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April 2014 BBC News And Views

Next BBC Meeting

The next meeting is Wednesday, April 2 at the Greenwich House Music School (46 Barrow Street) This special event, coordinated by **Katy Jacobs** of The Paley Center for Media, is an evening of BBC filmmakers showcasing their films followed by a Q&A with the audience. There will be a short reception to follow. Starting time is 7:00pm.

Ye Olde Village Fair

The 40th annual Ye Olde Village Fair is set for Saturday, May 17, starting at 11:00am. Come enjoy the International Food Court, Outdoor Café (this year, centered around The Cherry Lane Theatre), live entertainment, children's activities, and the one and only Juried Crafts Fair, featuring the original creations of wonderful artists and artisans. Our Vendor Chair for the Juried Crafts Fair, is **Stacey Miller**. She reports "we are doing well and lots of new artists have applied. We should have a great new show". Thank you, Stacey, for taking on this very important and time-consuming task. We truly appreciate all your efforts in making our Juried Crafts Fair the best in New York City. And special notice to Fair vendors: You can find applications online at the BBC Block Association website, bbcblockassociation.org.

From our neighbor **Ellen Stevenson** from the Morton Street Block Association

Dear Neighbors — Please consider joining the Carmine Street Recreation Center. They have some great instructors and all the classes are free for members. Membership for seniors is just \$25 for a full year

which gives you access to all of the facilities as well as the classes. I can personally attest to the superior quality of the instruction in two different classes.

BBCer **Ellen Peterson-Lewis** invites you and your friends to a FREE extraordinary theater production of **Flannery O'Connor's** "Everything That Rises Must Converge". It is a production by Compagnia De' Colombari presented on April 16, 8:00pm at Elizabeth Irwin High School. The address is 40 Charlton Street. **Karin Coonrod**, the Artistic director is well known for her work in NYC and beyond. This is the only performance in NYC. The company will be on a college tour of Georgetown University, Washington DC; Emory University, Atlanta, Georgia; Bowdoin College, Brunswick, Maine.

At Last

The first white butterfly
among a few golden daffodils
just opening

a diamond glittering flittering

before sleeping branches
slowly awakening into the yawn
of spring

Holly Rose Diane Shaw
BBC Poet Laureate

Nabe Notes

openhousenewyork invites you inside the studios and offices of some of the city's leading architects, designers, and engineers during openstudios Flatiron District, a Saturday afternoon open house celebrating the neighborhood as a thriving center of architecture and design. Visit the spaces where architects work, see new projects in the design phase, and meet the in-

dividuals who are helping to shape the city's future. Saturday, April 12 studio tours 1:00 -5:00pm, reception 5:00-7:00pm. \$30 general admission, \$20 OHNY members, students and seniors. You can purchase tickets at www.ohny.org

Greenwich House

After School and Summer Camp Programs:
The After-School program has a new class, Culture Club. It takes students on an exploration of the rich culture of New York City. Students will "travel" the world by exploring the sights and sounds of our city. Field trips to cultural institutions, restaurants and local shops will expand our understanding of the richness and diversity in our city. Registration for After-School and Summer Camp are available. Sign your kids up today! For more info www.greenwichhouse.org

Greenwich House Pottery School

The Pottery's next exhibition will feature **Kristen Morgan** whose exhibition will run from April 10 - May 10. An artist with a diverse studio practice, Morgan's work makes reference to death and decay via enormous unfired clay sculptures and equally as elegant small scale trompe l'oeil ceramic sculptures influenced by everyday objects and pop iconography. The show represents sculptures from her own collection, work that she has held onto, which lends itself to insight into the artist's relationship to her work. The opening reception will be held on Thursday, April 10 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm.



Greenwich House Music School:

Café A Go Go Series: Julia Haltigan Thursday, April 3, 2014 8:00pm. *Please limit ticket purchases to no more than four. Price: \$15.00

Getz au Go Go Revisited: Another Look at Bossa Nova in the 1960's. Thursday, April 10, 2014 with **Vitor Goncalves, Cesar Garabini, Marcos Kuzka, Sergio Krakowski, Eduardo Belo, Jeremy Powell, Rogerio Boccato and Fernanda Bravo**. *Please limit ticket purchases to no more than four. Price: \$15.00

David Amram meets The Amigos, Thursday, April 17, 2014 8:00pm. *Please limit ticket purchases to no more than four. Price: \$18.00

Deva Mahal, Thursday, April 24, 2014 8:00pm. *Please limit ticket purchases to no more than four. Price: \$15.00

The Music School will also have a family concert with resident artists **Decoda** on Saturday, April 5. The ensemble will lead kids along a musical zoo journey through the Music School's facilities, followed by a concert. Go to www.greenwichhouse.org for details.

