

NANTUCKET community events DECEMBER 12 ~ DECEMBER 19 calendar

HOLIDAY EVENTS

Annual Christmas Pageant



A Celebration of Christmas with Greta Fee-ney singing Gabriel, Bob Gardner and Joe Zito as the prophets, Barry Rector as Herod, and Sara Jones and Mike Kopko narrating. Dress warmly. First Congregational Church. **Sunday** (16th); 4 pm and 7 pm.

Festival of Trees Exhibition



Nantucket Historical Association's 14th Festival of Trees, featuring over 70 decorated trees designed by local merchants, nonprofit organizations, community members, artists, artisans, and schoolchildren. General admission: \$15; Nantucket year-round residents, \$5 with a valid driver's license; free for children and NHA members. 508-228-1894, x0. Whaling Museum, 13 Broad St. Runs through December 17: Thursday through Monday, 11 am - 4 pm; Friday, 11 am - 8 pm.

Holiday Floral Workshop

With Tim Walker. Create your own holiday centerpiece. Reservations required; limited availability. Sponsored by Marine Home Center. 508-228-1177. Nantucket Lightship Basket Museum, 49 Union St. **Wednesday** (12th), 5:30 to 7 pm.

Holiday Card Workshop

Local card maker Kent Martling and NHA staff guide visitors of all ages in creating hand-crafted cards to celebrate the winter holidays. Materials provided. Free with museum admission or to NHA members. Reservations recommended. 508-228-1894 x 0. Nantucket Historical Association, Discovery Room, 13 Broad St. **Saturday** (15th), noon and again at 2 pm.

Children's Holiday Shop

The fourth year of the "gift shop" by the Atheneum Weezy Library offers children from 4 to 10 the opportunity to purchase small gifts independently and with their own money. Middle school volunteers will be on hand to assist. Kids, bring your Christmas shopping list. Gifts cost \$1.00 or less, with a limit of five gifts per shopper. Refreshments and reading material provided for parents and caregivers while they wait. Atheneum Lower Gallery, **Saturday** (15th), 1:30 - 4 pm.

How The Grinch Stole Christmas

In tongue-twisting verse and lighthearted music, this is the timeless tale of the mean-spirited Grinch and his feeble attempts to steal the yuletide celebration of Whoville. This year mark's the 50th anniversary of Dr. Suess's classic Christmas 26 minute animated film, made in 1966 and narrated by Boris Karlov. Cindy Lou Who's birthday cake will be served. Atheneum Great Hall. **Sunday** (16th), 2 to 3 pm.

Holiday/Dessert Cabaret

The Accidentals and The Naturals perform doo-wop and holiday hits while guests sample delicious desserts. The performance will support the groups' trip to Beaune, France and London, England this Spring. 508-228-7280. Cyrus Pierce Middle School and Nantucket High School Cafeterias, Surfside Rd. **Monday** (17th), 6:30 and 8 pm.

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever

Final weekend. See complete listing under "Theater".

ART AND CRAFTS

NLBM Exhibition: "On My Own Time"

Basket weaving demonstrations every Saturday from 10 am to noon. Show runs until April 27, 2008. Open Fridays from 10 to 4, Saturdays and Sundays from 10 to 2. Nantucket Lightship Basket Museum, 49 Union St.

CHILDREN & FAMILY AT THE NANTUCKET ATHENEUM

Design Your Own Gingerbread House

Start with a family potluck supper. Gingerbread house kits and decorations will be available. Registration required: 508-228-0916 or email Mary Casey caseym@stpaulsc hurchnantucket.org to register. Bartlett Farm Hayloft. **Wednesday** (12th).

Story Time

Free. Attendance is limited. 228-1110. The Gallery. Ages 18 - 36 months: **Wednesday** (12th and 19th) from 10 to 10:30 am; 3 years and older: 11 to 11:30 am.

Music with Mollie Glazer

Ages 2 to 6 with a parent or caregiver. Free drop-in music classes. No reservations, but attendance is limited. 228-1110. The Gallery, **Thursday** (13th), 10 to 10:30 am.

Home Schooling Club

For home schooling families and those interested in home schooling; share ideas and information, offer support to each other, work on projects together, and use library space and resources every Friday. Gallery, **Friday** (14th), 12:30 to 2:30 pm.

CHILDREN & FAMILY

Saturday Morning Parents and Tots Group

Free informal play and discussion group. Meet other parents and discuss a variety

of parenting topics while you children explore the ECC. Birth through 5 years old. 508-228-7257 x1166. Early Childhood Center, Room 02, Nantucket High School. **Saturdays** through December 15, 9:30 - 10:45 am.

