

# HISTORIC HOUSE FESTIVAL

OPENING DOORS TO HISTORY

Partnering with Open House New York  
**FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 15, & 16, 2011**

*Join the Historic House Trust of New York City as it celebrates New York City History Never Tasted So Good. On this special weekend, 23 historic houses located in parks across the five boroughs will open their doors for history and food-related events, exclusive tours, lectures, and more, offering a fun and memorable way to explore the city's rich heritage.*

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## IN THE BRONX

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### Bartow-Pell Mansion Museum

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Sunday, October 16, 4:30–6 p.m.

#### A Brief History of American Food

- Chef, writer, and James Beard Award-winning cookbook author Judith Choate gives a wonderful taste of American food history in this fascinating presentation. Registration requested. Free

**Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): 2 for 1 admission**

**WEEKEND HOURS:** Saturday & Sunday: 12pm – 4pm

Pelham Bay Park, 895 Shore Road | (718) 885-1461 | [www.bpmm.org](http://www.bpmm.org)

Directions: Subway to Bus: **6** to Pelham Bay Station, then #45 Westchester Bee Line bus to museum gates

## Edgar Allan Poe Cottage

### Post Restoration Tours

**Saturday: 10am – 4pm; Sunday: 1pm – 5pm**

- Be one of the first to take a tour of the recently restored Edgar Allan Poe Cottage

***Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): 2 for 1 admission***

Poe Park, East Kingsbridge Road and Grand Concourse | (718) 881-8900 | [www.bronxhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.bronxhistoricalsociety.org)

Directions: Subway: **D** or **4** to Kingsbridge Road; Bus: Bx1, Bx2, Bx9, Bx12, Bx15, Bx17, Bx22, Bx24, Bx26, Bx28, Bx32, Bx34, Bx41, Bx55; From Manhattan: MTA Express Bus 4A, 4B



## Valentine-Varian House

### The Bronx Cooks!!!

**Saturday: 10am – 4pm; Sunday: 1pm – 5pm**

- Looking at Tastes, technology, and culinary curiosities of Bronxites

***Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): 2 for 1 admission admission***

Varian Park, 3266 Bainbridge Avenue at East 208<sup>th</sup> Street | (718) 881-8900 | [www.bronxhistoricalsociety.org](http://www.bronxhistoricalsociety.org)

Directions: Subway: **D** to Bainbridge Avenue and 205<sup>th</sup> Street or **4** to Mosholu Parkway; Bus: Bx10, Bx16, Bx28, Bx30, Bx34; from Manhattan, MTA Express Bus 4A, 4B



## Van Cortlandt House Museum

### Special Event: Open Hearth Cooking Demonstration

**Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> 11:00 a.m. – 3:00p.m**

- Open Hearth Cooking Demonstration: Baking Without and Oven presented by Laura Carpenter and a guest chef (tba). Free event, demonstration limited to 15 participants.  
*Reservations (taken after September 15<sup>th</sup>) required: (718) 543-3344 or [info@vancortlandthouse.org](mailto:info@vancortlandthouse.org)*

**Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup> 11:00a.m. – 3:00p.m.**

- Afternoon Delights
- Assorted Revolutionary War-era re-enactors will be scattered about the lawn of Van Cortlandt House Museum engaging in afternoon delights such as a ladies' sewing circle and classic 18<sup>th</sup> century yard games. Try your hand at a game or engage the ladies in conversation about their handiwork. Look on as the ladies set up for and enjoy and outdoor tea from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.  
Free event held rain or shine.  
*Reservations (taken after September 15<sup>th</sup>) required: (718) 543-3344 or [info@vancortlandthouse.org](mailto:info@vancortlandthouse.org)*



***Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): Free copy of the Historic House Trust Map (one per family) when Metrocard is presented. For the first 300 visitors during the promotional period.***

Van Cortlandt Park, Broadway at West 246<sup>th</sup> Street | (718) 543-3344 | [www.vancortlandthouse.org](http://www.vancortlandthouse.org)

Directions: Subway: 1 to 242<sup>nd</sup> Street; Bus: Bx9 to West 244<sup>th</sup> Street

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## IN BROOKLYN

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### Lefferts Historic House Museum

#### Sweet and Savory: Culinary Delights from Mrs. Lefferts' Cookbook

Sunday, October 16: 1pm – 4pm

- The Lefferts House, a Dutch farmhouse located in Prospect Park, will be dishing up sweet and savory treats from Mrs. Lefferts' handwritten cookbook, created in the 1800s.
- Tour the house and visit the working garden to learn more about foodways and Brooklyn's changing landscape over 200 years.

