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SUMMER PERFORMANCE SERIES KICKS OFF IN MAY

The Catskill Mountain Foundation summer performing arts season kicks off Memorial Day weekend, with two classical music concerts and the Academy of Fortepiano Performance, a week-long workshop with masterclasses, lectures, and performances.

**Secret Music With Richard Kolb and The Labyrinth Baroque Ensemble**
Saturday, May 26, 2018 @ 8:00 pm
Doctorow Center for the Arts • 7971 Main Street, Village of Hunter
Tickets Purchased Ahead: $25; $20 seniors; $7 students • At the Door: $30; $25 seniors; $7 students

At the court of Ferrara in the 1580s, Duke Alfonso II sponsored a regular series of chamber music concerts performed for an exclusive audience, including his inner circle of courtiers and very special guests. The Labyrinth Baroque Ensemble, directed by Richard Kolb, will re-create one of these “Secret Music” concerts, featuring rarely heard works for three sopranos by Luzzaschi, Rossi, and Strozzi, and 3-violin sonatas by Fontana and Castello, with a richly varied continuo section of theorbo, archlute, harpsichord, and violone.

**Romance and Glamour: A 19th-Century Piano Soirée**
Academy of Fortepiano Performance Faculty Concert, featuring guest artist Pierre Goy and faculty members Audrey Axinn, Cynthia Roberts, Maria Rose, and Yiheng Yang
Sunday, May 27, 2018 @ 8:00 pm
Doctorow Center for the Arts • 7971 Main Street, Village of Hunter
Tickets Purchased Ahead: $25; $20 seniors; $7 students • At the Door: $30; $25 seniors; $7 students

This concert will feature different pianos, from a late-18th century Viennese piano to French and English pianos from the Romantic era. Works by Frederic Chopin will be performed by Pierre Goy, a specialist in 19th-century performance practice, invoking the intimacy of the Paris salon of Chopin’s time. Also included are works by Mozart, Hélène de Montgeroult and Fanny Mendelssohn.

The concert opens a week-long workshop with masterclasses, lectures, and performances on piano performance practice.

Pierre Goy has become known as one of the most versatile and thoughtful performers on historical instruments. He is equally at home playing Romantic virtuoso repertoire as 18th-century music for the harpsichord and clavichord.

Audrey Axinn is a faculty member at The Juilliard School and The Mannes School of Music. She has played solo and collaborative recitals and taught master classes throughout North America and Europe.

Cynthia Roberts is one of America’s leading baroque violinists. She is a faculty member of the Juilliard School and the University of North Texas and the Oberlin Baroque Performance Institute.

Maria Rose is a specialist in historical pianos, both as a musicologist and performer. She has performed throughout Europe and North America, and holds a PhD in Musicology from New York University.

Yi-heng Yang is a dynamic and versatile collaborator and soloist on modern and historical keyboards. Ms. Yang holds a doctorate from The Juilliard School, where she is on the piano faculty of the Pre-College and Evening Divisions.

**Academy of Fortepiano Performance Lectures**
All lectures, except where noted, are $10 general, $7 students when purchased in advance; $12/$7 at the door.

“Rubato, Element of Musical Discourse” with Pierre Goy
Monday, May 28, 2018
Originating in Italian aria singing in the 17th century, rubato is an essential technique for the interpretation of vocally-inspired piano music in the 18th and 19th centuries. This lecture will discuss the history and application of rubato on period pianos.

“Applying Violin Bowing Expression on the Clavichord” with Masayuki Maki—FREE!
Tuesday, May 29, 2018
This lecture-workshop will explore how keyboardists can execute and express group of notes (figures) by applying violin bowing patterns.
Lecture and Masterclass
with Malcolm Bilson
Wednesday, May 30, 2018
A pioneer in the period of instrument
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“Viennese Fortepianos:
Keeping Up with Technical Needs”
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Thursday, May 31, 2018
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standing and taking care of Viennese
fortepianos, and also addresses the need
to include the use of one’s listening ear
in the process of tuning and regulating
an instrument. The significant factors of
durability of materials and humidity will
also be discussed.

“Character and Topic as Avenues
to Interpreting Classic and Early
Romantic Music”
with Raymond Erickson
Friday, June 1, 2018
Raymond Erickson is an internation-
ally recognized scholar and keyboard
performer and is one of America’s most
experienced teachers of historical perfor-
mance practices.

Masterclass with Andrew Willis
Sunday, June 3, 2018
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This performance is made possible in part with public funds from the Decentralization Program of NYSCA,
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In many ways, the idyllic village of Catskill, New York is a quintessential upstate New York town: quaint shops and restaurants, a deep and rich history, and, of course, those gorgeous Catskill Mountain and Hudson River views. Catskill has also been a home for artists of all different kinds for many decades. Artist Thomas Cole famously made Catskill his artistic refuge 200 years ago; it was there where his sweeping, breathtaking landscapes served as the foundation for what came to be known as the Hudson River School, America’s first home-grown art movement.

Cole’s deeply planted roots continue to inspire artistic expression in the region, and in the past few years alone the village has seen an upswing in the number of artisans and performing artists who are moving to the area.

The trend has even caught the attention of the New York Times, which touted the artistic virtues of the village in a 2016 article in its Travel section (Sarah Stodola, “In the Hudson Valley, a New Mecca for Artisans,” The New York Times, November 23, 2016): “…Catskill boasts a number of reasons to visit.”

THE ARTS
In addition to the many galleries and artist workshops that line the village’s streets, Catskill is home to some wonderful arts organizations.

Bridge Street Theater
44 West Bridge Street, Catskill
518 943 3818 • www.bridgest.org
A three-space performing and visual arts complex housed in a refurbished industrial building, Bridge Street Theatre hosts a dazzling array of intimate theater, cabaret and other musical performances, magic shows, art installations, and more.

Greene County Council on the Arts
398 Main Street, Catskill
518 943 3400 • www.greenearts.org
County-wide not-for-profit arts service and programming organization representing all the arts. Year-round gallery exhibitions; free summer arts workshops for children; Regrant Funds for the arts—all featured in their bi-monthly newsletter, Arts Alive!

Heart of Catskill Association (HOCA)
www.catskillny.org
HOCA brings promotional programs to the town and village, including summer events such as Cat’n Around Catskill and the Music in the Park series. Now in its 12th year, Cat’n Around Catskill brings together artists who interpret feline sculptures that line Catskill’s Historic Main Street. These fabulous works of art will be on display from Memorial Day to mid-September.

Hudson Valley Dance Festival
www.dradance.org
A fundraising event for Dancers Responding to AIDS, a program of Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS, Hudson Valley Dance Festival features renowned dance companies and emerging artists from a range of styles.

