Dear Friends,

This fall is packed with exciting programs!

On behalf of the board and staff, I am delighted to invite you to a very special event featuring Colin Jost and Michael Che in a comedy show to benefit the Staten Island Museum on Thursday, September 19, 2019 at 8pm at the historic St. George Theatre! Well-known as the Saturday Night Live: Weekend Update co-anchors, Colin Jost and Michael Che will be hitting the stage with invited friends for a night of laughs with all of the proceeds supporting the Museum, thanks to their generosity. Get your tickets today! (See next page for details.)

Staten Island's own Wu-Tang Clan is featured in a new Showtime docu-series, Wu-Tang Clan: Of Mics and Men, that has been Emmy-nominated. On November 7, come to the Museum to watch an episode of the film and hear from the filmmakers and contributors from Wu-Tang Clan about how history research is essential to documentary filmmaking.

To complement the Museum's current exhibition, Field Notes: Seed Stories and the Power of Plants, there will be a screening on November 16 of Seeds of Hope, a documentary following the Akwesasne Tribe of northern New York, the Hudson Valley Farm Hub, and Seedshed as they honor Native American seeds that are at risk of disappearing. After the film, guests are invited to stay for a seed swap and art-agriculture project, Furrow, with artist Sergey Jiventin.

This summer, we held a kick-off event for the Contemporary Council, a newly formed group of individuals in their 20s, 30s and 40s who are ambassadors of the Staten Island Museum, generating fresh ideas and bringing awareness to the community. If you are interested in joining the Contemporary Council or know someone who might be, please see details on page 7.

Those are just a few highlights of the many opportunities this season to explore all that the Staten Island Museum has to offer.

Kind regards,

Janice Monger

Front Cover: Beets, Fodder, Fabergé, and the Digital Age, Bill Rybak, Digital print, Brilliant Beet Blend (Beta vulgaris) On loan from the Hudson Valley Seed Company
COLIN JOST / MICHAEL CHE
AND FRIENDS

COMEDY SHOW TO BENEFIT THE STATEN ISLAND MUSEUM

THURSDAY
SEPTEMBER 19, 2019

35 Hyatt Street, Staten Island, NY 10301
Two Blocks from the Staten Island Ferry
ticketmaster.com
718-442-2900
www.stgeorgetheatre.com
An Exhibition of Projects Based in Art and Science

Through February 23, 2020

Featuring artworks and seed histories from Hudson Valley Seed Company, documentary videos of Staten Island gardeners by Jay Weichun, photograms of local flora by Gale Wisdom, and Museum botanical specimens selected by the Greenbelt Native Plant Center. These four projects explore the cultural, artistic, and scientific impact of collecting plant life. In doing so, they reveal narratives of resilience, fragility, and transformation. Field Notes speaks to the heritage embedded in the flora around us. This exhibition is made possible in part by the New York State Council on the Arts and public funds provided through the NYC Department of Cultural Affairs.

69th Annual Fence Show

Saturday, September 28, 11am-5pm
(Rain Date: September 29)

Free

Outdoor gallery with works to purchase featuring local artists and craftspeople. Food trucks, activities for kids, and live music.
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Join the Contemporary Council to expand your networking possibilities and be part of helping to shape the future of the Staten Island Museum.

To join go to the membership page at www.statenislandmuseum.org or contact Christina Marino at cmarino@statenislandmuseum.org, 718-483-7114.

PRIVATE EVENT RENTALS

Step inside this historic landmark to find a contemporary space that provides the perfect setting for your next celebration. From holiday parties to cocktail receptions and intimate dinner parties to recitals the Staten Island Museum is a unique cultural destination offering flexible spaces to help you create an inspiring and memorable event.

By hosting your party at the Staten Island Museum, you are also helping the community by supporting local cultural programming.

To learn more about renting space for your event call 718.727.1135, email Rentals@StatenIslandMuseum.org, or visit our website at www.StatenIslandMuseum.org/rentals and let us bring your vision to life.
Candy Chromatography  
*Halloween Edition*  
Costumes welcome  
Saturday, October 26, 11am-1pm  
Discover the hidden colors behind some of your favorite candies! Participants will learn about chromatography and use experiments to test various types of candy to find out if there are hidden colors behind the ones we see when we open the package.

