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New Eagle Exhibit Soars at Essex County Turtle Back Zoo



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A MESSAGE FROM THE COUNTY EXECUTIVE

Dear Friend,

As summer ends, and we begin to think about the many wonders of the fall season, we look forward to enjoying the beautiful foliage, holidays, and family fun. You should never be at a loss for something to do with all the events and activities that have become staples of the season in Essex County.

Our Department of Parks and Recreation is ready for an exciting fall season! One of the most popular events is always the Strut Your Mutt Canine Costume Parades and Contests. Pet enthusiasts come out with the most creative and imaginative costumes for their canines. The parades, held at the Brookdale Dog Park, Branch Brook Dog Park and Grover Cleveland Park, are lots of fun and we encourage you to participate or just come cheer them on, even if you don't own a pet.

Essex County is one of the most diverse areas and is well known for our thriving arts communities. As you peruse this magazine, you'll read about the exciting happenings at the many museums, historic sites, art galleries, libraries and theaters. We also encourage you to walk the trails or visit one of the parks in our historic Parks System and witness the leaves change colors. Weekends are the perfect time to spend quality time with friends and family and you can do so right here in Essex County!

Together we will continue *Putting Essex County First*.

Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr.
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Protect yourself and your loved ones by getting vaccinated.
For vaccination information, visit EssexCOVID.org
or call 973-877-8456.



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NEW BALD EAGLE HABITAT

Soars to New Heights at Essex County Turtle Back Zoo

Background on the new habitat

In 2021, the Essex County Turtle Back Zoo opened a newly renovated and updated Bald Eagle exhibit. The previous exhibit had sustained severe tree damage during a hurricane in 2019 and was in need of extensive repairs. Essex County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr. took this as an opportunity to reaffirm Turtle Back Zoo's commitment to highlight this iconic species.

"We are pleased to open a new and improved Bald Eagle Exhibit in our Wild New Jersey area. This will enhance our visitors' experience and provide them with a better viewing area to see the bald eagles," DiVincenzo said. "Welcoming Freedom as the newest member of our animal family displays the important role that zoos have in conservation efforts and raising awareness about the dangers that threaten wildlife and the environment," he added.

The new habitat provides ample vertical space reaching 25 feet above ground, with central perching on an American sycamore, which allows the birds to perch at various heights.



A stream and deep pool create an area for cooling off and bathing and a new indoor den area allows animal care staff access to the eagles for training and husbandry purposes. Native landscaping allows our guests to visualize the birds in what would be their natural habitat

Bald Eagle Conservation Success

The Bald Eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*) is found throughout North America and is known as the national emblem of the United States. A Federally managed species, the Bald eagle is a true conservation success story, due in no small part to the Endangered Species Act of 1973. In 1967, hunting and pesticides were decimating populations and

only a little over 400 eagle nests remained. The Bald Eagle was identified as a protected endangered species. Forty years later, the eagle population had grown to almost 30,000 nests, and the Bald Eagle was delisted and protections were removed! Just this year, the annual U.S. Fish and Wildlife (USFW) census noted 71,400 eagle nesting pairs just in the lower 48 states. Zoological facilities along with rescue and rehabilitation centers assist in conservation efforts by housing Bald Eagles that are no longer able to live in the wild and educating our guests about their ecology and conservation story. Bald Eagles are regulated by USFW and a special permit is needed in order to have the privilege of housing them.



NEW BALD EAGLE HABITAT

Meet our Residents

BALD EAGLES

Adak is estimated to be around 30 years old and she has been at TBZ since 1997. As with all Bald Eagles housed at zoological facilities, Adak is non-releasable. She was found in Alaska and had sustained an injury on her left wing that prevents her from being able to fly.

Freedom is our 5-year-old male with a truly remarkable story. In 2016, he was found dangling by his foot, entangled in a rope 75 feet up in a tree. The eagle had been spotted two and half days prior and was presumed dead. However, a US Army veteran sharp shooter insisted the bird was still alive and worked with the Department of Natural Resources to shoot through the rope and free him! Although, the damage to his talons was too severe for release, Freedom retained his ability to fly. Freedom came to Turtle Back from The Raptor Center at University of Minnesota in February 2021. We are thrilled at TBZ to be able to offer him a habitat where he is able to exercise his freedom to fly.



Adak



Freedom

one of the many sycamore branches. The turtles enjoy the large pond or shade under the trees. If you happen to take a stroll around the nearby Orange reservoir, there is a good chance you may spot some yellow-

bellied sliders out there as well.

Thanks to our nation's dedication and decades of conservation efforts, you may even catch a rare glimpse of the wild bald eagles that call the South Mountain Reservation home. ■

YELLOW-BELLIED SLIDERS

The new exhibit has also allowed us to show off another local species, turtles of course! If you look closely, you may also spot the newest residents to this habitat, our two yellow-bellied sliders. This species is indigenous to North America and would frequently be found in the same riparian areas where Bald Eagles reside.

Visitors to our Bald Eagle exhibit will most often find Adak on a low lying perch and Freedom high above on



Yellow-Bellied Sliders

ESSEX COUNTY EAGLE ROCK RESERVATION SEPTEMBER 11TH MEMORIAL



The Essex County 9/11 Memorial at Eagle Rock Reservation

This September marks the 20th anniversary of the tragic events of September 11, 2001. Thousands came to Essex County Eagle Rock Reservation on that day to watch in shared disbelief from its hilltop with a view of the New York City skyline and the World Trade Center. Soon, the wall overlooking the city was lined with candles, flowers, photographs, prayers, and poems left as a collective spontaneous memorial. In the weeks and months following, many more came to mourn, pray, and reflect on the lives lost during that fateful day. It quickly became clear that this special spot should serve as a permanent memorial in remembrance of September 11th and every one of the lives affected by the tragedy in Essex County and beyond.