Cherry Lane Theatre

Lina Patel's *The Ragged Claws*, mentored by **David Henry Hwang**, in which an apocalyptic Manhattan provides a futuristic backdrop for confronting the wounds of history (dir. **Jedediah Schultz**, running Apr 2 - 12); Thursdays are Neighbor Night at Cherry Lane, when our Village neighbor enjoy \$10 tickets (reg \$19; season memberships \$45). More info at cherrylanetheatre.org.



On the mainstage, Rattlestick Playwrites Theatre presents: *Ode to Joy* by **Craig Lucas** featuring **Kathryn Erbe, Arliss Howard** and **Roxanna Hope**. extended to April 19. *Ode to Joy* tells the story of love, heartbreak, addiction and illness through the eyes of Adele, an audacious painter and her destructive relations with Mala and Bill, her two lovers. General Admission \$66 Under 30 / Theater Artist: \$26 Student: \$21 Running time: 150 minutes, with two 10 minute intermissions

The Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation (GVSHP) announces its upcoming programs (for more information, go to www.gvshp.org/events):

History in Asphalt – An illustrated talk about Greenwich Village and the forces that shaped its pattern of streets, with Manhattan historian **Joyce Gold** Thursday, April 3, 6:30 - 8:00pm. Free; reservations required Jefferson Market Library Sixth Avenue and West 10th Street.

Developing an Opera about Jane Jacobs and Robert Moses Composer **Judd Greenstein** and director **Joshua Frankel** discuss the process of creating their new opera Thursday, April 10, 6:30 - 8:00pm. Free; reservations required Village Community School, 272-278 West 10th Street between Greenwich and Washington Streets

The Gotham Center for New York City History Presents *Habitats: Private Lives in the Big City* Thursday,

April 3, 2014, 6:30-8:00pm. Martin E. Segal Theater
 Journalist **Constance Rosenblum** talks about her new book, which expands selections from the “Habitats” column in *The New York Times*, and takes readers to both familiar and remote sections of the city — history-rich townhouses, low-income housing projects, out-of-the-way places, and every corner of the five boroughs — to introduce them to a wide variety of families



Constance Rosenblum

and individuals who call New York home. **Lulu Lolo**, a lifelong resident of East Harlem, playwright, actor, artist, historian and community activist, joins.

Bohemians: A Graphic History Monday, April 28, 2014, 6:30-8:00pm Elebash Recital Hall. Historian **Paul Buhle**, **Sabrina Jones**, **Peter Kuper**, and others speak about Bohemians, a graphic history of the transcontinental movement and its illustrious figures, recovering the utopian ideas behind millennial communities, the rise of Greenwich Village and Harlem, the multiracial and radical jazz and dance worlds, and West Coast, Southern, and Midwest bohemias, among other scenes. Drawn by an all-star cast of comics artists, *Bohemians* is a broad and entertaining account of the rebel impulse in American cultural history.

All events this spring are free and open to the public. Seating is “first come, first served.” For more information, call 212.817.8471. Forums take place at The Graduate Center, City University of New York, 365 Fifth Avenue, between 34th and 35th St. Books will be available for purchase and signing by the respective authors.

Neighborhood Notes & Notables

ABC television’s pilot *Dangerous Liaisons* is shooting in NYC this spring. The show is directed by **Taylor Hackford** (*Ray*, *Devil’s Advocate*) and stars **Katie Holmes**. Filming took place on Greenwich Street at Charles Street in early April.



Sometime Villager, **Marisa Tomei**, is starring on Broadway in *The Realistic Joneses* along with **Toni Collette**, **Michael C. Hall** and **Tracy Letts**. The play opens on April 6 at the Lyceum Theater. This new American play comes to Broadway after a critically acclaimed run at the Yale Repertory Theatre in 2012.



Former all-star hockey player **Eric Lindros** is about to become the latest famous person to depart celebrity haven 1 Morton Square, after director Oliver Stone put his unit there on the market last month and the Olsen twins unloaded their penthouse in 2010. Amy Poehler and Will Arnett shipped out in 2007, although Daniel Radcliffe is still there. Lindros just listed his 2,191-square-foot 3BR/3.5BA for \$6.75 million. He bought the apartment in 2004, while he was playing for the New York Rangers, for \$2.5 million. It comes with an almost-500-square-foot private roof terrace.

from Curbed

Resources & Information

Three Lives and Company (154 West 10th Street) invite you to the following events:

April 29, Tuesday, 6.00 – 8.00pm. Come Celebrate Your Village! *Greenwich Village Stories: A Collection of Memories* (Universe) edited by Judith Stonehill, introduction by Andrew Berman. Celebrate the publication of *Greenwich Village Stories* with several of the contributors, including **Lauren Belfer** and **Matt Umanoff**, on hand to share their memories of life in The Village. In association with The Greenwich Village Society for Historic Preservation.

