

NANTUCKET COMMUNITY EVENTS OCTOBER 8 ~ OCTOBER 15 CALENDAR

Email your event listings to: events@nantucketindependent.com by Friday at 5 p.m. for the 8 days beginning on the following Wednesday

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 8

10 - 10:30 a.m.

Toddler Time

Story time for toddlers ages 18-36 months. Free admission. No reservation required, but program is limited to first 30 attendees. Nantucket Atheneum, Gallery.

11 - 11:30 a.m.

Story Time

Storytime for children 3 years and older. Free admission. No reservation required. Program limited to first 40 attendees. Nantucket Atheneum, Gallery.

1:30 p.m.

Writing Workshop

Under the direction of Judy Shure or Marta Allen. Discuss and reflect upon your work. Capture and preserve life experiences, create a poem, or write a short story. Saltmarsh Center. Wednesdays.

6 p.m.

Board of Selectmen

Courtroom. Wednesdays. Televised on Comcast PlumTV Channel 22 beginning at 7 pm same night. Meetings are subject to change of time, venue and date. Check the meeting board for official postings at the Town Building, 16 Broad Street.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9

9:30 a.m.

La Leche League

Breastfeeding information and support group open to all expecting and nursing mothers and their babies — at the Unitarian Church on Orange St. For further information call Sunny 333-7105.

10 - 10:30 a.m.

Music in the Morning

A theme-based music program with Lucretia Voigt, for children ages 2-5. No reservation necessary, but program is limited to the first 20 attendees. Nantucket Atheneum Gallery.

12 p.m.

New Zealand and Nantucket:

NHA Executive Director Bill Tramosch will present "New Zealand and Nantucket." The relationship between Nantucket and New Zealand has been strong due largely to Nantucket whalers. As the NHA plans a special Explorations tour of New Zealand for 2009, Tramosch will explore some of these connections through maritime, whaling, Maori, and European history in the New Zealand. Born in Connecticut and with an extensive career in museum management in the United States, prior to moving to Nantucket Tramosch lived in New Zealand for 10 years. Each talk begins at noon and is free to the public. Bring your lunch. Whaling Museum, 13 Broad Street. For future Food for Thought topics, call 228-1894, ext. 0

4 p.m.

Beach Management Advisory Committee

Land Bank Conference Room. Thursdays. Meetings are subject to change of time, venue and date. Check the meeting board for official postings at the Town Building, 16 Broad Street.

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 10

2:45 p.m.

Basic skills & mini synchro

Learn to Skate classes begin at Nantucket Ice. Beginners thru level 8. Refine basic skills, gliding, turning, edges, advancing to beginning jumps & spins. Eight-week session. Call 228-2516 www.nantucketice.org.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 11

8 - 9 a.m.

Clean Team

Town and Eel Point Road; entrance to Dionis Beach. With enough people, we will do all of Eel Point Road and the Beach (most welcome, neighbors and residents).

9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Nantucket Farmers & Artisans Market

Final week of the season!. Nantucket New School parking lot, 15 Nobadeer Farm Rd. Get a jumpstart on your holiday shopping or plan a meal out of local produce. Get your car washed by the Nantucket New School students and help support their class trip. Think local - Buy Local - Hire Local. For information call Sustainable Nantucket, 228-3399.

9:15 a.m.

Organ Crawl

The 16th Annual Organ Crawl will take place, starting at St Mary's Church and ending at St Paul's Church at 12 p.m. Free-will donation. Call 228-3352 for more information

9:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Poetry Writing Workshop: Music As Muse, Writing In Response to Music & Musicians

Come participate in a workshop that uses music for inspiration. Writing exercises include writing a 'stream-of-consciousness' response to a piece of music, writing a short homage to a musician or composer, and creating a vivid account of a remembered musical performance. The workshop will be taught by Tom Daley, who teaches poetry and memoir writing in the Boston area and at the Online School of Poetry (onlineschoolofpoetry.org). The workshop is limited to 12 people and open to poets and prose writers alike. Register online at www.nantucketatheneum.org or at the Atheneum Box Office, 1 India Street. Free admission. Nantucket Atheneum, Lower Gallery.

4:30 p.m.

Greening Nantucket Lecture Series

The Nantucket Community School, in partnership with UMass Field Station, is presenting a series of lectures featuring local and national speakers focusing on different aspects of the environment. Each talker will demonstrate different ways in which we, as individuals and a community, can get involved in making better choices with regard to energy, resources and environmentally responsible practices. Today: Ernie Steinauer (Mass. Audubon Director) Bicycle Commuting, Made Safe and Easy. UMass Field Station. Talks are approximately a hour and a half long. Free. UMass Field Station. Call 228-7257 extension 1571 to register.

5 p.m.

