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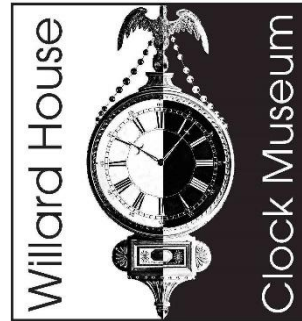
DATE: April 25, 2021

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DATE OF EVENT: Saturday, May 1, 2021

TIME: 10:00 AM – 4:00 PM ET

COST: FREE



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

“Willard House & Clock Museum Opens Its Grounds, May 1st For A Plein Air Painters Gathering”

The Willard House and Clock Museum is opening its grounds to plein air (outdoor) painters and landscape artists on Saturday, May 1st, from 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM.

The Willard House, the center of early American clockmaking, is situated on five rolling acres, says Program Coordinator, Beverly Snow. “This is a free and informal event. The property and buildings offer a wide variety of subject matter for artists and while the museum isn’t open, there is plenty of space for them to spread out on the grounds.”

Participants are reminded to bring their own supplies.

As an added touch, professional artist and Assumption University Associate Professor of Studio Art, Carrie Nixon, will be on hand to create the with artists.

The museum will also post the artists’ work created that day on its [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#) pages. Participants can send images of their masterpieces to beverly@willardhouse.org.

About Willard House and Clock Museum

Located at 11 Willard Street in North Grafton, MA, the Willard House and Clock Museum exhibits more than 80 Willard clocks in the birthplace and original workshop of the Willard clockmakers, along with family portraits, furnishings and other family heirlooms. Works by all three generations of Willard clockmakers, including famed clockmakers Simon Willard Jr. and Benjamin Franklin Willard, are also displayed. The Museum tour includes the original Willard House, built in 1740, the clock-making workshop, in addition to the galleries. Visit the Willard House and Clock Museum website at www.willardhouse.org

For more information about the program, please contact Beverly Snow, Program Coordinator, at 508-839-3500.

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