Free. Suggested donation \$1 per treat.

**WEEKEND HOURS:** Saturday & Sunday: 12pm – 5pm  
Prospect Park, Flatbush Avenue at Empire Boulevard/Ocean Avenue | (718) 789-2822 | [www.prospectpark.org](http://www.prospectpark.org)

Directions: Subway: Q or S to Prospect Park station; Bus: B16 or B43 to Ocean Avenue and Empire Boulevard; B41 or B48 to Flatbush Avenue and Empire Boulevard



### Hendrick I. Lott House

#### OHNY Event

Saturday, October 15: 12pm – 4pm

- Hot and Cold Cider
- Zandkoekjes (Sand Cookies)
- Friese Dumkes (Frisian thumbs)
- Boterkoek (Butter Biscuits)

Free.

1940 East 36<sup>th</sup> Street | [www.lotthouse.org](http://www.lotthouse.org)

Directions: Subway: Q to Kings Highway, then B2 bus to Fillmore Avenue and East 36<sup>th</sup> Street



### Old Stone House

Saturday, October 15: 6pm – 8pm

#### Special Performance: Alice, or the Scottish Gravediggers

*Alice, or the Scottish Gravediggers*, written in 1829 by the "father of melodrama" René-Charles Guilbert de Pixérécourt, was inspired by the infamous Burke & Hare murders, in which grave robbers turned to murder as a more efficient source for corpses. Polybe + Seats' take on Pixérécourt's gruesome tale of love and betrayal further investigates the play's backdrop - a moment in medical history during which doctors and anatomists paid top dollar for the freshest corpses available. Body snatching, grave robbing, and even murder became the basis for major discoveries in medical science.

**Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): 2 for 1 admission admission and 10% off all gift shop purchases**



Washington Park, 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue at 3<sup>rd</sup> Street | (718) 768-3195 | [www.theoldstonehouse.org](http://www.theoldstonehouse.org)

Directions: Subway: **R** to Union Street; **F** to Fourth Avenue; Bus: B63 to 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue and 3<sup>rd</sup> Street

## Wyckoff Farmhouse Museum

### Special Tour: From the Cellar to the Attic

**Saturday, October 15: 11am, 1pm, & 3pm & Sunday, October 16: 11am, 1pm, & 3pm**

Take this rare opportunity to see the attic of a 17<sup>th</sup>-century Dutch colonial dwelling, featuring post-and-beam construction, as well as the original root cellar. The guided tour shows you the interior of the oldest structure in New York City!

*Free.*

*Reservations required: (718) 629-5400*



**WEEKEND HOURS:** Saturday & Sunday: 10am – 4pm

Fidler Park, 5816 Clarendon Road at Ralph Avenue | (718) 629-5400 | [www.wyckoffassociation.org](http://www.wyckoffassociation.org)

Directions: Subway: **2** or **5** to Newkirk Avenue, then B8 bus to Beverley Road at East 59<sup>th</sup> Street; Bus: B47 or B7 bus to Clarendon Road

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## IN MANHATTAN

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## The History Channel Presents the Manhattan Bike Tour

### Special Tour: Bike to Manhattan Historic Houses!

**Sunday, October 16; 10:30am – 4:30pm**

**Tour begins at Dyckman Farmhouse Museum (204<sup>th</sup> Street and Broadway)**

Visit 5 historic house sites in Manhattan, from Inwood to Greenwich Village. HHT staff will give you the inside scoop on these architectural gems, including their history and restoration. This event is sponsored by the History Channel.

Please note: 25-person maximum.

