

# Calendar of Events

January - April 2018

Pre-Registration is required for most programs and space is limited. To register online visit our website [www.woodmemoriallibrary.org](http://www.woodmemoriallibrary.org) or call 860-289-1783 during our normal business hours. Please check our website for more program details and a complete calendar of all 2017 events held at The Wood.

## PRESCHOOL STORY HOUR

January 11 – March 1  
Thursdays 10:30 – 11:30 am  
Fee \$15

Fun for children ages 3 -5 with a caregiver. Interactive read-alouds interspersed with step by step directions on how to support emergent reading behaviors. Crafts, songs, sensory activities and fun, fun, fun.

## FRIDAY NIGHT AT WOOD

*Just Desserts and Jazz with Celia Slattery*  
Friday, January 26  
7:30 pm  
Fee \$30

Enjoy an evening of great music & decadent desserts. Jazz & folk-rock singer, Celia Slattery, covers everyone from Ella to Adele, giving context to the music with humor & stories. BYOB is welcomed!

## SCHOOL VACATION FUN

*Ann Masi Memorial Magic Show*  
Co-sponsored by The Wood, SW Parks & Rec Dept. and The Community Women's Club  
*Magic by Scott Jamison*  
Thursday, February 15  
10:00am at SW High School  
FREE

This extraordinary magic show will have you laughing out loud and perched on the very edge of your seat!

## FRIDAY NIGHT AT WOOD

*Paint Your Pet Night with Artist Rebecca Maloney*  
Friday, February 23  
7 -9pm  
Fee \$55

Step by step instructions as you paint your pet on an 11x14 canvas! Materials included. Bring a friend and sip a favorite beverage.

## YOUNG ARTIST BAKING WORKSHOP

*Kiss the Cook*  
Saturday, March 3  
2-4 pm  
Fee \$15

Children join Jan Grace in learning to create several chocolaty recipes & treats using Hershey Kisses candies. Samples will be served.

## SUNDAY AFTERNOON LECTURE

Co-sponsored by The Wood and SW Historical Society  
*Celebrating 300 years of Connecticut's Remarkable Women*

Sunday, March 4  
2:00 pm

See article for more info!

## FRIDAY NIGHT AT WOOD

*The Kerry Boys*  
Friday, March 9  
6:30pm  
Fee \$50

Enjoy live Irish music, craft beers and wine and a light Irish dinner and dessert. The high energy concert with The Kerry Boys will have you clapping and singing with a wide collection of traditional and original songs.

## MINI GOLF AT WOOD

Save the Date:  
Saturday, March 17

It's almost spring and that means GOLF! Not our annual tourney, that is still in June, but Mini Golf all though-out Wood Library. Come see the museum as never before and practice your putts. All to benefit the Wood!

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AT WOOD

*Meet Julia Child*  
Wednesday, March 21  
2-4pm

Fee \$15 or \$25 for the series

Delvina Theatre Company is bringing you the opportunity to view Julia on the set of the French Chef Television show. Spend the afternoon with a culinary legend and try Julia's brownies after.

## YOUNG ARTIST PROGRAM

*Children's Egg Decorating Workshop*  
Saturday, March 24  
2-4pm  
Fee: \$10 + 1 dozen hard boiled white eggs

Join art instructor Mary Wilde for a fun & seasonal "hands-on" art workshop. Learn unique & creative ways to transform ordinary eggs into works of art!

## AMERICAN GIRL TEA

*Bright Star Touring Theatre*  
presents: *We can do it!*  
*American Women in History*  
Saturday, April 7  
1pm  
Fee \$25

Ages 6-12 with caregivers  
Join us for our annual American Girl Tea. This year's play celebrates the courageous, confident women who have helped shape our country. Reception to follow performance.

## ANN MASI MEMORIAL GARDEN LECTURE

Co-sponsored by The Wood,  
*Down to Earth Garden Club and SW Food Alliance*  
*Food, Culture, and Sustainability of Ethnic Foods*  
Wednesday, April 11  
7:00 pm  
FREE

Enjoy this special presentation by Patricia Klindienst.

## YOUNG ARTIST PROGRAM

*Bill Dougal's Cartooning Workshop*  
Saturday, April 14  
2-4 pm  
Fee \$15

Learn to create your own cartoon characters and put them in action or humorous situations. Bill adds to the fun by singing a song or two about art! All materials provided. For grades K-5.

## WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON AT WOOD

*Albert Einstein*  
Wednesday, April 18  
2-4 pm

Fee \$15 or \$25 for the series

Enjoy an afternoon with George Capaccio as Albert Einstein. Learn about this extraordinary individual and how his ideas have revolutionized physics, forever changing how we understand space, time and gravity. Reception will follow.

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## Celebrate A Storybook Holiday

Wood Memorial Library & Museum is teaming up with local authors and adorable storybook characters to create "A Storybook Holiday" for their 7th Annual Gingerbread House Festival. The Wood provides the perfect venue for showcasing the sugary, artistic, gingerbread creations among sparkling lights and colorful decor. Stroll past fairy tale houses and fantasy trains all covered with bright, colorful candy, then pop in on an author giving a reading or leading kids in a related craft.

