

# NANTUCKET community events calendar

FEBRUARY 13 ~ FEBRUARY 20

## BENEFITS

### Queen of Hearts Ball

Come after dinner for desserts. Silent auction. Dancing to the Shingles, with Andy Bullington, Cary Hazlegrove, Michael Kopko, David Provost, and Chris Westerlund. Come as you are or dig out your prom dress, ugly tux shirt, cupid outfit, or your best love get up. A king and queen will be crowned. Prizes for best two costumes. Benefits the Nantucket Light-house School. \$45 per person. 508-228-0427. Chicken Box. **Thursday** (14th), 7 to 10 pm.

### Un-Valentine Cabaret

A cross between the true cabaret of 1930's Berlin, an oddball talent show, and a winter community party, presented by Seaside Shakespeare Company. Doors open at 6 pm for cocktails and complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Performances at 7. Produced by Susan McGinnis; directed by Kate Splaine. Assistant director and stage manager Christie Cure. MC's Susan Burns and AT Wilce. Chicken Box. **Saturday** (16th), 6 pm.

## ART AND CRAFTS

### "The Art Colony and the Sea"

'New and Historical Maritime Art on Nantucket' from the Permanent Collection of the Artists Association, featuring over 60 maritime pieces, new acquisitions, and newly restored pieces. Artists include Edgar Jenney, Hazel Ives, Frank Swift Chase, George Thomas, Janet Ball McGlenn, Nathaniel Benchley, David Lazarus, and more. Artists Association of Nantucket, 19 Washington St. Show runs through Sunday, February 17.

### Janet Ball McGlenn Moby-Dick Prints

Janet Ball McGlenn (1915-88) founded the Nantucket Printmakers with Schuyler Bradt (1909-79) in 1969, and taught printmaking at the Artists Association of Nantucket. Her print series highlights key scenes and characters from *Moby-Dick*. Nantucket Historical Association Whitney Gallery, 7 Fair St. Monday, Thursday, and Friday: 10 am - 4 pm; Tuesday: 11 am - 4 pm. Closed Wednesday and weekends. 508-228-1655.

## BOOKS, SPEAKERS & GAMS

### The Unspeakable Story of Slavery

Retired educator and Nantucket resident Chris Lohmann on Herman Melville's *Benito Cereno: The Unspeakable Story of Slavery*. In 1855, as America was drifting ever closer to civil war, Melville published his most unflinching critique of slavery in the guise of a fictional short story, leading readers to confront their own complicity in the racism and injustice of slavery. The Nantucket Historical Association's Food for Thought Series. 508-228-1894, x0. Free; bring your lunch. Whaling Museum, 13 Broad St. **Thursday** (14th), noon to 1 pm.

### Poetry Reading

Spoken Word Nantucket. Open mic for poetry and music. Featured poet: Nicole Terez. Free. www.nantucketpoetryslam.org. Umass Boston Field Station, 180 Polpis Rd. **Sunday** (17th), 2 to 4 pm.

## CHILDREN & FAMILY AT THE ATHENEUM

### West African Dance & Music

See listing under 'Music and Dance'. **Saturday** (16th), 1 - 2:00 pm.

### Story Time

Free. No reservations required; attendance limited. 508-228-1110. Gallery. Ages 18 - 36 months: **Wednesday** (13th and 20th) from 10 to 10:30 am; 3 years and older: 11 to 11:30 am.

### Music with Mollie Glazer

Ages 2 to 6 with parent or caregiver. Free

drop-in music classes. No reservations, but attendance is limited. 228-1110. The Gallery, **Thursday** (14th), 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** (15th), 12:30 to 2:30 pm.

## CHILDREN & FAMILY

### African Drumming Workshop



Abdoulaye Sylla and Fotoba teach African rhythms on a variety of drums and rhythm instruments. For children of all ages. Teens encouraged to attend. Free. Sponsored by Nantucket Boys & Girls Club and Museum of African American History. 508-228-0158 or 508-332-2822. Boys & Girls Club. **Friday** (15th), 6:30 - 7:30 pm.

### Let's Dance

Playgroup to explore movement in a fun and creative way using a music, while allowing children to be expressive and gain body self-awareness. Dress comfortably; bring mat or towel. Facilitated by Yvonne Gorman, certified Danskinetics teacher. For ages 3 - 5 with parent or caregiver. No registration necessary. Attendance limited. Nantucket Boys & Girls Club Gymnasium. **Wednesdays**: February 20, March 5, 19 and April 2. 9:30 - 10:15 am.

### Tumbling Tots

For children to have fun as they discover their motor skills in a safe environment. Parent or caregiver participation encouraged. Wear comfortable shoes and clothing. Facilitated by Mark Carapezza. For ages 18 months to 5 years. No registration necessary; attendance limited. Nantucket Boys & Girls Club gym. **Wednesdays**: February 13, March 12, 26 and April 9, 9:30 - 10:15 am.

### Thursday Morning Parent's Group

Weekly drop-in discussion group for parents to meet other parents and discuss parenting topics. Childcare provided. Facilitated by Pauline Cronin, CNC playgroup coordinator. Ages birth - 5 years. ECC, Room 106, High School. **Thursdays** through April 10 except Feb 28th, 9 - 10:15 am.

### Farm Stories

Children's stories with a different theme related to farm life each week, with beverages and snacks. For ages birth through 5. Bring blanket to sit on, and your favorite farm book or animal. Facilitated by Becky Mack. Drop in; no registration necessary. Bartlett's Farm Hayloft. **Fridays**, February 15th, 22nd, March 7, 14 and 28, from 10 - 11 am.

