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Fall Forum · September 29–30

The Arts and Crafts Movement in America's Northeast

Earlier this year, Historic Deerfield acquired a masterpiece of Arts and Crafts furniture by Madeline Yale Wynne (1847-1918), Deerfield's leading proponent of the Arts and Crafts Movement. Made in 1903 and known as the *Garden of Hearts*, the chest (pictured above) is an important example of Arts and Crafts furniture by a groundbreaking female artist. It is on display in the exhibition *Garden of Hearts: Madeline Yale Wynne and Deerfield's Arts and Crafts Movement* at the Flynt Center of Early New England Life through March 3, 2024. To mark the occasion of this important acquisition, our Fall Forum will explore the Arts and Crafts Movement in the northeastern region of the United States.



Artists and architects in America's northeast made significant contributions to the Arts and Crafts Movement of the late 19th and early 20th centuries, producing work that is still keenly studied. Arts and Crafts communities flourished not only in urban

centers, but also in regional communities including Rose Valley, PA; East Aurora and Woodstock, NY; and Marblehead, Gardner, Worcester, and Deerfield, MA. Artists looked for inspiration not only in the work of their contemporaries, but also in the early American or colonial past. In doing so, they produced original works of art that expanded the corpus of American Arts and Crafts design.

We will address and celebrate this rich history by exploring artwork—from woodworking to metalwork—produced by urban and rural crafters of the northeast. Lecturers will share new insights and information on a variety of topics, from the pottery of Marblehead, MA, to the Elverhoj Arts and Crafts colony of Milton-on-Hudson, NY. Keynote speaker Dr. Jonathan Clancy, Director of Collections and Preservation at The Stickley Museum at Craftsman Farms, will discuss the rise of Arts and Crafts metalwork. The forum will also offer optional special demonstrations in the areas of metalwork and bookbinding.

In person: \$385
(members \$325),
Virtual: \$135
(members \$105).
Scan code or visit
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events at a glance

September 2023

2 Historic Trade Demonstration: White Pine Bark and Ash Bark Basketmaking with Jennifer Lee. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at Hall Tavern.

9 Historic Trade Demonstration: Architectural Woodworking featuring Door Surrounds with Craig Farrow 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Flynt Center; Architectural Woodworking featuring Joinery with Ted Ingraham. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Apprentice's Workshop.

10 Historic Trade Demonstration: Architectural Woodworking featuring Door Surrounds with Craig Farrow. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Flynt Center.

16 Historic Trade Demonstration: Tape Loom Weaving with Jennifer Roy and Leather Working with Greg Morin. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Flynt Center.

29–30 Fall Forum: The Arts and Crafts Movement in America's Northeast

See *Highlights* on pages 6–7 for History Workshop and Hearth Cooking schedules.



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October 2023

7 Historic Trade Demonstration: 1812 Marine Guard and Medicine with Dr. Jack Richman and Lieutenant Stan Kumar; Gunsmithing with Richard Colton. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at Hall Tavern.





7 Storyteller! A Peddler's Pack of Spooky Tales presented by Dennis Picard. 7 p.m. at the Deerfield Community Center.

8 Historic Trade Demonstration: Coopering with Neil and Mary Muckenhaupt. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at Hall Tavern.

9 Historic Trade Demonstration: Redware Pottery with Rick Hamelin. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Apprentice's Workshop.

13 Concert: Harvest Songs and Stories for Friday the 13th with Tim Eriksen. 7 p.m. at the Deerfield Community Center.

14, 20, 21, 27, 28 Deerfield After Dark Ghost Walks. Starting at Hall Tavern at 6 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 7:30 p.m., and 8 p.m.

14 Historic Trade Demonstration: Powder Horn Carving with Laurie Semple McCarthy. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Flynt Center.
Silversmithing with Steve Smithers. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Silver Shop.

14 Follow the Trolley Trail. 9:30 a.m.–12 p.m. at Hall Tavern and other locations (See *Highlights* section).

15 Historic Trade Demonstration: Stoneware Pottery with Mark Shapiro. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Apprentice's Workshop.