LUMBERYARD Contemporary Performing Arts
62 Water Street, Catskill
www.lumberyard.org
LUMBERYARD Contemporary Performing Arts is in the middle of major construction on its state-of-the-art performing arts center in Catskill, scheduled to open in September. The organization will feature an inaugural season of programming this summer.
In 1914, my great grandfather, Roscoe C. Lacy began selling Model T Fords and tractors on Main Street in Catskill, New York. This simple Ford Dealership was called Catskill Ford. Roscoe built a solid foundation for Catskill Ford, which gave it the opportunity to grow into what it is today. His son, my grandfather, Calvin Lacy, took over the business in 1931 when he was only 18 years old after his father suddenly passed away. Calvin overcame multiple obstacles at such a young age, including buying land on Maple Avenue (where we are currently located) in 1961. By building this land he built the largest showroom and best equipped service garage in the area. On January 1, 1966, Catskill Ford officially became RC Lacy Inc. At this time my grandfather named my father and uncle, Roscoe and Calvin Lacy, principals of the dealership. In 1975 RC Lacy Inc. expanded their vehicle lineup with the new Japanese make Subaru. With my father and uncle as the owners we expanded once again in 1987 by adding the Lincoln and Mercury lineup. In 2010 my brother Jimmy and I (Danny) bought the dealership as partners and worked together growing the business as a whole. In March 2014, my brother Jimmy passed away suddenly. Since then I have operated the dealership. As the oldest Ford dealership in New York State, and one of the oldest in the country, we have remained family owned and operated for over 100 years. My daughter Nicole, son Troy and nephew Dylan (Jimmy’s son) all work here. We wouldn’t be able to do any of this without our loyal employees, customers and a great community.

-Daniel R. Lacy, 4th Generation Owner
The Thomas Cole National Historic Site is the former home of Hudson River School of Art founder, Thomas Cole. The house and Cole’s studio are open for tours, events and workshops throughout the year. Just opened is a new exhibit called The Parlors, which combines technology-driven story-telling and meticulous restoration of Cole’s interior designs.

**DINING**

A day of exploring the village and surrounds can work up quite an appetite. Catskill’s varied restaurants do not disappoint.

**A Taste of Catskill Cafe**
395 Main Street, Catskill
518 943 9642 • facebook.com/Catskillcafe
Daily specials, gourmet salads, homemade soups, fresh produce. All day breakfast and lunch.

**Creekside Restaurant**
150 West Main Street, Catskill
518 943 6522 • www.creeksidecatskill.com
Creekside Restaurant and Bar prides itself on fine American cuisine for all to enjoy. Located on the Catskill Creek less than a mile from the Hudson River, this is the place for families and friends to come together to enjoy a nice dinner, good conversation, or come to have a drink and meet new friends. They are also boat accessible from the Hudson River.

**La Conca d’Oro**
440 Main Street, Catskill
518 943 3549 • facebook.com/La-Conca-Doro
Large menu of many chicken, veal, seafood, steak & pasta selections. Vegetarian options available. Daily specials, fresh baked desserts & full bar.

**Mediterranean Bistro**
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Kaaterskill Fine Arts Gallery presents Catskill Mountains and Creeks, Adirondack Mountains and Lakes, featuring paintings and drawings by local artist, Robert Selkowitz. They are a testimony to his love and admiration for the mysteries and wonders of the Adirondack and Catskill mountain regions. Selkowitz’s work explores the historical changes in the landscape and offers evidence as to why we must be thoughtful stewards towards preserving and protecting their natural beauty. The show runs through June 3.

Our two great New York State Parks and Forest Preserves are unique in incorporating private lands, homes, farms and communities within the protective Blue Lines of their public park perimeters. Each park and region has important assets for clean water and particular geology and geography that create their natural environments. In the Catskill Mountains the sedimentary geology and abrasion of glaciers has resulted in networks of streams and creeks that have been harnessed for a unique and vital system of reservoirs which feed New York City and other communities through underground aqueducts. In the Adirondack Mountains the upthrusting geology of the High Peaks Region and the work of glaciers has left an overabundance of stunning lakes along with streams and rivers, including the headwaters of the Hudson River.

In tune with the Centennial of the Catskill Park in 2004 the Catskill Press of the Catskill Mountain Foundation published Robert’s book, A Painter’s Path through the Catskill Mountains. The book features 50 color plates of landscape pastels and includes a master map of the Catskill Park and detail maps showing where the pastels were set. Robert also wrote an essay about the cultural evolution of art in the Catskill Region from Thomas Cole and the Hudson River School through Henry David Thoreau and John Burroughs. It is a region which inspired an affinity for nature.

In 2012 he published A Painter’s Path through the Adirondack Mountains with 81 color plates of pastels and oil paintings and a set of 10 maps, a master map of the Adirondack Park nine detail maps of principal painting sites. The book includes a forward by James Kettlewell, Emeritus Professor of Art at Skidmore College. He wrote, “Selkowitz’s vivid and strong style gives us an experience meant to be an equivalent to his actual emotional reactions before the scene …. Perhaps more perfectly than any artist of the Adirondacks, Selkowitz transmits the beautiful rhythms and harmonies of the repeated form in the scene—the wonderful rise and dip of a line of mountains in the distance, or the staccato rhythm of a row of pine trees.”

Catskill Mountains and Creeks, Adirondack Mountains and Lakes: Robert Selkowitz will be on display at Kaaterskill Fine Arts, Hunter Village Square, Main Street, Hunter through June 3, 2018.

Also on display at Kaaterskill Fine Arts through June 3 is Wood Would, featuring works by Nancy Azara, Justin Calder, John Cooley, John Cross, Samm Kunce, Harry Matthews, New York Heartwoods, Nate Orton, Stephen Walling, and painted guitars from Musica, Hudson.

Gallery hours are Friday, Saturday and Monday from 11:00 am to 5:30 pm; and Sunday from 11:00 am to 4:00 pm. For more information, please visit www.catskillmtn.org or call 518 263 2060.
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n May 16, one of Delaware County’s great historical treasures, the Hanford Mills Museum, begins its 45th season. The event kicks off another season filled with great events that give visitors a unique way to experience the ingenuity and creativity of the past.

Opening Day at Hanford Mills Museum
MAY 16, 10 AM–5 PM
The Museum begins its 45th season, with guided tours of its water- and steam-powered historic site offered Wednesdays through Sundays. Children (12 and under) receive free admission. Hanford Mills features a Fitz overshot waterwheel, restored water turbine, and historic woodworking machines.

Afternoon Tea with the Royal Bride Cooking Workshop
MAY 20, 10:30 AM–3 PM
Learn how to create a sumptuous tea time spread in the style of the early 1900s in this hands-on workshop. Prepare a variety of from-scratch tea-time dainties, both sweet and savory, on the Hanford House’s Royal Bride wood-fired cookstove, and then enjoy the delicacies you made at a teatable on the Hanford House’s porch. The spring-time selection of dishes will be drawn from Afternoon Tea menus in early 1900s cookbooks. $45 for Museum members, $60 for non-members. Register for the workshop online at www.hanfordmills.org, by calling 607 278 5744, or by e-mailing brendanp@hanfordmills.org.

Family Saturdays
MAY 26, JUNE 16, JULY 28 & SEPTEMBER 1
10 AM–4 PM
Come enjoy a field trip for families with special hands-on activities for kids. Features guided tours and demonstrations of the Mill’s historic water-powered sawmill, gristmill and woodworking shop.

Coopering Workshop
JUNE 16-17
10 AM–4 PM SATURDAY, 10 AM–3 PM SUNDAY
Come to Hanford Mills to make a bucket with traditional cooper Bob Allers. Materials will be provided and participants will have access to tools and training in order to complete a reproduction early 19th century household bucket. $125 for Museum members, $150 for non-members. Price of the workshop includes the materials costs for the bucket. Register for the workshop online at hanfordmills.org, by calling 607 278 5744, or by e-mailing brendanp@hanfordmills.org.
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- June 16-17: Coopering Workshop
- June 23-24: Steam Power 101

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Path Through History Weekend at Hanford Mills Museum
JUNE 16-17, 10 AM–5 PM
Hanford Mills Museum joins in this statewide celebration of history. June 16 is a Family Saturday, with special hands-on activities for kids. Both days visitors are invited to take a guided tour of the water-powered sawmill, gristmill and woodworking shop. Tours will highlight the ways the Mill changed throughout its history as a working mill.

