

# The Truro Historical Society



## **Inspired by Historical Photographs of Truro**

*You are cordially invited to attend the opening reception for*

*"Truro – Then and Now"*

*June 1, 2013 5:00 to 7:00 PM Highland House Museum*

The doors of the Highland House Museum will open for the season at 10:00 AM on Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> with an exhibition inspired by historical photographs of Truro. Nine noted local photographers have agreed to re-shoot the subjects of these photographs as they appear today. These modern photos will be paired with their historical counterparts for display throughout the summer season, hence "Truro – Then and Now." The photographers will showcase further their talents by producing pictorial, or artistic, versions of these historical subjects.

At 5:00 PM, join us at an opening reception to meet the photographers, enjoy refreshments, and peruse the photos which will be on sale in limited editions to raise funds for the historic Highland House Museum.

## **"Edward and Josephine Hopper in Truro"**



Edward Hopper is considered one of the most famous and influential American painters. Not many people, even in Truro, know that he and Josephine Hopper spent thirty-seven summers in Truro from 1930 to 1966. In July and August, we will present a series of events to commemorate their "working vacations" in South Truro.

Our Wednesday evening speakers will include Hopper experts such as renowned author and former Whitney Museum of American Art curator Gail Levin, local Hopper tour guide Beth Chapman, and Elizabeth Colleary, consultant to the Whitney Museum Hopper collection and expert on Jo Hopper. Dates will be posted shortly.

Our August 17<sup>th</sup> fundraising event will feature two members of the Whitney Museum of American Art's curatorial staff, Nicholas Robbins and Kimia Shahi. Both played an influential role in developing the Whitney's new exhibition, "Hopper's Drawings," opening in New York in May. Last summer and fall, Ms. Shahi conducted research on Edward Hopper in Truro for the Whitney exhibition.

Our festivities will include cocktails and hors d'oeuvres catered by Cosmos Catering, a silent auction of Hopper-themed mini-cranberry boxes designed by Lower Cape artists, and an exhibition and sale of interpretive photos of Truro houses and scenes painted by Edward Hopper. We have collected a handful of Edward Hopper's drawings and Jo Hopper's paintings for display and hope to locate more. If you have any or know of anyone who might be willing to lend some to us for the event, please contact BJ Dyche at [director@trurohistorical.org](mailto:director@trurohistorical.org).

Mark August 17<sup>th</sup> on your calendar. Tickets for the cocktail fundraiser are \$100 and will be available in June. Proceeds support the programs of the Highland House Museum.

### **A Call to Artists: Annual Cranberry Box Design Competition**

Thank you! The response to our invitation to recreate a cranberry box for our annual gala auction has been great so far, but we would like to hear from more of you! We still have boxes available if you would like to participate. Here's a chance to exhibit your wit, sense of humor, imagination, subtlety, and artistry! We will award prizes in at least a half-dozen categories at our annual fundraiser on August 17<sup>th</sup>. Call BJ Dyche at the Cobb Archive (508-349-0200) or Highland House Museum (508-487-3397) to reserve or pick up a box. Boxes should be re-created with Edward or Jo Hopper in mind and must be submitted by August 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### **Spring Membership Drive**

Twice a year the Historical Society engages in a major fund raising effort to fund the operations of the Highland House Museum and Cobb Archive. Each spring we mail our annual newsletter and membership renewal form. Your membership dues are the second major source of support for our work. As a member, you are entitled to free admission to the Museum and invited to participate at the annual membership meeting in June.

Visit our website at [www.trurohistorical.org/join.html](http://www.trurohistorical.org/join.html) to join online. Or send a check payable to THS at PO Box 486, Truro, MA 02666.

### **Volunteer!**

Get involved with Truro's long history! As a volunteer at the Highland House Museum, you receive a free membership in the THS. Four hours a week at the museum is a small price to pay for all the benefits. We have developed some interesting projects for our volunteers. We could use some help with database entries, contacting program sponsors, researching material for exhibits, preparing our mail-outs, and other administrative tasks, not to mention running the front desk, managing the Resource Room, or acting as a Museum docent. Contact BJ Dyche, Director, at 508-349-0200 or email [director@trurohistorical.org](mailto:director@trurohistorical.org).

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

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