*Free.*

*Reservations required: [mikel.travisano@parks.nyc.gov](mailto:mikel.travisano@parks.nyc.gov)*



## Dyckman Farmhouse Museum

### Visit the Dyckman Farmhouse Museum!!

*Historic House Trust Bike Tour stops at the Farmhouse!*

**Friday, October 14 – Sunday, October 16; 11am – 5pm**

Free admission all weekend

**Sunday, October 16; 11am – 4pm**

Orchards no longer fill the landscape of Northern Manhattan, but cider pressing returns to Dyckman for the day. Try your hand at making cider and learn more about the orchards of the Dyckman farm.

**Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): Half-price admission**

Directions: Subway: **A** or **1** to 207<sup>th</sup> Street; Bus: M100 or Bx7 to 204<sup>th</sup> Street



## Gracie Mansion

### SPECIAL EVENING TOURS AND TREATS

**Friday, October 14; 5:30pm – 8pm (subject to availability)**




Tours of this 1799 country house—home to New York City mayors since 1942—are usually not offered in the evenings, making this is a special treat for people who can't make the regular Wednesday tour hours. Take a tour and sample cider and gingersnaps based on a historic recipe.

*Reservations are required.*

*To make a reservation, contact: [GracieTours@cityhall.nyc.gov](mailto:GracieTours@cityhall.nyc.gov)  
Free. (regular admission \$4-\$7)*



Carl Schurz Park, 88<sup>th</sup> Street & East End Avenue

Directions: Subway:    to 86<sup>th</sup> Street; Bus: M86 or the M31 to York Avenue and 88<sup>th</sup> Street.


## Little Red Lighthouse

*Historic House Trust Bike Tour stops at Little Red!*

### Tours

**Sunday, October 16; 12pm – 4pm**

Fort Washington Park, 178<sup>th</sup> Street and the Hudson River | (212) 304-2365

Directions: Subway:  to 181<sup>st</sup> Street and walk west to Plaza Lafayette; follow the signs



## Merchant's House Museum




**Special Mid-19<sup>th</sup> Century Dinner Event: *To Die For***  
*Historic House Trust Bike Tour stops at Merchant's!*

**Friday, October 14; 2 to 4 p.m.**

**Have Your (Batter) Cake & Eat It, Too: a 19<sup>th</sup>-Century Food Tasting**

Marja Samsom (the Dumpling Diva and chef of famed, now historic, downtown restaurant The Kitchen Club) will serve up 'batter cakes and lemon cream,' based on a mid-19<sup>th</sup> century recipe. Reportedly a great favorite of Thomas Jefferson, batter cakes were often served at tea time. The original recipe, with Marja's adaptation for modern cooks, is featured in the Museum's newest publication "The Little Book of Tea." Free admission, includes a self-guided tour of the Merchant's House Museum.

29 East 4<sup>th</sup> Street between Lafayette Street & Bowery | (212) 777-1089 | [www.merchantshouse.org](http://www.merchantshouse.org)

Directions: Subway:   to 8<sup>th</sup> Street or  to Astor Place; Bus: M5, M6 to Broadway/4<sup>th</sup> Street; M102 to 4<sup>th</sup> Street; M1 to Broadway/8<sup>th</sup> Street



## Morris-Jumel Mansion Museum

*Historic House Trust Bike Tour stops at Madame Jumel's House!!*


### MJM Café

**Saturday, October 15; 11am-4pm**

The MJM Café will feature the vibrant music, artistry, crafts and cuisine that make Washington Heights and the neighboring communities of Harlem, Inwood, and the Bronx so diverse and dynamic.

*Admission is free. No advanced registration required.*

**WEEKEND HOURS:** Saturday & Sunday: 10am – 4pm  
Roger Morris Park, 65 Jumel Terrace at 160<sup>th</sup> Street | (212) 923-8008  
| [www.morrisjumel.org](http://www.morrisjumel.org)

Directions: Subway:  to 160<sup>th</sup> Street; Bus: M2 to 160<sup>th</sup> Street and Edgecombe Avenue; M3 or M18 to 160<sup>th</sup> Street and St. Nicholas Avenue; M101 to 161<sup>st</sup> Street and Amsterdam Avenue (walk one block east)



## Swedish Cottage Marionette Theatre –

**Special Performance: *Secret History of the Swedish Cottage***



*Historic House Trust Bike Tour stops at the theatre!*

**Saturday, October 15; 11am**

City Parks Foundation presents a free performance of their current production, *Secret History of the Swedish Cottage*. Swedish refreshments to follow performance.

