



## State Museum Exhibits Commissioner's Artwork

Recent works by nationally-renown artist and Mercer County Cultural and Heritage Commissioner, Mel Leipzig, are on exhibit at the New Jersey State Museum until September 6. Mr. Leipzig is concurrently serving as curator of an exhibition drawn primarily from the Museum's collection of 19th and 20th century figurative paintings.

Mr. Leipzig earned a bachelor of fine arts from Yale University School of Art and Architecture, as well as a three-year certificate from The Cooper Union, and a master of fine arts from Pratt Institute. He has participated in numerous one-man and group shows from the East Coast to Moscow.

In 2007, Mr. Leipzig was elected to membership in the prestigious National Academy. Other awards include a Fulbright Traveling Fellowship to Paris, the Louis Comfort Tiffany Award. In 1995, he received one of the last individual artists grants from the National Endowment for the Arts. He has exhibited in solo and groups show throughout the United States. His work is in the collections of White House, Whitney Museum and Cooper-Hewitt Museum in New York, Yale Art Gallery in Connecticut, Montclair Art Museum, and the New Jersey State Museum, among others.



*Joshua's Tatoos, Ten years Later, by Mel Leipzig on exhibit in the NJ State Museum until September 6.*

Mr. Leipzig has been an adored professor at Mercer County Community College for more than 40 years. He was the first teacher to be awarded Mercer's Distinguished Teaching Award. During his career Mr. Leipzig was the recipient of three grants from the New Jersey Council on the Arts, and a

Certificate of Commendation from the State of New Jersey for contributions to the arts.

Selected Works by Mel Leipzig will be on exhibit in the New Jersey State Museum at 205 West State Street in Trenton through September 6. For more information, please call (609) 292-6464 or visit [www.nj.gov/state/museum](http://www.nj.gov/state/museum).

## Summer Arts Camps Offer Opportunities all over Mercer County

The Peddie School offers two arts camps: Summer Theater Camp, for ages 12 to 15, where students will experience acting, musical theater and dance; and Green Apple Theater, a drama and music program for ages 8 through 11. Sessions run from July 6 to August 1, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. For more information, please call (609) 490-7550 or visit [www.peddie.org](http://www.peddie.org).

Lawrence Township Art/Theater Camp is for second through seventh graders. This camp will provide visual arts instruction from 9 a.m. until noon, then theater class from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. Two sessions, half- or full-day, run from June 22 to July 17. For more information, please call (609) 844-7067 or visit [www.lawrencetwp.org](http://www.lawrencetwp.org).

CityArts, a Trenton-based organization, offers three options: Blue Mountain Festival Chamber Music Day Camp in partnership with Trenton Community Music School,

from July 27 to July 31, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Trinity Cathedral in Trenton; Hands On Art and Performance from August 3 to August 14 in Ellarslie Mansion and Passage Theater; and Summer Choral Camp from August 17 to August 21. For more information, please call (609) 394-8700.

Arts Council of Princeton will offer Arts and Drama camps between June 22 and August 28. Morning or full-day Art Camps for ages 5 to 9, and Drama Camp for ages 4 to 12 will be held at Princeton Junior School on Fackler Road. Full-day Pre-Teen Art Studio for ages 10 to 12, and Teen Art Studio for ages 11 to 14 from June 22 to August 14, as well as limited Art Camp for ages 5 to 9 from August 17 to August 28 will be held in the Paul Robeson Center for the Arts in Princeton. For more information, please call (609) 924-8777 or visit [www.artscouncilofprinceton.org](http://www.artscouncilofprinceton.org).

Hopewell Valley Children's Theatre directs a five-week camp from June 25 through August 1. Children will learn to perform age-appropriate songs, dances and scenes from popular stories and adapted Broadway musicals. The program culminates in public performances at the Hopewell Valley Central High School Performing Arts Center in Pennington. For more information, please call (609) 649-3042 or visit [www.hvct.org](http://www.hvct.org).

The Old Barracks Museum Day Camp recreates camp life on the parade ground. Campers muster into George Washington's Patriot Army; learn 18th century living skills like cooking, sewing, dancing and songs; practice marching drills; and visit local historical sites. Two sessions are offered for ages 9 to 12 between July 12 to July 24. For more information, please call (609) 396-1776 or visit [www.oldbarracks.org](http://www.oldbarracks.org).



## Black Cat Tango

*Guillermo Elkouss and Vittoria Natale teach Argentine Tango.*

Black Cat Tango (BCT) was formed last summer to offer the Mercer County community a regular opportunity to learn and practice the art of Argentine tango.

Michael Littwin, the key driver behind BCT, first took to the dance floor ten years ago. A tai chi practitioner for many years, he was immediately drawn to the Tango and has explored many facets of the dance.

Armed with research from Washington University in St. Louis where tango dancing was discovered to be beneficial for Parkinson's patients, Michael organized two

12-hour benefits in Princeton offering Tango classes. He was compelled to focus the benefit towards Parkinson's Disease research because of a family member who is coping with the disease.

Spurred on by two successful Tango benefit events, BCT commenced offering weekly classes taught by Vittoria and Guillermo. Classes currently draw more than 30 beginner and experienced dancers. As BCT grows, the aim is to offer workshops in specific topics in Argentine tango, and perhaps more fund-raising events for Parkinson's Disease research.

Guillermo Elkouss was born in Buenos Aires, Argentina. He was acquainted with Tango in his early childhood through Tango shows on television and listening to the music on the radio. He began dancing Tango in October 1996. Since then he has made Tango the central focus of his life.

Guillermo has studied with many of the important maestros of the dance such as Carlos Gavito, Carlos and Alicia Gomez, Jose Garofolo, The Firpo's, Fabian Salas, Carina Losano and Pablo Fontana, Andrea Misse

and Leandro Palou, Gabriel Misse and Maria Sol Alcomora, Cacho Dante, Susana Miller, Pablo Pugliese, and Nito and Elba Garcia.

He was initially inspired to study the open salon style Tango but was drawn by the milonguero style. Now he incorporates both into a rhythmical style of his own.

Vittoria Natale has been dancing Argentine Tango since June 1994. She was inspired to seek instruction for the dance after reading the article *Four Legs, One Heart* in the Washingtonian Magazine.

She has also studied jazz, salsa, merengue, swing, bolero, Latin hustle, and rumba. For the past nine years Vittoria has devoted her energy and love of dance to Argentine Tango. She has studied extensively in the United States and Buenos Aires, embracing the Argentine culture.

She studied with many important masters of the dance such as Carlos Gavito, Lorena Ermocida, Miguel and Osvaldo Zotto, Milena Phlebs, Fabian Salas, Carina Losano and Pablo Fontana, Andrea Misse and Leandro Palou, Gabriel Misse and Maria Sol Alcomora, Graciela Gonzales, Gustavo Naveira, Nito and Elba Garcia and Alicia Cruzado.