After the raising of hundreds of thousands of dollars in funds for the project through the creation of the Eagle Rock World Trade Center Monument Fund Inc. by Essex County Executive Joseph N. DiVincenzo, Jr., who was serving as President of the Board of Freeholders at the time, as well as grants from New Jersey Green Acres and the U.S. Department of Agriculture Forest Service, Patrick Morelli was hired to sculpt and design the memorial. On October 20, 2002, the Essex County Eagle Rock September 11th Memorial was dedicated in a somber unveiling

ceremony. The memorial is comprised of several elements, each reflecting different aspects of the loss and sacrifices of that day.

The Wall of Remembrance, completed and dedicated on September 14, 2003, is a 120-foot granite wall engraved with the 3,000 names of individuals who lost their lives at the World Trade Center, Pentagon, and on the four downed airline flights. Commemorating the lives of the New York City Police Officers, Port Authority of New York Police Officers, and Emergency Services Personnel who sacrificed their lives in the service of others is a bronze replica of a NYPD cap placed on a short granite pedestal. The 4 x 7-foot bronze Book of Remembrance lists the 57 individuals from Essex County who lost their lives during the attacks. Freedom, an 8-foot bronze eagle, is depicted flying in the direction of the site of the Twin Towers. Also facing the World Trade Center, Remembrance and Rebirth is a bronze figure lifting an illuminated lantern which serves to symbolize both a solemn vigilance and a desire to rebuild and renew.

Perhaps one of the most striking and somber features of the memorial is Gabriella, a life-size bronze sculpture of a young girl reflecting on the over 1,000 children who lost close family members. To the left of Gabriella, a bronze model of an FDNY helmet with "FDNY 343" engraved on its front sits atop a short granite

pedestal and honors the 343 New York City firefighters who lost their lives in the line of duty on September 11, 2001. A Memorial Grove features seven dogwood trees which each represent the locations and airplane flights involved in the tragedy and are each marked with a bronze plaque. These include the World Trade Center North and South Towers, the Pentagon, American Airlines Flights 11 and 77, and United Airlines Flights 175 and 93.

In 2004, the Essex County Eagle Rock September 11th Memorial was awarded the New Jersey Recreation and Park Association's Excellence in Design Award at its annual meeting. Over the years, several additions have been added to the memorial to highlight other heroes, beautify its area, and supplement its features. Dedicated on September 11, 2009, the Flight Crew Memorial is comprised of a granite pedestal on which the names of the 33 flight crew lost are engraved as well as a bronze pilot's cap with pilot's wings. Also unveiled on that day was a beautification project which involved the construction of a handicap accessible Victorian-style gazebo across from the memorial, as well as general improvements such as enhanced landscaping, new trees, and modernized walking paths.

On the 10th Anniversary of September 11th, two more features were added: an artifact from the World Trade Center and an EMS Tribute. The 7,400-pound steel and concrete artifact, donated by the World Trade Center Foundation, is located to the left of "Remembrance and Rebirth." A bronze plaque commemorates the Emergency Medical Technicians who heroically searched the rubble at Ground Zero during recovery efforts. The most recent addition to the Essex County Eagle Rock September 11th Memorial, the Rescue Dog Statue, was dedicated on August 17, 2016. The 4-foot bronze statue was sculpted by artist Jay Warren from Oregon, and memorializes the 350 search and rescue dogs' valiant efforts to locate survivors in the rubble. ■

ESSEX COUNTY SPOTLIGHT

Seasonal events sponsored by the Essex County Department of Parks, Recreation and Cultural Affairs

ESSEX COUNTY CODEY ARENA

560 Northfield Avenue
West Orange / 973.731.3828
www.essexcountynj.org/codeyarena

Barnabas Health Cardiac & Concussion Screening @ Codey Arena (Rear Lobby) Saturday, September 18

RWJ Barnabas Health and the Morahan Health Assessment Center for Athletes will provide free cardiac screenings for ages 6 and up and free concussion screenings for ages 5 and up. Email teamlink@rwjbh.org to register

NJ Daredevils Special Needs Frankenfest Hockey Tournament Saturday, October 9 and Sunday, October 10 9am to 4pm

Synchronized Skating Championship Competition Saturday, November 13 8am-5pm

Learn to Skate Group Lessons – 8 weeks
Classes offered to skaters ages 3½ to adult on Friday, Saturday or Sunday

- Snow Plow (Ages 3½ to 6)
- Basic 1-6
- Freestyle
- Synchronized Skating (NEW this Fall)
- Theatre on Ice (NEW this Fall)
- Therapeutic Skating/Special Olympics (NEW this Fall)

Public Session Skating

Members of the public ages 2½ to adult are invited to skate at Codey Arena. Sessions are Friday, Saturday & Sunday
Adults - \$9 / Children 16 & under - \$7 Seniors - \$7 / Skate Rentals - \$5 Please call for specific hours

Adult / Senior Skate Sessions

Ages: 35 and older

Tuesday, Thursday mornings Please call for specific hours

Parent & Tot Skating

Tuesday & Thursday mornings Please call for specific hours

2021 Essex County Senior Citizens Juried Art Show

September 3 through September 30
Essex County
Robert J. O' Toole Center
199 Fairview Avenue,
Cedar Grove

Birthday Parties

Reserve a party room to celebrate your child's birthday on the ice

- \$100 – three-hour party room rental
- Parties held during public sessions skates or private ice session
- Group admission discount rates for 15+ skaters

