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Course Descriptions

MONDAY THROUGH FRIDAY

SUMMER 2008

When Heavenly Bodies Cross Paths

Mondays and Thursdays 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM Berkshire Community College - Melville 201 - June 9 & 12 Williams College Observatory - June 16 Williams College Stetson Hall Faculty Lounge - June 19



A Musical Tribute to Jewish Musicians

Have you ever witnessed the tiny shadow of Mercury moving across the face of the Sun? Do you know that until June 6, 2004, no human alive had ever witnessed the shadow of Venus as it transited across the face of the Sun? We will explore the mysteries of the solar eclipse and the transits of both Mercury and Venus. We will visit the Williams College Observatory and see some of the historic first editions of major works by Copernicus, Galileo, Kepler and Newton as well as very early sky atlases that are part of the Williams College Library collection.

Professor Jay M. Pasachoff, Ph.D., is Field Memorial Professor of Astronomy and Director of the Hopkins Observatory at Williams College. Professor Pasachoff has done extensive research on the solar corona at total eclipses and is the author of popular textbooks on astronomy and on other science subjects. He has twice been chair of the Astronomy Division of the American Association for the Advancement of Science.

Mondays 1:00 - 2:30 PM Berkshire Community College - Melville 201 June 2, 9, 16, 23

Jewish musicians have always had a profound impact influencing numerous forms of music from classical to jazz to Klezmer. This course will feature the many and varied contributions of Jewish musical artists including George Gershwin, Irving Berlin, Benny Goodman and Leonard Bernstein. It will trace the struggles and triumphs of Jewish musicians in America by exploring life histories and the events which impacted their art. Live performances as well as recordings will enhance the course.

Paul Green, B.A. in Theory and Composition from Yale University, M.S. in Performance from Julliard and J.D. from Brooklyn Law School, is a member of the faculties of Florida International University in Miami and Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton where he teaches clarinet performance and chamber music. He is the founder and Artistic Director of the Gold Coast Chamber Music Festival in Delray Beach and Director of Klezmer East.

Berkshire Cultural Attractions: An Inside View

Tuesdays 10:00 - 11:30 AM Barrington Stage Company - June 3 Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center - June 10 Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival - June 17 Berkshire Opera (at Lee High School) - June 24



Berkshire County is a premier location for theater, dance and music during the summer season. This is your opportunity to learn in-depth about the upcoming seasons at four of these attractions. You will meet the artistic directors and staff and learn about the exciting programs and the performers that will be featured. You will see the facilities and tour some special exhibits. At Barrington Stage Company meet Artistic Director **Julianne Boyd**; at Mahaiwe Performing Arts Center meet Managing Director **Beryl Jolly** and Founding President and Chair **Lola Jaffe**; at Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival meet Resident Scholar **Maura Keefe** and Preservation Director **Norton Owen**; visit with the Berkshire Opera's General Director **Ryan Taylor** at Lee High School.

The Gardens at Serenak

Wednesdays 2:30 - 4:00 PM Serenak at Tanglewood June 4, 11, 18, 25



The gardens at Serenak provide the backdrop and the impetus for a course that discusses the design, installation and maintenance of fine gardens, large landscapes and cutting gardens. The history of the Serenak property and information concerning the development and care of Berkshire gardens will be discussed. Some hands-on instruction will be involved.

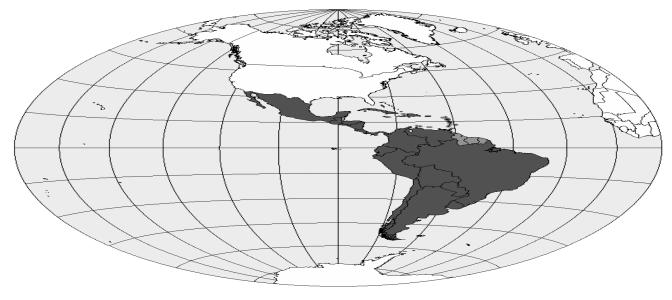
Laura Walton, a master gardener, owns Laura Walton Gardens. Her clients include Edith Wharton's The Mount, Blantyre and Lilac Park in Lenox as well as several private estates. She has extensive experience in planning, developing and maintaining gardens. Ms. Walton has devoted over twenty years to teaching a wide variety of gardening topics. She is a Berkshire County third generation gardener of cut-flowers, perennials and annuals.

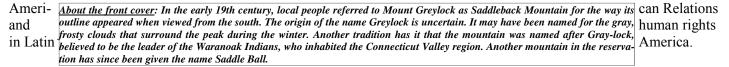
United States/Latin American Relationships

Fridays 2:00 - 3:30 PM Bard College at Simon's Rock Lecture Center June 6, 13, 20, 27

Geography and history have intertwined the destinies of the "Colossus of the North" with its neighbors to the south. Whoever becomes the next President of the United States will find it necessary to confront and hopefully resolve many issues with Latin America including Cuba after Fidel Castro, immigration and its impact on the U.S., investment and trade, the Hispanic vote and Hugo Chavez, Evo Morales and the new leftist trend.

Professor Martin Weinstein, Ph.D., is Professor of Political Science at William Paterson University in New Jersey. Professor Weinstein specializes in Latin American politics and has published books and articles on Uruguay, U.S./Latin





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