Black Cat Tango offers Argentine Tango dance lessons on Thursdays at 8 p.m. for intermediate dancers and at 9 p.m. for beginners. Lessons are followed by practice from 10 p.m. to midnight. Dance lessons and practice are offered for \$10 and are conducted in the Suzanne B. Paterson Center at 45 Stockton Street in Princeton. For more information, please email [dance@TheBlackCatTango.com](mailto:dance@TheBlackCatTango.com) or visit [www.TheBlackCatTango.com](http://www.TheBlackCatTango.com).

## Blawenburg Dixieland Band

Founded in 1890, the Blawenburg Band is part of a great tradition that began when towns depended on their own people to provide live music. One of the oldest community bands in the state, they are among the most active, playing thirty concerts a year.

Band membership ranges from teenagers to 90-year-olds, and includes teachers and students, research scientists and computer specialists, homemakers and active retirees, a lawyer and a documentary filmmaker. Some instrumentalists have had years of musical training and professional experience; others learned to play as schoolchildren and are dedicated amateurs. The 75-member band is cohesive in their enjoyment of making music together.

Conductor Jerry Rife established the Blawenburg Dixieland Band several years ago to give members a chance to play this happy music. Dr. Rife is professor of music at Rider University in Lawrenceville, where he teaches music history and conducts in-

strumental ensembles. He earned degrees in clarinet performance and education from Kansas State University, and a Ph.D. in musicology from Michigan State University.

The Blawenburg Band rehearses on Mondays at Princeton Junior School on Fackler Road. For more information, please call Conductor Rife at (609) 882-4148 or visit [www.princetonol.com/groups/blawenburgband](http://www.princetonol.com/groups/blawenburgband).

*The Blawenburg Band can be enjoyed at:*

Princeton Shopping Center, 301 North Harrison Street, July 2, 6 p.m.

Hopewell Gazebo Summer Series, Columbia Avenue, Hopewell Borough, July 6, July 20, August 3, 7:30 p.m.

Ewing Community Day, July 19, 6 p.m. Ewing Senior and Community Center, 999 Lower Ferry Road, Ewing Township.

Weeden Park, Main Street, Lawrenceville, July 30, 7 p.m. In case of rain at the Kirby Arts Center in Lawrenceville School.

## MCCC Summer Fare

Mercer County Community College is offering a variety of summer credit classes beginning June 22 and July 9 at the West Windsor and James Kerney campuses. For more information, please call (609) 570-3795. A course offering is available for download at [www.mccc.edu](http://www.mccc.edu).

MCCC non-credit course offerings through the Center for Continuing Studies continue year-round. Quite a few new choices have been added this summer to assist people who are out of work and seek training or help with job searching. For more information, please call (609) 570-3311. A comprehensive brochure is available for download at [www.mccc.edu/ccs](http://www.mccc.edu/ccs).

MCCC also hosts Camp College and Tomato Patch Visual and Performing Arts Workshops for young people ages 6 to 17 at the West Windsor Campus. Fees vary depending on the program. For more information, please call (609) 570-3311 or visit [www.mccc.edu](http://www.mccc.edu).

## WW Arts Council

As West Windsor Arts Council advances toward occupying their Firehouse Arts Center, programming has continued unabated at various alternate venues.

West Windsor Library has hosted its film series. Autumn Arts Afternoon, a day of family art projects, has been held in the Nassau Park Pavilion. West Windsor Community Farmers' Market is where young people and families have had the opportunity to engage in interactive or hands-on projects, such as making Alexander Calder-type mobiles or constructing Alberto Giacometti-style sculptures out of aluminum foil.

This summer's music festival will feature six groups that play a variety of American music ranging from folk to funk. Visitors can look forward to hearing Swingadelic, Monday Blues, School of Rock and Sandy Zio. Concerts, every other Saturday from late June through August, will be located behind Panera, and inside, in case of rain.

Eleven times over the summer, the council sponsors arts events at the West Windsor Community Farmers' Market at the Princeton Junction train station. These events are opportunities for the public to learn about the many diverse cultures that are represented in West Windsor through the practice of arts.

For more information, please call (609) 919-1982 or visit [www.westwindsorarts.org](http://www.westwindsorarts.org).

## Senior Art Show Update

Mercer County Culture and Heritage is partnering with the Office on Aging to present the Mercer Senior Art Contest and Exhibition from August 17 through August 27 in the Robbinsville Senior Center at 1117 Route 130 in Robbinsville.

The show is open to any artist 60-years or older who resides in Mercer County. All submissions must be the original work of the applicant, created within the last three years and not previously entered in the Mercer Senior Art Show. Applicants may submit one piece of art in any of the following categories: acrylic, oil, pastel, watercolor, drawing, photography, including digital, prints and mixed media. One winner in each category will be submitted to the New Jersey Senior Citizen Art Show at Meadow Lakes from October 29 to 30.

Artwork must be delivered to the Robbinsville Senior Center on August 17 between 1:30 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. Artists are invited to meet the art show committee and enjoy light refreshments. Application and specifications will be available online at [www.mercercounty.org](http://www.mercercounty.org) or at senior centers and libraries or by calling (609) 989-6111.

Dear Friends,

Now that warmer weather has arrived, opportunities to explore and participate in new activities abound in Mercer County.

Each year, the County and its community partners strive to offer enhanced and more varied programs for residents of all tastes and ages. From summer camps for the arts for our young people to arts showcases for seniors to film screenings, this edition of the Culture & Heritage newsletter is packed with events from now through August.

In addition to finding a class, social event, or presentation that fits your interest, I also encourage you to visit the County's many parks, its golf courses and tennis courts, and other recreational facilities. Not only does an active lifestyle promote good health, it's a great way to see some of our fantastic outdoor scenery on a summer day.



Sincerely,  
Brian M. Hughes  
County Executive

## Student Film Festivals

Princeton Student Film & Video Festival is seeking original work under 20 minutes from filmmakers age 14 to 24. Selected films will be screened on July 22 and 23 in the Princeton Public Library at 65 Witherspoon Street. Filmmakers will introduce their films and provide post-screening Q&A. For more information, please call (609) 924-9529 ext. 247 or visit [www.princetonlibrary.org](http://www.princetonlibrary.org).

Trenton Film Society will host the *Not Quite Legal Film Festival* for New Jersey students ages 15 to 21. Films will be screened on June 13 and June 14 in the Mill Hill Playhouse at Montgomery and Front streets in Trenton. For more information, please call (609) 396-6966 or visit [www.trentonfilmfestival.org](http://www.trentonfilmfestival.org).

## Grant Workshop

The New Jersey Council for the Humanities will hold a free Grant Proposal Workshop for non-profit organizations in New Jersey interested in applying for grant funds to support public programs in the humanities. This workshop will provide an overview of NJCH grant guidelines, offer tips and tools for proposal preparation, and address common proposal questions.

The workshop will be held on June 19 from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at The Trenton City Museum at Ellarslie in Cadwalader Park off Parkside Avenue in Trenton. The workshop is free and open to the public. Space is limited. Please call (888) FYI-NJCH or email [rapgar@njch.org](mailto:rapgar@njch.org) to register.

