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In 1974, a small group of volunteers, who had founded the Bedford-Barrow-Commerce Block Association, started a tradition that would last forty-two-years, Ye Olde Village Fair. The Fair has not only brought fun and entertainment, to Villagers and visitors alike, but in the years since its founding, the Fair has raised well over \$350,000 dollars that have gone directly to this neighborhood. The Fair's proceeds have nurtured many local nonprofits, and have also helped maintain the beauty of our BBC streets.

In a time, and in a city, where there is so much constant change, Ye Olde Village Fair has become a beloved tradition. But sometimes even the best traditions come to an end. So it is with great sadness that the BBC's Executive Committee has voted to end the Fair, simply because the rules and regulations attached to running such a volunteer fair in New York City have made it too burdensome an enterprise.

But the Bedford-Barrow-Commerce Block Association is alive and well. We look forward to another annual tradition, this December, the Holiday Party, and the BBC plans to continue its newsletter and special programs at the Music School, including a literary reading, featuring local writers, in November, that was such a big hit last year. And above all, the BBC will continue its stewardship of this neighborhood, with special attention to maintaining our trees, plantings, tree guards, and removing graffiti. We want to sincerely thank all the neighbors who have volunteered at Ye Olde Village Fair throughout the years—you have all been great!

**There is no October meeting.
The next BBC Meeting is
Wednesday, November 2
BBC Literary Soiree!**

This will be our second BBC Literary Soiree! Featuring the talents of our very own BBC poets, novelists, playwrights and nonfiction writers . . .

The BBC invites YOU to read from your work, published or unpublished, at the November 2 BBC Meeting, at 7 PM, at the Greenwich House Music School (46 Barrow St.). Please come and share your poems, your Great American Novel, your short story, your memoir, your narrative nonfiction, or your play. Open to all BBCers of ALL ages. Kids are very welcome to share their writing too!



We ask any interested writer to register, via email (KathrynDonaldson@aol.com), if you would like to read. PLEASE NOTE: WE ARE LIMITING THE READERS TO TEN, WHO EACH WILL READ FOR FIVE MINUTES, MAXIMUM.

If we have more than ten writers who want to participate, we will schedule another reading event. But please be aware, we are limited by time constraints. If you are interesting in participating, please register, and at the same time, include a brief bio (several lines) which will be read to the audience when you are introduced at the BBC Literary Soiree. We look forward to seeing you and hearing your work at this exciting premier event. And bring your fans, friends and family!

The BBC thanks good neighbor **Caliente Cab Company** for generously hosting, yet again, a cocktail party on Monday, September 19, at which charitable organizations will receive their contributions (totaling \$4,900 raised through Ye Olde Village Fair). The following is

a list of these organizations: **The Cherry Lane Theatre; Christopher Street Patrol; For the Love of Animals; Greenwich House-Caring Community; Greenwich House Music School; Greenwich House Pottery; Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation; Grove Street Film Festival; Hudson Park Library; Jefferson Market Garden; St. Luke's Garden Fund; St. Joseph's Soup Kitchen; Village Care Foundation; Visiting Neighbors; Washington Square Association; West Village Chorale.**



2016 BBC Holiday Party

This year's BBC Holiday Party (it's never too early to mark your calendars to make sure you're in town for the best holiday party for kids and grown-ups, not just in the Village, but in all of New York City!) is set for Saturday, December 3 at Greenwich House Music School (46 Barrow St.) 6-9 pm. So save that date!

The Bedford Downing Block Association will carry on their unique tradition—a Fall sidewalk sale—on October 15, 10AM to 5PM, with proceeds going to the ACE/SoHo partnership and neighborhood beautification. The sale, which is open to the public, will be held on Downing Street between Sixth Avenue and Bedford Street. No rain date. Whether buying or selling, BBCers are always welcome!

Sidewalk Sale

If you live in the "catchment area" of the Bedford Downing Block Association, the space costs \$25. (In other words if you live on Bedford or Downing Streets between Sixth and Seventh Avenues or in 10 Downing or on that bit of West Houston that is like part of Bedford it's \$25.) If you live anywhere else the space costs \$50. Payment must be received up front and is not refundable. NO payments on the day of the sale. Please make checks to Bedford Downing Block Association and mail to **Mary Ann Pizza, 19 Bedford Street, Apt. # 1, NYC, 10014**. Please include your email with the check so Mary Ann can acknowledge receipt.

The Second Greenwich Village Film Festival is coming on October 24, 25 and 26. All screenings start at 7PM and are held at Greenwich House Music School in the Renee Weiler Concert Hall on the second floor. Opening night on Monday, October 24 features short

films about Greenwich Village, in addition, to BBCer Alice Elliott "*The Collector of Bedford Street*". There will be an after party at 49 Grove Street.