Musical performances, story time events, and visits from Santa, Mrs. Claus and storybook characters will also be scattered throughout the festival providing an uplifting and creative break from the hustle and bustle of the holiday season. Finally, stop in Ye Olde Gingerbread Shoppe to pick up a piece of the magic to take home. Perhaps a book, some baked goods, an artistic creation or one of the seasonal crafts that will make the perfect holiday gift.

Don't miss experiencing one of the largest gingerbread house festivals in New England! A detailed schedule and more information about special festival events is available at [www.woodmemoriallibrary.org](http://www.woodmemoriallibrary.org).

Come celebrate a Storybook Holiday at The Wood's 7th Annual Gingerbread House Festival.

FREE and Open to the Public.

November 24th thru December 10, 2017

Thur. & Fri. 10am-8pm · Saturdays, Sundays & Mondays 10am-5pm

Closed Tuesdays and Wednesdays



Where history, nature, and the arts come alive.



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## Celebrate Our New Acquisition

We are excited to announce the newest addition to our museum collection of Amelia Watson's works of art, a framed watercolor of the Ebenezer Grant House which was built c. 1757 in the East Windsor Hill area (1653 Main Street, South Windsor). The painting comes to The Wood as a generous gift from The Webb-Deane-Stevens Museum in Wethersfield, CT.

Amelia Watson (1856-1934) was born in East Windsor Hill, CT. She taught at the Martha's Vineyard Summer Institute and has illustrations in Thoreau's "Cape Cod". She and her sister Edith, also an artist, are featured in the archival collections at The Wood. Along with framed watercolors we also have some sketches by Amelia, dating to when she was 19 years old. Many of their works of art are currently on display while others are in various stages of processing and conservation. We hope to be able to have them all available for public display soon. If you are interested in helping to process these and other items in our collections or would like to donate toward their conversation please contact our archivist Amy Hietala.



Pull Out a Putter and Save the Date!  
Saturday, March 17th is Mini-Golf at the Wood!

## Celebrate Connecticut Women

In anticipation of International Women's Day, The Wood is excited to be joining with the South Windsor Historical Society in shining a spotlight on Connecticut women with the program "Celebrating 300 years of Connecticut's Remarkable Women" on Sunday, March 4th at 2pm. This program highlights the extraordinary achievements made by outstanding Connecticut women in the arts, science, social reform, politics and sports over the last three centuries. Learn about the Connecticut Women's Hall of Fame and its remarkable inductees, including Ella Tambussi Grasso, Katherine Hepburn, Marion Anderson and many more, during this interactive, multi-media program, which includes part of the Connecticut Women's Hall of Fame's traveling *Inductee Portrait Exhibit*.

The fee for this program is \$3 for members and \$5 for non-members. The exhibit, consisting of 25 pictures and biographies, will remain on display in the Wood Gallery through April 8, 2018, free for public viewing.

## Celebrate Our Shared History

The town of East Windsor will be celebrating its 250th anniversary in 2018 and The Wood has been invited to be a part of the celebrations. "Why", one asks? Because up until 1845, South Windsor and East Windsor were one town! We have a lot of shared history and we are excited and honored to be included in such a historic year of celebration.

The Wood will be involved in two events to celebrate the 250th anniversary. The first, a Love your Library Scavenger Hunt event will take place during the month of February. This event is a collaboration among five local libraries which, by geography, have ties to East Windsor; Wood Memorial Library, South Windsor Public Library, Warehouse Point Library; Broad Brook Library and Hall Memorial Library. The Wood will also have an exhibit on display during that time Our Shared History. The exhibit will be in partnership with the East Windsor and South Windsor Historical Societies with each organization contributing artifacts for display.

The second event, to be held on April 28, 2018, will be an Open House at Ellsworth School with supporting events focusing on the shared history of Old Main Street in what would eventually become South Windsor. Check our website [www.woodmemoriallibrary.org](http://www.woodmemoriallibrary.org) for event updates on these two events and visit [www.ew250.com](http://www.ew250.com) for a list of all the 250th anniversary celebration events.

## Celebrate Your Support

We celebrate all those who have invested their time, talent and generous financial donations to support The Wood's mission over the past year.

Your investment has expanded The Wood's footprint in the region. Upcoming collaborations such as the Our Shared History exhibit and the Ellsworth School Open House are opportunities to engage the community at large and bring the unique history of our area to life. Your investment helped pave the way for updated and expanded educational programming. Your investment made it possible to be



open on the Second Saturday of each month, enabling The Wood to participate in national and regional events, including Slow Art Day and Connecticut Open House Day.

As we enter into the season of giving, I hope you will continue to show your support for The Wood. We rely on the Annual Fund for the financial foundation with which we are able to operate as a dynamic cultural and educational center with a full calendar of relevant programming.

As we refine our communication and outreach, we will be adding a third newsletter annually, and not sending separate Annual Fund appeal letters. We will instead incorporate Annual Fund appeal envelopes into our newsletters. Additionally, we are able to accept both one time and recurring donations on our secure website, [www.woodmemoriallibrary.org](http://www.woodmemoriallibrary.org).

Please consider partnering with us by making a tax-deductible gift to our Annual Fund before the end of the year. Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Carolyn Venne, Executive Director  
Friends of Wood Memorial Library & Museum