21 Bookbinding with Barbara Blumenthal. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Flynt Center.

21 Paper Making with Elisa Lanzi. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Apprentice's Workshop.

28 Historic Trade Demonstration: Gravestone Carving with Karin Sprague; Tinsmithing with Richard Eckert. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at Hall Tavern.

29 Historic Trade Demonstration: Blacksmithing with Rick Martin and Dennis Picard. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. outside Hall Tavern.

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November 2023

4 Historic Trade Demonstration: Tailoring with Henry Cooke, Dressmaking with Linda Oakley, and Shoe Making with Peter Oakley. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at Hall Tavern.



4, 11 Hands-On Hearth Cooking Workshops: Game Dinner. 4–8 p.m. in the Hall Tavern Kitchen.

11 Historic Trade Demonstration: Woodworking with Sharon Mehrman. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Apprentice's Workshop.

18 Historic Trade Demonstration: Redware Pottery with Stephen Earp. 10 a.m.–4 p.m. at the Apprentice's Workshop.

27–28 Wreath-Making Workshops. 2–4 p.m. and 5–8 p.m. at the Deerfield Community Center.



Highlights of the Season

Let's Stop for Breakfast! • September 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 from 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m. at Hall Tavern Kitchen

Taverns were places to stop for a quick meal while traveling—including breakfast! Our hearth cooks will prepare dishes such as bread and butter, eggs, steak, or cheesecakes. See what's on the menu for breakfast in the early 19th century, then take a tour of Barnard Tavern.

Indigenous Foods and the English

Settler Diet • October 6, 7, 8, 9, 13, 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 from 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m. at Hall Tavern Kitchen

The New England of today would not be known for baked beans, corn chowder, or pumpkin pie without the contributions of Indigenous foods in the 17th and 18th centuries. English settlers remarked on the soil and the abundance of corn planting fields in The Pocumtuck Homeland. Watch our hearth cooks prepare “traditional” New England dishes with ingredients such as corn, beans, and squash.



Season of Thanks and Giving

Society of the 17th Century •

November 25 from 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Meet the Society of the 17th Century, a group of re-enactors who bring our Hall Tavern to life with an array of period arts, crafts, and trades. Also enjoy an open hearth cooking demonstration and make a handmade gift.



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Open Hearth Cooking Demonstrations • November 24, 25 from 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

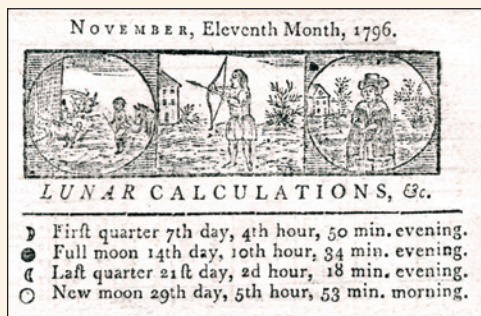
See what's on the menu inspired by “traditional” Thanksgiving dishes.

Make a Simple Gift • November 24, 25, 26 from 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Take a break from the hustle and bustle of holiday shopping and make a simple gift inspired by the Arts and Crafts Movement in Deerfield.

Graveyards & Gravestones • October 28

- Gravestone-carving demonstration with Karin Sprague 10 a.m.–4 p.m. Hall Tavern.
- Illustrated lecture by Claire Carlson “Old Deerfield’s Old Graveyards” 11 a.m. Hall Tavern.
- Guided afternoon tours of the gravestone art of Solomon Ashley at the Old Burying Ground. Meet your guide at Hall Tavern.



Amazing Almanacs • Sept. 9, 10, 16, 17, 23, 24, 30 • Oct. 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, 22, 28, 29 • Nov. 4, 5, 11, 12, 18, 19 • from 12–4:30 p.m. at the History Workshop

Almanacs have been a valuable source of agricultural, astronomical, and other scientific information for centuries. Will it be a rainy summer or a mild winter? When is the next blue moon or solar eclipse? Do you want to know when the tide is high, or when the sun rises? Look it up in an almanac! Did you know that Historic Deerfield has almanacs in our collection? Come learn more about amazing almanacs and just how useful they can be. Make a simple model of the sun, moon, and earth to take home with you!