## GoodSearch

Ken Ramberg wanted to give people at all income levels a tool for benefiting charity without spending a dime. GoodSearch, the Los Angeles-based company that he and his sister JJ founded, tries to do just that.

GoodSearch.com is an Internet search engine powered by Yahoo. A visitor to the site can both specify a charity and initiate a search. GoodSearch donates a penny to the charity for each search.

Since the company started in 2005, users have registered more than 68,000 non-profits and schools. According to Mr. Ramberg, GoodSearch adds 100 charities a day, drawn from users' request, after vetting them to make sure they are legitimate.

Charities pay nothing to participate. Revenues are generated from display ads. Yahoo and GoodSearch split these fees, and GoodSearch, in turn, donates half of what it receives.

Mr. Ramberg was already a successful entrepreneur after selling Jobtrak, a job listing and résumé database for college students company, to Monster.com in 2000.

A year ago, a sister site, GoodShop, was added. It donates half the commissions the company receives when it links visitors to online retailers.

Visitors to GoodSearch remain anonymous, and will get the same results as if the query had been initiated from Yahoo.com. There is also an option to get the GoodSearch toolbar or make GoodSearch your homepage.



# Calendar of EVENTS

The Mercer County Culture and Heritage Commission cannot be responsible for errors or omissions. Call ahead to confirm times and prices. For an expanded listing, visit [www.mercercounty.org/CH/nl.htm](http://www.mercercounty.org/CH/nl.htm). Deadline for spring issue, which covers September, October and November is July 10, 2009.

## Art Happenings

**Docent Tour**, weekends, 2 p.m., Princeton University Art Museum, Princeton campus. (609) 258-3788; [www.artmuseum.princeton.edu](http://www.artmuseum.princeton.edu). (wv)

**Neighborhood Portrait**, Sands Gallery, Paul Robeson Center for the Arts, 102 Witherspoon Street, Princeton. (609) 924-8777; [www.artscouncilofprinceton.org](http://www.artscouncilofprinceton.org). (wv)

**Richard Druckman photos**, June 1-20, Gold Medal Impressions, 43 Princeton Hightstown Road, West Windsor. (609) 606-9001; [www.goldmedalimpressions.com](http://www.goldmedalimpressions.com).

**Living in the Shadow, Bruce Wodder photos**, June 5-July 5, Gallery 14, 14 Mercer Street, Hopewell. Princeton Arts Council Children's exhibit in the Small Gallery. (609) 333-8511; [www.photosgallery14.com](http://www.photosgallery14.com).

**Student Thesis Exhibit**, thru June 6, Anne Reid Gallery, Princeton Day School, The Great Road, Princeton. Reception April 28, 5-7 p.m. (609) 924-6700; [www.pds.org](http://www.pds.org).

**Student Exhibit**, thru June 7, Gallery at Chapin School, 4101 Princeton Pike, Princeton. (609) 924-7206; [www.chapinschool.org](http://www.chapinschool.org). (wv)

**Ellarslie Open XXVII**, thru June 14, Ellarslie Mansion, Cadwalader Park off Parkside Avenue, Trenton. (609) 989-3632; [www.ellarslie.org](http://www.ellarslie.org). (wv)

**American Belleek, Cybis & Boehm Porcelain**, thru June 20, Ellarslie Mansion, Cadwalader Park off Parkside Avenue, Trenton. (609) 989-3632; [www.ellarslie.org](http://www.ellarslie.org). (wv)

**ArtAllNight**, June 20, 3 p.m.-June 21, 3 p.m., Museum of Contemporary Science and Millyard Park at Roebling Plaza, 675 South Clinton Avenue, Trenton. (609) 394-9436; [www.artworkstrenton.org](http://www.artworkstrenton.org). (wv)

**Made in Trenton**, June 20-Sept. 13, Ellarslie Mansion, Cadwalader Park off Parkside Avenue, Trenton. Reception June 27, 6-9 p.m. (609) 989-3632; [www.ellarslie.org](http://www.ellarslie.org). (wv)

**Fine Arts Show**, thru June 26, Straube Center, Route 31, Pennington. Mon-Fri 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Sat 12-4 p.m. (908) 319-8957; [www.straubecenter.com/art](http://www.straubecenter.com/art). (wv)

**Salon at Artworks**, thru June 27, Artworks 19 Everett Alley, Trenton. (609) 394-9436; [www.artworkstrenton.org](http://www.artworkstrenton.org). (wv)

**Terrace Project: Harry Gordon**, thru June 27, Michael Graves Terrace, Paul Robeson Center for the Arts, 102

Witherspoon Street, Princeton. (609) 924-8777; [www.Artscouncilofprinceton.org](http://www.Artscouncilofprinceton.org). (wv)

**Renee Kumar mixed media**, thru July 4, Queenstown Gallery, 24 West Broad Street, Hopewell. Reception May 16, 5:30 p.m. (609) 466-0817; [www.thequeenstowngallery.com](http://www.thequeenstowngallery.com). (wv)

**Hackensack Crossings, Jim Hilgendorf photos; Still Lives with Fruit, Martha Weintraub photos**, July 10-Aug. 7, Gallery 14, 14 Mercer Street, Hopewell. **The Second Line, Ed Greenblat photos** in the Small Gallery. (609) 333-8511; [www.photosgallery14.com](http://www.photosgallery14.com).

**Paul Faber aquatint etchings**, July 11-Sept. 7, Queenstown Gallery, 24 West Broad Street, Hopewell. Reception July 11, 5:30 p.m. (609) 466-0817; [www.thequeenstowngallery.com](http://www.thequeenstowngallery.com). (wv)

**INK - The Tattoo Show**, July 18-Aug. 29, Artworks, 19 Everett Alley, Trenton. Tattoo Fest, July 18, 2 p.m.-12 a.m. (609) 394-9436; [www.artworkstrenton.org](http://www.artworkstrenton.org). (wv)

**Member Show**, August, Arts Council of Princeton, 102 Witherspoon Street. (609) 924-8777; [www.artscouncilofprinceton.org](http://www.artscouncilofprinceton.org). (wv)

**Summer Show**, thru Aug. 8, Gallery 125, 125 South Warren Street, Trenton. (609) 989-9119; [www.gallery125.com](http://www.gallery125.com).

**Luster of Lenox**, thru Sept. 6, New Jersey State Museum, 205 West State Street, Trenton. (609) 292-6464; [www.newjerseystatemuseum.org](http://www.newjerseystatemuseum.org). (wv)

**Call for Entries, Current Exposures juried by Michael Dalton, MCCC**, deadline June 30, Gallery 125, 125 South Warren Street, Trenton. Exhibit Sept. 11-Nov. 7. (609) 989-9119; [www.gallery125.com](http://www.gallery125.com).

