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Photos of the exhibition Dance, Run, Jump about the local equestrian sport of evening. Photos courtesy of Tracey Westgate Photography.
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The Impact of a Dollar

Gifts to the Annual Fund have an immediate and profound impact on the Wenham Museum. Below are examples of how your gift makes a difference!

$25 Funds refreshments for a Brown Bag Lunch program.

$50 Funds a Drop-In Art program.

$100 Funds hands-on exhibit supplies.

$250 Buys one large, acid-free storage box to safely store collection items.

$500 Supports one school field trip.

$1,000 Supports a guest children's book author or illustrator.

$2,000 Funds the operating cost to run the museum for one day.

$5,000 Funds the annual maintenance on the historic house. Purchases new engines and train room materials.
To our dedicated volunteers who give selflessly of their time, talent, and treasure.

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These costumes are part of the David E. Clark Archive of the Wenham Community Band. From left: Band Leader; Drum Major; and Revolutionary War costumes made for the 1976 Bicentennial. The Clark Archive may be viewed online at wenhammuseum.org/clark.
**July 31, 2021- Light & Color & Shadow... Oh My!**

The newest exhibit in Osgood Gallery is a companion to the more grown up “All About Light” exhibit in Osgood Gallery. This fully interactive display explores how light works, and even though it’s designed for our youngest visitors to channel their inner scientists and learn how we can manipulate color, light, and shadow, it’s super fun for all! Look through kaleidoscopes, layer colors to see how they mix and change, find out how to make things glow in the "dark" of infrared light, and so much more! Some hands-on items will be available in individual bins (sanitized after each use), and disinfecting wipes and hand sanitizer is available for the hands-on elements not in the bins, keeping everyone safe in this fun and manageable space.

*Special Thanks to Ken & Jean Jones, formerly of Wenham, Mass. and now of Peabody, Mass., for their generous support of exhibitions in the Family Discovery Gallery.*

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**November 6, 2021- “Starstuff: Quilted Stars of the Wenham Museum”**

“It is obvious that putting little white dots on the blue-black is not enough to paint a starry sky.” ~Vincent van Gogh

Stars are an endless source of inspiration for people around the world, and they are among the most common motifs used by quilt makers, with an enormous variety of artistic styles and techniques that can be used to express the impact of those moments spent staring at the sky. The collection at the Wenham Museum includes a spectacular array of quilts that showcase wonderfully creative designs, in both traditional and innovative quilts. Textile connoisseurs may understand the word “stuff” as it refersto plain, woven cloth, but in the right hands, that plain, woven cloth can be transformed into the “stuff” of magic.

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**November 26, 2021- ‘Tis the Season for Trains**

Winter holiday trains are coming to the Wenham Museum! Our exclusive, holiday-themed train exhibit includes the beloved annual favorite “Snow Train to Bakersville” layout, complete with its wonderful, ice skating “Peanuts” characters, as well as a large, G Gauge “Garden Train” layout - a classic style layout given to countless generations of kids during the holidays. As always, there will be plenty to do and see: climb aboard a kid-sized train, take the Seek ’n Find challenge to search out tiny details, and go around the corner to explore the history of the ice industry - including our kid-sized ice house and ice blocks - that created the need for the real trains in Wenham that inspired our collection of models. Don’t miss this holiday treat for the whole family!
November 26, 2021- A Boxed Assortment

Long before Marie Kondo came along, people wanted to organize their stuff...and boxes did the job admirably. We have a large collection of containers, many of which have never been exhibited before. It’s like Christmas for us at the museum!

There are large boxes for soap, for salt, for wardrobes while sailing across the ocean. There are boxes which contain products for sale and have their tradenames and contents printed on the outside. There are boxes for hats, for shoes, for sewing supplies, for visiting cards and photographs. Boxes for snuff and matches and smelling salts. And there are beautiful boxes for personal accessories and treasures which are treasures in themselves.

Starting in November in Osgood Gallery we will mount a lavish display of boxes from the permanent collection, just in time for the holidays when boxes will be arriving in many of your homes, too. For those who wish, there will be materials and instructions for making boxes out of origami – maybe the collection will inspire you to fashion a gift box from beautiful paper that will become a treasure itself!
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Thursday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
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Saturday: 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Sunday: 12 - 4 p.m.
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Upcoming Events

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