Celebrating the Book Arts • October 21 from 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Visit printer-in-residence Martin Antonetti at the Wilson Printing House, watch a paper-making demonstration with Elisa Lanzi (at the Apprentice's Workshop), and take in a book-binding demonstration with Barbara Blumenthal (at the Flynt Center).

Old Burying Ground Guided Tours •

October 7, 14, 21 at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m.

Meet your guide at the Visitor Center at Hall Tavern and enjoy a walking tour past the Town Common and the Old Burying Ground on Albany Road.

*Pioneer Valley History Network presents
“History on the Go!”*

Follow the Trolley Trail • October 14 from 9:30 a.m.–12 p.m.

Historic Deerfield is joining with the Historical Societies of Greenfield and Whately, and the Hatfield Historical Museum to celebrate the history of the trolley in the Pioneer Valley with a four-stop tour along the old trolley route through New England. Visitors to Historic Deerfield can stop by to see historic trolley maps, guide books from the early 1900s, and a late 19th-century toy trolley from our collection!



A Peddler's Pack of Spooky Tales presented by Dennis Picard • October 7

at 7 p.m. Deerfield Community Center
Tales of witches, vampires and weird occurrences are mixed in with otherwise mundane daily records discovered by Dennis Picard, who will share some of his favorite legends and ghost stories from New England.
Admission: \$20 adult/\$15 adult member, \$10 youth aged 17 and under.

Concert: Harvest Songs and Stories for Friday the 13th with Tim Eriksen ·

October 13, 2023 at 7 p.m. · Deerfield Community Center

Join Historic Deerfield's musician-in-residence for a memorable night of music and stories. While Friday the 13th conjures images of black cats and superstitions, this night will be filled with the ethereal sounds of Tim Eriksen's stylings and musings. Tim is acclaimed for transforming American tradition with his startling interpretations of ballads, love songs, shape-note gospel, and dance tunes from New England and Southern Appalachia. He combines goosebump-inducing vocals with inventive accompaniment on banjo, fiddle, guitar, and bajo sexto—a twelve-string Mexican acoustic bass—creating a distinctive hardcore Americana sound. \$25 adult/\$20 adult member, \$10 youth aged 17 and under.



Deerfield After Dark Ghost Walks ·

October 14, 20, 21, 27, 28 at 6 p.m., 6:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 7:30 p.m., and 8 p.m.

Meet at the Visitor Center at Hall Tavern for a spooky walk through the village to hear ghost stories of Deerfield. A Tour Leader will take your group on a walk to meet characters who will tell you stories of Deerfield's fascinating history and mysterious past. You will

encounter historical storytellers waiting in doorways and on back porches to tell you some juicy village gossip and ghost stories. The walk will end at the Deerfield Inn—the most haunted building in the village! Dress warmly and wear comfortable shoes, as the tour is entirely outdoors. Visitors must purchase a timed ticket in advance. Admission: \$20/\$15 members; \$10 youth aged 17 and under (recommend for ages 12 and up)

Hands-On Hearth Cooking Workshops:

Game Dinner · November 4 and 11 from 4–8 p.m. at Hall Tavern Kitchen

Early New Englanders supplemented their meat supply with wild game such as turkey, rabbit, squirrel, bear, and venison. In this hands-on workshop, we will explore period recipes using game and eat one as the main course. Fee: \$75/\$70 members. Advanced registration required

Wreath-Making Workshops · November 27, 28 from 2–4 p.m. and 5–8 p.m., and November 30 from 10 a.m.–12 p.m. at the Deerfield Community Center

Help create beautiful, natural wreaths to decorate the doorways of Deerfield. Bring your creativity, enthusiasm, and an extra pair of pruning shears. No experience required. Supplies and refreshments provided. Free, but pre-registration required. Register online at historic-deerfield.org/events starting in October.



Things to Do *When You're in Deerfield*

At The History Workshop • Visitors of all ages can explore colonial life at the History Workshop, through period games, dress-up clothes, a family-friendly garden, handicrafts, and more. This fall, the History Workshop offers visitors a chance to learn all about almanacs and make a model of the sun, moon, and earth to take home!