ESSEX COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

621-B Eagle Rock Avenue,
Roseland / 973.228.8776
www.essexcountynj.org/
environmentalcenter

SMORES n' MORE NIGHT HIKE Wednesday, September 15 & Tuesday, October 26

6 to 7:30pm
For families. Come out to build a campfire and practice fundamental fire skills in a safe and controlled environment. Once we get our fire burning, we'll roast marshmallows and make s'mores. All ages welcome. Advance registration and minimum number of participants are required.
\$30 family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 child; \$12 adult

CAMPING 101

Tuesday, September 21 6:30 to 8pm
For all ages. Join a staff naturalist for a short walk on the trails to experience forest life at dusk and then set up a campsite. Afterwards, enjoy a campfire, mint tea and some fire-popped organic popcorn. Advanced registration and minimum number of participants are

required; call 973.228.8776. **\$30 family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 child; \$12 adult**

FROG POND ADVENTURE OUTDOOR CLASS

Thursday, September 23 5:30 to 7pm

For families. This rrrribbetting program will take an up-close look at our pond ecosystem. Search and identify the life found in the pond through magnifying glasses, microscopes and field guides. Advanced registration and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. **\$30 (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 child; \$12 adult**

17TH ANNUAL FALL FAMILY FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 25 11am to 4pm

Come celebrate the autumn equinox at the Environmental Center! There will be fun-filled activities for the entire family to enjoy—hands-on nature games and crafts, canoeing, Native American life, pumpkin patch, petting zoo, food, and more. Free; some items may be for sale.

FAMILY DINOSAUR DISCOVERY FIELD TRIP

Tuesday, September 28 4:30 to 6:30pm

For families with young children ages 4 and up. Meet at the end of Locust Avenue in Roseland and hike 1 mile total to explore this National Historic Landmark that is home to three-toed Grallator dinosaur tracks from the late Triassic age. Using clay, we'll make and take an impression of an existing track and leave the site undisturbed for future paleontological study. Advanced registration and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. **\$12 child, \$15 adult**

FOREST MUSHROOM WALK & CERAMIC ART CLASS

Wednesday, October 6 4:30 to 7:30pm

For participants age 8 and up. Explore the local forest for gilled, pored, ridged and toothed mushrooms with Naturalist David Alexander and return to Ivan Bratko's Artist studio to create whimsical yet realistic hand-painted ceramic replicas of what we find. Together we'll learn mushroom anatomy, ceramics, firing and glazing. Participants

can schedule a follow-up visit to glaze and fire their ceramic art at a later date (additional \$20). Advanced registration and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. **\$45 per participant**

BATS OF NEW JERSEY Tuesday, October 19

5:30 to 7pm
For students in grades 1 through 5. Ever wonder what kind of local bats are catching bugs in your backyard? Or where they sleep? Learn from a bat enthusiast about our upside-down friends, play the role of a bat biologist in a simulated study and take home plans to build a bat house! Advanced registration and payment are required; call 973.228.8776. **\$10 per child**

DINOSAUR CAMP GEOLOGY TOUR & WILD ART

Tuesday, November 2 11am to 4pm

For children in grades 2-6. Take a guided hike of the Walter Kiddie Dinosaur Quarry with Essex County Environmental Center Naturalist David Alexander. After examining Jurassic age dinosaur tracks, we'll return to the Riker Hill Art Park Studio to create our own small-scale clay



ESSEX REMEMBERS

A Solemn Ceremony Commemorating the 20th Anniversary of the 9/11 Tragedy

Saturday September 11th 8am

Essex County
Eagle Rock Reservation.
Essex County Eagle Rock
9/11 Memorial,
Eagle Rock Avenue,
West Orange.
Chamber music at the site
until 2pm.
973.621.4400

Essex County Dept. of Parks & Rose Squared Productions, Inc. present

ROSE SQUARED ART SHOW AT ESSEX COUNTY ANDERSON PARK

274 Bellevue Avenue., Upper Montclair • September 18-19 • Sat. & Sun., 10am-5pm

ROSE SQUARED ART SHOW AT ESSEX COUNTY BROOKDALE PARK

473 Watchung Avenue, Bloomfield; Grove Avenue, Montclair • October 16-17 • Sat. & Sun., 10am-5pm

EACH SHOW FEATURES JURIED FINE ARTISTS AND FINE CRAFT ARTISANS. FOR INFORMATION, DIRECTIONS AND A LIST OF PARTICIPATING EXHIBITORS VISIT: ROSESQUARED.COM

interpretation of what the dinosaurs may have looked like with artist Ivan Bratko. Participants can schedule a follow-up visit to paint and fire their ceramic art at a later date (additional \$20). Advanced registration and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. **\$80 per child**

FOREST FRIENDS CAMP

Thursday, November 7

9:30am to 3:30pm

For students in grades K through 3.

