

The Truro Historical Society



The Truro Historical Society announces upcoming events for The Highland House Museum



The Lost Nudes of Courtney Allen

Exhibit opens Saturday with an Open House and Reception on August 4th at 4:30 PM.

As one of the original Founders and first President of the Truro Historical Society, Courtney Allen (1898-1969) a world-famous artist and sculptor, gifted the THS with his lifetime collection of practice sketches, which document the evolution of his talents and techniques. View this specially selected collection of nude sketches dating from 1919 through 1967. It was his wish that this collection be used as a fund raising tool for the Society. A small number of these beautiful works of art will be for sale to the public for a limited time. These sketches, which are separate from the exhibit, will be available for viewing, also.

Memorial Gathering for Malcolm Gray

A memorial gathering celebrating the life of Malcolm Gray will be held on Sunday, August 5th from 2:00 to 4:00 PM at the Highland House Museum in North Truro. Mr. Gray, who passed away on January 11, 2012 after a long illness, worked for many years at the Museum, first as a volunteer and then as curator of education. He was an innovative advocate of children's programs and activities, which the Board and Director hope to continue and to expand. Family, friends, and colleagues are asked to bring stories about Malcolm and pictures and other memorabilia to share with everyone at the gathering. Donations are welcome in honor of Malcolm's memory and can be sent to the Truro Historical Society, P.O. Box 486, Truro, MA 02666. Checks should be made out to the "Truro Historical Society, Inc." with "Malcolm Gray/Children's Fund" noted in the left-hand corner. Donations are tax deductible. Everyone who knew and loved Malcolm Gray through his career as a teacher and his life of kind generosity is invited to attend this event.

Coyotes on the Cape

August 1, 7:00 PM. Are they coyotes or are they "coy-wolves?" Jonathan Way discusses this evolution at the Highland Evenings event at the Highland House Museum. He dispels the myths and relates the facts about coyotes in our Cape neighborhoods: their habitat, survival practices, aggressive tendencies, and other information for sharing space with the coyote population.



Sebastian Junger Returns on August 8th

Our Highland Evenings Speaker Series welcomes back the American author, journalist, documentarian, and Truro summer resident on August 8th. This time he talks about lessons learned during two decades of travelling and reporting on world events and conflicts. Tickets (\$20) are available at the Museum or by calling 508-487-3397. Seating is limited.

Truro in the World: August 25th Benefit Dinner

Mark your calendars! Enjoy the Museum's new exhibits, a cocktail reception and catered sit-down, candlelight dinner, and a silent auction of objects decorated by 50 Lower Cape artists as we celebrate the contributions of Truro to the world of art, literature and industry. International affairs writer, Stephen Kinzer, a long-time summer resident, will be the keynote speaker. Tickets (\$100) are available at the Museum or by calling 508-487-3397. Seating is limited.

Silent Auction

When over 50 resident and visiting artists agree to transform or incorporate small cranberry boxes into *les objets d'arts*, that's exciting! The silent auction is in conjunction with the Society's "Truro in the World" dinner event on August 25th. The bidding is open to the public and begins on August 18th at the Highland House Museum. Mark your calendars!

Our Outdoor Museum

Enjoy one of our tours over Truro terrain to learn about our history. Dr. Robin Robertson will lead you on a "Pilgrim Walk" that traces the steps of the Mayflower Pilgrims in 1620 as they explored the Truro area before they settled in Plymouth. Pilgrim Walks are scheduled for August 12th and September 9th for a fee of \$5.00. Reservations are requested. Meet at the Great Hollow Beach parking lot at 1:00 PM.

Or join Cemetery Commissioner Bob Masson as he leads you through five Truro cemeteries. This tour is fascinating, as he explains the style of tombstones over the decades and introduces you to another way of looking at history. The Cemetery Tour is scheduled for September 22nd with a fee of \$5.00 per person. Reservations are requested. Meet at the Highland House Museum at 1:00 PM for a short presentation before heading out for the cemeteries.

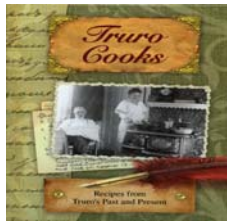
Call 508-487-3397 to make reservations for all tours.

Detect and Dig; Fun for Kids!

Museum History Detectives is a half-hour scavenger hunt to find historical objects in the Museum, and it is free to children accompanied by an adult. *Archaeological Dig* simulates the excavation of a Payomet summer house (weetu.) Designed for children ages 7 to 10. The fee is \$5.00. Monday and Wednesday 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon. Reservations are required. Call 508-487-3397 for details.

Oral History, Live!

Our director, B.J. Dyche, continues to record the memories and insights of Truro denizens. Would you be interested in sharing yours with the community? Contact her at 508-487-3397 or at director@trurohistorical.org. We want to add your memories to our September program.



Truro Cooks!

The new THS cookbook, *Truro Cooks*, is now available at the Highland House Museum. Only \$20.00 for a collection of Truro recipes old and new, historical photographs, and vignettes of Truro's past and the evolution of cooking.

Become a Member!

If you have not yet joined the Society for our current membership year (June 15, 2012 to June 14, 2013), please do so now. Enjoy the benefits of various levels of membership, including free admission and full voting rights at the annual meeting. For information on the different membership levels, visit our website at trurohistorical.org.

Highland House Museum
Open Monday – Saturday
10:00 AM – 4:30 PM
June 1 – September 30
508-487-3397

Cobb Memorial Archive
Open Tuesdays & Thursdays
10:00 AM – 12:30PM
or by special appointment
508-349-0200