Ice Skating

Kids on Ice, free after school skating for children only. Nantucket Ice. **Mondays** grades Pre-k-3 and **Wednesdays** grades K-12. 2:30 - 4 pm. Group and private skating lessons. For public skating hours: 508-228-2516 or www.nantucketice.org.

COMMUNITY

DAR Christmas Silver Tea and Music

The Abiah Folger Franklin Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Bring a small plate of cookies or sandwiches. Reservations: 508-257-9858. Homestead, 115 Main St. **Thursday** (13th), 2 to 4 pm.

Boating Skills and Seamanship Course

Offered by the Nantucket Anglers Club; instruction by Coast Guard Station Brant Point and the Coast Guard Auxiliary. Course is for 12 - 16 year olds only. Anglers Club membership not required. If your 12th birthday is approaching, you may participate in the course with the potential of Certification on your 12th birthday. Free. Successful completion of this course will satisfy requirements for the Massachusetts Boating Safety Certificate. Two Day Course: Sunday, January 6th, and Sunday, January 13th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. Attendance required both days. Program to be held at the Nantucket Anglers Club. Course materials and lunch provided courtesy of Nantucket Anglers Club. Register by January 4th by calling or emailing the Angler's Club. Please give your name, age, and telephone number. 508-228-2299 or nantucket.angler2@verizon.net.

COMMUNITY - EDUCATION

English Literacy Classes

For those seeking to improve their English skills. Open to all, conducted in English; no pre-registration is required. Free. 508-228-8710 or 228-1382. Lower Gallery, Nantucket Atheneum, 1 India St. **Thursdays**: Both beginners and intermediate/advanced begin at 6 pm.

COMMUNITY - HEALTH

Open Public Forum: Student Assistance Program

Open Public Forum to discuss a Student Assistance Program for Nantucket School System. A Student Assistance Program is a proactive approach to providing support services designed to reduce student risk factors. This is the second in a series of meetings on Suicide Prevention, and is made up of school, community and agency staff and exists to help access school and community services. Everyone is welcome. Contact: Peter Swenson, Family and Children's Services, 508-228-2698. High School LGI. **Wednesday** (12th), 6 to 7:30 pm.

"Time Out" for Family Caregivers

All family caregivers welcome. Sessions will focus on helping caregivers identify stress factors in their lives, learn about the impact of stress, and experience specific techniques that will help relieve their stress. Provided by Hospice Care of Nantucket. RSVP: 508-825-8325. Nantucket Cottage Hospital, Room 201. **Tuesday** (18th), 1 pm.

Yoga Classes

All levels, mixed flow taught by Annie Kay. \$15. The Studio at Building D (next to AK Diamonds). **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** through December, 4:30 - 5:45 pm.

Shambhala Meditation Group

Yoga Room. 49 Fairgrounds Road, **Tuesdays** at 7:45 pm. Beginners welcome. Call Elisabeth at 508-228-5121 if you would like to learn to meditate, but can't make it on Tuesdays.

Kundalini Yoga

Instructor Logan Korpita. Suitable for all levels. \$15 for adults, \$10 for students. 508-332-0056. Sherburne Hall, upstairs at 11 Centre Street. **Wednesdays** at 6 pm.

Free HIV and Hepatitis Counseling and Testing

508-228-3955, www.nantucketaids.org. Nantucket AIDS Network, 35 Old South Rd. Every **Tuesday and Thursday**, 8:30 am to 3:00 pm.

Alcoholics Anonymous

Meetings most days at 7 am, noon, 5:30 pm and 8 pm. Call 228-2334 for help, meeting times, days and locations.

COMMUNITY - SPORTS

Adult Skating Class

All levels (beginner to intermediate). Call 228-2516 for more information. Nantucket Ice Rink, 1 Backus Lane. **Sundays** at 5 pm.

FILM & MULTIMEDIA

We Feed the World



A film about food and globalization; fishermen and farmers; long-distance lorry drivers and high-powered corporate executives; the flow of goods and cash flow - a film about scarcity amid plenty. It provides insight into the production of our food and answers the question what world hunger has to do with us. Sense of Place II: A Film Series About Community, Sustainability, & the Environment. Co-sponsored by Sustainable Nantucket, Nantucket Green, and the Nantucket Atheneum. Free. Nantucket Atheneum, 1 India St. **Wednesday** (12th), 7 pm.