### Play With Me

Drop-in playgroup for babies 0 - 12 months with parent or caregiver. No registration necessary. Presented by the Community Network for Children. 508-228-7257 x1166. St. Paul's Parish House, 20 Fair St. **Tuesdays** from January 15 - April 8, 11 am - 12:15 pm.

## COMMUNITY

### Nantucket Sound Wind Farm Informational Meeting

Presented by Cape Wind and Clean Power Now. Speakers will update the Cape Wind project and the Federal environmental impact report. A short film about coastal communities in Denmark with offshore wind farms will be shown, followed by a Q & A. Information: Laura at 508-325-0562. Downstairs at the Unitarian Church, 11 Orange St. **Tuesday** (19th), 7 pm.

### Daughters of the American Revolution Meeting

The regular monthly meeting of the Abiah Folger Franklin Chapter, featuring American History Essay Contest Winners. Reservations: Dot Vollans, 508-257-9858. Faregrounds Restaurant, 27 Fairgrounds Rd. Noon, **Thursday** (14th).

### The US Constitution and American Public Life

"Recruiter-Free Zone" and the First Amendment. This session considers the constitutionality of local zoning initiatives that ban or limit military recruiting offices using restrictions similar to those for adult bookstores. Free. Unitarian Church, 11 Orange St. **Sunday** (17th), 4 pm.

### Informational Forum: Creation of the Playing Fields

Public urged to attend. Questions: 228-0484. High School room 104. **Tuesday** (19th) from 7 - 9pm.

### Writing Workshop

Under the direction of Judy Shure or Marta Allen. Provides opportunity to discuss and reflect upon your work. Capture and preserve life experiences, create a poem, or write a short story. Saltmarsh Center. **Wednesdays** at 1:30 pm.

### English Literacy Classes

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

## COMMUNITY - HEALTH

### Kundalini Yoga

A blend of posture, movement, breath, sound, meditation and relaxation - a challenging workout focusing on breath awareness. Instructor Logan Gomes. Suitable for all levels. \$15 admission. 508-332-0056. 11 Centre St., upstairs at the Preservation Institute. **Wednesdays** at 5:30 pm.

### Nantucket Holistic Health

Paula McQuaid, PT, MT, CST and Tammy Belanger, OT, Licensed Acupuncturist, offer free consultations to determine what complementary alternative medicine best suits your health needs. Space is limited. Call 508-228-7577 to reserve a spot. 37 Old South Rd, Bldg. C#9. **Tuesdays** from 12 - 1 pm.

### Shambhala Meditation Group

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

### Free HIV and Hepatitis C 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 pm.

### Pilates Studio Nantucket

Introductory course for proper alignment, stretching, and core strengthening techniques. Mondays and Wednesdays at 9:30 am. Mat class schedule for experienced students: Intermediate, Tuesday and Thursday at 9:30 am, and Monday and Wednesday

at 4:30 pm; Advanced Beginner, Tuesday and Thursday at 6:30 pm. 508-325-4300 or lsalates@aol.com.

### 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.

## FILM & VIDEO

### Tapping Maple Ridge

A meditation on the unexpected parallels between wind energy and maple syrup production. Shot on High-Definition video, it illustrates the visual and conceptual correspondences between the sugar bush and the wind farm. Interviews with maple syrup producers, landowners, residents, and wind energy developers reinforce and elaborate on those relationships. Sense of Place II: A Film Series About Community, Sustainability, & the Environment. Free. Atheneum Great Hall, 1 India St. **Wednesday** (13th), 7 pm.

### "Winged Migration" with Ken Blackshaw



Author and local bird expert Ken Blackshaw will introduce the film and be on hand to answer questions after the film. The film is "as close as any of us will get to sharing the sky with our fine feathered friends." (Amazon.com.) Free. Nantucket Atheneum Great Hall, 1 India St. **Sunday** (17th) at 3 pm.

## MARIA MITCHELL ASSOCIATION

### Owl Prowl

Ken Blackshaw and Dr. Bob Kennedy speak on the owl species found on island, their adaptations and behavior, followed by a search to spot an owl. Meet at Natural Science Museum (corner of Vestal and Milk St.). **Wednesday** (20th) at 6:30 pm.

### Starry Eyed: Valentine's Open Nights at Loines Observatory

With hot chocolate. Weather permitting. \$5 adult, \$3 child (members); \$10 adult, \$6 child (non-members). 59 Milk St. Ext. **Thursday - Saturday** (14th - 16th), 8 - 9:30 pm.

## MUSIC AND DANCE

### West African Dance & Music



Abdoulaye Sylla and his traditional Guinean ensemble highlight the traditions of several different ethnic groups. For all ages. Free tickets at the library. 228-1110. Nantucket Atheneum Great Hall, 1 India St. **Friday** (15th) at 6:30 pm.

### Aiofe Clancy

Aiofe Clancy (pronounced 'Eefa') sings traditional Irish songs, ballads and contemporary folk. Her father is Bobby Clancy of the Clancy Brothers. Nantucket's own Chuck Colley and Erik Wendelken will open. Atheneum Great Hall. **Saturday** (16th) at 7 pm.

### Nantucket School of Music

Sherburne Commons, South Shore Rd, Free concert **Friday** (15th) at 4 pm. Free public recital at Preservation Institute, upstairs at 11 Centre St. **Sunday** (17th) at 2 pm. 508-228-3352.

### The Women's Chorus of Nantucket

Rehearsal at the Unitarian Church on **Thursdays** from 7 to 8:30 pm. The chorus sings jazz, pop, gospel, country and world music.