Learn about New Jersey's forest friends by way of exploration, games and craft activities with a naturalist educator as your guide. Come dressed for the weather. Advance registration and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. **\$75 for one day or \$125 for both**

HOT CHOCOLATE HIKE

Thursday, November 18

6 to 7:30pm

For families. Join us for a hike around the Environmental Center forest, build a winter campfire, sip hot cocoa and make s'mores. Dress warmly. Advance registration and minimum number of participants required; call 973.228.8776. **\$30 per family (up to two adults and two children) or \$10 per child; \$12 per adult**

OWL PELLET DISSECTION

Wednesday, November 27

6 to 7:30pm

For children ages 7-13. Learn about our beautiful and mysterious silent hunters of the night. Discover what they are eating as we discuss predators, prey and food chain dynamics. Carefully reconstruct the bones found inside owl pellets! Advance registration and minimum number of participants are required; call 973.228.8776. **\$10 per child**

ESSEX COUNTY TURTLE BACK ZOO

560 Northfield Avenue

West Orange

973-731-5800 / www.essexcountynj.org/turtlebackzoo

EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAMS

Select weekends throughout the Fall

10am and 11am

TBZ's Early Childhood programs



Strut Your Mutt

Pet Costume Parade

The Essex County canine costume parades have grown into a favorite Halloween celebration for the community to enjoy. Bring your pet or just come to see the creative costumes on display. *Prizes will be awarded!*

Saturday, October 23
Essex County Brookdale Dog Park
Grove Street, Montclair
Registration 9am / Parade 9:30am

Saturday, October 23
Essex County Grover Cleveland Park
Near Pond House
Registration: 1pm / Parade 1:30pm

Sunday, October 24
Essex County Branch Brook Park
West Drive near Heller Parkway
Registration 10:30am / Parade 11am

Rain date: October 30
For information, call 973.268.3500

encourage family learning and foster early environmental awareness. We invite young children to discover the natural world through gently structured play, art, stories, animal visits, and more. Age restrictions apply; pre-registration required. Zoo admission is not included with registration. Hatchlings (6 to 24 months), Tots (ages 2 & 3), and Explorers (ages 4 & 5) are in-person programs. **\$25-\$30 per participant**

WONDERS OF THE WILD

Most Saturdays throughout the Fall
1pm

Turtle Back Zoo is an amazing classroom! Our Wonders of the Wild program is an opportunity to participate in supplementary science and nature-themed programs and projects that facilitate scientific literacy and life-long environmental stewardship. Available to students ages 6-12. The programs include a visit to the South Mountain Reservation, Reservoir, or Zoo as weather permits. **\$30**

SOPHISTICATED SCIENCE

SEMINARS Select days throughout the Fall

Times vary

Sophisticated Science Seminars are conservation programs geared toward older audiences (ages 13+). Seminars run throughout the year and span topics such as animal anatomy, habitats and conservation, animal careers, and more. These programs are perfect for those interested in animals, science, conservation, and nature who want to learn something new in a relaxed atmosphere. **\$30**

FAMILY NATURE CLUB: NATURE ADVENTURERS

Select Sundays throughout the Fall
Times vary depending on the date

Nature play is playing WITH nature not just IN nature and is a great way to interact with nature no matter your experience level or play style. Run, climb, build, dig, or even just sit and experience the sounds, smells, and sights of the outdoors. Nature Adventurers visits different locations near Essex County Turtle Back Zoo; zoo admission not included. **\$10**

FALL MINI-CAMPS

September 16, October 11,
November 4 & 5
9am to 4pm

Join us at Turtle Back Zoo for some wild fun! To further our mission of conservation, education, and stewardship, campers will be introduced to the extraordinary world of animals, nature, and science. Children will enjoy age-appropriate camp activities that include games, teacher-led lessons, behind-the-scenes visits, up-close



Sunday, October 31
4 to 8pm

Come trick-or-treating at the Zoo. With candy stations throughout the grounds, everyone is sure to have a "sweet" time. Also, swing by our train for a "Not-So-Scary" Train Ride! The Zoo will be closed from 2:30-4pm in preparation for this event.

\$3 Zoological Society members,
\$5 non-members

animal encounters, hands-on science projects, and fun crafts. **\$90 per day**

CONSERVATION BREAKFAST PROGRAMS

Select weekends this Fall
8:30am to 10am

Turtle Back Zoo's Conservation Breakfasts are morning programs that feature one of our animals as the educational focus, highlighting the conservation challenges facing that species while providing tools and actions you can do at home to positively affect its wild relatives. Program includes zoo admission (for non-members) and breakfast. Check the website for details

OTHER PROGRAMS AT THE ZOO OR CLOSER TO YOU

In-person and Virtual Programs, Outreaches, and More
Dates and Times Scheduled at Need

Join us for a dynamic and fun educational program that is focused on animals, conservation, and stewardship. We offer a variety of programs that satisfy many scientific benchmarks while also being engaging and informative. Programs can be adapted to age and ability; many can be adapted for outreaches to your school, senior center, etc

TBZ ZOOVENTURE BOX

Seasonally Themed Zoo Activity Bundles
Pre-Order for Pick-up at the TBZ Education Center

Zooventure boxes are seasonally themed animal, conservation, and science activity bundles that promote exploration

through hands-on science experiments, personalized virtual content, arts and crafts, and other educational materials. Virtual content (zoo tours, live storytimes) will be available on a private google classroom; access codes included in the box. Zooventure Boxes are designed for ages 5-8; pick-up will be available starting October 4

ESSEX COUNTY PRESBY MEMORIAL IRIS GARDENS

474 Upper Mountain Avenue,
Upper Montclair
973.268.3500
www.essexcountynj.org

GARDENS AGLOW

Friday, October 29 from 6 to 9pm

Rain date: Saturday, October 30

Essex County Presby Memorial Gardens
Upper Mountain Avenue, Upper Montclair
Come out and see our iris beds lined

with jack-o-lanterns to showcase the fall-blooming irises. Free admission. Entertainment and children's activities

ESSEX COUNTY RIKER HILL ART PARK

276 Beaufort Avenue
Livingston

FINE AND DECORATIVE ARTS OPEN STUDIOS & SALE

Saturday, November 6 and Sunday, November 7
11am to 5pm

Artists in residence work in a variety of disciplines, including clay, jewelry, glass blowing, painting, sculpture, printmaking and photography. Visit a variety of different art studios, talk to the artists, purchase artwork, and stop by the gallery to view a compilation exhibition. Free admission but artwork is for sale. ■