Steam Power 101
JUNE 23-24
Learn the theory and practical operation of a wood-fired steam power plant in this in-depth two-day course. Instructor Joe Michaels, retired Senior Mechanical Engineer at NY Power Authority’s Blenheim-Gilboa Pumped Storage Project, designed and helped to build the Museum’s wood-fired steam power plant. $100 for Museum members, $125 for non-members. Register online at www.hanfordmills.org, by calling 607 278 5744 or by e-mailing brendanp@hanfordmills.org.

Independence Day Celebration at Hanford Mills Museum
JULY 4, 10 AM–4 PM
Celebrate an old-fashioned Fourth at Hanford Mills Museum. This family-friendly event includes a kids’ fishing derby, frog-jumping contest, homemade ice cream (chilled with ice from the Ice Harvest Festival), steam power demonstrations, Mill tours, field day games, vendors, and music. Kids 12 and under, and Museum members receive free admission. Adults and teens, $9; seniors, $7.

Dan Rion Memorial Antique Engine Jamboree
SEPTEMBER 8, 10 AM–4 PM
The 35th annual Dan Rion Memorial Antique Engine Jamboree & Powerfest will feature tractors, automobiles, steam and gas powered engines, outboard motors, model engines and boats, and much more. See working machines dating back to the early 20th century that chop, grind, mix cement, saw logs, shell corn and make jobs easier and quicker. Come see antique machines you may remember from the past. The Museum will be operating its steam boiler and steam engines. Plus music, food and kids’ activities. Kids 12 & under and Museum members receive free admission. Adults and teens, $9; seniors, $7.

Path Through History Weekend at Hanford Mills Museum
OCTOBER 6-8
Hanford Mills Museum joins in this statewide celebration of history. Take a guided tour of the water-powered sawmill, gristmill and woodworking shop. Tours will highlight the ways the Mill changed throughout its history as a working mill.

Woodsmen’s Festival
OCTOBER 13, 10 AM–4 PM
The Woodsmen’s Festival showcases logging, sawing and woodworking history and celebrates the many ways people use and work with wood. This event features demonstrations of lumberjack skills, a variety of woodworking exhibitors, music, kids’ activities, food and more. Watch the sawdust fly as logs are sawn in the Museum’s sawmill, powered by a 1926 Fitz overshot waterwheel. At the box shop, Mill workers will use the vintage woodworking machines to turn Mill-sawn lumber into useful wood products, like boxes, crates and tub covers. Children 12 and under are free. Adults and teens, $9; seniors, $7. Museum members free.

Ice Harvest Festival
FEBRUARY 2, 2019, 10 AM–3 PM
The Ice Harvest Festival marks its 30th year with interactive ice harvesting on the Mill Pond, children’s activities, horse-drawn sleigh rides, bonfires, ice fishing, and a hot soup buffet. Also ice sculpting, blacksmithing, and historic cooking demonstrations. Children 12 and under are free. Adults and teens, $9; seniors, $7. Museum members free.

Location & More Information…
Hanford Mills Museum is located at 51 County Highway 12 in East Meredith, NY. For more information or to make reservations for any of these events, please call 617 278 5744 or visit www.hanfordmills.org
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As part of CMF’s 20th anniversary, we are expanding our support for the literary arts by offering monthly a selection of poems from local poets in the Guide magazine. If you would like to have your poems considered, please send three poems to, Robert Tomlinson at tomlinsonr@catskillmtn.org.

HAPPINESS STUDIES

Singing around a campfire you might miss happiness, squished between envy and sorrow. Or find it beside you, matter-of-factly, watching a red-tailed hawk catch pigeons and rats, a retriever fetching sticks racing back and forth from your shared park bench. But if whistled at, happiness bonds: with you on tiptoe lifting curtain rods to hang drapes, or flat-backed positioning drip pans to change oil, tasks completed then together to clink steins, toasting sand dunes and starlight.

—Pauline Uchmanowicz

FIGHTER PILOT

A torn flag waved inside my father’s soul, reaching for its folds, his soldier fingers freed from the cool surface of a handgun, drawn from a holster strapped across his heart, target practice no longer mandatory so he can sing like starlings, like never having counted bullets or surrendered into white distances of enemies approaching.

—Pauline Uchmanowicz
ATLAS OF LOST ACOUSTICS

Paging through this gazetteer
a musicologist locates B Flats,
that remote mountain enclave,
echoes audible there
few and far between;
tuning forks strewn like
discarded wishbones, across
an abandoned band camp's
forlorn trombone boneyard,
smelling of soil and doom.
The offbeat destination’s deaf
conductor waves his baton
from the steps of a vacant
opera house, where distant
ancestors once performed
loveless tragedies. Here,
belfries are permanently
out of service and hymnals
all printed in sign language.
Kept in the library, the key
to this municipality is
fastened to the sign: Quiet, Please.

—Pauline Uchmanowicz

WRITING MY MOTHER’S OBITUARY

Clicking branches
agonized by wind
appear to argue in sign language
outside the hotel window.

Your cold-freeze cadaver
awaits transport a hundred miles
north across state borders
where months hence in residence
at the medical college
to incite gallows humor
around the dissecting table.

On the laptop I type place of origin
baseball and opera buff
then enumerate number of live births
but forgo mountains of washed
diapers folded by hand and fistfights
per day that you, only child,
failed to squelch or understand.

Time wears a body bag—one size fits all.
What fades faster, the life or just after?

—Pauline Uchmanowicz
Coldwell Banker Timberland Properties continues growth

Coldwell Banker Timberland Properties, the Catskill Region’s leading real estate agency, recently joined forces with Albany-based Coldwell Banker Prime.

Eric Wedemeyer founded Timberland Properties in 1971 and became a Coldwell Banker affiliate in 1989. He explained that the sale of his business to Coldwell Banker Prime benefits every aspect of the company.

Mr. Wedemeyer still oversees day-to-day operations of the offices he has established in Margaretville, Delhi, Boiceville, Stamford, Sidney and Roscoe. The company’s primary coverage areas are Delaware, Greene, Otsego, Ulster, Schoharie and Sullivan counties.

“Coldwell Banker Timberland Properties continues to operate in the same manner, with no discernable differences,” Mr. Wedemeyer noted. “The real impact of this merger is an overall strengthening of our marketing abilities and expansion of our coverage area. Whether they’re selling or buying, our customers will benefit from this affiliation.”

Mr. Wedemeyer said he’s very proud of the company he’s operated for the past 47 years.

“I’ve always tried to look ahead and keep up with current trends. We provide top-notch agents and give them ample marketing support to help them assist their clients,” he explained.

He pointed out that Coldwell Banker Timberland Properties has long been the number one real estate company in the Catskill Region and Coldwell Banker Prime is the top agency in New York State and is ranked 10th in the country in sales volume.

“This merger between top-rated companies takes us to another level and broadens our scope and horizon,” Mr. Wedemeyer commented.