Tuesday night, October 25 features short films Wednesday night, October 26 features documentaries and short films and an award ceremony for outstanding films in 3 categories with an after party at Pagani Restaurant.

All tickets are \$15 and will go on sale in October. Go to Greenwichvillagefilmfestival.com

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St. John's Lutheran Church (81 Christopher Street) presents a series of fall concerts:

October 6: Jay Rattman Quartet (Modern Jazz) \$10,
October 20: Mike Davis' New Wonders (Traditional Jazz) \$10,

November 3: Cyrus von Hochstetter and Austin Becker Duo (Contemporary Classical) \$15-Seniors \$5,
November 17: Alex LoRe Quartet (Modern Jazz) \$10

Cherry Lane Theatre:

October 24 - 28 Cherry Lane School is back in session! Check out our second annual education intensive featuring an array of theater-related courses taught by artists and professionals in the Cherry Lane community. Featuring **Stephen Adly Guirgis, Rajiv Joseph, Lucy Thurber, Angelina Fiordellisi, Matt Williams, Tina Howe** and more! cherrylanetheatre.org



Angelina Fiordellisi

Greenwich House Music School

The Stecher & Horowitz Young Artist Series is back this year and kicks off on Thursday, October 20 at 7:30



Eloise Kim

PM with **Eloise Kim**. Ms. Kim was the youngest finalist of the 2008 New York International Piano Competition, and has won many competitions including the Pinault International, the WPPC, and the Jefferson Young Artists International Piano Competitions. This series is free admission.

Sound it Out, the avant-garde jazz series continues at GHMS with performances by the Roman Filiu Quartet, the Hank Roberts Sextet, and Jason Stein's Hearts and Minds, on October 6, 15 and 19 respectively. All performances begin at 8PM, and tickets

are \$15 regular/\$12 for seniors and students.

Enrollment is ongoing throughout the fall term. If you are interested in taking private lessons or joining an ensemble, please call the **Registrar's office at 212-242-4770**. Or visit us online at greenwichhouse.org/music.

Greenwich House Annual Arts Benefit, Thursday, November 3, 2016, Rosenthal Pavilion at NYU is a celebration of the unique arts programs – Pottery, Music School, After-School, Summer Arts Camp and Senior Arts- that make Greenwich House the place for artistic expression and a foundation that has shaped the Greenwich Village community for generations. The benefit will raise needed funds for the arts across Greenwich House programs, supporting scholarships, concerts, exhibitions and free art classes for seniors.

The Greenwich House Arts Benefit will honor ceramicist and Jefferson Market Adopt-a-Pot founder, **Marianne Yoors** and composer, conductor, multi-instrumentalist and author, **David Amram** for their continued support of Greenwich House and the work each does in serving the community. The evening will feature a cocktail reception with performance and meet-and-greet with David Amram as well as a dinner and award ceremony and second performance with Mr. Amram and his proteges Silver City Bound. www.greenwichhouse.org



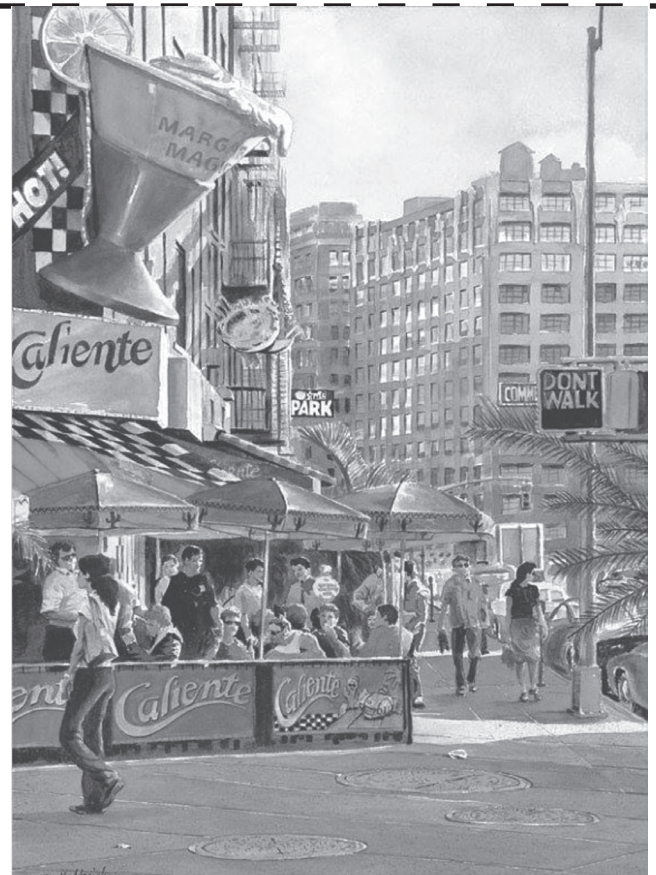
Marianne Yoors

Resources & Information

The band Citizen Sane will hold a free public concert on Saturday, October 8 at 12PM at Washington Square Park. Citizen Sane is a British acoustic, alternative band featuring **Paul Liam Kerr**: vocals, keys, piano, **Francesco Bottone**: guitars, backing vocals, **Dave Lowe**: drums, percussion. For more about the band go to <http://www.citizensane.co.uk>