ESSEX COUNTY CULTURAL EXHIBITIONS

LISA PALOMBO STUDIOS

55 Mountain Avenue, Caldwell
973.364.0280 / www.lisapalombo.com

22nd Annual Holiday Open Studio Flower Garden and Animalia collections

**Saturday, November 20 and
Sunday, November 21**

Award-winning, nationally recognized artist Lisa Palombo opens her studio to the public. This year the studio will be showcasing a variety of Palombo's new original and mixed media prints from her "Flower Garden" and "Animalia" collections. Saturday and Sunday 11am- 5pm

MONTCLAIR ART MUSEUM

3 South Mountain Avenue, Montclair
973.746.5555
www.montclairartmuseum.org

Color Riot! How Color Changed Navajo Textiles

September 11 to January 2, 2022

Change has always been a hallmark of Navajo (Diné) textile design, with weavers' individualism a running thread. With Diné perspectives and the technical mastery of weavers at the heart of Color Riot!, this exhibition, featuring 70 bold artworks from 1860-1930 and the present, celebrates the courage and vision to experiment.



"Wild at Heart" by Ann Vollum

The following events are offered for the public's enjoyment by Essex County-based arts and history organizations.

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By Our Own Hand: Frontline Arts in collaboration with Donna Bassin



"A Still Life" by Lisa Lackey



"The Angel and The Machine" by Elisabeth Antoine

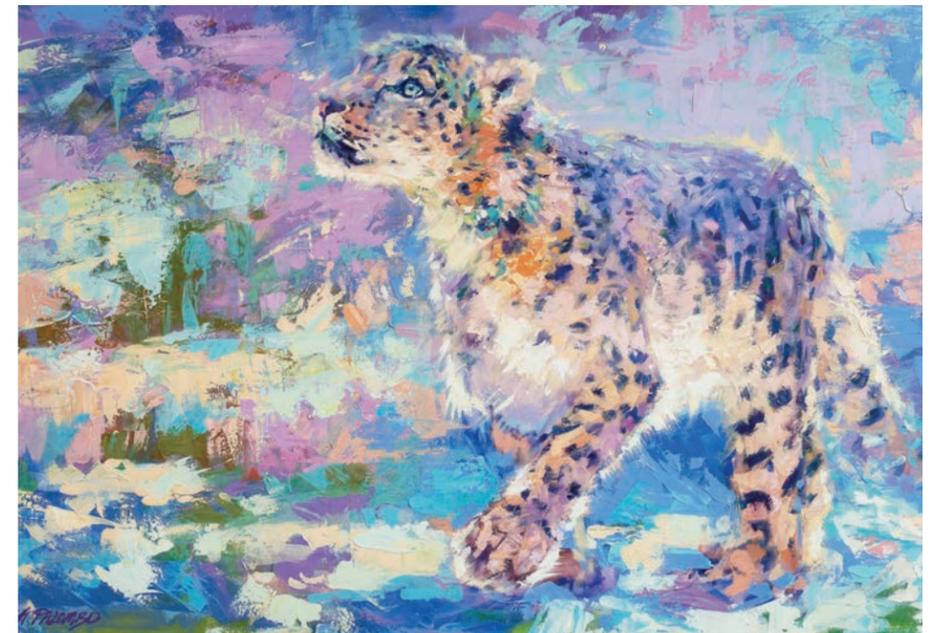
By Our Own Hand: Frontline Arts in collaboration with Donna Bassin September 11 to August 14, 2022

MAM presents a year-long, site-specific installation in the Laurie Art Stairway, in collaboration with Frontline Arts and Donna Bassin. On view are approximately 800 sheets of handmade paper created from veterans' uniforms and provided by Frontline Paper, an initiative of Frontline Arts. Inspired by the ancient practice of Tibetan prayer flags hung to mark an important and challenging occasion, BOOH refers to the toll of veteran deaths by their own hand as well as to the resiliency and creativity from transforming military uniforms into handmade paper.

Transformed: Objects Reimagined by American Artists

September 11 to January 8, 2023

Inspired by the note Jasper Johns wrote to himself in his sketchbook in 1964, this exhibition features more than 60 artworks from 1829 to the present in which artists take objects as their points of departure, transforming them to reflect their varied cultural backgrounds and viewpoints. This exhibition is organized thematically, as indicated on each object label, to represent these diverse perspectives.



"Wonder" by Lisa Palombo

WEST ORANGE ARTS CENTER

551 Valley Road, West Orange
973.325.0151 / www.woarts.org

The Power of IV Art Exhibit of Emotion, Eurythmy, Vernacular and Subversion Through September 11

The Power of IV: Emotion, Eurythmy, Vernacular and Subversion is a virtual online exhibit and an in-person gallery

show featuring the work of four local women artists, Elisabeth Antoine, Carol Black-Lemon (co-curator), Lisa Lackey and Ann Vollum (co-curator). The four artists, two working in fiber and two in paint, come together in this eclectic exhibit that celebrates life and the threads that connect us. The viewer is presented with a novel way of looking at the world and is given a new realization of the beauty in everyday encounters, experiences, and objects. ■