During the past four years, Coldwell Banker Timberland Properties has added offices in Boiceville, Sidney and Roscoe. The company has long had offices in Margaretville, Delhi and Stamford.

“I have always tried to look ahead and put the company in the best possible position for success,” noted Mr. Wedemeyer.

In addition to establishing offices in key areas of the region, Coldwell Banker Timberland Properties has always been at the forefront of the technological innovations that have redefined the real estate landscape.

The company features two websites: TimberlandProperties.com and CatskillPremier.com. The latter can include 3-D virtual home tours that provide a unique look at properties. Drone photography is another innovation that gives customers a true “lay of the land.” Utilizing the worldwide reach of the Coldwell Banker affiliation, the local company truly reaches every available market.

Sales agents, of course, play a vital role in making personal connections with clients.

“Our agents have an average of more than 15 years with our company and their regional knowledge is unsurpassed. They provide insights and experience that customers truly value,” explained Mr. Wedemeyer.

Award-winning

He noted that Coldwell Banker Timberland Properties has enjoyed several consecutive record-breaking years.

“Our sales figures reflect the success of our marketing efforts and the expertise our agents,” he stated.

During 2017, Coldwell Banker Timberland Properties had 10 agents who earned special recognition from the parent company for sales achievements.

Leading the awards recipients was Jill Ogden, who received the company’s President’s Premier designation representing her status among the top one percent of individual Coldwell Banker agents worldwide. Jill works out of the company’s Delhi office.

Carol Spinelli was honored with the President’s Elite designation, which signifies sales status among the top three percent of Coldwell Banker agents worldwide. She works at the Timberland Properties office in Margaretville.

Jacqulene Rose, manager of the company’s Sidney office, received the President’s Circle designation, representing her placement among the top five percent of Coldwell Banker agents worldwide.

Earning status in Coldwell Banker’s Diamond Society, representing the top 10 percent of individual agents were Jeffrey Ashton and Christine O’Shaughnessy, both who work in Margaretville, and Paula Loesel, who is based at the company’s Stamford office.

Achieving Sterling Society honors, representing the top 15 percent of Coldwell Banker agents worldwide were Susan Doig and Sean O’Shaughnessy, both of whom work at the Margaretville office; Robert Schneider from the company’s Delhi office and Travis O’Dell, who manages the new Timberland Properties office in Roscoe.

In addition, it was announced in April that the Coldwell Banker Timberland Properties offices in Roscoe and Margaretville awarded Bronze Premier Office status with Coldwell Banker. This award is presented only to the upper 25 percent of Coldwell Banker offices worldwide.

For additional information, please call 845 586 3321 (Margaretville), 845 657 4177 (Boiceville), 607 746 7400 (Delhi) or 607 652 2220 (Stamford), (607) 290 4130 (Roscoe) or 607 604 4394 (Sidney).
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Wiltwyck Golf Club has undergone a metamorphosis this year and that is great news for golfers who have been itching to play the classic Robert Trent Jones Sr. layout.

For the first time in its 85-year history, the former private Kingston golf club swung its doors open to the public when it opened on April 13. Financially strapped Wiltwyck faced closure until a new group of investors bought the club last December and made the decision to turn it into a semi-private golf club.

The cost of playing Wiltwyck, which is widely recognized as one of the premier 18-hole championship golf clubs in the Hudson Valley, is affordable. Ulster County residents can walk 18 holes for $35 during the week and $55 on the weekend. It costs $18 for a motorized cart. A twilight rate (after 4 pm) is just $39 and that includes a cart.

Golf memberships are available ranging from $2,500 to $5,000 for those who want the full country-club experience. The array of amenities for members includes preferred tee times, locker room access, pool and tennis court use, free bag storage and discounts in the restaurant and pro shop. Only members and their guests will be able to tee off before 11 am on Saturday and Sunday mornings, and between 10 am to 2 pm on Fridays.

Wiltwyck also will offer improved food service for members, guests and the public. The new Capital Tavern, a joint venture between chef Kenny Callaghan of Union Square Café, Blue Smoke and The Russian Tea Room fame and Dave Amato of Ole Savannah in Kingston, will serve lunch and dinner (American pub fare) and offer full bar service. Local beers, wines and distilled spirits will be served in the renovated upstairs restaurant and food and beverage options will be available at a new patio dining area with a view of the first tee and 18th green.

New Wiltwyck pro Luke Burbach, who previously served as an assistant pro and lead merchandiser at Crown Colony Golf and Country Club in Fort Myers, FL, said Wiltwyck’s transformation to a semi-private club has been well-received in the early going.

“Since I’ve been here, we’ve really been focused on a culture change,” Burbach said. “We want to make Wiltwyck a fun spot to be again and a place with lots of energy with a renewed focus on customer service and member and guest experience. The response already has been great.”

Burbach didn’t waste any time spreading the word about Wiltwyck. He and assistant pros Chris Ferraro and Paul Maczaj attended golf shows in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Albany to spread the word about Wiltwyck.

“We discovered there’s a lot of interest in Wiltwyck,” Burbach said. “A lot of people hadn’t heard that we were going to be open to the public and they were really excited about finally getting the opportunity to play it.”

Burbach has already booked 32 outings (the club had less than 10 last year) and there are a number of weekday leagues for members and the public.

Opening up the 6,877-yard, par-72 course to the public couldn’t have come at a better time for Ulster County golfers. Both Rondout Golf Club in Accord and the Hudson Valley Resort & Spa’s 18-hole course in Kerhonkson are closed this year due to renovations.
Head golf professional Luke Burbach in the pro shop displaying a Wiltwyck flag.

“People are really excited about Wiltwyck because they know the quality of the golf course and they’re happy that the club has been saved,” Burbach said. “They’re excited about the new direction of the club and all the neat things that are happening here. It’s a great time to be part of the Wiltwyck family.”

The 25-year-old Burbach said Wiltwyck also has a number of professional and amateur golf tournaments on the schedule, including the final round of the Ulster County Men’s Amateur Golf Championship, commonly known as The Herdegen. He is confident Jason Nalepa, who was promoted from assistant to head golf course superintendent this year, will have Wiltwyck in great condition.

“You’re really going to see a return to the glory days condition-wise this year,” Burbach said. “We hired a tree pruning company that has already opened up some holes that have gotten really tight through the years. They’re returning it to the original design.”

Caddies will also be available at Wiltwyck this season.

Burbach, who grew up in Hudson, WI, said he and his wife, Savanah, had a good feeling the first time they visited Kingston.

“Where I grew up in Wisconsin is a lot like the Hudson Valley,” Burbach said. “And the people have all been so friendly.”

For more information about Wiltwyck Golf Club, visit wiltwyck.org or call the pro shop at 845 331 7878.

Rick Remsnyder is the Ulster County Tourism Director.
For many hikers, late spring’s warmer weather ushers in our favorite season: hiking season! Sunny days and long weekends mean full parking areas and plenty of hikers on the trails. Volunteer trail maintainers and DEC staff are out on the trails too, working to keep the trails in great shape. Spring, summer and autumn are busy times out in the Catskill Forest Preserve.