*Reservations required: (212) 988-9093*

Central Park at 79<sup>th</sup> Street and West Drive | (212) 988-9093 |  
[www.cityparksfoundation.org](http://www.cityparksfoundation.org)

Directions: Subway:  to 79<sup>th</sup> Street;  or  to 81<sup>st</sup> Street; Bus: M79 to Central Park West



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## IN QUEENS

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## The Office of Queens Borough President Marshall and Edible Queens Presents the Queens Bridge to Farm Bike Tour

**Join us for an escorted VIP bike tour on October 15 created by Bike the Big Apple**

**Saturday, October 16; 10:00am – 4:00pm**

**Tour begins at the Ed Koch Queensborough Bridge**

Visit 5 historic house sites in Queens, from the Ed Koch Queensborough Bridge to the Queens County Farm Museum. The tour will be led by Bike the Big Apple. The Bike route will include *Edible Queens*-approved eating and drinking rest stops as well as the borough's five historic houses.

*Fee: \$60.*

*Reservations required: [ediblequeensevents@gmail.com](mailto:ediblequeensevents@gmail.com)*



## King Manor Museum

### Tours: Archaeology & History at King Manor

Friday, October 14<sup>th</sup> from 12:00-2:00pm

Guided tours of the Museum; Admission: \$5 Adults, \$3 Students/Seniors, Children 16 and under Free

### What's Cooking at King Manor?

Saturday, October 15, 12:00-4:30pm

King Manor Museum will have an open-hearth cooking demonstration with living historian Diane Fish. Watch as historic food is made right in front of you. Learn about the types of food that people ate hundreds of years ago and how they prepared these foods. Sample historic foods and learn about the foodways of the past. Try churning your own butter, making cornhusk dolls and more! Enjoy crafts and stories for kids of all ages! The Museum will be open for free guided tours from 12:00-4:30pm.



### Talking About History: "Dutch Influence on the American Kitchen and Life"

Saturday, October 15, 5pm

Join us for a lecture with food historian Peter Rose as she explores the foodways brought to America by the Dutch more than three centuries ago, and the way these foodways were adapted to new circumstances. To reserve a seat for the lecture, call (718) 206-0545 x13 or e-mail [programs@kingmanor.org](mailto:programs@kingmanor.org)

### Tours: Archaeology & History at King Manor

Sunday, October 16<sup>th</sup>, 1:00-5:00 pm

Guided Tours of the museum; FREE Admission!!

### ***Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): 2 for 1 adult tour admission***

King Park, 150-03 Jamaica Avenue, Jamaica | (718) 206-0545 | [www.kingmanor.org](http://www.kingmanor.org)

Directions: Subway: **E** or **J Z** to Jamaica Center (exit Archer Ave. / 153rd St., walk 1 block north), or **F** to Parsons Blvd. (exit 153<sup>rd</sup> Street, walk two blocks south to King Park); Bus: Q24, Q42, Q43, Q44, Q54, Q56, or Q83 to downtown Jamaica; LIRR to Jamaica Station

## Bowne House

### Open Garden

Saturday & Sunday: 2:30pm – 4:30pm

The Historic House Trust's newest acquisition, the c. 1661 Bowne House, was a bastion of religious freedom in early America. Samuel Parsons, who married into the Bowne family in 1839, had a thriving nursery business which provided many trees to the area, and was a major supplier of apples to the region. The house is currently closed for a major restoration, but the grounds and gardens will be open Festival weekend. Stop by on your way to the adjacent Kingsland Homestead (see below).

Free.