### MCCC Noncredit Courses

**Guitar with Chris Pear**, Sat, June 6-July 18, 10 a.m.-12:30 p.m. \$185.

**Acrylic Painting with Karen Smith**, June 5-July 17, 2-5 p.m. \$162.

**Painting with Larry Chestnut**, Thursdays, June 11-July 16, 7-9:30 p.m. \$135.

**Creating Greeting Cards with Roseann Cooper**, Aug. 8, 1-4 p.m. \$35.

**Digital Camera Basics with Kathleen Perroni**, Mon, June 1-15 & July 6-27, 6:30-9 p.m. \$105

**Enhancing Digital Photos with Kathleen Perroni**, Wed, Aug 5-26, 6:30-8:30 p.m. \$105

**Beginner Ballroom Dancing**, Fri, June 12-26, 6:30-7:25 p.m. \$60/couple

**Beginner Latin Dancing**, Fri, June 12-

26, 7:30-8:25 p.m. \$60/couple  
**Intermediate Ballroom Dancing**, Fri, June 12-26, 8:30-9:25 p.m. \$60/couple

*Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor. (609) 570-3311; [www.mccc.edu/ccs](http://www.mccc.edu/ccs)*

## Benefits

**American Songbook concert featuring Voices Chorale**, June 6, 8 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of Ewing, 100 Scotch Road, Ewing. Benefits First Presbyterian Church Sanctuary. \$10-\$18. (609) 637-9383; [www.VOICESchorale.org](http://www.VOICESchorale.org).

## Dance

**Flamenco**, first & third Wed, 8 p.m., Malaga Restaurant, 511 Lalor Street, Hamilton. \$10. Register (609) 396-8878; [www.malagarestaurant.com](http://www.malagarestaurant.com).

## Dancing

**Scottish Dancing**, Mon, 7:30 p.m., Meadow Lakes, Etra Road, Hightstown. \$3. (609) 584-9764; [www.rscds-nj.org](http://www.rscds-nj.org).

**American Ballroom Dance**, Wed, 7-9 p.m.; Fri, 8-11 p.m., 569 Klockner Road, Hamilton. \$10-\$15. (609) 931-0149; [www.americanballroomco.com](http://www.americanballroomco.com).

**Princeton Country Dancers, Contra**, Wed, 8-10:30 p.m.; 4th Sat, 8-11 p.m.; **English Country**, 2nd Sat, 8-11 p.m., Suzanne Patterson Center, Route 27 at 206, Princeton. \$4-\$7. (609) 924-6763; [www.princeton-countrydancers.org](http://www.princeton-countrydancers.org).

**Dance Party with DJ Nick Z**, Wed 9 p.m.-1 a.m., Erini Restaurant, 1140 River Road, West Trenton. (609) 882-0303; [www.erinirestaurant.com](http://www.erinirestaurant.com)

**Black Cat Tango: Argentine Tango**, Thu 8-9 p.m., intermediate; 9-10 p.m. beginner; 10 p.m.-12 a.m., practice, Suzanne B. Paterson Center, 45 Stockton Street, Princeton. \$10. (609) 273-1378; [www.TheBlackCatTango.com](http://www.TheBlackCatTango.com).

**Salsa Dance Lessons with Jose (Papo) Diaz**, June 2, 9, 7 p.m., International Arts Collaborative, Arts Council of Princeton, 102 Witherspoon Street. \$20. (609) 333-0266; [www.iartsc.org](http://www.iartsc.org).

**Dance Improv**, June 12, 8 p.m., All Saints Church, 16 All Saints Road, Princeton. \$15. (609) 924-3767; [www.danceimprov.com](http://www.danceimprov.com).

## Film

**Trenton Film Society Student Film Festival**, June 13-14, Mill Hill

Playhouse, Front & Montgomery streets, Trenton. (609) 396-6966; [www.trentonfilmfestival.org](http://www.trentonfilmfestival.org).

**Classic Movies**, second Sun, 2 p.m., **Foreign Films**, second Thur, 7 p.m., Mercer County Library, Darrah Lane, Lawrenceville. (609) 989-6922; [www.mcl.org](http://www.mcl.org). (wv)

**Student Film/Video Festival**, entry deadline June 15, festival, July 22 & 23, Princeton Library, 65 Witherspoon Street. (609) 924-9529; [www.princetonlibrary.org/teens/media/index.html](http://www.princetonlibrary.org/teens/media/index.html).

**Grounds for Sculpture Anniversary Arts Party**, June 6, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Artists-in-the-Park**, June 6, 11 a.m., 1 p.m., 2 p.m.

**3 The Hard Way**, June 12, 7:30 p.m. \$10-\$12.

**Gallery Talk: Steve Madsen, wood sculptor**, June 20, 2 p.m.

**Tots on Tour with Joslyn Johnson**, June 20, 11 a.m. and 1 p.m.

**Poet's Invitational**, June 21, 2 p.m.

**The MIXXTAPE**, June 26, 7:30 p.m. \$10-\$12.

**Tots on Tour with Joslyn Johnson**, July 18, 11 a.m. & 1 p.m.

**The Alice Project**, July 24, 7:30 p.m. \$10-\$12.

**Summer Social**, Aug. 1, 11a.m.-4 p.m.

**The VooDUDES**, Aug. 7, 7:30 p.m. \$10-\$12.

**9 muses featuring Music & Motion Dance Productions**, Aug. 9, 1-4 p.m.

**Tots on Tour with Joslyn Johnson**, Aug. 15, 11 a.m. & 1 p.m.

**Alfred James Band**, Aug. 21, 7:30 p.m. \$10-\$12.

**Poet's Invitational**, Aug. 23, 2 p.m.

*Grounds for Sculpture, 18 Fairgrounds Road, Hamilton. (609) 584-7800; [www.groundsfor Sculpture.org](http://www.groundsfor Sculpture.org).*

## Holiday/Heritage

**Trenton Heritage Day Festival**, June 6, noon-8 p.m., NJ State Complex, West State Street between Calhoun & Willow streets, Trenton. (609) 815-2167.

**Flag Day Ceremony**, June 15, noon, Princeton Township Hall, 400 Witherspoon Street. [mark.freda@verizon.net](mailto:mark.freda@verizon.net); [www.spiritofprinceton.org](http://www.spiritofprinceton.org).

**Independence Day Fireworks**, July 2, 9 p.m., Princeton University Stadium, Faculty & Fitzrandolph roads. Fields open, 7 p.m. [www.spiritofprinceton.org](http://www.spiritofprinceton.org).

**Concert**, July 4, 7 p.m.; **Fireworks**, 9:40 p.m., Rider University, 2083 Lawrenceville Road.

## German American Club

**Summer Dance with Rick Koreyva**, June 20, dinner 6-8:30 p.m.; dancing 8 p.m. \$9. Register (856) 764-3106  
**Euro-American Car Show**, July 11, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Raindate July 12.