African Meeting House Fall Program Series

Big Julius. Reading written by David Murphy. Performed by David Murphy and Neville Richen. African Meeting House

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 12

9 a.m.

Special Service

St. Paul's Episcopal Church will have only one special service at 9 a.m. in celebration of Bishop Cederholm's visit for the installation of The Reverend Dr. Eugene McDowell as Rector. For further information please visit our website www.stpaulschurchnantucket.org or call our office at 228-0916. All are welcome to come and celebrate with us.

2 p.m.

Poetry and Music with Valerie Lawson, Tom Daley, Jess Clemons and Friends

Valerie Lawson, featured poet, is a veteran of the Boston poetry scene. She is known for her work both in the Slam and the more traditional Spoken Word genre. She is a dramatic reader and her writing speaks as well on the page as the stage. Tom Daley, spotlight featured poet, is an instructor at www.onlineschoolofpoetry.com, and the Boston Center for Adult Education. He has been a guest instructor in ekphrastic writing at Brown University and in poetry writing and performance at Stonehill College. Jess Clemons, singer/songwriter, draws on her experiences as a musician in Nova Scotia and her upbringing in a small Vermont town. Co-sponsored with Nantucket Spoken Word. Free. Nantucket Atheneum Great Hall.

5 p.m.

Author Talk: Leslie Linsley, 'Nantucket Island Living'

Longtime Nantucket residents Leslie Linsley and Terry Pommert give you an insider's look at the on-island lifestyle: the restored historic homes of Nantucket town and 'Sconset village. Free. Nantucket Atheneum Great Hall.

8:30 p.m.

Nantucket Improv

Final Week! Presented by Theatre Workshop of Nantucket. Sundays thru October 5. Main Stage, downstairs at the Methodist Church, 2 Centre St. Tickets: \$15.

MONDAY, OCTOBER 13

5:45 - 6:45 p.m.

Easy Moving on the Island

Weekly Awareness through Movement® Class (Feldenkrais®). No prior experience necessary. \$15. At "Lisalates", 98 Old South Rd, for more info call Katya at 325-6374.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 14

5 p.m.

Historic District Commission

Cyrus Peirce Cafeteria. Tuesdays. Meetings are subject to change of time, venue and date. Check the meeting board for official postings at the Town Building, 16 Broad Street.

ONGOING EVENTS

Alcoholics Anonymous

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

First Congregational Church Tower Tour

You really haven't seen Nantucket until you have seen it from the Tower of the Old North Church, conveniently located at 62 Centre Street. Taking pictures welcomed. Monday thru Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Thru Columbus Day.

Free HIV and Hepatitis C Counseling and Testing

228-3955, www.nantucketaids.org. Nantucket AIDS Network, 35 Old South Rd. 8:30 - 3 p.m. Every Tuesday and Thursday.

Exhibition: "Splash! Boatbuilding on Nantucket"

An in-depth look at boatbuilding on the island from whaling through today. Coffin School, 4 Winter St., 10 am to 4 pm every day through October 13. Small admission charge for a pass to the Coffin School and the Shipwreck and Lifesaving Museum. 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. On Monday, October 13, all persons with a Nantucket driver's license will be given free admission to both museum sites.

English Literacy Classes

For those seeking to improve their English skills. Open to all, conducted in English; no pre-registration required. Free. 228-8710 or 228-1382. Lower Gallery, Atheneum, 1 India St. 6 p.m., Thursdays.

Home Schooling Club

A club for home schooling families and those interested in home schooling to: share ideas and information, offer support to each other, work on projects, use library space and resources. Join us every Friday from 12 - 2 p.m. Nantucket Atheneum, Gallery.

Sconset 02564: A Celebration of the Patchwork Village

This exhibition features the history, architecture, personalities, and character of 'Sconset, and its evolution from a fishing village to a world-renowned summer resort. With support from the 'Sconset Trust and the 'Sconset Civic Association. Peter Foulger Gallery, NHA Whaling Museum, 13 Broad St. Thru November 11.

Nantucket Presidential Papers

The collections of the Nantucket Historical Association hold documents signed by almost every American president beginning with George Washington. The exhibition is made possible by the generous support of Susan R. and L. Dennis Shapiro. Whitney Gallery at the Research Library, 7 Fair St. Open during regular NHA Research Library hours. Thru November 7.

Sexual Assault Support drop-in group

Facilitated by A Safe Place. For details please call Jennifer or Mary at 228-0561, TTY at 228-7095, or e-mail jennifer@asafe-placenantucket.org.

Women's Pattern Changing Group

The eight-week support group will focus on recognizing and changing patterns that inhibit women so they can become more assertive and productive in their lives. Registration is required. Please contact Jennifer or Kristen at A Safe Place, 228-0561.