Weeping Beech Park, 37-01 Bowne Street, Flushing | (718) 359-0528 | [www.bownehouse.org](http://www.bownehouse.org)

Directions: Subway: **7** to Main Street, Flushing. Walk two blocks east on Roosevelt Avenue to Bowne Street, turn left and walk to Margaret Carman Green, walk through the park to Kingsland Homestead on the left. Bus: Q12, 14, 15, 17, 26, 27, 44, 48, 65, or 66 to Main St.; Q13 or 28 to Parsons Blvd. & Northern Blvd

## Kingsland Homestead

### House Tours

**Saturday, October 15 & Sunday, October 16: 2:30pm – 4:30pm**

Built in 1785, Kingsland Homestead is now the home of the Queens Historical Society. Tour the homestead and visit the gift shop to find out more about historic foodways in Queens.

Two new exhibitions will also be on display: *Growing up Queens: A Study of Childhood in Our Unique Borough* and *Selling Beauty: Advertising to Queens 1895 - 1925*

Free with admission (\$3 adults; \$2 seniors & students; children 10 & under free).

### History of Horticulture in Flushing: Panel Discussion

**Sunday, October 16: 2:30pm – 4:30pm**

QHS welcomes local historians for a special panel discussion on horticulture history in Queens in celebration of the Historic House Festival & Open House New York Weekend. Join: James Driscoll, QHS Vice President for History; Fred Gerber, President, & Chuck Wade, Board Member, of Voelker Orth House Museum & Bird Sanctuary; and moderator - Queenborough Historian - Jack Eichenbaum. This lecture will discuss the horticultural history of the area surrounding the Kingsland Homestead including the nurseries that once existed here like: Parsons, Prince, and Bloodgood. Regional cooking, and how foods that were grown here were used. And a special sampling of fruits and vegetables found in the area today and how they were brought into the area by different immigrant groups.



### FREE EVENT

Weeping Beech Park, 143-35 37<sup>th</sup> Avenue, Flushing | (718) 939-0647 | [www.queenshistoricalsociety.org](http://www.queenshistoricalsociety.org)

Directions: Subway: 7 to Main Street, Flushing. Walk two blocks east on Roosevelt Avenue to Bowne Street, turn left and walk to Margaret Carman Green. Bus: Q12, 14, 15, 17, 26, 27, 44, 48, 65, or 66 to Main St.; Q13 or 28 to Parsons Blvd. & Northern Blvd

## Lewis H. Latimer House Museum

### Lamp Exchange

**Saturday, October 15 & Sunday, October 16: 11:00am -5:00pm**

### “From Cardboard to Canvas”

**Sunday, October 16th: 1:00pm-5:00pm**

Join us on the weekend of October 15 and Sunday, October 16. The Lewis H. Latimer House Museum will be giving tours and demonstrations celebrating the achievements of African American scientist and draftsman Lewis Howard Latimer, who worked with American inventor, Thomas Edison. Lewis H. Latimer patented the carbon filament, a significant improvement in the production of the incandescent light bulb! We continue to shine a light on Latimer's historic achievement with a “Lamp Exchange”. Come bring an old lamp and swap it for another new old lamp! Plus, enjoy tastes of Victorian American pies and mulled apple cider.

On Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> there will be free art demonstrations for children and young adults by "From Cardboard to Canvas" in the Latimer House's fall garden, from 1pm -5pm.



34-41 137<sup>th</sup> Street, Flushing | (718) 961-8585

Directions: Call for directions. Subway: 7 to Main Street Roosevelt then take Q25 or Q34 to Linden Place and 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue

## Queens County Farm Museum

October weekends at Queens Farm are fantastic! Join us on our 30-acre working farm for the Amazing Maize Maze, our 3-acre corn maze, the pumpkin patch, tractor drawn hayrides and freshly pressed cider. This is a country get away without leaving New York City. This year we are delighted to take part in the Historic House Trust Festival by including a special feature that we call "Farm Fresh Bites". "Farm Fresh Bites" will be happening on Saturday, October 15th from Noon to 4:00 p.m. near the fresh produce stand at the Queens County Farm Museum. Our in-house chef, Gabrielle, will provide a taste of her outstanding vegetable spreads made from our very own produce just-picked from the fields at Queens Farm. General Admission to the farm grounds, tasting at "Farm Fresh Bites" and parking are free!



### Pumpkin Patch

**Saturdays and Sundays throughout the month of October**

October is pumpkin month at the Queens County Farm Museum! Enjoy wandering through the planting fields to find your favorite pumpkin. Price of pumpkin is based on pumpkin size. A fun farm treat for the whole family.

