



Old Schwamb Mill

Winter/Spring 2020 Events

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For more information about any of these programs, please contact Edward Gordon, Director of Museum Programs, by telephone at 781-643-0554 on Tuesdays or Saturdays (you may also leave a message) or via e-mail to info@oldschwambmill.org. Visit us online at www.oldschwambmill.org. The Mill is open to visitors for tours every Tuesday and Saturday from 10 am to 4 pm. Admission is free, with \$5 donation requested.

JANUARY



Saturday, January 25, 1:00 pm Opening Reception

SHE DID IT: WOMEN SAVING HISTORY

This year, the Mill will celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the formation of the Old Schwamb Mill Preservation Trust, established by a committee led by visionary founder Patricia C. Fitzmaurice. In 1969, Patricia Fitzmaurice rallied backers to purchase a derelict mill building due for demolition. Today, Arlington's Old Schwamb Mill is a vibrant living history museum that serves as a center of craftsmanship, industrial history, and the arts. Join us as we celebrate the 50th year of the Old Schwamb Mill, the realization of visionary founder Patricia Fitzmaurice's dream, as well as the accomplishments of other women preservationists. The exhibit will run through June 6. Free, with \$5.00 suggested donation.

FEBRUARY

Saturday, February 22, 1:30-3:00 pm

THE GREAT CHOCOLATE TRAIN WRECK MYSTERY.

At this school vacation week program for children for children aged 4 to 9 years, participants will enjoy an electric train running around its tracks, hearing an original train story based on the true story of how a train in Hamilton, New York tipped over one night and spilled bundles of chocolates in the area! The program with educator Peggy Fenner will include songs, stories and creative activities. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Refreshments will be served. Admission: \$15 per family. Register by calling 781-643-0554 or emailing edwardwgordon@aol.com.

MARCH



March 2 - April 30, 2020

A BROOK RUNS THROUGH IT: ARLINGTON'S MILL BROOK LEGACY

Selections from the popular exhibit "*A Brook Runs Through It: Arlington's Mill Brook Legacy*" will be on display at the Arlington Town Hall gallery located

on the second floor of Arlington's Town Hall, 730 Massachusetts Avenue.

The exhibit looks as efforts over the past 100 years to protect and restore the Mill Brook corridor as an ecologically healthy linear park linking public open spaces with the parallel transportation routes of the Minuteman Bikeway, Massachusetts Avenue, and Summer Street.

Saturday, March 28, 11:00 am to 4:30 pm

ANNUAL SPRING OPEN HOUSE & CELTIC CONCERT

The Mill's Annual Spring Open House will feature continuous tours of the Mill from 11 am to 1:45 pm, Live Music featuring The Celtic songs of Matt and Shannon Heaton at 2 pm, and a viewing and reception for the "She Did It: Women Saving History" exhibit at 3:30 pm. All ages welcome. Free, with \$5.00 suggested donation.

APRIL

Coming in April:

ANNUAL SPRING WALKING TOUR with Walking in Arlington. Date to be announced.



Saturday, April 25, 1:30 to 3:00 pm

CHILDREN'S PUPPET PROGRAM WITH MARGARET MOODY PUPPETS OF ARLINGTON

School vacation week puppet show! Margaret Moody Puppets of Arlington will perform a lively hand puppet show followed by some hands-on puppet play. Ages 4 to 9. Children must be accompanied by an adult family member. Refreshments will be served. Admission: \$15 per family.

MAY



NATIONAL PRESERVATION MONTH & FREEDOM'S WAY HIDDEN TREASURES PROGRAM AT THE MILL

May is dedicated to National Preservation Month. Also known as Historic Preservation Month, the month celebrates the nation's heritage through historic places. The Mill will present a program affiliated with the Hidden Treasures program, a regional celebration by Freedom's Way National Heritage Area, affiliated with the National Park Service. Date and details to come.

JUNE

Coming in June:

ARLINGTON'S PORCHFEST. Date to be announced.



Saturday, June 6, 2 PM

LECTURE: ARLINGTON IN THE 1970S & CLOSING RECEPTION FOR "SHE DID IT: WOMEN SAVING HISTORY"

Noted Arlington historian Richard Duffy will present this talk, highlighting what life was like in Arlington fifty years ago. At the Arlington Town Hall Gallery. Free, with \$5.00 suggested donation.

Saturday, June 20, 2:30-4:30

OPENING RECEPTION OF THE SUMMER PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBIT

Still life and landscape photographs of Brian Maguire: "In the Spirit of Holland's Golden Age." Free, with \$5.00 suggested donation.

The Old Schwamb Mill, located in Arlington, Massachusetts, is the oldest continuously operating mill site in the United States. The Mill currently produces museum-quality, hand-turned wooden oval and circular frames, created much as they were in 1864. Named to the National Register of Historic Places in 1971, the mill-museum is operated by the Schwamb Mill Preservation Trust a nonprofit and educational trust that maintains the mill's traditions.