**American Oldies Dance with DJ Brett Gash**, July 11, dinner 6-8:30 p.m.; dancing 8 p.m. \$9.

**Hawaiian Beach Party Dance with Bud & Linda Gramer**, July 18, dinner 6-8:30 p.m.; dancing 8 p.m. \$9.

**Dance with The Denny O Trio**, Aug. 15, dinner 6-8:30 p.m.; dancing 8 p.m. \$9.

*German-American Club, 215 Uncle Pete's Road, Yardville. (609) 585-5200; www.gak.org.*

## History Activities

**John Abbott House**, weekends noon-5 p.m., 2200 Kuser Road, Hamilton. (609) 585-1686.

**Brearley House**, first Sat, 10 a.m.-noon, Meadow Lane, Lawrenceville. Lawrence Historical Society. (609) 895-1728; www.thelhs.org. (wv)

**Civil War/Native American Museum**, second & third weekends, 1-4 p.m., Camp Olden, 2202 Kuser Road, Hamilton. (609) 585-8900; www.campolden.org.

**Drumthwacket**, Wed, 11 a.m.-2 p.m., 354 Stockton Street, Princeton. \$5. Register (609) 683-0057; www.drumthwacket.org.

**Ely House Library**, Tues, 7-9 p.m., 164 North Main Street, Hightstown. (609) 799-8598; www.hewhs.org.

**Princeton Doll & Toy Museum**, 8 Somerset Street, Hopewell. (609) 333-8600; www.princetondollandtoy.org.

**State House**, Mon-Fri, 10 a.m.-3 p.m., Sat, noon-3 p.m., 125 West State Street, Trenton. (609) 633-2709; www.njleg.state.nj.us. (wv)

**Benjamin Temple House Library**, Wed, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Drake Farm Park, 27 Federal City Road @ Violet Cox Drive, Ewing. (609) 883-2455; www.ethps.org.

**Schenck House**, second Sun, 1-4 p.m.; Women's Crafts, thru June, West Windsor Historical Society, 50 Southfield Road. (609) 799-1278.

**Tour and Tea**, Wed, 11:15 a.m.-2:15 p.m., Morven Museum, 55 Stockton Street, Princeton. \$15. Register (609) 924-8144; www.morven.org. (wv)

**Camden & Amboy Railroad History Group meeting**, June 5, 7:30 p.m., Hightstown Freight Station, 164 North Main Street. www.trainweb.org/camdenandamboyrhistoricalgroup.

**Port Mercer Canal House Garden Party**, June 14, 2 p.m., 4378 Quakerbridge Road, Lawrence. (609) 896-0782; www.thelhs.org.

**Hamilton Philatelic Society**, June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, 7 p.m., Hamilton

Library, Justice Samuel A. Alito Jr. Way, Hamilton. (609) 890-8211; www.hamilton.home.att.net. (wv)

**18th Century Colonial Clothing Sewing Workshops, Shift Part I, Measurements & Fitting**, June 20; **Shift Part II, Construction**, July 11, 11 a.m.-3 p.m. \$25+material. (609) 396-1776; www.barracks.org.

**Victorian Tea Party**, June 25, 4-6:30 p.m.; House tours House Tours, 10 a.m.-6:30 p.m.; Port Mercer Canal House, 4378 Quakerbridge Road, Lawrence. (609) 896-0782; www.thelhs.org.

**History Day Camp**, Session 1: July 13-17; Session 2: July 20-24, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., Old Barracks Museum, 101 Barracks Street, Trenton. Ages 9-12. \$155-\$215. (609) 396-1776; www.barracks.org.

**Hiroshima-Nagasaki Remembrance** Aug. 6. (609) 924-5022; www.peacecoalition.org.

**Princeton Historical Society Solstice Party**, June 21, 1-3 p.m., Udiike Farmstead. \$4-\$6. Register.

**Stand Up, Speak Out: Princeton's Citizens Find Their Voice**, thru July 5, Bainbridge House. Docent Tour June 6.

**Hunger Pains: Feeding People in Central New Jersey**, July 21-Aug. 16

**Art Workshop with landscape painter, Brett Weaver**, June 23-24; 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Udiike Farmstead. \$225-\$250.

**Stroller Strides Walking Tour of Princeton**, June 3, July 1, Aug. 5, 10-11 a.m. \$5-\$7.

*Historical Society of Princeton, Bainbridge House, 158 Nassau Street. Udiike Farmstead, 354 Quaker Road, Princeton. (609) 921-6748; www.princetonhistory.org.*

## Howell Farm

**Dairy Day**, June 6

**Blacksmithing**, June 13

**Hog Sopping/Weighing**, June 20

**Oldtime Baseball**, June 27

**Visit to Franklyn Wooden Poultry Farm**, June 28, noon-4 p.m.

**Ice Cream Party**, July 4

**Wheat Harvest**, July 11

**Hayrides**, July 18, 25, 5-8 p.m.

**Mercer County 4-H Fair**, Aug. 1

**Mercer County 4-H Fair**, History Day Tours & Photo Exhibit, Aug. 2, noon-4 p.m.

**Honey Harvest**, Aug. 8

**Summer Barn Dance**, 7:30 p.m., Aug. 14

**Pleasant Valley Wagon Tours**, Aug. 15

**Potato Harvest**, Aug. 22

**Fiddlin' on the Farm**, Aug. 29

*Howell Farm is a Mercer County Park System facility, Valley Road, Titusville. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. \*Wheelchair accessible hayride available by calling (609) 737-3299; www.howellfarm.org.*

## Literary Events

**Neil White, author, In the Sanctuary of Outcasts**, June 1. 6 p.m., Labyrinth Books, 122 Nassau Street, Princeton. (609) 497-1600.

**Scrabble**, Fridays, 6:30 p.m.-12 a.m., Classics Used and Rare Books, 117 South Warren Street, Trenton. (609) 394-8400.

## Barnes & Noble

**Paula Span, author, When the Time Comes**, June 11, 7:30 p.m.

**Rachel Simon, author, Building A Home with my Husband**, June 15, 7:30 p.m.

**Robert Wright, author, The Evolution of God**, June 17, 7:30 p.m.

**David Kushner, author, Levittown: Two Families, One Tycoon and the Fight for the Civil Rights in America's Legendary Suburb**, June 22, 7 p.m.

**Lenore Look, author, Alvin Ho: Allergic to Girls, School and Other Scary Things**, July 11, 3 p.m.

*Barnes & Noble, MarketFair Mall, 3535 US Route 1 South, West Windsor. (609) 716-1570; www.bn.com.*

## Mercer County Library

**Summer Reading Program: Be Creative @ Your Library, Express Yourself @ Your Library** for teens, June 22-Aug. 7. Check local branch www.mcl.org.

### Ewing Branch

**Professional actors read Mark Twain**, June 9, 6:30 p.m.

**Mark Falzini, archivist of the NJ State Police Museum, author, Their Fifteen Minutes: Biographical Sketches of the Lindbergh Case**, July 21, 7 p.m.