### Apple Festival

**Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>: 11am – 4pm**

A large variety of apples, apple products, and freshly pressed cider will be available. The nation's largest apple cobbler will be baked on site. Learn fun apple facts at this delightful event. Vendors will have a variety of collectibles for sale, food, hayrides, and free children's games will make this event fun for all ages.

*Free Admission.*

### Children's Fall Festival

**Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>: 11am – 4pm**

Halloween fun for children of all ages. Youngsters are invited to wear their costumes! Visit our haunted house. Enjoy traditional games, including sack races and trinkets-in-the-haystack, plus pony rides and a petting zoo. Professional character look-a-likes will visit to add to the fun. Craft vendors will display and sell fall items, food, country western music and dancing will make this event fun for people of all ages.

*Admission: \$5.00 per person*

Admission includes:

Pig Racing 12:30, 2:00, 3:30

Bounces and games for kids

Halloween Characters (photos with characters welcome)

Country Western Band – Savannah Sky

Con Edison Ecology Booth – craft activity for kids

Additional paid activities include:

Animal Feeding \$2.00

Pony Ride \$2.00

Hayride \$2.00

Haunted House \$4.00 (receive a \$1 discount with paid fall fest admission sticker)

Amazing Maize Maze \$9.00 adults/\$5 children ages 4-11

(Receive a \$1 discount with paid fall fest admission sticker)

## **The Amazing Maize Maze (sponsored by Con Edison)**

Every Saturday and Sunday; Sept. 17<sup>th</sup> through Sunday Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>;  
11am – 4:30pm

Visit our haunted house for thrills and chills! Hayrides, Halloween treats, mulled cider, pumpkins and apples will be sold! The house is recommended for children ages 4–12. Adults will find it creepy too!

### **Admission**

Adults: \$9.00/person

Children (ages 4-11): \$5.00/person

Children (ages 3 & under): free

\*group rates available of 10 or more



## **“Farm Fresh Bites”**

Saturday, October 15<sup>th</sup>: 12pm – 4pm

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## **Halloween Haunted House**

Saturday October 29th, Sunday October 30th, Monday October 31th: 4pm - 7pm

Visit our haunted house for thrills and chills! Hayrides, Halloween treats, mulled cider, pumpkins and apples will be sold! The house is recommended for children ages 4–12. Adults will find it creepy too!

Haunted House Admission: \$4.00

**Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): 10% discount in our gift, wine, and plant shops**

73-50 Little Neck Parkway, Floral Park | (718) 347-FARM | [www.queensfarm.org](http://www.queensfarm.org)

Directions: Subway to Bus:  or  to Kew Gardens/Union Turnpike; then Q46 to Little Neck Parkway

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## IN STATEN ISLAND

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### **Alice Austen House Museum**

#### **Special Event: Victorian Tea**

Saturday & Sunday: 12pm – 4pm

In the 1930s, Alice and her partner Gertrude opened up their home and started a business serving refreshments.

Come to their Victorian Tea House, relax on their porch, and bask in the amazing view of the Verrazano Narrows.

Reservations required: (718) 816-4506

Alice Austen Park, 2 Hylan Boulevard | (718) 816-4506 |

[www.aliceausten.org](http://www.aliceausten.org)

Directions: SIRT: Clifton Station; Bus: S51 (from Ferry) to Bay Street/Hylan Blvd



## Conference House

### Viddles & Fiddles – Food & Wine Festival

**Sunday, October 1: 2pm**

Take a bite out of history at our first food and wine event. Music, tasty treats, enter our Scarecrow contest, fun for the whole family. *Free.*

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***Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): Buy 1 tour ticket, get one free***

Conference House Park, 7455 Hylan Boulevard | (718) 984-6046 |

[www.theconferencehouse.org](http://www.theconferencehouse.org)

**Directions:** Bus: S78 bus or S59 bus to Craig Avenue / Hylan Boulevard, walk 1 block south



## Historic Richmond Town

### Special Events: Billiou Stillwell Perine House 350<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

On October 15 and 16 the Billiou Stillwell Perine House, the oldest house on Staten Island will be open to celebrate the Historic House Trust Festival on the occasion of the 350<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the permanent settlement of Staten Island. The house will be open on October 15 from noon – 4 pm and on October 16, from 11 am- 2 pm.

