

NEW MARLBOROUGH MEETING HOUSE



Stage and Gallery

MUSIC
ART
WORDS

2023

Route 57/183 on the Village Green
New Marlborough, Massachusetts

www.nmmeetinghouse.org

Aug
12
4:30 pm



Karen Allen

Join multi-award winning actor and director Karen Allen for a fast moving, interactive afternoon as she shares highlights of her exciting career, from her film debut in *Animal House*, to her iconic role as Marion Ravenwood in *Raiders of the Lost Ark*, to major roles in *Starman* and *The Perfect Storm*, and her many other movie, television, and stage performances. Karen will tell us what it's like to work with such luminaries as Steven Spielberg, Harrison Ford, and Jeff Bridges. She will also share how being engaged in creative arts led to her opening Karen Allen Fiber Arts in Great Barrington. Karen will be interviewed by Barry R. Shapiro.

Aug
26
4:30 pm



Alison Larkin

Alison Larkin is a comedienne, founder of the Berkshire based audiobook company Alison Larkin Presents, and the bestselling author of *The English American*, an autobiographical novel about an adopted English woman who finds her birth parents and a new life in the United States. She is also the award-winning narrator of *The Complete Novels of Jane Austen* and the host of *The Jane Austen Podcast with Alison Larkin*. Hailed by *The Times* (London) as “hugely entertaining,” Alison will talk about many things, including England, America, and how she came to choose the Berkshires as her home. Alison's new solo show, *Grief... a Comedy*, premieres this fall at London's Soho Theatre and will be filmed as a TV comedy special in early 2024.

Sept
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4:30 pm



Simone Dinnerstein Harold Lewin Memorial Concert

Simone Dinnerstein has performed with many of the world's finest orchestras and in some of the most prestigious concert venues, including Carnegie Hall, Philharmonie Berlin, Vienna Konzerthaus, Kennedy Center, and the Sydney Opera House. *The Washington Post* states that “Dinnerstein is an artist of strikingly original ideas and irrefutable integrity. These attributes, combined with elegance and grace, lend her music-making its captivating beauty.” *The New Yorker* remarks on her “lean, knowing, and unpretentious elegance.” Dinnerstein's 2023 program, performed on our magnificent Bechstein grand piano, includes works by Franz Schubert, Robert Schumann, and others. Please note that her 2021 performance at the Meeting House was sold out in advance.

Sept
9
4:30 pm



Tasting the World with Melissa Clark and Madhur Jaffrey

Two of today's great cookbook writers come to New Marlborough to discuss food, cooking, and their careers crafting delicious recipes. Madhur Jaffrey single-handedly introduced Indian cuisine to the West with *An Invitation to Indian Cooking*. Melissa Clark has been writing a weekly food column for *The New York Times* called “A Good Appetite” since 2007 and is the author of more than forty cookbooks. Together they share how food culture has changed and what it means for health, taste, and tonight's dinner. These two renowned authors will share some tips of what they are cooking right now, and where they are headed next.

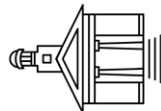
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Wincenc – Nikkanen – Asteriadou: Trio Calore

Trio Calore consists of flutist Carol Wincenc, violinist Kurt Nikkanen and pianist Maria Asteriadou. They will perform works by Jacques Ibert, Franz Doppler, Bohuslav Martinu, J.S. Bach, and others. Renowned recitalist Carol Wincenc is no stranger to the Meeting House stage having performed here several times over the past thirty years. Concertmaster of the New York City Ballet Orchestra, Kurt Nikkanen also has an active solo career, performing with numerous orchestras. Heralded as “an artist with intense personality, virtuosic flair, unusual poise, and intimate contact with style” by *The New York Times*, Greek pianist Maria Asteriadou performs as a soloist as well as chamber musician.

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Oct
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4:30 pm



Simon Winchester

A WRITER AND A ROBOT WALK INTO A BAR: Writing in the Age of Artificial Intelligence

Simon Winchester, acclaimed author, most recently of *Knowing What We Know*, returns to the Meeting House to lead a discussion on the future of writing in the age of AI with three distinguished figures in the world of letters: Chandra Prasad, whose forthcoming novel focuses on the intersection between artificial intelligence, identity, and environmental ethics; Francine Prose, the author of twenty novels, including *Blue Angel*, which was a finalist for the National Book Award; and André Bernard, the longtime publisher and vice president of Harcourt Trade Publications, who is currently the vice president of the Simon Guggenheim Foundation.