In the Apprentice's Workshop • This interactive learning space provides visitors with a hands-on experience to show how woven linen textiles, architectural woodworking, and English factory-made ceramics were produced in the late 18th and early 19th century. Please check at the Visitor Center at Hall Tavern desk for more information about tour times.

Guided Outdoor Walking Tours (45–60 minutes) • Enjoy an outdoor walking tour of Deerfield. Offerings include Deerfield Architecture Tours, Deerfield History Tours, and Arts and Crafts Tours. On the day of your visit, inquire at the Visitor Center to find out which tours are happening for the day. All tours are weather-permitting. (Included with admission.)

The Henry Needham Flynt Silver and Metalware Collection is recognized as one of the top ten collections of American silver nationwide. The building features a silver-smith's workshop with many traditional tools, and a room devoted to pewter and other metalwares made and used in early America, including pieces made by Paul

Revere. Guided and self-guided tours of the Silver and Metalware Collection are available by appointment during the regular season. Please check at the Visitor Center at Hall Tavern desk for more information about tour times.

Wilson Printing Office • Open Saturdays from 9:30 a.m.–4 p.m.) Visit the newly reopened Wilson Printing Office where Printer-in-residence Martin Antonetti will demonstrate the printing process for visitors. This shop was in operation for only a short time, but tells a remarkable story. From 1816 to 1820 two brothers-in-law printed almanacs and other “improving” books and literature, providing rural New England with new ideas and information at a key stage of its transformation. But the shop was economically precarious, and its short life speaks “volumes” to the fragility of new, rural business ventures in the Early Republic. It is one of the few surviving 19th-century printing offices in the United States.

The Deerfield Inn and Champney's Restaurant & Tavern

Visit champneysrestaurant.com or call 413-774-5587 for reservations.

Join us for our weekly specials: Pizza Night Mondays, Burger Night Tuesdays, Oyster Wednesdays, and Prime Rib Fridays. Come celebrate the spooky season at our **Witches' Ball on October 29** from 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Dress up the whole family and enjoy live the music of Tom Carrol and Laurie



Davidson plus some special Halloween treats! \$15 for children \$20 for adults. Reservations required.

Halloween • October 31 • 11:30 a.m.–9 p.m.
We'd love to see your Halloween costume! Come eat, drink and be scary . . . we'll be giving out treats and showing off our staff-decorated pumpkins. Vote for your favorite!

Thanksgiving • November 23 • Breakfast 7–9 a.m. Dinner 11:30 a.m.–6 p.m.
Thanksgiving Dinner served Enjoy all your holiday favorites—full menu available November 3 at ChampneysRestaurant.com.

Wagon Ride at The Deerfield Inn • November 25 & 26, December 2, 9, 10, 16 & 17 from 12–3 p.m. Reserve a private 30-minute wagon ride by Clay Hill Farm on Old Main Street in Historic Deerfield. Bring your own blankets and enjoy a wonderful outdoor activity in the country. Call 413–

774–5587 to guarantee your time. (Payment is taken at time of booking.) \$75 up to four people \$5 for each additional person up to eight.

Holiday Music by the Fire • November 30, December 7, 14, 21 & 28 from 6–9 p.m. Enjoy Holiday music by the fire in Champney's Tavern.

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supporting all aspects of museum operations with their unrestricted gifts, are recognized with a number of attractive member benefits, including:

- ✳ Free admission to museum houses, the Flynt Center of Early New England Life, and exhibitions for one full year
- ✳ A subscription to our magazine, *Historic Deerfield*
- ✳ A subscription to our member newsletter

- ✳ Discounted admission to all programs
- ✳ Advance notice and discounts for trips, classes, and workshops
- ✳ A 10% discount at the Museum Gift Shop and Bookstore
- ✳ A 10% discount at the Deerfield Inn
- ✳ Invitations to special Friends events and exhibition openings
- ✳ Guest Pass(es)

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What's On View?