However, the sheer numbers translate into more lost and injured hikers, and more folks in need of assistance. Many hikers underestimate the Catskills, assuming that these mountains are easy to hike due to the relatively low elevation and shorter distances, especially compared to the Adirondacks. Unprepared and inexperienced hikers get into challenging situations quickly in the Catskills. Lack of appropriate footwear and foregoing the map are among the common mistakes that can lead to serious emergency situations. And sometimes, like in David’s situation described at right, accidents just plain happen despite everyone being as careful as possible.

The first principle in Leave No Trace wilderness ethics states: Plan Ahead and Prepare. Not only does planning ahead and being prepared help stack the deck in your favor in terms of hiker safety, but it also helps hikers protect and preserve the wilderness. The Catskill 3500 Club offers certification in Wilderness First Aid (WFA) every April as a way to help hikers increase their ability to prepare for many different first aid “what if” situations. Almost all the folks who take this course report afterwards “I carry much more in my pack now.”

Bandaging, splinting, assessing injuries and conducting “chunk checks”—becoming certified in WFA is a fun way to learn new lingo and new skills. The Catskill 3500 Club offers WFA (we call it “woofa”) annually at the Catskill Center For Conservation and Development’s Erpf Center. This year was a banner year: for the first time since offering the course, we had a full house. 21 hikers, including licensed guides, and volunteer fire fighters, signed up.

WFA differs from “normal” first aid courses because of the nature of where those folks certified in WFA expect to ply their skills. In the back country, we expect to have limited access to a cell phone signal to call 911, if at all. Emergency first responders are hours away at best, and even basic medical supplies may be limited or nonexistent. Learning what to carry, and how to improvise using what’s in our pack, are important skills that are taught and practiced.

The training is a full two days: 16 hours. We schedule the training for a weekend each April as typically April is what hikers call “shoulder season;” neither winter nor summer, trails are quite muddy in April, making it a great time to spend a weekend away from the woods. We let the trails dry out a little bit and use the time to learn important skills. April is also often warm enough to be outside, where we practice these skills by creating scenarios with classmates acting the part of injured hikers we must assess and treat.

The days are jam-packed with informative lectures and hands-on practice. Participants eat lunch at the conference table, reviewing the morning’s lessons and chatting with each other. This year around I took the course for the second time. The certification expires in two years, so recertifying is necessary in order to stay current and well-practiced. Hands on practice in making splints or slings and stabilizing injured limbs is really helpful; it’s easy to get rusty if you don’t practice these techniques frequently. The Club offers an incentive to members seeking to become certified and lead club hikes: if you lead four club hikes over the follow two years, we reimburse 75% of the course cost. This means most of the leaders for the 3500 Club’s hikes are certified in WFA—a real boon for the folks that choose to hike with our club.

Some of the most common injuries or ailments seen in the backcountry are exactly what you’d expect: musculo-skeletal injuries, such as sprains and strains, especially of the ankle and wrist are among the most common injuries of all. Mild to moderate dehydration is also a common complaint, and hypothermia and heat exhaustion are both serious issues that can affect Catskill hikers.

“I took my first WFA course in spring and that summer, while leading a hike over Rocky and Lone for the 3500 Club, one of my hikers took a wrong step and broke her leg short of the summit of Rocky. I had a brief moment of panic, but with the training still fresh and intuitive, realized it was manageable with a splint, pain management and a careful walk out. We were lucky with warm weather (less lucky with the downpour that caught us) and hobbled out near midnight. The hiker healed and finished her 39 climbs within a year.”

—David Bunde, hike leader and trail maintenance chair for the Catskill 3500 Club, on his experience putting skills learned in Wilderness First Aid into practice
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Short of taking a WFA course, what are some of the ways hikers can prevent illness and/or injury when hiking in the Catskills? Consider the following guidelines:

- **Carry a heavy pack.** Of course “heavy” is relative, but carry a pack with everything you need to survive an unplanned overnight or two in the woods. This includes water (and a way to purify additional water), food, extra warm clothing, a first aid kit, head lamp, and any medications you need. Many other items may be helpful too: I carry a universal tool, three ways to start a fire, and lots of additional first aid supplies, as well as a fully charged cell phone.

- **Hike with a small group.** In my household, when trail conditions are wintery, this is no longer a suggestion but a requirement. I love to go solo, but a small group affords much greater safety. Four to six hikers is a nice group size. Larger groups create a larger impact, but small groups tend to hit the sweet spot for both safety and impact.

- **Always familiarize yourself with the area you'll be hiking in by taking time before your hike to study the map.** If a member of your group becomes injured or ill, it’s easy to become anxious. Take the time beforehand to get a sense of the area, including possible “bail out” points, so that if an emergency situation occurs, you don’t have to figure out navigational issues while worrying about an injured friend.

- **Always leave a clear and detailed plan with a friend or family member back home.** Include where you’re starting from, which trail you plan to take, which mountain you plan to climb, and what time you should be out of the woods. As fun as it may be to be spontaneous—stick to your plan.

- **Make prudent decisions.** Look before you leap, so to speak! If the trail is icy (this can happen in May and June), consider turning back if you don’t have any traction devices with you. Similarly, approach stream crossings with respect and caution. I’ve been skunked by high water more than once. If it’s not safe to cross, admit defeat and hike elsewhere (but do call your friend back home who has your detailed plans, and let them know about the changes!). Along these lines, leave your ego at the trailhead. Assess your own abilities accurately, and don’t get yourself too hungry, too tired, or too overwhelmed by conditions. Sometimes the trail or the conditions are just too much for us, even if we are experienced hikers. Some days you are just not up for it. It’s the experienced hiker move to bail out and try again another day. The mountains will be there when you’re having a better day.

I’ve had my share of scrapes and tumbles, and managed to succumb to early stages of hypothermia twice while hiking in the Catskills. I’ve gotten lost while hiking alone and managed to become “temporarily misplaced” while leading a group. Preventing every mishap or error isn’t possible, but taking a WFA course does increase knowledge, skills, and confidence. I probably won’t remember everything I was taught over the weekend, but I’ll remember some things. I’ll know enough to be of some assistance, and some is better than none. And I’ll be safer when I hike alone as well.

Heather Rolland is the president of the Catskill 3500 Club. She is a volunteer trail maintainer for NYS DEC and also volunteers for dog rescues and wildlife rehabilitation efforts. She hikes every day with her pack of Belgian and Dutch shepherds, posts as Catskillshalia on Instagram, and maintains the blog “Yoga Pants, Hiking Boots” on wordpress.
Sprin has taken a while to get started here in the Catskills this year, but we know May brings us right into the start of the Catskills summer season! May is a busy time for the trails of the Catskill Mountains. Throughout the month volunteer trail maintainers and trail crews organized by the Catskill Conservation Corps and staff from the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) will be out on the trails, clearing them of winter tree falls and brush, freshening up trail markers and getting everything ready for the summer hiking season.

May is also the start of a very busy event season here in the Catskills. Outdoor Expos, open houses, birding conferences and much, much more, all right here in the Catskills!

Catskill Center and DEP Announce First Land Preserved Through Streamside Acquisition Program

The Catskill Center and the New York City Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) recently announced the purchase of a two-acre parcel of land in Greene County—the very first to be protected under a new program that preserves environmentally sensitive lands alongside streams, creeks and rivers. The Streamside Acquisition Program is managed by the Catskill Center and funded by DEP. The program focuses on preserving lands that are adjacent to streams that feed the City’s reservoir system in the Catskills.

