

# NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS



*Sharing History to Promote Community*

**All of us here at the Saratoga County History Center invite you to join our institution through membership. Members make our goal of educating the community and preserving its rich history a reality. We offer several tiers of membership, one of the most popular being the \$100 level which includes a North American Reciprocal Museum (NARM) membership. This gives you free access to over a thousand museums all across North America, including the Clark Art institute and the Adirondack Experience.**

**Become a Member Here**

## **Attention Valued Museum Members:**

### **Brookside Semi-Centennial Celebration and 2024 Annual Membership Meeting**

2024 marks the fiftieth year of Brookside Museum and our first exhibit opening. Please consider joining us on Sunday November 17th at 2pm. See below for more details.

Interested in learning more about the last 50 years at Brookside and all the possibilities the future holds? See our most recent interview on Look This Week with our First Vice President Andrew Collier. <https://lookmediaresource.org/look-this-week-11-11-24-andrew-collier/>

### **Toys for Tots Donations Now Welcome**

Saratoga County History Center is proud to announce its involvement with the Marines Toys for Tots charity this holiday season. Please consider donating a new toy and help spread holiday cheer to disadvantage children. Our donation box is located in the entryway to the Brookside Museum and is ready for toy donations during the museums open hours.

Our annual membership drive is underway. Thank you to everyone who has renewed so far. Your support is enormously appreciated. If you have not had a chance to renew yet, or would like to become a new member, please consider it before the end of the year to take full advantage of the benefits membership has to offer

**Renew Your Membership Here**

Our exhibits on "Saratoga Shopping in 1867" and "Unmentionables and Underwear of the 19th Century" are being taken down to make space for the 24th Annual Holiday Artisan Market (see more below), our exhibits on "Saratoga County: Our Home!" and "A History of Brookside: 1792 to Today" are still on display for all to enjoy.

Requests for use of the library may be made to [research@brooksidemuseum.org](mailto:research@brooksidemuseum.org).

### **Upcoming Events:**

#### **Winter Concert: Stringwynde**

**Saturday, November 16th, 3-5pm**

**Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave. Ballston Spa**

Together Flautist Melanie Chirignan and Harpist Darhon Rees-Rohrbacher form the duo Stringwynde. They are well known throughout the Capital Region and specialize in music of the Celtic tradition. Stringwynde will be performing in the Long Room at The Saratoga County History Center at Brookside Museum. This concert is sponsored by a grant from Saratoga Arts, The Music Performance Trust Fund of the American Federation of Musicians and the Saratoga County History Center. The event is free to the public, donations are welcome.

**Register for Winter Concert: Stringwynde**

#### **Birthday Party for Brookside and Annual Membership Meeting**

**Sunday, November 17th, 2-4pm**

**Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave. Ballston Spa**

50 years ago, a dedicated group of local individuals opened the doors to Brookside Museum and Saratoga County History Center is still here, and ready to celebrate this milestone. Please consider joining us for birthday festivities and the debut showing of the film **50 Years of Brookside Museum**. There will be a short business portion to review the year, and for members to vote on the slate of board members for 2025. Cake will also be served and all are welcome. Registration is not mandatory to attend however we encourage those who can register do so.

**Register for 50th Anniversary Celebration and Annual Member Meeting**

#### **24th Annual Holiday Artisan Market**

**Saturday Nov. 30 to Tuesday Dec. 24, Tuesday - Sunday**

## **Brookside Museum 21 Fairground Ave. Ballston Spa**

Join us this holiday season for the 24th annual Holiday Artisan Market featuring only hand made/ hand crafted products created by local artisans. Items include: soaps, lotions, ornaments, jewelry, syrups, scarves, ceramics, hats and much more! Not only is the market perfect for your holiday shopping needs, it is also an investment in our community. All the proceeds from this years market will go to local artisans and the Saratoga County History Center, helping to both ensure the continuation of artisan work and the preservation of history in Saratoga County.

### **2024 Artisan Market Open Hours:**

Tuesdays - Thursdays, 12pm – 4pm

Fridays 12pm – 5pm

Saturdays & Sundays, 11am – 5pm

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## **Other Upcoming Saratoga History Events**

### **Heritage Hunters Meeting**

**Saturday, November 16th, 1pm**

**Town of Saratoga Town Hall, 12 Spring St. in Schuylerville**

Jack and Jan McEneny will be presenting their research in “Two Vanished Villages”. They will be sharing their personal searches for the villages where their ancestors lived. Both families emerged from the Irish famine that gripped County Mayo and made new homes at the “Glass Factory Village” near Lake Desolation in Saratoga County. Jack spent 19 years in the New York State Assembly and has also served as Historian for Albany County. All are welcome. For info call 518-885-9309.

### **The Town of Greenfield Historical Society November Meeting**

**Tuesday, November 19, 7pm**

**Greenfield Community Center, 25 Wilton Road, Greenfield Center NY**

Come and view Corinth Town Historian, Rachel Clothier's, cemetery tour video. The film explores the stories behind the gravestones located on Route 9N as you enter the village of Corinth. From soldiers and sailors to merchants and miscreants, attendees will discover a sampling of the people who have lived in Corinth over two centuries. Greenfield History books will also be available for sale starting at 6:30pm. Cost is \$20 (cash). All are welcome.

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Programs are free unless otherwise indicated. Submit events to [press@brooksidemuseum.org](mailto:press@brooksidemuseum.org). SCHC Events and News is a collaborative effort. We count on the contributions of the historic community of Saratoga County and others for the entire content of this page. The SCHC Events and News are available on our [website](#).

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