May 1, Thursday. 7:00pm, **Ruth Ozecki**, *A Tale for the Time Being* (Penguin) In Conversation with **Ellis Avery**. In conjunction with Public Books,



an online review of books and the arts, we are delighted to present Ruth Ozeki in conversation with local novelist Ellis Avery about her latest novel, a favorite of the year for several of the folks at Three Lives. Introduced by **Sharon Marcus**, Editor in Chief of Public Books.

A recent budget meeting with legislative leaders ended in frustration with state **Senate Republican Leader Dean Skelos** leaving early and **Assembly Speaker Sheldon Silver** calling the Senate's proposal fiction, Capital New York writes: <http://goo.gl/9ldUrm>

Mayor Bill de Blasio announced the appointment of **Mitchell Silver**, currently the head of planning for the city of Raleigh, N.C., as his new parks commissioner, Politicker reports: <http://goo.gl/q53UjS>

U.S. Sen. Charles Schumer said that it is "very likely" that the Senate will pass a federal shield law this year to protect journalists following criticism of an aggressive Justice Department, Capital New York reports: <http://goo.gl/BAFDrb>

A lawsuit filed by state lawmakers to quash subpoenas handed down by the state Moreland Commission on Public Ethics has been pushed back to April, according to court documents filed this week,
from State of Politics; <http://goo.gl/BgUqVB>

There is momentum for a paid family leave bill in the state Legislature, on the heels of the passage of the paid sick leave bill in New York City, though it is unclear where **Gov. Andrew Cuomo** stands on the issue,
from Crain's writes: <http://goo.gl/lc7G2d>

Mayor Bill De Blasio said that New York City's bike share program, which has struggled financially since its inception, will not receive any public dollars, but that he would explore "other methodologies" to save it,
from Politicker: <http://goo.gl/6nkn9F>

Assemblyman David Buchwald is organizing opposition to a proposed bill that would block Tesla Motors from selling its electric cars directly to consumers,
from Business Insider <http://goo.gl/P739Wf>

On the seventh anniversary of the fatal shooting of two young auxiliary police officers on a South Village street, **State Senator Brad Hoylman** introduced legislation that would make the penalty for killing an auxiliary officer the same as that for killing a regular New York Police Department officer.

Nicholas Pekearo, 28, and **Yevgeniy "Eugene" Marshalik**, 19, were killed on March 14, 2007, while pursuing

a crazed gunman who had just slain a pizza restaurant worker on W. Houston St. and was then fleeing on foot while firing wildly. Since the city's auxiliary officers are unarmed, the two men were defenseless when the gunman, **David Garvin**, turned and shot them dead near the corner of Sullivan and Bleecker Sts. Garvin was killed minutes later in a shootout with N.Y.P.D. officers who'd rushed to the scene.

Hoylman's new bill, the Auxiliary Police Officers Yevgeniy Marshalik and Nicholas Pekearo Memorial Act, would bring the legal penalty for killing an auxiliary officer in line with the penalty for killing a regular officer.jb
from The Villager, March 28, 2014

Police arrested a teenage boy on March 15 after he allegedly stole a Citi Bike and then drew graffiti on a W. Fourth St. apartment building. An officer said he spotted the boy, 15 — who lives on LaGuardia Place — outside 132 W. Fourth St. around 3:50 a.m., using a paint bottle with a brush attachment to tag his nickname, "Skeez," on a glass encasement on the building's front.

Once the cop approached and questioned him, both about the graffiti and the Citi Bike lying beside him, the alleged vandal admitted to taking the bike from a nearby dock without paying for it, according to the police report. The bike hadn't been pushed all the way into its slot, the boy reportedly told the officer, so he took it. "I was going to ride it and put it back," he said, according to the report. The boy was charged with making graffiti, possession of graffiti instruments and criminal possession of stolen property

Our new councilmember, **Corey Johnson** held his first town hall on Tuesday, March 25 at the School of the Visual Arts on West 23rd Street. Councilmember Johnson's office invited the following offices to attend: Dept. of Education, Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene, Dept. of Housing and Preservation and Development, Dept. of Transportation, Dept. of Sanitation, Dept. of Buildings, Dept. of Environmental Protection, Dept. of Parks and Recreation, the NYPD, MTA/ NYCT, and ConEdison. The meeting was an opportunity for people to ask questions and have agency heads give answers.