“This property is just the first of many that we will be protecting through this program, and it’s a great example of what we’re trying to achieve,” said Jeff Senterman, executive director of the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development. “We see the Streamside Acquisition Program as a real opportunity to reach shared goals. Preserving healthy, natural streams protects water quality, prevents streambank erosion, helps mitigate flood risk, and preserves the Catskills’ inherent natural beauty, which draws tourists from all over the word to visit our communities.”

“The first stretch of land preserved by the Streamside Acquisition Program underscores the importance of partnerships in our watershed,” said DEP Commissioner Vincent Sapienza. “This new program was originally proposed by community leaders in the watershed, it was planned in coordination with the Catskill Center, and funded by DEP. The conservation of these riparian areas will help the City protect water quality in its reservoirs and help local communities be resilient against future storms.”

The newly protected property is on Mill Street in the Town of Windham. It is forested and has 275 feet of stream frontage on a tributary of the Batavia Kill. That stream is important for the water quality entering Schoharie Reservoir, which provides about 15 percent of New York City’s water during a typical year. The streamside property, which is now owned by the City, will eventually be opened for public recreation.

The Streamside Acquisition Program is one of several land conservation programs funded by DEP to protect water quality in the City’s reservoir system, which serves 8.6 million people in New York City and an additional one million people in four counties north of the City. The new streamside program aims to preserve sensitive lands that are immediately adjacent to streams, creeks and rivers, along with floodplains and wetlands. Through this voluntary program, the Catskill Center works with interested property owners to purchase streamside lands at fair market value. In some cases, the Catskill Center will work with the property owners to subdivide the land so that it can preserve only the streamside portion while the remainder stays in private ownership. The purchased land is then owned and managed by DEP, which protects it as forever wild through a conservation easement that is conveyed to the state Department of Environmental Conservation.

The Streamside Acquisition Program is currently in a pilot phase, operating only in the Schoharie Reservoir watershed. The pilot program was included in the 2014 revision to New York City’s Filtration Avoidance Determination (FAD), the state permit that allows DEP to operate its Catskill-Delaware water supply system without filtration. The 10-year FAD that was issued in
Move right into this meticulously maintained colonial, centrally located near charming Woodstock and historic Kingston. The spacious family room/den has a brick gas fireplace with French doors that lead to an all windowed, wood paneled and heated sunroom for year-round entertaining. The living room with a large bay window is currently being used as a dining room for large gatherings. Refrigerator and dishwasher are new in the copper accented kitchen. Basement is half finished and perfect for office or studio and auto-generator provides continuous power in bad weather. Hard wood floors are throughout the home and a newly installed deck leads to an outdoor screened gazebo. Priced at $335,000

This Mother/Daughter with all the essential elements of having two separate homes in one, has an old farm house feel on one side and a cozy county sense on the other. Both kitchens and both bathrooms and very square foot of the living space is inviting and comfortable. Built in 1870, many of the original charm such as the wide plank flooring in the living room, butter stairs leading from the kitchen to the second story and the solid wood doors still remain in the 2 story side of the home. While the other side have a new updated kitchen with large pantry and country cabinets that add to the cozy ambience. This home is ideal for students getting used to life on their own or for elders who require some care but still value their independence. Situated on a 2.4 acre beautiful bi-level corner lot, this home looks like a picture out of a story book. Priced at $359,000.

Just Right this not too big, not too small 3 bedroom 1.5 bath ranch is located on a not too big, not too small wood lined lot in a picturesque, just right neighborhood in Blue Mountain. The open floor plan with wood floors throughout and lots of natural light from the eye-catching bay window allows for versatile use of the space. The fully remodeled kitchen with brand new appliances, is waiting to be used for the first time. Bonus space can be found in the Den / office space. Attached heated garage. $219,000.
December 2017 required the allocation of additional funds for the program and laid out a process for its potential expansion to other parts of the watershed in the Catskills.

Landowners in the Schoharie Reservoir watershed who want to learn more about the Streamside Acquisition Program can call the Catskill Center at 845 586 2611 or e-mail them at cccd@catskillcenter.org.

**The Catskills Great Outdoor Expo**

Ah, the Catskills—hundreds of wild miles to hike, bike, paddle, ride a zip line or spelunk a cavern. If you want to ski, snowshoe, snowboard, watch birds or tie flies, you can do that too. But the Catskills encompasses four counties and it can be tricky to discover all of the outdoor adventures that the region offers.

Problem solved! On May 5, 2018, dozens of Catskill outdoor-focused exhibitors will gather at the Best Western Plus Hotel and Conference Center in Kingston, New York for the first Catskills Great Outdoor Expo.

From 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, there will be expert outdoor education presentations, raffles, the Catskill Center Gear Swap and free samples. Presenters will include hiking clubs, paddling outfitters, climbing guides, skiing/mountain biking centers, gear outfitters, cultural attractions, local trail food producers, and the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and New York City Department of Environmental Protection.

This event is open to the public with a $3 admission, children under 10 are free.

The Best Western Plus Hotel and Conference Center is located at the intersection of the route 87 Kingston exit (an hour and 20 minutes from the George Washington Bridge) and the Washington Street exit off of the Route 28 roundabout in Kingston.

More information on the Expo and all of the events, activities and work of the Catskill Center can be found at www.catskillcenter.org/outdoorexpo or by calling 845 586 2611.

**I Love My Park Day: Saturday, May 5**

Do you love your New York State Park? Show that love by taking part in Parks & Trails New York’s annual “I love my Park Day” on Saturday, May 5. More details and information on the events throughout New York State are available at www.ptny.org/ilove-mypark. There will be two events right here in the Catskill Park: one at the Catskill Interpretive Center in Mount Tremper and one at Kaaterskill Falls in the Town of Hunter.

**Visit the Catskill Park’s Visitor Center**

The Maurice D. Hinchey Catskill Interpretive Center is located on Route 28 in Mount Tremper and is your gateway to Catskill Park, where you can learn about the vast outdoor recreational opportunities in the area, as well as discover the Catskill Region’s communities and rich cultural and natural history.

The Catskill Interpretive Center is open seven days a week from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm and until 6:30 pm on Fridays (the Center is closed on Thanksgiving and Christmas days). At the Center, you can explore the interpretive exhibits, gather information and speak with knowledgeable staff about the Catskill Park and region. In addition to information, exhibits and staff, the Center is home to more than a mile of walking paths, fishing access to the Esopus Creek and a sculpture trail, featuring the work of local artists and artists who have been inspired by the Catskills.

You can visit www.CatskillInterpretiveCenter.org, call 845 688 3369, or e-mail info@catskillcenter.org for more information. The Catskill Interpretive Center is located at 5096 Route 28 in Mount Tremper.

**Catskills Trout Tales**

Through May, Catskills Trout Tales hopes to capture the cultural and natural history of the Catskills as the birthplace of American fly-fishing while building connections between regional hospitality businesses, conservation organizations and local media. Catskills Trout Tales is a campaign to invite visitors to come and stay in the region, exploring the area’s forests, waters, and historic communities as stewards rather than simply consumers.

Like any popular outdoor destination, the Catskills must find a way to balance increased tourism with the protection of its natural resources, so visitors understand the value and vulnerability of the ecosystems they have come to experience. By partnering with both hospitality/retail businesses and nonprofit environmental/community organizations, Catskills Trout Tales seeks to educate and inspire visitors to love this special place into life rather than love it to death, and to become return visitors.