Famed chef **Günter Seeger** who opened his latest restaurant in May at 641 Hudson Street (Horatio Street), 646-657-0045. gunterseegerny.com has dropped the ticket scheme. Now he offers reservations, with a \$100-a-person fee for cancellations within 48 hours. The restaurant's website also shows the day's menu, now priced at \$148 before tip and tax.

City & State's annual Rising Stars reception honors



A painting by Tom Hedderich (original in color and date unknown) shared by Patricia Fieldsteel at the Greenwich Village Grapevine

40 individuals under the age of 40 for their exceptional work in NYC government, advocacy, media, and more. The winners will be profiled in a special issue of City & State magazine and recognized at a celebratory cocktail reception. Join us on October 18 to recognize the Class of 2016 Rising Stars. Early bird tickets are available for a limited time for \$75- \$90

Tuesday, October 18, 6:30pm – 9:00pm

Location: Hudson Terrace

621 W 46th St, New York, NY 10036

If you are interested in attending, contact lblake@city-andstateny.com

The New York Preservation Center will hold its Birthday Party at the landmark Webster Hall, which has generously hosted this event since it began in 2012. Designated a NYC individual landmark by the NYC Landmarks Preservation Commission in 2008, Webster Hall is “one of New York City’s most historically and culturally significant large 19th century assembly halls.” Designed by Charles Rentz Jr., Webster Hall as we know it today is composed of the main hall, constructed in 1886 in the Queen Anne style and an annex added to the eastern side of the building in 1892, also by Rentz, but in the Renaissance Revival style.

Known as the “Devil’s Playhouse” in the 1920s and 30s for its masquerade balls, Webster Hall was a popular space for union meetings like the Amalgamated Workers of America. Webster Hall has served as a recording studio and music venue. Among the many people who have come through its doors are **Marcel Duchamp, Dorothy Day, Louis Armstrong, Eric Clapton and Madonna.**



Tickets are available for this year’s Birthday Party on October 5. Please contact **Felicia Mayro** at Neighborhood Preservation Center at 212-228-2781 or felicia@neighborhoodpreservationcenter.org for more information. Tickets range from \$40-\$1000.

October is National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Northwell Health Imaging (Seventh Ave & West 12th Street) has introduced a new protocol for screening and diagnostic mammograms. It combines breast tomosynthesis plus digital mammography as the standard exam for mammograms. Digital breast tomosynthesis, is also known as 3D mammography.

During the 3D part of the exam, an xray arm sweeps over the breast, taking multiple images in seconds, similar to a CT or MRI. Breast tomosynthesis provides a clearer, more accurate picture, compared to digital mammography alone. Studies have demonstrated a 10%-30% increase in overall breast cancer detection from 3D mammography compared to conventional 2D imaging alone. The radiation dose for a combined 2D/3D mammography exam is well below the acceptable FDA limits and is a frac-

tion of the level of radiation received annually from the natural background of simply being outdoors. There is no evidence that this low level of radiation has any significant effect on the breasts. At LHGV, breast tomosynthesis plus digital mammography is the standard protocol for all screening and diagnostic mammograms. Be on the lookout for upcoming events to commemorate National Breast Cancer Awareness Month in October comin. A prescription from your doctor is required. Call today to make an appointment 646.665.6700



If you have never attended a dinner at the James Beard House at 167 West 12th Street, maybe you should. Prices vary. Upcoming October events include the following:

Saturday 10.01, Taste of the Delta, Chocolatier Phillip Ashley Rix. Phillip Ashley Chocolates, Memphis and additional participants

Tuesday 10.04, Pork-a-Palooza. Presented by the National Pork Board. Stephen Gerike, The National Pork Board, Des Moines, IA and additional participants

Wednesday 10.05, New England Nostalgia, Tyler Kinnett and Beverage Director Brahm Callahann. Harvest, Cambridge, MA

Saturday 10.08, Tavern Supper, Steven Gedra, The Black Sheep, Buffalo, NY.
Contact James Beard Foundation <reservations@jamesbeard.org> for information.

A view of the Grove Street playstreet from 1927 with a view of St. Luke’s Chapel.