The Hidden World of Gases  
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FREE with Museum Admission  
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Color, Gas, and Light
6–12 year olds, accompanied by an adult  
FREE with Museum Admission  
Registration recommended.

Fall 2019 Super Science Workshops will explore the properties of color, light, and gas. Taught by science educator and Staten Island Advance columnist Clay Wollney.

Clay Wollney is the science specialist for the Early Childhood and Lower School divisions at the Staten Island Academy and is the science teacher and an advisor for grade 7. Other activities include science clubs at Blue Heron Park and the Staten Island Museum, leading walks for Protectors of Pine-Oaks Woods and writing the “Ask Clay” column in the Staten Island Advance.
FAMILY ART WORKSHOPS

Magical Autumn
FREE with Museum Admission
Registration recommended.

This season of Family Art Workshops will feature artist and educator Jenya Frid as she guides guests through creative activities spotlighting all things magical and mystical!

All ages welcome.

Magic Wand Making
Saturday, October 5, 1pm-3pm
Calling all magicians, wizards, fairies, and witches! Are you in need of a new magic wand? Kids of all ages will design and craft their own wand using different combinations of the many materials provided. Will your wand be 10 inches and contain unicorn hair? Or 11 inches with dragon heart string?

Unicorn and Dragon Crowns
Saturday, November 2, 1pm-3pm
Use your artistic skills to get one step closer to becoming the unicorn or dragon you were always meant to be. Artist Jenya Frid will guide guests through the process of making their own unicorn or dragon crown from recycled materials, found objects, and magic, of course.

Mystical Maps
Saturday, December 7, 1pm-3pm
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NEW YORK INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN’S FILM FESTIVAL – Kid Flicks & Viva Kid Flicks!

Saturday, October 19, 3pm-5pm
$5 (includes Museum Admission)
Registration recommended.
For tickets visit the Event page at StatenIslandMuseum.org
Catch the best short films from around the world!
Presented in partnership with New York International Children’s Film Festival.

3pm - KID FLICKS 1
(AGES 3+)
Bigger, brighter, bolder and brimming with fun and clever stories of growth and transformation. If you’ve ever been the youngest of the group, you’ll sympathize with the little tadpole who always falls a tad behind in the charming KUAP. Catching up on penmanship is the name of the game if you want to graduate from pencils in the winning doc Pen License. Then little ones are in charge and grown-ups get to play when the hilarious Flipped reworks the script. With films from 10 countries, these shorts and so much more await you!

4pm - ¡VIVA KID FLICKS!
(AGES 8+)
Celebrate Spanish-language and Latino-themed stories in shorts films from around the globe. Can a fabled stone offer another path for Matilde’s life on her Mexican rancho? And the choices we make at mealtime sometimes have a very big impact, especially for a seemingly picky eater with a lot more on his mind in the drama from Spain, Fish. The universal language of wizards bridges cultures from the UK to Cuba in the imaginative doc Spelliasmous. With films from 6 countries, you’ll experience moving stories and hear how Spanish stories from around the world have their own distinctive flair.
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Wu-Tang Clan:
Of Mics and Men Screening and Behind the Scenes Talk
Thursday, November 7, 7pm-9pm
Open to all, suggested donation $10
Register in advance. Space is limited.
To register visit the Event page at StatenIslandMuseum.org.
Following a screening of the Showtime Emmy nominated docu-series Wu-Tang Clan: Of Mics and Men, join filmmakers and contributors from the Wu-Tang Clan for a panel discussion linking research and history to documentary filmmaking. Bonus content will also be presented. Find out what footage didn't make the cut and how it takes a village to illustrate the story behind legends. Special thanks to Showtime & Mass Appeal for making this program possible.

History Lecture:
1619 - 400 Years
Saturday, November 9, 2pm-4pm
FREE with Museum Admission

To register visit the Event page at StatenIslandMuseum.org.
100 years after Staten Island community activist Drusilla Poole commemorated the 300th anniversary of the 1619 landing of the “20 and odd” Africans in British colonial America, the Staten Island chapter of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society (SIAAHGS) will commemorate the 400th anniversary of these first recorded Africans. Q&A and reception to follow.