Simultaneously, projects that seek to engage small businesses and nonprofit organizations in this region must find ways to make their buy-in relevant and sustainable. Catskills Trout Tales invites participating organizations to contribute in ways that directly strengthen their own businesses as they strengthen the region. We believe that this is a powerful model that is deeply sustainable: inviting participation that challenges people not only to help with this effort but to see what unique elements that they can add that will both make it unique to the Catskills but beneficial to their mission.

Learn more about Catskills Trout Tales and all of the events happening in the Catskills this month at www.catskillstrouttales.com.

**2018 Taking Flight: Birding in the Catskills Conference**

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Scott Whittle and Tom Stephenson, authors of *The Warbler Guide*, will headline the weekend with a Saturday night keynote address, workshops and walks. Programming will also include a multitude of non-warbler workshops and walks including *In Search of the Bicknell’s Thrush: A Pre-Dawn Hike Up Hunter Mountain* with Steve Chorvas. The conference will be held May 25 through May 27, prime time for nesting birds. The conference will be based at the Emerson Resort and will include some off-site field trips. For more information and registration visit [www.catskillcenter.org/takingflight](http://www.catskillcenter.org/takingflight).

Catskill Center members will receive a 10% discount on the conference fees. Contact Katie or Michael at the Catskill Center for more information: 845 586 2611 or cccd@catskillcenter.org.

**Family Day at the Catskill Interpretive Center**
On Saturday, May 27 from 10 am to 3 pm, the Catskill Interpretive Center will be hosting a Family Day! The day includes free nature-themed outdoor fun for families with kids of all ages. Bring a picnic lunch and enjoy a full day of hands-on activities, forest adventures and lots more...featuring a special afternoon performance by Arm of the Sea Theater! More information at [www.catskillinterpretivecenter.org](http://www.catskillinterpretivecenter.org).

**Get Outdoors Day: Saturday, June 9**
On Saturday, June 9, the Catskill Center and the Catskill Interpretive Center are celebrating National Get Outdoors Day at the Catskill Interpretive Center. Catskill Center staff, local nonprofits and outdoor recreation experts will be on hand to share demos and hands-on activities geared especially for beginning explorers. From fly fishing and birdwatching to hiking and animal tracking - something for all interests and ages! The event is free, but some activities will be limited to a certain number of participants and require pre-registration, lean more at [www.catskillinterpretivecenter.org](http://www.catskillinterpretivecenter.org).

**The Catskill Mountains Book Festival: Saturday, June 23**
It’s back! Visit the Catskill Interpretive Center for their third annual festival on Saturday, June 23 to celebrate reading and writing in the Catskills. Meet acclaimed authors and see what’s new from local small presses; enjoy panels and presentations on the past, present and future of Catskills lit; and engage with local libraries, art and literacy groups to try your hand at creative writing, illustration, and bookmaking. There will be featured performers and activities for all ages—bring the family and spend the day!

Along with the book fair the Catskill Interpretive Center will be open to help you plan your next hike, water adventure or tour of the Catskills. Come with friends, family and your picnic baskets to listen to the finest Catskill authors discuss the glories of the Hudson River Valley. More information can be found at [www.catskillinterpretivecenter.org](http://www.catskillinterpretivecenter.org).

**The Catskill Conservation Corps**
The Catskill Conservation Corps (CCC) offers the easiest way for the public to volunteer for a multitude of stewardship projects throughout the Catskills. The CCC’s goal is to provide quality volunteer opportunities to the public on projects that protect natural resources and enhance outdoor recreation opportunities in the Catskills. To learn more about the Catskill Conservation Corps, find events and volunteer in the Catskills, visit [www.catskillconservationcorps.org](http://www.catskillconservationcorps.org).

**Give Back to the Catskills**
The natural beauty, the majesty of the mountains, the protection of the Catskill Forest Preserve, the region’s natural and cultural resources, all need your help! By supporting the work of the Catskill Center, you support stewardship of our Catskill Park and its vast natural resources; the Center’s collaborative spirit as we convene, create partnerships and facilitate discussions that benefit the region; and the Center’s work to support education, arts and culture throughout the Catskills.

To support the work of the Catskill Center, become a member online through their website at [www.catskillcenter.org/membership](http://www.catskillcenter.org/membership) or donate by mail: Checks made out to the “Catskill Center” can be mailed to Catskill Center, PO Box 504, Arkville, NY 12406.

Jeff Senterman is the Executive Director of the Catskill Center for Conservation and Development, a member of the Board of Directors for the American Hiking Society and the host of Catskill Digest on WIOX Community Radio (91.3 FM in the Central Catskills or streaming at wioxradio.org), was formerly the NYNJ Trail Conference’s Catskills staff representative and was an Assistant Forest Ranger for the NYSDEC in Greene County. He graduated with a degree in Environmental Science from Lyndon State College and worked for many years as an Environmental Planner in New England before coming back to New York. To learn more about the work of the Catskill Center in the Catskills, visit [www.catskillcenter.org](http://www.catskillcenter.org)
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For the most up-to-date schedule, call 518 263 4702 or visit www.catskillmtn.org.

Ticket Prices (Screens 1 (in 2D), 2 & 3, and the Orpheum): $9 / $7 seniors & children under 11
3D Ticket Prices: $11 / $9 seniors & children under 11
View trailers for our films online at www.catskillmtn.org

THE DEATH OF STALIN
(RATED R, 107 MINS)
DIRECTED BY ARMANDO IANNUCCI
STARRING STEVE BUSCEMI, MICHAEL PALIN, JEFFREY TAMBOR
In early-1953 Moscow, the ever-watchful Soviet leader, Joseph Stalin, collapses unexpectedly of a brain haemorrhage. When his body is discovered, a frenetic surge of raw panic spreads in the senior members of the Council of Ministers, as they scramble to maintain order, weed out the competition, and, ultimately, take power.

5/11-5/20
Friday 7:30; Saturday 4:00 & 7:30; Sunday 7:30

"The Death Of Stalin is superbly cast, and acted with icy and ruthless force by an A-list lineup. There are no weak links. Each has a plum role; each squeezes every gorgeous horrible drop."
—Peter Bradshaw, The Guardian

THE LEISURE SEEKER
(RATED R, 112 MINS)
DIRECTED BY PAOLO VIRZI
STARRING HELEN MIRREN, DONALD SUTHERLAND, CHRISTIAN MCKAY
A runaway couple go on an unforgettable journey from Boston to The Ernest Hemingway Home in Key West, traveling in the faithful old RV they call The Leisure Seeker. They recapture their passion for life and their love for each other on a road trip that provides revelation and surprise right up to the very end.

