Belle Skinner:
The Difference One Woman Made
Wednesday September 14, 6 – 7 p.m.
$7 Adults, $5 Students/Seniors

Belle Skinner’s great-niece, Holly Hudnut Halliday, brings the story of Belle Skinner’s time in France to life in an illustrated lecture on how a visionary woman from Holyoke captured the imagination of France. Inspired by this woman ahead of her time, Holly Halliday draws on family stories, letters, and her many visits to Wistariahurst when her grandmother, Katharine Skinner Kilborne, lived here.

The talk will be followed by an optional tour of Wistariahurst focused on the impact of Belle Skinner on Wistariahurst and the Holyoke community.

From the Holyoke Canoe Club Collection

An interesting piece of marketing and mailing history came to Wistariahurst in amongst the Holyoke Canoe Club Collection - Two trays of Addressograph metal address plates. These metal plates were created with an addressograph embosser which impressed into a small aluminum sheet the names and address of the club members. This model of addressograph dates to the early 1900s and was state of the art technology for anyone doing regular mailings. Does anyone remember using one of these machines?

Summer 2016: Over 600 people attended our annual Plant Sale fundraiser • Approx. 400 people attended our first ever Arts Bazaar • Approx. 200 students and teachers participated in the Immigration Experience
**Around the Museum**

**Schubert with Tea**
**Saturday October 1, 2 – 4 p.m.**
$20, $15 Members/Students/Seniors

Monica Jakuc Leverett will bring her replica of an 1819 Graf fortepiano for a Schubertiade, accompanied by tea. She will perform the four Schubert Impromptus Op. 90, interspersed with Schubert songs sung by Peter W. Shea, her collaborator over the last 20 years.

Franz Peter Schubert (1797-1828) was an Austrian composer whose output includes a large body of chamber and piano music. In Schubert’s time, Schubertiades were small, unadvertised events held in private homes to celebrate and support the work of the great Austrian composer. Schubertiades of old included dancing, food and drink. Our version, open to all, will include an afternoon tea.

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**Next Stop Holyoke: Pumpkin Glow**
**Saturday October 8**
4 – 7 p.m.

Free and Open to the Public!
In celebration of Next Stop Holyoke we’re filling our grounds with pumpkins and other fall fun! Community members young and old are working hard to creatively carve over 100 pumpkins for this special outdoor "exhibition." Join us for the grand lighting where we’ll have refreshments, games, and crafts. See the historic grounds of Wistariahurst lit up like you’ve never seen them before.

**Summer Interns**

This summer, Wistariahurst hosted two students as interns in the Archives. The interns worked to complete projects of personal interest with significance to the greater Holyoke community, using materials from Wistariahurst’s collections.

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**Joseph Maspo** began working on processing the new collection of materials donated to Wistariahurst from the Holyoke Canoe Club of Smith’s Ferry. This donation included 10 boxes of historical documents, photographs, and ephemera. Joseph is a student at Emmanuel College where he studies History. He is organizing and cataloging the collection and creating a finding guide for it. About the project, Joseph said, “Every time I find an item that pieces together the past in such a unique and amazing way that makes it seem like it can’t be topped, the next item tops it.”

For a complete listing of Art, Music & History events visit WISTARIAHURST.ORG
UPCOMING PROGRAMS AND EVENTS

Beethoven’s Wig
Sunday September 25
3 p.m.
$10 Adults, $5 Children

Some years ago, Richard Perlmutter toyed with the idea of writing lyrics to masterpieces of classical music. While humming Beethoven’s 5th Symphony, the words “Beethoven’s Wig is very big” popped into his head. With that spark of inspiration, Beethoven’s Wig was born. Hailed as opening the door to “serious music” in a way that’s fun, Beethoven’s Wig is now the most honored musical group in family entertainment.

Mysteries of the Dead and Talking to Them
October 18, 6 – 7 p.m.
$7, $5 Members/Students/Seniors

Spiritualism became the fastest growing religion in America in the late antebellum period. Travel back in time with Dr. Rob Cox as he explores what it meant for Spiritualists when they heard spirit voices, what it says about their country, and how the movement evolved from there.

Historical Tours of Forestdale Cemetery
Flashlight tour: Friday October 28, 6 p.m.
Daytime tour: Saturday October 29, 11 a.m.
$10, $7 Members/Students/Seniors

Monuments, Markers, Crypts and Crosses are but a few of the sights you will see on this walk through Forestdale Cemetery with City Historian Penni Martorell. Peek into the lives of Holyoke’s founding families, and learn more about the realities of death and dying in the 19th century.

Tour meets at the Wistariahurst Visitor’s Center. Reservations required.

Springfield Symphony Orchestra presents
Winter Ensemble Series at Wistariahurst

Sundays, November 20th, January 22, and February 19th

Brunch at the Beautiful Historic Museum in Holyoke, Classical talks with Maestro Kevin Rhodes, and Ensemble performances by SSO Musicians

Check our website in October for full details

A Celebration of Land and Sea: Modern Indigenous Cuisine in New England
November 13, 2 – 3 p.m.
$7, $5 Members/Students/Seniors

Through interviews with Mashpee Wampanoag, Abenaki, Mohegan, and Narragansett cookbook writers, food journalists, powwow cooks, and restaurant owners, Rachel Sayet will demonstrate how the Native American people of New England continue to use the same ingredients that were available at the time of the much misunderstood “first Thanksgiving” to create their own modern indigenous cuisine.

Register for programs, buy tickets & become a member online WISTARIAHURST.ORG
Become a Member to Support Local Art, History and Music!

For as little as $30 annually, start enjoying the benefits of museum membership and become part of a growing community of individuals who take interest in local history, art and music! Wistariahurst, as an established resource for local memory and creative expression, provides year-round opportunities for learning, conversation, and entertainment for people of all ages.

Your membership support helps us fulfill our mission of preserving the history of Holyoke and inspiring an appreciation of local art, history and music.

Member benefits include free house tours, discounted tickets to events, members-only events, subscription to The Vine Newsletter and a 10% discount in the Museum Gift Shop. Most importantly, your membership supports all of our culturally rich programs for youths and adults.

Wistariahurst News

In The Gallery

Holyoke Renaissance: Rising from the Ashes

Saturday, September 10 through Saturday, October 29
10 am–2 pm

Three area artists will showcase architecture as art when they present their work in a joint exhibition celebrating the renaissance of the City of Holyoke. The exhibit by artists Debra Dunphy, Nancy Howard, and Kristine Villeneuve-Topor will feature various views of the old industrial city of Holyoke and its architectural designs.

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