*Ewing Branch, 61 Scotch Road. (609) 882-3148; www.mcl.org.*

### Twin Rivers

**Book sale**, July 12, 11 a.m.-4 p.m.  
**Citizenship Seminar**, June 27, 1:30 p.m. Latin American Legal Defense and Education Fund sponsor.

*Twin Rivers Library, 276 Abbington Drive, East Windsor. (609) 443-1880; www.mcl.org.*

## Musical Performances

**Hopewell Valley Chorus sings National Anthem**, June 18, 7:05 p.m., Waterfront Stadium, Route 129, Trenton (609) 737-3177; www.princetonol.com/groups/hvchorus. (wv)

**Lawrence Community Band**, Thursdays, 7:30 p.m., Senior Center, Darrah Lane. (609) 883-8141. (wv)

**Jersey Harmony Chorus Rehearsal**, Mondays, 7:15 p.m., 5000 Windrows Drive, Plainsboro, (732) 469-3983; www.harmonize.com/jerseyharmony. (wv)

**Taione Martinez, organist**, June 5, 12:15 p.m., First Presbyterian Church of Trenton, 120 East State Street, Trenton. (609) 396-1712; www.old1712.org. (wv)

**A Musical Milestone**, June 6, 2 p.m. & 8 p.m., Yvonne Theater, Rider University, 2083 Lawrenceville Road. \$10-\$20. (732) 251-2326; www.princetonogardenstatesmen.com.

**American Songbook featuring Voices Chorale**, June 5, 8 p.m., Pennington Presbyterian Church, 13 South Main Street. \$10-\$18. (609) 637-9383; www.voiceschorale.org. (wv)

**Musicale Series featuring Paul Zeigler, piano**, June 7, 3 p.m., Steinway Musical Society, Jacobs Music, 2540 Brunswick Pike, Lawrenceville. \$18. (609) 434-0222; www.princetonol.com/groups/steinway.

**American Boychoir Graduation and Concert**, June 14, 3 p.m., Princeton University Chapel, off Washington Road. (609) 924-5858; www.americanboychoir.org. (wv)

**Voices sing Faure Requiem and Cantique de Jean Racine**, Aug. 6, 7:30 p.m., Music Together Community Room, 225 Pennington-Hopewell Road, Hopewell. \$5. (609) 637-9383; www.voiceschorale.org. (wv)

**Rochelle Ellis, soprano**, June 7, 3 p.m., Ellarslie Mansion, Cadwalader Park, Parkside Avenue, Trenton. \$20. (609) 989-3632; www.ellarslie.org.

**SiriOm Singh & Anahat**, June 12, 8-10 p.m., Ellarslie Mansion, Cadwalader Park, Parkside Avenue, Trenton. (609) 989-3632; www.ellarslie.org. (wv)

## Pop Music

**Cafe Improv**, fourth Sat 9 p.m.-12 a.m., Arts Council of Princeton, 102 Witherspoon Street. \$2. Register to perform (609) 924-8777; www.cafeimprov.com. (wv)

**Open Mic**, June 5, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Chicklet Bookstore, Princeton Shopping Center, 301 North Harrison Street. Register (908) 963-0142; www.chickletbooks.com. (wv)

**Barbara Cook**, June 6, 8:30 p.m., McCarter Theater, 91 University Place, Princeton. \$47-\$50. (609) 258-2787; www.mccarter.org. (wv)

**Rain**, June 9-10, 8 p.m., McCarter Theater, 91 University Place, Princeton. \$47-\$55. (609) 258-2787; www.mccarter.org. (wv)

**A Collection of Favorites featuring NJ Gay Men's Chorus**, June 12, 8 p.m., Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Princeton, 50 Cherry Hill Road, Princeton. \$15-\$25. (609) 396-7774; www.njgmc.org. (wvp)

**63rd Army Band Concert**, June 28, 7 p.m., Alliger Park, 203 Washington Crossing- Pennington Road, Hopewell. Followed by fireworks. (609) 737-3753; www.hopewelltp.org.

## Folk Jazz Blues

**Steve Earle**, June 4, 8 p.m., McCarter Theater, 91 University Place, Princeton. \$25-\$30. (609) 258-2787;

www.mccarter.org. (wv)

**Gentle Jazz with Al Oliver, sax and vocals; and Gerry Groves, flute,** June 4, 18, 7:30-9:30 p.m., Cafe 72, 72 West Upper Ferry Road, West Trenton. (609) 882-0087; www.cafe72nj.com.

**Music Camps: American Boychoir Experience,** boys, ages 8-12, June 28-July 3, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.; **Camp Albemarle,** coed, ages 7-14, Session 1, July 5-18; Session 2, July 19-Aug. 1, 8:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., 19 Lambert Drive, Princeton. (609) 924-5858; www.americanboychoir.org. (wv)

### OperaNewJersey

**Preview Concert,** June 21, 3 p.m., Princeton Public Library, 65 Witherspoon Street.

**Musical Theater Concert,** June 26, 7 p.m.; June 27, 2 p.m., Palmer Square, Nassau Street, Princeton.

**Donizetti's Lucia di Lammermoor,** July 10, 18, 8 p.m.; July 26, 2 p.m., McCarter Theatre. \$35 - \$110.

**Mozart's Abduction from the Seraglio,** July 11, 24, 8 p.m., July 16, 7:30 p.m., July 19, 2 p.m., McCarter Theatre. \$59-\$90.

**Gilbert & Sullivan's The Mikado,** July 12, 2 p.m.; July 17, 25, 8 p.m., McCarter Theatre. \$35 - \$110.

**Opera Scenes: Program 1,** July 14, 7:30 p.m.; Program 2, July 21, 7:30 p.m., McCarter Theatre. \$25.

**Opera Read-through: Michael Ching's Midsummer Night's Dream,** July 15, 2 p.m., McCarter Theatre.

**Cone Creations featuring New Jersey Symphony Orchestra,** July 18, 2 p.m., McCarter Theatre. \$25.

*OperaNJ, McCarter Theatre, 91 University Place, Princeton. (609) 799-7700, www.Opera-NJ.org.*

### Princeton Festival

**The Fantasticks, music theater,** June 13, 19, 24, 26, 27, 8 p.m.; June 21, 2 p.m., Matthews Acting Studio, 185 Nassau Street, Princeton. \$35.

**A Midsummer Night's Dream, opera,** June 20, 8 p.m.; June 28, 3 p.m., McCarter Matthews Theatre, 91 University Place, Princeton. \$30-\$110.

**Concordia Chamber Players,** June 21, 4 p.m., Taplin Auditorium, Fine Hall, Princeton University campus. \$30.

**Young Musicians Piano Competition Finals,** June 25, 8 p.m., Taplin Auditorium. \$20.

**Durufle Requiem concert,** June 27, 8 p.m., Princeton University Chapel, off Washington Road. \$30.

**Bennie Wallace Jazz,** June 14, 4 p.m., Clark Music Center, Lawrenceville School, Main Street. \$45.

**Musical Preview,** June 4, 7:30 p.m., Princeton Library, 65 Witherspoon Street.

**Lecture: "A Midsummer Night's Dream with Timothy Urban,** June

16, 7:30 p.m., Princeton Library. **Film: A Midsummer Night's Sex Comedy directed by Woody Allen,** June 23, 7 p.m., Princeton Library. Princeton Festival. (609) 537-0071; www.princetonfestival.org.