5/4-5/6 Friday 7:30; Saturday 4:00 & 7:30; Sunday 7:30

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SECRET MUSIC with Richard Kolb
May 26

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ISLE OF DOGS  
(RATED PG-13, 101 MINS)
DIRECTED BY WES ANDERSON
STARRING BRYAN CRANSTON, KOYU RANKIN, EDWARD NORTON
A boy’s odyssey in search of his lost dog.  
5/25-6/3 Friday 7:30; Saturday 4:00 & 7:30; Sunday 7:30

“So lush with gorgeous detail it’s like a piece of highly-textured haute couture, there’s also a sharp social message behind the elaborate seams. “
—Fionnuala Halligan, Screen International

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AVENGERS: INFINITY WAR  
(RATED PG-13, 149 MINS)
DIRECTED BY ANTHONY RUSSO, JOE RUSSO
STARRING: ROBERT DOWNEY JR., CHRIS EVANS, CHRIS HEMSWORTH
The Avengers and their allies must be willing to sacrifice all in an attempt to defeat the powerful Thanos before his blitz of devastation and ruin puts an end to the universe.  
5/4-5/13 3D SHOWTIMES: Friday-Sunday 7:00; 2D SHOWTIMES: Saturday 4:00; Sunday 2:00 & 4:30

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ITZHAK  
(RATED R, 82 MINS)
DIRECTED BY ALISON CHERNICK
STARRING: ITZHAK PERLMAN
A look at the life, work and religious heritage of violinist Itzhak Perlman.  
5/4-5/13 Friday 7:15; Saturday 4:15 & 7:15; Sunday 2:15, 4:45 & 7:15

“Good music and good company make Itzhak a pleasure…”
—Dennis Harvey, Variety

READY PLAYER ONE  
(RATED PG-13, 140 MINS)
DIRECTED BY STEVEN SPIELBERG
STARRING: TYE SHERIDAN, OLIVIA COOKE, BEN MENDELSOHN
When the creator of a virtual reality world called the OASIS dies, he releases a video in which he challenges all OASIS users to find his Easter Egg, which will give the finder his fortune.  
5/4-5/13 Friday 7:30; Saturday 4:30 & 7:30; Sunday 2:30, 5:00 & 7:30

“This is Spielberg’s biggest crowdpleaser in years, a CGI ride that wields the technology with an eye for payoff. “
—Eric Kohn, Indiewire

DEADPOOL 2  
(NOT YET RATED)
DIRECTED BY DAVID LEITCH
STARRING: MORENA BACCARIN, JOSH BROLIN, ZAZIE BEETZ
After surviving a near fatal bovine attack, a disfigured cafeteria chef struggles to fulfill his dream of becoming Mayberry’s hottest bartender while also learning to cope with his lost sense of taste. Searching to regain his spice for life, as well as a flux capacitor, he must battle ninjas, the yakuza, and a pack of sexually aggressive canines, as he journeys around the world to discover the importance of family, friendship, and flavor—finding a new taste for adventure and earning the coveted coffee mug title of World’s Best Lover.  
5/18-5/27 Friday 7:00; Saturday 4:00 & 7:00; Sunday 2:00, 4:30 & 7:00

FOXTROT  
(RATED R, 108 MINS)
DIRECTED BY SAMUEL MAOZ
STARRING: LIOR ASHKENAZI, SARAH ADLER, YONATON SHIRAY
A troubled family must face the facts when something goes terribly wrong at their son’s desolate military post.  
5/18-5/27 Friday 7:15; Saturday 4:15 & 7:15; Sunday 2:15, 4:45 & 7:15

“Brilliantly constructed with a visual audacity that serves the subject rather than the other way around, this is award-winning filmmaking on a fearless level. “
—Jay Weissberg, Variety

SOLO: A STAR WARS STORY  
(NOT YET RATED)
DIRECTED BY RON HOWARD
STARRING: EMILIA CLARKE, ALDEN EHRENREICH, THANDIE NEWTON
During an adventure into a dark criminal underworld, Han Solo meets his future copilot Chewbacca and encounters Lando Calrissian years before joining the Rebellion.  
5/25-6/3 Friday 7:30; Saturday 4:30 & 7:30; Sunday 2:30, 5:00 & 7:30

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Monday, May 28, 2018

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WITH RICHARD HESTER
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Bringing the Community Together through the Arts

Common Ground on the Mountain:
A Concert of Folk, Bluegrass and Acoustic Music
Saturday, January 13 @ 8:00pm
Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center

Zvi Dance
Residency: January 8–January 28
Performance: Saturday, January 27 @ 7:30pm
Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center

Ballet Hispanico
Residency: February 5–February 17
Performance: Saturday, February 17 @ 7:30pm
Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center

American Dream
Tuesday, March 20 @ 1:00pm
Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center

No Strings Marionettes Company:
The Hobbit
Wednesday, April 25 @ 3:45pm
Thursday, April 26 @ 3:45pm
Doctorow Center for the Arts

Secret Music with Richard Kolb
Saturday, May 26 @ 8:00pm
Doctorow Center for the Arts

Academy of Fortepiano Performance
Residency: May 27–June 4
Performance: Romance & Glamour: A 19th Century Piano Soirée Featuring Guest Artist Pierre Goy with Audrey Axinn, Cynthia Roberts, Maria Rose and Yi-heng Yang:
Sunday, May 27 @ 8:00pm
Doctorow Center for the Arts

Lecture: “Rubato, Element of Musical Discourse” with Pierre Goy
Monday, May 28

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Tuesday, May 29

Lecture: “Character and Topic as Avenues to Interpreting Classic and Early Romantic Music” with Raymond Erickson
Thursday, May 31

Lecture: “Applying Violin Bowing Expression on the Clavichord” with Masayuki Maki
Friday, June 1

OMNY Taiko Drummers
Saturday, June 30 @ 6:30pm
Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center

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Left to right: Lea Gilmore, Common Ground on the Mountain; Zvi Dance; Sydney Henson, American Dream, photo by Visual Arts Masters
Omny Taiko Drummers
Sunday, July 1 @ 2:00pm
Windham Civic Centre Concert Hall, Main Street, Windham
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Saturday, July 14 @ 8:00pm
Windham Civic Centre Concert Hall, Main Street, Windham
This concert is a joint production of the Windham Chamber Music Festival and the Catskill Mountain Foundation.

Broadway in the Mountains
Residency: July 8–July 21
Student Performance: Saturday, July 21

National Dance Institute
Mountaintop Summer Residency
Dance Intensive: July 9–July 21
“A Tribute to the Hudson River”
Saturday, July 21 @ 7:00pm
Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center

Orpheum Double Bill: Crossing the C’s and Shilpa Ray
Saturday, July 28
Crossing the C’s @ 7:30pm, Shilpa Ray @ 10:00 pm
Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center
This concert is a joint production of 23Arts Initiative and the Catskill Mountain Foundation.

Igudesman & Joo: A Little Nightmare Music
Saturday, August 4 @ 8:00pm
Doctorow Center for the Arts

Manhattan in the Mountains
Residency: July 29–August 19
Faculty Concert—The Right Stuff:
Saturday, August 11 @ 8:00pm
Doctorow Center for the Arts

TUSK: The Ultimate Fleetwood Mac Tribute Band
Saturday, August 18 @ 7:30pm
Orpheum Film & Performing Arts Center

FALLA! Two Masterpieces by the great Spanish composer Manuel de Falla
Featuring Perspectives Ensemble
Saturday, August 25 @ 8:00 pm
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The Gottabees: Squirrel Stole My Underpants
Saturday, October 20 @ 3:30pm
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Théâtre de l’Oeil: The Heart in Winter
Saturday, November 17 @ 3:30pm
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Windham Festival Chamber Orchestra:
Music of Tchaikovsky, Elgar & Mozart
Robert Manno, Conductor • Anna Polonsky, Piano
Saturday, November 24 @ 8:00pm
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The Nutcracker
Friday, December 7 @ 7:30pm
Saturday, December 8 @ 2:00 & 7:30pm
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