In the Flynt Center of Early New England Life

NEW! *Garden of Hearts: Madeline Yale Wynne and Deerfield's Arts and Crafts Movement* ·

April 15, 2023–March 3, 2024 · In Deerfield, MA, in 1903, Madeline Yale Wynne (1847–1918), a leader in the American Arts and Crafts movement, constructed an oak bride's chest, called the *Garden of Hearts*. The chest, ornamented with hammered copper panels, wrought iron hinges, and semi-precious stones, is a tour-de-force of Arts and Crafts design. This masterpiece was “lost” for years, spending much of the 20th century in England and South America. This exhibition celebrates its return to Deerfield. The chest will be exhibited with more than 30 examples of work by Wynne and other Deerfield crafters from the collections of Historic Deerfield and the Pocumtuck Valley Memorial Association. Together, these items tell a story of Wynne's remarkably diverse artistic talents, pioneering spirit, and the Arts and Crafts ideology that resulted in Deerfield becoming highly regarded as one of the nation's earliest craft communities.

***Anti-Slavery Ceramics at Historic Deerfield* ·**

In 18th- and 19th-century Britain and America, ceramics became an important medium for denouncing the horrors of slavery and promoting social change. Come view and learn more about examples of anti-slavery ceramics and the meaning behind their design and decoration.

***Boston Furniture Masterworks at Historic Deerfield* ·** Visit the “Into the Woods” gallery to view an impressive array of furniture produced in Boston in the 18th and 19th

centuries. Rare and exceptional forms include an 18th-century japanned high chest, an 18th-century turret-top tea table, and a 19th-century sideboard attributed to cabinetmakers John and Thomas Seymour.

***Celebrating the Fiber Arts: The Helen Geier Flynt Textile Gallery* ·**

Historic Deerfield's Textile Gallery provides a visual feast for visitors! Come see rare and unusual items from Historic Deerfield's collection that tell fascinating stories of early schoolgirl needlework, men's and women's fashionable clothing, including a 1760s *robe à l'anglaise* and a ca.1810 man's dressing gown, and stylish wigs of the 18th century. Also on view will be decorative textiles and a complete set of embroidered bed hangings made by the Deerfield Society of Blue and White Needlework, a craft enterprise which achieved national and international acclaim in the early 20th century.

Engraved Powder Horns from the French and Indian War and the American Revolution:

***The William H. Guthman Collection* ·** One of the finest assemblages of this unique American art form ever presented is on exhibit.

In the Wright House

***The Marsh Family Portraits and Furniture* ·**

This display highlights two recently acquired portraits by Gerrit Schipper of John and Ann (Grant) Marsh of Wethersfield, Connecticut. The portraits are exhibited with several side chairs, which Anne's father Ebenezer commissioned from East Windsor, Connecticut, cabinetmaker Eliphalet Chapin for Anne and her husband's marriage in 1775.

Visitor Information

Hours: Historic Deerfield is open to the public Wednesday–Sundays, and Monday holidays, 9:30 a.m.–4:30 p.m., through November 26, 2023. Closed Thanksgiving Day.

Admission: \$18 for adults (18+), \$5 for youth ages 13–17, and FREE for children (ages 12 and under), members, and residents of Deerfield/South Deerfield. Admission includes walking tours, historic house tours, the History Workshop, the Apprentice's Workshop and the Flynt Center of Early New England Life. For specific event information or to purchase tickets in advance, visit historic-deerfield.org.

Accessibility: Wheelchairs (26") and assistive listening devices are available at the Visitor Center at Hall Tavern. The first floors of several Historic Deerfield museum houses, Barnard Tavern, the Memorial Libraries, the Flynt Center of Early New England Life, the Deerfield Community Center, the Deerfield Inn and the Museum Gift Shop and Bookstore are accessible to those using standard-size 26-inch wheelchairs.

Food: Champney's Restaurant & Tavern is open every day for breakfast (from 7–10 a.m.) and dinner (4–9 p.m.), and Wednesday–Sunday for lunch (from 11:30 a.m.–4 p.m.)

Museum Gift Shop and Bookstore: Stop in for gifts, books, cards, housewares, local artwork and more! Fall: Open Wednesdays–Sundays from 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Memorial Libraries: Open Tuesday–Friday, and the first Saturday of each month from 9 a.m.–noon and 1–5 p.m.

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