ESSEX COUNTY AUTUMN EVENTS

September 8: **Cancel Culture: Censorship or Accountability.**

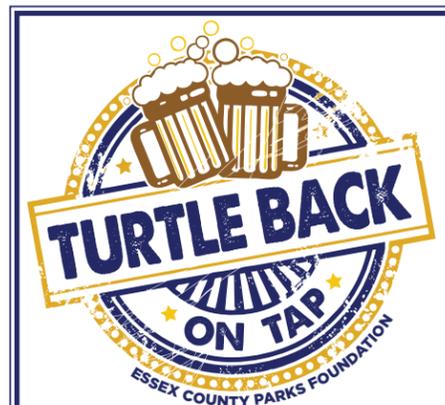
This panel discussion looks at all sides of cancel culture. This program is part of the series "Keeping it Real: Conversations About Race, Gender and Class." Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street, Newark. 6pm. Free. 973.733.4791. <http://npl.org>

September 11: **"Dance on the Lawn" Festival.**

More than nine NY/NJ dance companies will participate in the eighth annual outdoor dance festival. "Dance on the Lawn" brings together professional and emerging companies, plus students of dance from around New Jersey, in a community setting. St. Luke's Episcopal Church front lawn, 73 South Fullerton Avenue, Montclair. 3-5pm. Free.

September 15 through December 31: **Annual Latino Celebration.**

The annual Latino Celebration consists of a number of events over nearly two months. The launch features keynote speaker Juan G, Latino journalist, social activist and author of "Harvest of Empire: A History of Latinos in America."



SAVE THE DATE!

October 16, 2021

Learn more at
www.turtlebackzoo.com



Postcard from the collection of the Montclair History Center

Other events include a Latino Music Festival, a gathering of first generation Latino students who will discuss their experiences, from the 1960s to the 2010s, Latino arts and crafts festival for kids (make piñatas and maracas!), Café con Letras: Literature, Art and Laughter and the Newark Latino Film Festival. Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street, Newark. Free. 973.733.4791. Check the website for details. <https://npl.org/2021-latino-celebration/>

September 18-19: **Rose Squared Arts and Crafts Show.**

Enter the creative world of fine art and fine craft by spending time at the 37th Annual Rose Squared Art Show featuring juried professional fine artists, fine crafters, and specialty food vendors. Ask questions and learn what inspires the creative processes of 120 exhibitors. Rain or shine. 10am to 5 pm. Essex County Anderson Park, Upper Montclair. 10am-5pm. Free

September 26: **Kessler Foundation Stroll 'N Roll 2021.**

Join us in Essex County Verona Park, or virtually from your own neighborhood, and take a stroll or roll to raise vital funds to advance rehabilitation research and employment initiatives that return people with disabilities to their homes, their communities, and the workplace. Verona Park, Bloomfield Avenue and Lakeside Avenue, Verona. 10 am to 1pm. Free. 973.324.8456. KesslerFoundation.org/ SNR. Accessible.

November 4: **Philip Roth Lecture.**

This year's lecture features Ayad Akhtar, author of the novel Homeland Elegies and American Dervish. As a playwright, he has written Junk, Disgraced and The Invisible Hand. He is a winner of the Pulitzer Prize for Drama. Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street, Newark. 6-8pm. Free. 973.733.4791. <http://npl.org>

October 7 to 16: **The Frontera Project.**

A border is a limit, but it also suggests possibility – a chance to approach someone on the other side. The Frontera Project was co-created by Mexican and US artists to explore the experience of our southern border. Centering stories from the San Diego/Tijuana region, this interactive piece fuses theater, music and play to explore the varied experiences of people on both sides of la frontera. Luna Stage, 555 Valley Road, West Orange. 8pm and 2pm. Pay-What-You-Wish (\$40 suggested). 973.395.5551. www.lunastage.org

October 16, 17: **Manufacturers Village Artist Studios.**

Manufacturers Village Artist Studios will open its doors to the studios of over 60 different artists. The enclave houses artists working in a variety of mediums. Visitors will be welcomed into the studios of professional painters, sculptors, woodworkers, quilters, printmakers, photographers, multi-media artists and more. Artwork will be available for purchase. The self-guided tour of studios also includes an opportunity to view the East Orange

Community Black Lives Matter Mural. Local food trucks will also be on site. 356 Glenwood Avenue, East Orange. 11:00 to 5:00 pm. Free. www.manufacturersvillageartists.com

October 21 to November 14: **The Giant Void in My Soul.**

Celebrate the return of live theater with this existential comedy that explores how the joy is found in the journey and not the destination... or something.... When Fool 1 discovers the Giant Void in their soul, they and their loyal best friend, Fool 2, set out on a Quixotic quest to fill it. Will food and alcohol do it? What about jobs, marriage, procreation, or even self-reflection? Can anything fill this void?! Luna Stage, 555 Valley Road, West Orange. 8pm and 2pm. Pay-What-You-Wish (\$40 suggested). 973.395.5551. www.lunastage.org

October 23: **Olmsted Historic Walking Tour of Essex County Anderson Park.**

Before Anderson Park existed, three houses and a fire station sat on the park property. Find out where they went and other surprising stories about how this Olmsted-designed Essex County Park came to be created over a century ago, how it shaped Upper Montclair, and how it led to the formation of other Montclair parks. Also hear about efforts to rejuvenate the landscape of this park, on the National Register of Historic Places. Handicap accessible. Essex County Anderson Park, 274 Bellevue Avenue, Upper Montclair. Meet at the boulder at the park's northeast entrance. 10-11:30am. Free. Check Friends of Anderson Park Facebook page for weather updates. No rain date. 973.477.7207. FriendsOfAndersonPark.com

October 24: **RWJBarnabas Health Running with the Devils 5K Live & Virtual Run and Wellness Walk.**

