and Saturday 11 am – 5 pm and Friday 11 am – 7 pm. Gallery at the VAULT, 68 Main St. (802) 885-7111. www.galleryvault.org. *Through May 18.*

SPRINGFIELD. Wellwood Orchards. Pick-your-own fruits in season. Opening in June for strawberries. Wellwood Orchards, 529 Wellwood Orchard Rd. (802) 263-5200. wellwood@wellwoodorchards.net. wellwoodorchards.net.

STATEWIDE. Vermont Atlas of Life. Lectures, field trips, events for naturalists to get together. Vermont Center for Ecostudies. inaturalist.org/projects/vermont-atlas-of-life. www.vtecostudies.org.

STATEWIDE. Vermont State Parks. Vermont has 55 developed and staffed state parks and undeveloped state park lands to use and enjoy. (888) 409-7579. www.vtstateparks.com.

STATEWIDE. Explore Vermont's Black History: Vermont African American Heritage Trail. Visit 22 historic and cultural sites where actions, events, and individuals significant to African American history and civil rights are remembered. Exhibits, roadside markers, films, and tours. Lesson plans, supplemental materials, and geocaching coordinates available. VtAfricanAmericanHeritage.net.

STATEWIDE. The 251 Club. Since 1954, organization of Vermont enthusiasts whose objective is to visit the state's 251 towns and cities. (802) 233-8649. www.vt251.com.

STOWE. Art Exhibits. Classes, workshops, special events. Helen Day Art Center, 5 School St. (802) 253-8358. helenday.com.

STOWE. The Current. Art exhibits, classes, events. Tuesday–Saturday, 10 am – 5 pm. The Current, 90 Pond St. (802) 253-8358. mail@thecurrentnow.org. www.thecurrentnow.org.

STOWE. Vermont Ski and Snowboard Museum. Celebrating Vermont's Skiing History. Admission by suggested donation: individuals \$5, families \$10. Vermont Ski and Snowboard Museum, 1 South Main St. (802) 253-9911. vtssm.com.

TOWNSHEND. Goat Hangout. Visit a small family-owned, animal welfare approved hillside goat dairy and farmstead confectionery and creamery. Hang with the goats and taste award-winning caramel. Children 12 and under \$12, ages 13+ \$20. Big Picture Farm, 1600 Peaked Mountain Rd. (802) 221-0547. www.bigpicturefarm.com.

UNDERHILL CENTER. Writing Workshops. Weekly Flow-State writing practices every Thursday evenings and Friday mornings. The 10 minutes of silent meditation followed by 40 minutes of Flow-State writing for participants experiencing writers' block. Fee. Design-Wise Studios, 15 Steventown Rd. (802) 557-4597. design-wise.net.

WATERBURY. Board & Tabletop Games. Lifelong gamer Vinni Yasi hosts a morning of fun and strategy for teen and adult players. 9 am – 1 pm. Free. Waterbury Public Library, 28 N. Main St. (802) 244-7036. www.waterburypubliclibrary.com. *First Saturdays.*

WATERBURY CENTER. Green Mountain Club Visitor Center. Open for in-person hiking advice and shopping. Expanded line of maps, hiking books, and GMC gear and apparel. Educational programs and community events. A nature walk on the Short Trail on our expansive campus. A place to picnic and rejuvenate. Open Wednesday, Thursday,

Friday from 10 am – 4 pm. Green Mountain Club Visitor Center, 4711 Waterbury-Stowe Rd. (Rt. 100). (802) 244-7037. gmc@greenmountainclub.org. greenmountainclub.org.

WEST BRATTLEBORO. Walk in the Woods. Property is home to four types of forests, a brook, two vernal pools, and two wetlands. Explore a short birding trail through woods and shrub land. Walkers, snowshoers, and other pedestrian recreation is welcome. No fee. Open year-round. Whetstone Woods. (802) 371-8613. www.vlt.org.

WEST BRATTLEBORO. Dutton's Farmstand. Lots of produce and fruit. Our own maple syrup, apples, cider. Baked goods, creemees! Dutton's Farmstand, 308 Marlboro Rd. (802) 254-0254. www.duttonberryfarm.com.

WEST CHARLESTON. Little Free Library. Please visit anytime and take a book or leave one. Registered on the Little Free Library World Map. At Scampy's Store, 1155 Rt. 105. www.dailymemoriallibrary.org.

WEST LEBANON, NH. Crafternoon Gathering. Bring knitting, crocheting, and stitching projects to work on alongside other makers. All levels of experience welcome. Free. Mondays, 3-4 pm. Kilton Public Library, 80 Main St. (603) 298-8544. Kilton Public Library leblibrary.com. www.leblibrary.com. *Every Monday.*

WEST MARLBORO. Southern Vermont Natural History Museum. 600 mounted specimens of native northeastern birds and mammals, close to 250 species represented. Northeastern Mineralogy Collection. Adults \$5, seniors \$3, kids 5-12 \$2, kids 4 and under are free. Wednesday through Monday 10 am to 4 pm. Southern Vermont Natural History Museum, 7599 Rt. 9. (802) 464-0048. vermontmuseum.org.

WEST RUTLAND. The Carving Studio and Sculpture Center. Exhibits, workshops. The Carving Studio and Sculpture Center, 636 Marble St. (802) 438.2097. info@carvingstudio.org. carvingstudio.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Art Exhibits, Workshops. Two Rivers Printmaking Studio, 85 North Main St. (802) 295-5901. tworiversprintmaking.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. First Friday Music and Art Show. First Friday of every month, 5-9 pm. Speakeasy Studios, Suite 221 in the Tip Top Building. jakobbreitbach@gmail.com. *First Friday of every month.*

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Free Community Dinner. LISTEN's hearty three-course community dinners are served in the dining hall Monday through Friday and on Saturday on a "to go" basis. Free. 4:30-5:30 pm. LISTEN Community Dinner Hall, 42 Maple St. (802) 698-8764. www.listencs.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Art Exhibits, Workshops. Two Rivers Printmaking Studio, 85 North Main St., Suite 160. (802) 295-5901. tworiversprintmaking.org.

WHITE RIVER JUNCTION. Piano Night. Come hear the player piano and victrola. Snacks and bonfire. Free; donations welcome. Fridays at 5 pm. Main Street Museum, 58 Bridge St. (802) 369-5722. info@mainstreetmuseum.org. www.mainstreetmuseum.org. *Every Friday.*

WILMINGTON. Antique & Flea Market. Vendors offer a potpourri of antiques, collectibles, jewelry, glass, furniture, flowers, plants, vegetables, and artisan crafts on 10-acre property. This is Southern Vermont's largest weekend market. Admission and parking are free with food concession on-premises. Free. 8 am – 3 pm. 225 Rte. 9 East. (802) 380-5669. www.vtflea.com. *Weekends through mid-October.*

WOODSTOCK. Quilt Exhibition. Admire the rural artistry of barn quilts during the 2024 Barn Quilt Exhibition. Admission. Billings Farm & Museum, 53 Elm St. (802)- 457-2355. www.billingsfarm.org. *April 4 – December 1.*

WOODSTOCK. Billings Farm & Museum. Meet our farm animals in the small animal barn. Dairy operations. Farm Life Exhibits. Billings Walking Trail. Online film series. Onsite and online events online. Adults \$19, seniors 62 & over \$16, students 16 & up \$20, children 3-15 \$12, children 2 & under free. Re-opening April 4 for the season, 10 am – 4 pm. Billings Farm & Museum, 69 Old River Rd. off Rt. 12. (802) 457-2355. www.billingsfarm.org.