### PU Summer Concerts

**Trio con Brio Copenhagen,** June 18. **The Cypress Quartet,** June 25.

**St. Petersburg Quartet with clarinetist,** July 13.

**Afiara String Quartet,** July 20.

*Princeton University Summer Concerts, Richardson Auditorium, Alexander Hall, Princeton University campus. Concerts begin 8 p.m. (609) 570-8404; www.pusummer-chamberconcerts.org. (wv)*

### Outdoor Activities

**Canoe the Canal Day,** June 14, 1-4 p.m., Cherry Tree Lane to Port Mercer Canal House, Quaker Road, Lawrence. Canoe Rental \$30. (609) 844-7067; www.lawrencectwp.com.

**Family Movie, Cars,** Aug. 1, 7 p.m., Etra Lake Park, Disbrow Hill Road. East Windsor Township Recreation Department. (609) 443-4000; www.east-windsor.nj.us.

**Wednesdays on Warren,** 11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m., thru June 24., Warren Street, Trenton. (609) 393.8998; www.trenton-downtown.com.

**Farmer's Market,** Sun June-Nov. 9 a.m.-1 p.m., 16 Gordon Avenue, Lawrenceville. (609) 219-9300; www.lawrencevillemainstreet.com.

**Robbinsville Community Festival,** June 13, 2 p.m., Community Park, West Manor Way & Gordon Road. Raindate June 14. **The Benjamins,** 7 p.m. (609) 918-0002 Ext. 120; www.robbinsville-twp.org.

**West Windsor Farmers Market,** Sat 9 a.m.-1 p.m., Vaughn Drive Parking Lot, West Windsor Train Station. (609) 577-5113; www.westwindsor-farmersmarket.org.

**Freedom Festival,** June 27, 3 -11 p.m., Mercer County Park, Hughes Drive or Old Trenton Road, West Windsor. (609) 448-7107; www.mercercounty.org. (wv)

### Buttinger Nature Center

**Butterfly House,** June 20, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. **Exploring the Night: Firefly Parade with Jeff Hoagland,** June 24, 8:30 p.m. \$8-\$12.

**Insect Study with Jeff Hoagland,** June 27, 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Boy Scouts ages 11 & up. \$15.

**Kindercamp,** June 30-July 2, Tue-Thur, 9:30 a.m.-12 p.m. For kindergarten grads. \$75.

**Summer Camp,** July 6-Aug. 14, grades 1-9.

**Butterfly House Tours,** Mon, June 22-Aug. 17, 10-11 a.m.

**Magic and Mapmaking Mini Camp,** Aug. 19-21, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Grades

2-5. \$150.

*Buttinger Nature Center, Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association, 31 Titus Mill Road, Pennington (609) 737-7592; www.thewatershed.org.*

### Outdoor Concerts

**Concerts On The Landing,** Tue June-Aug., noon-2 p.m., Trenton War Memorial, Memorial Drive. (609) 984-8400; www.thewarmemorial.com.

**Carnegie Center Concert Series,** Tue & Thur, June-Aug., noon, Greenway Amphitheater, 202 Carnegie Center, West Windsor. (609) 452-1444.

**Summer Concerts,** Thur, June 18-Aug 27, 6-8 p.m., Princeton Shopping Center, 301 North Harrison Street. Arts Council of Princeton sponsor. (609) 921-6234; www.princeton-shoppingcenter.com. (wv)

**Lawrenceville Music in the Park,** June 25; July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30; Aug. 6, 7 p.m., Weeden Park, Main Street. (609) 219-9300; www.lawrenceville-mainstreet.com.

**Concerts in the Park,** June 26, July 10 & 24, Aug. 7 & 21, 7:30-10 p.m., Gazebo Park, Columbia Avenue, Hopewell. (609) 737-3753; www.hopewelltpw.org.

**Blawenburg Band,** July 6 & 20, Aug. 3, 7:30 p.m., Gazebo Park, Columbia Avenue, Hopewell. (609) 737-3753; www.hopewelltpw.org.

### Bandstand by the Lake

**Ridgemont High,** 1980's tribute, July 7. **Acoustaholics,** classic rock, July 14.

**Corner View,** blues, July 21.

**Rhythm 'n Balloons,** for kids, July 28.

*Robbinsville, Town Center, Lake Drive. Concerts begin 7 p.m. (609) 918-0002 Ext. 120; www.robbinsville-twp.org.*

### Celebrate Americana

**Swingadelic,** June 13.

**Monday Blues,** June 27.

**School of Rock,** July 11.

**Sandy Zio,** Aug. 8.

*West Windsor Arts Council Concerts begin 6 p.m., Nassau Park Pavilion, Route 1, behind Panera. (609) 915-1982; www.westwindsorarts.org.*

### Etra Lake Park

**Blue Smoke Band: Elvis Trilogy,** July 19, 6 p.m. Raindate Aug. 23.

**Neil and the Diamonds,** Aug. 9, 6 p.m. Raindate August 1.

*East Windsor Township Recreation Department, Etra Lake Park, Disbrow Hill Road. (609) 443-4000; www.east-windsor.nj.us.*

### Mercer Music in the Parks

**2U,** June 20, 5-8 p.m., Mercer County Park, Marina, W. Windsor.

**Verdict,** June 25, 5-8 p.m., South River Walk, Rte. 129, Trenton.

**Arturo Romay,** July 9, noon-2 p.m., Mill Yard Park, Trenton.

**Party Dolls,** July 11, 5-8 p.m., Mercer County Park, Marina, W. Windsor.

**Jimmy & the Parrots,** July 16, 5-8 p.m., South River Walk Park.

**British Invasion,** July 25, 6-9 p.m., Rosedale Park, Pennington.

**Wynonah Brooks,** July 30, noon-2 p.m., Mill Yard Park, Trenton.

**Ernie White,** August 1, 6-9 p.m., Mercer County Park, W. Windsor.

*Mercer County Park Commission. (609) 448-7107; www.mercer-county.org.*

### Theatre

**Summer Theater Camp** for ages 12-15. **Green Apple Theater Camp** ages 8-11, July 6-Aug. 1, 8:30 a.m.-3:30; Peddie School, Swig Arts Center, Ward Avenue, Hightstown. STC-\$525/GAT-\$315. (609) 490-7550; www.peddie.org. (wv)

**Hopewell Valley Children's Theater, Junior Program: Willie Wonka,** July 31, 7 p.m., Aug. 1, 2 p.m.; **Senior Program: Cinderella,** July 31, 2 p.m., August 1, 7 p.m., Hopewell Valley High School, 259 Pennington Titusville Road, Pennington. (609) 649-3042; www.hvct.org. (wv)

**Underneath the Lintel,** June 11-13, 8 p.m., Robert L. Solley Theater, Paul Robeson Center for the Arts, 102 Witherspoon Street, Princeton. (609) 924-8777; www.artscouncilofprinceton.org.