RWJBarnabas Health and the New Jersey Devils have teamed up to honor RWJBarnabas Health's 35,000 healthcare workers who provide essential care to our communities. The 2021 event includes live and virtual participation options. All proceeds from the event support our Healthcare Heroes in their efforts to protect and build healthier communities. Essex County South Mountain Recreation Complex

Waterfront (5K Run), Essex County Turtle Back Zoo (Wellness Walk), Virtual (anywhere with RunGo app) 9:00 a.m. (5K Race, Registration Opens at 7:30 a.m.); Wellness Walk (9:00 a.m. to noon). Register by August 31, \$25; Beginning September 1, \$30; Children 11 and under free. Rwjbh.org/runningwiththedevils

October 29 and 30: **Halloween Family Fright Night.**

Featuring spine-tingling tunes, seasonal sketches, and even an audience costume contest. Come join us for an evening of spooktacular family fun! The Burgdorff Center for the Performing Arts, 10 Durand Road, Maplewood. 7pm. \$10.

November 10-14: **Rutgers-NJIT Theatre Program.**

The Rutgers-NJIT Theatre Program presents its first live theatrical performance for the fall semester with Ashley Lauren Roger's "Chasing the Ghost." Kurt was a vlogger in the early days of YouTube where he screamed about video games he hated. But he's left that behind him, finding a wife and keeping his character's anger in check. Until one night where he is visited by a shadow person...who won't stop tickling his feet. Jim Wise Theatre, Kupfrian Hall, NJIT, 100 Summit Street, Newark. November 10 to 13 at 7pm. November 14 at 2:30pm. \$10. 973.596.3457. theatre.njit.edu

November 12, 13, 14, 19, 20: **"1776."**

A unique and timely spin on the Broadway musical classic "1776," featuring an all-female cast! The Strollers, in cooperation with OffBook Productions, offer a fresh perspective on our founding fathers. The Burgdorff Center for the Performing Arts, 10 Durand Road, Maplewood. Show times are Fridays and Saturdays at 8pm and Sundays at 3pm. \$25 for general admission; \$20 for seniors and students.

November 18: **Imagining Race and Ethnicity in Fiction, 1962 and 2021: Philip Roth, Ralph Ellison and Pietro DiDonato.**

In 1962, Yeshiva University held a symposium entitled "A Study in Artistic Conscience," featuring Philip Roth, Ralph Ellison and Pietro di Donato. Newark Public Library will host a conference that looks at the event through today's lens. Audio from the 1962 event will be presented and six panelists, experts on the authors, will discuss that day and its significance then and now. This program is part of the series "Keeping it Real: Conversations About Race, Gender and Class" sponsored by the Philip Roth Endowment. Newark Public Library, 5 Washington Street, Newark. 4-8pm. Free. Advance registration required. 973.733.4791. <http://npl.org> ■



Latin Celebration

ESSEX COUNTY ONGOING PROGRAMS

THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF THE SACRED HEART

89 Ridge Street, Newark
973.484.2400

www.cathedralbasilica.org

Cathedral Concert Series. Sundays at 3pm

Free-will offering

September 19: Organ Recital with Katelyn Emerson

October 17: Imperial Brass Concert

November 7: Mozart Requiem

In honor of those affected by the Covid-19 pandemic and first responders. The Cathedral Choir, soloists, and orchestra, conducted by John J. Miller. Anita Foley will offer a short pre-concert lecture, "The Future Does Have A Name, and Its Name is Hope" to the bereaved at 2:20 pm.

Wednesdays at Noon

A 30-minute recital followed by brief tour of the cathedral. Free will offering.

October 13: Francisco Roldan, classical guitar.

October 20: Organ recital with Stacey Yao.

October 27: Music for Harp and Violin with Christopher Lee and Merynda Adams.

November 3: Organ recital with Paul Carroll

ESSEX PHOTO CLUB

Caldwell United Methodist Church
8 Academy Road, Caldwell
<http://www.essexphotoclub.org>;
Also available on Facebook

Meetings will be held in house and on Zoom at 7:30pm. For guest entrance to Zoom meetings, contact Chris at 973.986.4002.

Educational Programs:

Thursday, September 2: Arik Gorbin

on "Photography as Fine Art"

Thursday, October 7: John Scalera
on "Zoo Photography"

Thursday, November 4: James Maher on "Street Photography"

Competitions: September 13, October 21, November 18

Judges will critique and rate images for beginner, advanced and salon levels. Photos may be seen by the public either in house or on zoom. Entries are only for club members only. Categories include digital pictorial and digital nature.

LIVINGSTON CAMERA CLUB

Livingston Community/Senior Center

204 Hillside Avenue, Livingston

<https://lcc-nj.org/>

The Livingston Camera Club promotes photography as an enjoyable amateur recreational endeavor. Members learn to improve their photography through educational programs and competitions. Meetings are twice a month beginning September 13 at 7:30pm. In-person and virtual meetings are scheduled for the 2021-2022 season. The full schedule is available at <https://lcc-nj.org/calendar>.

MONTCLAIR HISTORY CENTER

Crane House & Historic YWCA

108 Orange Road, Montclair

973.744.1796 / www.montclairhistory.org

Fall Workshop and Watercolor

September 14: The Morning Glory and its History

September 28: The Mum and its History

October 12: The Sugar Maple Leaf and its History

During these three workshops, you will learn about different fall flowers and trees along with their historic importance and traditional medicinal properties. You will capture the essence of each flower or tree as you create a beautiful watercolor. All skill levels from beginners to advanced are welcome! All materials will be provided. (Feel free to bring your own favorite supplies). \$94.50 for all three workshops. This workshop series is not offered in single classes. Enrollment is limited. Register on line.

