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THE MAINE JEWISH MUSEUM

Upcoming Programming

SATURDAY Honoring Julie Goell

SUNDAY George Wardlaw & Suzette McAvoy

Fort Allen Park Bicentennial

Maine Jewish Museum 267 Congress St Portland, Maine 04101 207-773-2339

Hours: M-F 10:00-2:00 Often later, call ahead. **NOW OPEN SUNDAYS** 1:00-5:00

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Honoring the incomparable talents of Julie Goell -Actress, Director, Singer, Musician, Clown, Teacher, Mask-Maker, Comedienne, Puppeteer, Linguist, Writer Activist Mother Wife Sister Friend



Dear Friends of Julie Goell - Members of some of the groups that Julie has been in and mentored over the years are planning a celebration for her. She continues to be creative and to coach and direct, despite being limited in her activities by MSA - Multiple Systems Atrophy. We wanted to honor her tremendous creativity and achievements through a concert at the Maine Jewish Museum THIS SATURDAY EVENING. We hope you can be there. If you wish to say something or perform, please contact Nancy (info below).

This will give her colleagues and friends a chance to celebrate Julie's many talents and accomplishments. No RSVP needed. Info: Nancy 3. Hoffman, 207-939-0301 or 3nancy3@gmail.com

Performers include

The Casco Bay Tummlers Klezmer Band, **Peaks Island Puppets,** Maine Singers Atelier and more

Donations requested at the door to support Seeds of Peace Camp, The Immigrant Legal Advocacy Project and The Maine Jewish Museum.

A Tribute Concert for Julie Goell Saturday, Sept. 13th 7:30 p.m. The Maine Jewish Museum, 267 Congress Street, Portland

George Wardlaw Genesis: Exodus

Talk with Suzette McAvoy, Director & Curator of the **Center for Maine Contemporary Art** SUNDAY, Sept. 14 ~ 4pm

Suzette McAvoy, Director of CMCA, is carrying forward Maine's exceptional legacy in the visual arts by both celebrating the state's rich history and promoting artwork that furthers Maine's dynamic trajectory in contemporary art. Prior to working at CMCA, she was the chief curator at the Farnsworth Art Museum in Rockland. She has lectured and written extensively on the art and artists of Maine and was featured in the July 2013 issue of Maine Magazine's 50 People who have made a difference in Maine.



Suzette McAvov

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Artist George Wardlaw will be on hand for the afternoon event as well.



"Thou Shall Have No Other Gods"

SEPTEMBER 5 - OCTOBER 31

Curated by Nancy Davidson

George Wardlaw, born in Baldwyn, Mississippi 87 years ago, converted to Judaism in the mid-1950s. The exhibition opening this week, "Genesis: Exodus," represents an exploration of the artist's spiritual and artistic journey, and will include historic works from his "Ten Commandments" and "Ten Plagues" series. A large sculpture, titled "Sabbath/Creation," will anchor the exhibition in the Museum's Spiegel Gallery.

Wardlaw served as arts director at Tripp Lake Camp in Poland, Maine, from 1951-1964; his most recent exhibition in Maine debuted last year on the Summer Solstice at Schoodic Institute in Acadia National Park, featuring his monumental "Cycles: Time, Light, Life" series.

Wardlaw has made significant contributions to the worlds of Geometric Abstraction, Landscape Abstractions and Abstract Expressionism with large format paintings and sculpture that exude powerful force, energy and color. He has also made his mark in academia, serving as assistant to the chair of the art department at Yale University, and subsequently as chair of the art department at UMASS Amherst for 17 years. Last month, Wardlaw was the recipient of a prestigious Pollock-Krasner Foundation Grant.

About the pieces on exhibit, Wardlaw says,"This body of work helped me to better understand some facets of Jewish history and identity, and to reaffirm my own," said Wardlaw. "Foremost, I wanted to make work that had a religious theme but that manifested itself primarily in spiritual presence and awareness, work that might cut across diverse religious boundaries and reveal a common spiritual concern and work that crossed contemporary with cultural history."

The Fort Allen Park Bicentennial Celebration to Open with an Evening Symposium of speakers at the Maine Jewish Museum



Symposium of distinguished speakers who will discuss the War of 1812 in Maine and its effects in Portland, as well as a presentation by the landscape architect who researched and designed the Fort Allen Park restoration.

George C. Daughan: Tracing origins, occurrence and outcome of the War of 1812. Mr. Daughan is a former Harvard history professor and author of "1812, The Navy's War".

Herb Adams: Focusing on Fort Allen up to late 1800's. Mr. Adam's is Portland's noted local historian

Martha Lyon: Concluding with late 1800's to present day. Ms. Lyon is a licensed Landscape Architect specializing in the treatment of historic landscapes. Martha and Regina Leonard were the design architects for the restoration of Fort Allen Park.

Earle G. Shettleworth, Jr.: Moderating the evening's lectures. Mr. Shettleworth is the State Historian and author of recently published, "The Blaine House."

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Portland, Maine 04101

FRIDAY, SEPT. 19th

7:00-8:30 PM

for the complete schedule of weekend celebration events, click here

The mission of the Maine Jewish Museum is to honor the contributions and diversity of Maine's Jewish immigrants in the context of the American experience. Through exhibits and programming, the Museum seeks to build bridges of appreciation and understanding with people of all backgrounds.

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