**The Brother/Sister Plays Part 1: In the Red and Brown Water,** thru June 21, Tue-Thu 7:30 p.m.; Fri 8 p.m.; Sat 3 p.m. & 8 p.m.; Sun 2 p.m. & 7:30 p.m., McCarter Theater, 91 University Place, Princeton. **The Brother/Sister Plays Part 2: The Brothers Size & Marcus; or the Secret of Sweet,** Berlind Theater \$43-\$49. (609) 258-2787; www.mccarter.org. (wv)

### Off-Broadstreet Theater

**TBA Musical,** June 5-July 11.

**There Goes the Bride,** July 24-Aug. 29.

**Rumpelstiltskin,** June 12, 10 a.m.; June 13, 10:30 a.m. & 1 p.m. Ages 2 1/2-7. \$4.

*Off-Broadstreet Theater, 5 South Greenwood Avenue, Hopewell. Fri-Sat 7 p.m.; Sun 1:30 p.m. \$28-\$30. (609) 466-2766; www.off-broadstreet.com.*

### Kelsey Theater

**Sweeney Todd,** June 7, 2 p.m.

**Musical of Musicals: The Musical,** Aug. 14-22, Fri-Sat 8 p.m., Sun 2 p.m.

**The Most Fabulous Story Ever Told,** June 19-20, 8 p.m., June 21, 2 p.m. Benefits The Open Arms Foundation.

**Assassins,** July 24-25, 31, Aug. 1, 8 p.m.; July 26 & Aug. 2, 2 p.m.

*Kelsey Theatre, Mercer County Community College, 1200 Old Trenton Road, West Windsor. \$12-\$25. (609) 570-3333; www.kelseytheatre.net. (wv)*

## The Origin of Place Names

In 1938, under the supervision of Viola L. Hutchinson, the New Jersey Writers' Project (NJWP) compiled, for reference purposes, a catalog of current and extinct names of towns and locales throughout New Jersey. Research was conducted through state and local histories, recorded and unrecorded folklore and personal interviews with local officials and history-minded residents.

The NJWP was the state-funded part of the the Federal Writers' Project (FWP) that was established by the Works Progress Administration under President Franklin Delano Roosevelt's New Deal struggle against the Great Depression.

Through the sponsorship of the New Jersey Library Commission, the NJWP assembled a list of 930 names throughout New Jersey. This information was distributed to libraries as source material to stimulate further research into New Jersey's background. The following locales in Mercer County were included:

Assunpink—Assun, stone; pe, water; ink, place—Lenape Indians

Bear Tavern—Colonial tavern

Crosswicks—Crossweeksung, house of separation, where girls were placed at maturity—Lenape Indians

Dutch Neck—Dutch settlers from Long Island

East Windsor—Windsor, England

Edinburgh—Edinburgh, Scotland

Ewing—Charles Ewing, NJ Chief Justice

Federal City—Proposal to locate Federal Capital there

Hamilton—Alexander Hamilton

Hart's Corner—Hart family

Hightstown—John Hight, settler

Hopewell—*The Hopewell*, which brought settlers

Jugtown—Products of Horner Pottery

Kingston—King William III

Lawrence—Capt. James Lawrence, "Don't give up the ship."

Mercer County and Mercerville—General Hugh Mercer, Revolutionary War

Mount Rose—Resident's roses

Pennington—Corruption of Pennytown, for its size

Penn's Neck—William Penn

Port Mercer—Mercer County

Princessville—Princess Anne, later Queen

Princeton—King William III, Prince of Orange and Nassau

Quaker Bridge—Bridge built by Quakers

Robbinsville—George R. Robbins, resident  
Sanhickan—Assan, stone; Hickan, implement

Shabakunk—Shabigaki, shore land—Lenape Indians

Shipetaukin—Sipunk, into the river; tuck, creek

Trenton—William Trent, landowner

Washington (renamed Robbinsville)—President George Washington

Washington Crossing—General Washington's crossing of the Delaware River

White Horse—Tavern

Yardville—John Yard, first Postmaster

## Mercer County History Regrant Program

Through a partnership between the New Jersey Historical Commission/Department of State and Mercer County Cultural and Heritage Commission, the Mercer County Division of Culture and Heritage administers a History Regrant Program. Grant funds are available to assist Mercer County-based non-profit organizations, particularly historic sites and historical organizations, libraries, schools, and local government entities to provide public history programs and information with a focus on Mercer County and/or its communities.

Funds are available in either of two categories: General Operating (GOS) and Special Projects (SP) grants. GOS grants are available only to non-profit historical sites and groups. SP funds are available to any county-based, non-profit organization, local government entity, school or library that offers public local history programming.

FY10 History Regrant Program guidelines and application can be downloaded at [www.nj.gov/counties/mercercounty/commissions/cultural/historyprogram.html](http://www.nj.gov/counties/mercercounty/commissions/cultural/historyprogram.html). A printed copy of the guidelines and application may be obtained by calling the division office at (609) 278-2712.

Deadline for submission of FY10 History Regrant applications is June 26 in the division office. The Culture and Heritage office is open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For more information, please contact Tricia Fagan at (609) 989-6418, by email at [tfagan@mercercounty.org](mailto:tfagan@mercercounty.org), or visit [www.mercercounty.org](http://www.mercercounty.org).

## *A Place in Time* Hopewell Museum

The Hopewell Museum was incorporated in 1922 as the Hopewell Free Public Library and Museum Funding and Building Association. It was formed to raise funds for a building to house a collection of antiques offered to the community by Miss Sarah D. Stout. This collection became the nucleus of the present museum which bears the much simpler name of The Hopewell Museum.

Originally the museum and public library were housed in a large, brownstone structure that was built by Randolph Stout in 1877. In 1965, the library moved to its present location and in 1967, a two-story addition was built onto the museum building through the generosity of Dr. David H. Hill. The additional space enabled the museum to display its many fine collections to greater advantage as well as house Dr. Hill's superb collection of South-

western Native American crafts.

The aim of the museum is to display and preserve what is most typical and interesting of American village life from colonial days to the present. Most of its treasures were donated by residents of the community and surrounding area with many of the items having been used by ancestors of the donors. In 1998, more than 500 children from area schools visited the museum on class trips while studying their town and region. The museum also houses many books in the genealogical collection.

Photographs, maps, quilts, furniture, costumes, tools, utensils, toys, signs, weapons, deeds, charters and many other items relating to the history of this quiet, industrious community and its people are presented in revue.

The museum is staffed by two curators



who are present on Monday, Wednesday and Saturday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free and rotating exhibits make repeat visits worthwhile.

The Hopewell Museum is located at 28 East Broad Street in Hopewell Borough. For more information, please call (609) 466-0103.



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