History at Home: The Remarkable Llewellyn Park

October 7 at 12 and 7pm

Virtual Event

Rita DiMatteo presents a history of Llewellyn Park as seen through historic postcards from the book "Greetings from Llewellyn Park," created by artist Bill Westheimer and edited by Rita DiMatteo. This collection of vintage postcards depicts the origins and development of Llewellyn Park, one of America's first planned suburbs, located in West Orange. Among the topics covered will be the design of the community and its landscape in the 1800s, neighborhood life in Llewellyn Park, and its significance as home to Thomas Edison and other influential residents, as well as efforts to preserve the integrity of its common parkland and historic structures. Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/92938168537?pwd=T0pGbVgxVUMwVjVOWDBMZFkBUiQZz09>
By phone: 646.558.8656
Meeting ID: 929 3816 8537
Passcode: 818319

Adult Hearth Cooking Classes Friday, October 22 from 4:30- 8:30pm

Try your hand cooking on a hearth the way your ancestors did at the Montclair History Center! You'll learn how to manage the fire, use a "spider," and bake in a Dutch oven. The class will work together to cook a meal using historic "receipts" (aka recipes) and enjoy time around the hearth fire. All participants will receive a free copy of Thirteen Colonies Cookbook. Classes take place in the hearth kitchen of the Crane House & Historic YWCA. Includes all supplies. BYOB. \$75 general admission, \$65 members. Register online. Registration closes on Thursday, October 21 at 3 pm.

"Remember the Ladies:" Women of The American Revolution October 26 from 7-8pm

Virtual Event

Join us as we hear the stories of the Founding Females of America! Joel Farkas, National Park Service volunteer docent at Washington's Headquarters in Morristown and a regular presenter on various topics related to the American Revolution, will explore the often untold stories of the women of the American Revolution. This talk coincides with our new house tour, Women of the House. Learn about the women of the American

Revolution with this virtual talk and then pick back up in 1796 with Fanny Pierson Crane, Phebe Crane, Alice Hooe Foster, Hortense Tate, and the other women who lived, played, and worked in the Crane House & Historic YWCA. Registration is required by October 26 at 6 pm. \$10. Purchase tickets online. Participants will receive the Zoom information upon registration.

NEWARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

5 Washington Street, Newark

973.733.4791 / <http://npl.org>

Philip Roth Personal Library Ongoing

The Newark-born American writer Philip Roth, one of America's most influential and honored writers, left his entire personal library of approximately 7,000 volumes to the Newark Public Library. Visit the space to see current exhibits and explore the books – biographies, history, fiction – that influenced his work.

Essex County Parks System 125th Anniversary

Through December 31

The Essex County Parks System is the first county parks system created in the country! Using archival photos, this exhibit explores the history of the Essex County parks.

Newark's History Keepers: 70 Years of the New Jersey Room Through March 31, 2022

This exhibit presents an array of holdings from the Charles F. Cummings New Jersey Information Center (New Jersey Room), a research-level collection of materials relating to New Jersey, Essex County and Newark. It includes both historical and current information in these formats: books, newspapers, documents, pictures and archives.

Four Decades of Change: Latino Services, Arts and Culture at the Library

September 15 through November

For more than 40 years, the Newark Public Library has welcomed and served Latinos, celebrating their numerous contributions and vibrant culture. Today it has the largest collection of Spanish language materials in the state. This exhibit reflects how the library's services



Roth Personal Library. Photo courtesy of C&G Partners

and resources have changed over the years to best serve the state's evolving Latino community.

THE ROSELAND FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

20 Roseland Avenue, Roseland

973.226.8636

www.roselandpubliclibrary.org

September 10: Decorate Your Own Folder.

For Roseland residents ages 5 and up. Attendees must be masked. 4:30-5:30 pm. RSVP on the library website.

Monday Matinee

September 13 at 1 p.m.

Featured movie is "Nomadland." Limited to 20 guests, who must RSVP on the library website. Masks must be worn by unvaccinated guests. No snacks will be served, but guests are welcome to bring their own.

Fall T'ai Chi Chih

September 14, 21, 28; October 5, 12, 19, 26; November 9, 16, 23 10:30-11:30 am

Led by certified instructor Linda Sercarz. All levels welcome; limited to 20 participants. \$100 for all 10 classes. Registration is required; download the registration form from the library website or pick up a form at the circulation desk. Unvaccinated participants must wear masks.

Stories & Songs

September 14, 21, 28; October 5, 12, 19, 26; November 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 10:30 am

For children ages 0-4 and their

caregivers. Limited to 15 children who must RSVP for EACH child (even if from the same family) on the library website. Masks required.

STEAM Story Time

September 16, 23, 30; October 7, 14, 21, 28; November 4, 11, 18 10:30 am

For children ages 2-6 and their caregivers. Limited to 15 children, who must RSVP for EACH child (even if from the same family) on the library website. Story and corresponding STEAM (science, technology, engineering, art, or math) project. Masks required.

Teen Advisory Group Lock In September 17 from 7-10pm

Help plan events for the library and then enjoy games, a scavenger hunt, and some treats. For Roseland residents in grades 6-12. RSVP on the library website. Unvaccinated participants must wear masks.

Teen Mystery Box September 23

Pickup from 9 am to 8pm

For Roseland residents in grades 6-12: Reserve your own mystery box of surprises. This month's theme is Back to School. RSVP on the library website.

Monday Matinee September 27 at 1pm

Featured movie is "On the Basis of Sex." Limited to 20 guests who must RSVP on the library website. Masks must be worn by unvaccinated guests. No snacks will be served, but guests are welcome to bring their own. ■



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