Meeting House GALLERY

GALLERY HOURS: 11:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Fridays, Saturdays, Sundays. Saturday and Sunday only, after September 1.
Receptions will be on the evening of the opening day of each show, from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. The community is invited!

The Meeting House Gallery 25th Anniversary

This year the Meeting House Gallery celebrates its twenty-fifth year of enriching our lives by showcasing local and regional fine art. The seed of an idea for the gallery began in the mid-90s when Brad Wagstaff and Ann Getsinger mused that the Meeting House basement would make a great gallery and community space. Shortly thereafter, Mary Richie Smith hosted an art show in the basement for a friend. Not to be one-upped, Ann teamed up with Susie Hardcastle to take on the long hard work of renovating the space in time to host the first New Marlborough Artists Show in 1998. Partaking was a legendary list of local artists, including Ann, Susie, and Larry Burke, Cynthia Atwood, Robin Tost, John Manikowski, Nancy Ruben, and Marianne Swan. The show went up with improvised lighting, minimal signage, a water stained ceiling, and danger of flooding in the foundation. The following year the gallery hosted two shows, and with the help of Ben Harms and Richard Stebbins, and later the Meeting House Gallery Committee, the space was gradually improved to become the beautiful and cherished gallery it is today. Hosting at least three shows every year, the Gallery is a meeting place for artists and art admirers, and one of the jewels of New Marlborough.

June 23
thru
July 23



Coming Together

Opening Reception Friday, June 23

The New Marlborough Meeting House Gallery begins its 2023 season with "Coming Together." At a time of rampant discord nationally and around the globe, art can communicate in a way that bridges divides. It can create spaces that achieve surprising harmonies. Presenting the work of some dozen artists, "Coming Together" aspires to show that disparate elements can be combined to reveal new insights.

July 28
thru
Aug 27



Motion/Emotion

Opening Reception Friday, July 28

Only in the most literal sense is a work of art, pinned to a wall or perched on a column, a stationary object. As established in "Motion/Emotion," the Meeting House Gallery's second show, art moves and emotes. As it captures the moment, it also inspires a narrative of the before and after, the shift from darkness to light, the transition from birth to bloom.

Sept 1
thru
Oct 8



25th Annual New Marlborough Artists Show

Opening Reception Friday, September 1

In 1998, the Meeting House Gallery hosted its very first exhibit, a show of works by artists residing in New Marlborough. It is a tradition that has continued (with the exception of 2020, year one of the Covid pandemic) every year since. A celebration of the rich creativity that surrounds us in New Marlborough, this season's show includes works by Ron Brecher, Ann Getsinger, Nikki Hayes, Peter Murkett, Katheryn Vita, Nanci Worthington, and Joan Griswold, and a collaboration by Kenzie Fields and Sarah North Reynolds.

PURCHASE TICKETS

Online: www.nmmeetinghouse.org
(Eventbrite ticketing online available after June 15)

By phone: (413) 229-5045

Email: contact@nmmeetinghouse.org

Mail: NMMH, 154 Hartsville-New Marlborough Rd
New Marlborough, MA 01230

At the door: 30 minutes before the event
(subject to availability)

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Under 21 FREE.

College students over 21 with full-time student ID, \$10.

Masks optional Programs subject to change

	Regular Price	DISCOUNTED MEMBER PRICE
SATURDAY, AUGUST 12, 4:30 pm Karen Allen	_____ \$30	_____ \$25
SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 4:30 pm Alison Larkin	_____ \$30	_____ \$25
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 4:30 pm Simone Dinnerstein	_____ \$30	_____ \$25
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 4:30 pm Melissa Clark and Madhur Jaffrey	_____ \$30	_____ \$25
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 23, 4:30 pm Trio Calore	_____ \$30	_____ \$25
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7, 4:30 pm Simon Winchester	_____ \$30	_____ \$25

TOTAL \$ _____ \$ _____

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