This program is funded, in part, through Staten Island Arts’ Expanding Audiences and Cultural Participation program, which has been made possible through the generosity of New York Community Trust, The Staten Island Foundation, and the Altman Foundation.
Seeds of Hope: Film Screening, Seed Swap, and Seed Engraving
Saturday, November 16, 2pm-4pm
FREE with Museum Admission
Register in advance. Space is limited.
To register visit the Event page at StatenIslandMuseum.org.
Join Ken Greene co-founder of the Hudson Valley Seed Company and Seedshed for this special documentary screening of Seeds of Hope. From planting to harvest, Seeds of Hope follows the Akwesasne Tribe of northern New York, the Hudson Valley Farm Hub, and Seedshed as they honor Native American seeds that are at risk of disappearing.

Following the screening will be a seed swap where guests can join artist Sergey Jivetin and participate in Furrow, an art-agriculture project. The project is based upon the process of ‘scarification’ - a technique used by farmers and gardeners to kick-start seed germination by intentionally breaking the hard exterior of the seed. Sergey scarifies the seeds by engraving minute designs on the outer shell of the seeds. Participants are invited to visit, bring seeds, especially seeds that are known to respond well to scarification (ex. Sweet Peas, Morning Glory) and suggest a design for Sergey to execute.

Seedshed is an organization grown out of the Hudson Valley Seed Company which is dedicated to seed stewardship through holistic seed literacy programs that protect local cultivars and are a catalyst for growing social, food, and seed justice solutions.

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The Edible Island Market
Saturday, December 7, 11am-4pm
Free Admission
Mmmm your way through a market full of delicious regional tastes, bites, and gift-able treats. Specialty items from the purveyors of mouthwatering edible goods, expertly curated by Staten Island Advance Food Editor Pamela Silvestri, will be for sale.

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All walks are free, donations are welcome.

William T. Davis Birthday Walk:
Clove Lakes Park
Wednesday, October 9
10am-12pm
Learn about Museum co-founder William T. Davis and his contributions to Staten Island natural history as we walk through the park searching for migrating songbirds including warblers, sparrows, thrushes and others. There should also be migrating raptors in view. Meet at the Martlings Ave. bridge.

Mt. Loretto Unique Area
Wednesday, October 23
10am-12pm
The fields, wetlands, and thickets of Mt. Loretto provide the perfect habitat for migrating sparrows and other songbirds, which will be the focus of this bird walk. Meet in the DEC parking lot at Kenny Road & Hylan Blvd.

Latourette Park-Seaview
Wednesday, November 6
10am-12pm
Search for migrating landbirds in the wooded parts of this area while making your way up to Moses Mt. for a scenic view of the fall foliage. Meet at the intersection of Manor Rd (Meisner Ave.) and Rockland Ave.

Silver Lake Park
Wednesday, November 20
10am-12pm
Explore the reservoir in search of migrating waterfowl and songbirds in the plantings around the park. Meet at the park entrance on Victory Blvd., near the Parks Dept. greenhouse.

Wolfe’s Pond Park
Wednesday, December 4
10am-12pm
Look for migrating waterfowl on the pond and in Raritan Bay. Meet in the main parking lot, near the Parks Dept. buildings.

Great Kills Park
Wednesday, December 18
10am-12pm
Search for horned lark in the parking lot, loons and ducks in Raritan Bay, and late migrant/wintering songbirds at Crooke’s Point. Meet in the northeast corner of parking lot A (first big lot in from Hylan).
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Did you know Museum members enjoy **free admission, discounts for events, programs and in the Museum store**, and **reciprocal membership with 20 other New York State museums**?

**Visit our StatenIslandMuseum.org or call 718.727.1135 for additional membership benefits & details.**

- $35  ○ Senior (65+) / ○ Student (with ID)
- $45  ○ Individual / ○ Educator (with ID)
- $60  ○ Family & Friends
- $120 ○ Explore
- $125 ○ Contemporary Council **NEW!**
- $240 ○ Experience
- $600 ○ Engage
- $1,200 ○ Excel

*See website for more options*

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LOCATION AND HOURS

Staten Island Museum
1000 Richmond Terrace, Building A
Located on the historic grounds of Snug Harbor Cultural Center & Botanical Garden.
Two miles from the Staten Island Ferry via the S40 bus. Free parking is available.

Hours
Wednesday - Sunday 11am - 5pm
The Museum is closed on Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day

Guided Tours
Wednesdays at 1pm
Sundays at 1pm & 3pm

Admission (Suggested)
Adults: $8
Students and Seniors: $5
Children 2-12: $2
Free for Museum Members and Children under 2

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