During the festival, admission to the Billiou Stillwell Perine House will be free. Visitors to the house enjoy a guided tour that includes two Dutch-style jambless fireplaces and several furnished rooms. Samples of period farmhouse beverages will be served.

Located at 1476 Richmond Road the house was built by Pierre Billiou, a Huguenot who arrived at New Amsterdam in 1661 and was one of the founders of Oude Dorp (Old Town). The house was enlarged several times by later owners.

Two other sites connected with Historic Richmond Town are open during the festival weekend; only the Billiou Stillwell Perine House offers free admission in celebration of Historic House Trust Festival. Visit the website [www.historicrichmondtown.org](http://www.historicrichmondtown.org) for details of all the events and to confirm tour times or call 718-351-1611 for information.



### 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Village Flea Market

**Saturday: 10am – 5pm**

Antiques, crafts, and collectibles line the village streets. Enjoy a stroll through the grounds in search of that unique attic treasure or special one-of-a-kind gift.

*\$2 adults; children under 12 free*

*Call (718) 351-1611, ext. 236 for info.*

### Decker Farm Stand

**Saturday: 9am – 1pm**

Visit the farm stand to purchase organic farm-fresh produce grown on-site at the Decker Farm. Then go down the hill to enjoy all the specially-planned programming taking place in the historic village!

*Free.*

441 Clarke Avenue | (718) 351-1611 | [www.historicrichmondtown.org](http://www.historicrichmondtown.org)

Metrocard deal (October 15<sup>th</sup>-December 15<sup>th</sup>): 2 for 1 admission, 15% off gift shop \$25 or more, \$5 off any farm purchase of \$20 or more.

Directions: Subway: **1** to South Ferry, **R W** to Whitehall, or **4 5** to Bowling Green. Then Staten Island Ferry to Staten Island and then S74 bus to St. Patrick's Place

## Seguine Mansion

### Special Open House

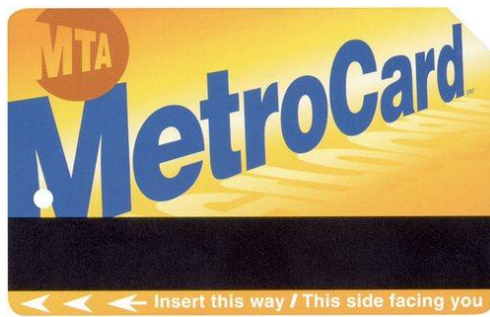
**Saturday: 11am – 3pm**

Discover the beauty of Seguine Mansion, which overlooks Prince's Bay. Learn about the family's oyster harvesting business and the significance of the estate in Staten Island's agricultural and farming history.

440 Seguine Avenue | (718) 390-8012

Directions: Subway: **1** to South Ferry, **R W** to Whitehall, or **4 5** to Bowling Green. Then Staten Island Ferry to Staten Island and then S78 bus to Seguine Avenue





## **METROCARD DEALS**

***Bring your Metrocard to these 10 historic houses  
between October 15, 2011 and December 15, 2011  
and receive great deals***

### **Bartow – Pell Mansion**

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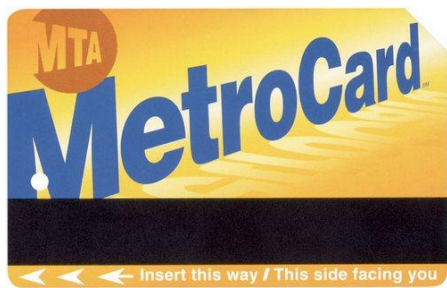
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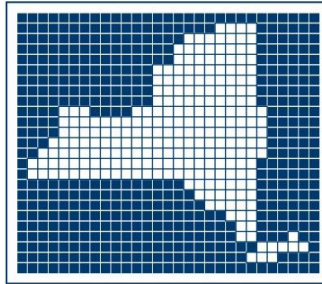
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