

Sculptress Connected to Central New York Honored on Postal Stamp



The United States Postal Service issued the 45th Black Heritage stamp on January 26, 2022, at the Smithsonian American Art Museum in Washington D.C. in honor of Edmonia Lewis, a Black and Native American sculptress who gained international recognition. Bobbie Reno, a Rensselaer County NY historian, campaigned for this recognition of Lewis.

Edmonia Lewis was born in 1844 to an Ojibwa/Chippewa woman from

Albany and a formerly enslaved man from Haiti. Both parents died when Wildfire, as she was called, was young. She went to live with her mother's sisters. In later years her brother Samuel supported her and in 1856 Edmonia entered New York Central College. She then went to Oberlin College in Ohio from 1859 to 1863. Moving to Boston in 1864, Edmonia began to study sculpting. She was inspired by the lives of abolitionists and Civil War heroes as subjects. Abolitionist Lydia Maria Child brought attention to Edmonia's work. Among her earliest works were busts and portrait medallions of John Brown, William Lloyd Garrison, and Wendell Phillips – all inductees to the National Abolition Hall of Fame and Museum in Peterboro NY, as is Child. In 1866 Edmonia went to Rome to study and sculpt, returning there for many of the years until her death in 1907.

The McGraw Historical Society in Cortland County NY has collections of photographs, clippings, speeches and notes about the New York Central College buildings, and its professors and students. The college was founded by anti-slavery Baptists in 1849 to educate black and white, and female and male students. The school had continuing financial issues. Gerrit Smith, a wealthy abolitionist, donated to the college to keep it operational, and at one point purchased the school and gifted it back to the institution. A historical marker was dedicated to the site of the school in 1985.

Donna Dorrance Burdick, Town of Smithfield NY historian, discovered that Gerrit Smith, whose National Historic Landmark estate in Peterboro NY is open to the public, wrote in his journal "August 23, 1872, Edmonia Lewis (artist) of Rome, Italy, comes to take the first steps toward putting my statue in marble. I am surprised and not pleased by it. September 3, Edmonia leaves us." Smith's disinclination to a statue (a project conceived by his friends) prevailed. Edmonia made a plaster cast of the clasped right hands of Gerrit and Ann Smith, and later in her studio in Rome, she



carved the hands in marble. The Edmonia Lewis sculpture of the clasped Smith hands is in the collection of the Madison County Historical Society in Oneida NY.

Stamp news is being shared with the hashtags EdmoniaLewis and #BlackHeritageStamps

Article submitted by Dot Willsey, one of the stewards of the Gerrit Smith Estate and National Abolition Hall of Fame (NAHOF) in Peterboro, Madison County, NY

For more information on these associated Central New York sites:

https://nyheritage.org/collections/new-york-central-college https://mchs1900.org/ www.gerritsmith.org www.nationalabolitionhalloffameandmuseum.org



MCHS Heritage Handicrafts





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The New York State Board of Regents granted a charter to the Madison County Historical Society on March 29, 1900. The Madison County Historical Society's mission is to preserve, collect, promote, and exhibit the history of Madison County and its fifteen towns and one city through the development of programs that enhance the county's heritage for the people of Madison County and those studying the county's heritage.

COTTAGE LAWN

The society's headquarters, Cottage Lawn, located in Oneida, is an 1849 Gothic Revival Villa designed by prominent architect Alexander Jackson Davis. Cottage Lawn is preserved and operated as an historic museum.

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Thank you for your vote!



The Community has spoken and the votes are in Madison County Historical Society is the winner of 2 best of the best in the most votes for Best Museum/Art Gallery and Best Local Event for the Cottage Lawn Farmers' Market.

Best Museum/Art Gallery Category

Best Local Event category for Cottage Lawn Farmers' Market



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Tom Stone of Stone Brothers Farm and Greenhouse of Canastota will be returning to the market each week with fresh seasonal fruits, vegetables, eggs, honey, and maple syrup.

Carolyn and Roy Peters of Freedom Farm of Verona are new farmers participating in the Cottage Lawn Farmers' Market. The Peters will be bringing USDA grass-fed beef, free-range eggs, free-range chicken, seasonal fruits and vegetables, fruit pies, jams and jellies, cookies, and bread to the market each week.

Ryan Reilly of Vernon Farm and Market of Vernon is a new farmer participating in the market. Ryan will be bringing organic seasonal fruits & vegetables – garlic, onions, tomatoes, peppers, eggplant, greens, beets, radishes, lettuce, peas, turnips, yellow squash, zucchini, cucumbers, banana bread, zucchini bread, wooden signs, candles, and Vernon Farm and Market merchandise.

Brian Kirsch of The Farms of ADL of Kirkville is a new farmer participating in the market. The Farms of ADL are a 501©3 charitable organization that partners with Maple Hedge Farms for their seasonal fruits, and vegetables and partners with Mel's Greenhouses for their potted, hanging plants, and vegetable starter plants.

Bob Faduski of Faduski's Wooden Trivets of Oneida will be returning to the market with his beautiful handmade wooden trivets and more!

Debbie Tillman of Debbie's Gift World of Cicero will be returning to the market with her soft soy wax (sprinkles), warmers, accent shades, and soaks for your self-care needs.

Lisa Fish of Magpie Mercantile of Oneida is returning to the market with her originally designed semi-precious stone and beaded jewelry wrapped with wire.

Butch Hart of Butch Hart's Toys Plus of Barneveld is new to the market. Butch creates beautiful ornate horseshoe lawn ornamentation.

Michelle Sebastian of Missy's Rings and Things of Rome will be returning to the market with her handmade gemstone, crystal, blown glass, and leather jewelry.

FOOD VENDORS

Vanessa Gilbert of Tug Hill Artisan Roasters, LLC, of Lowville is new to the market. Vanessa will have her signature roasted coffee beans, and coffee brewing accessories for all you coffee lovers.

La Bamba Mtz of Canastota will be at the weekly market serving authentic freshly made Mexican food – Tamales, Empanadas, Salsa, and Burritos

MCHS HERITAGE HANDICRAFTS

Reverse Glass Workshop

June 18, 2022 • 9 am - 1 pm

Workshop led by Anne Dimock

\$25 for Madison County Historical Society members\$30 for nonmembers

This workshop is for adults and children aged 13 years and up. Space is limited to 10 participants. Registration is required.

Join Reverse Glass Painting specialist, Anne Dimock, as she teaches you the step-by-step process of creating your very own reverse glass piece of art. The process of creating reverse glass involves painting a piece of glass in such a manner that when the glass is turned over the painting is visible through the glass and from the reverse side. The steps of reverse glass painting start with the image details and end with the background so that the artwork can be viewed from any angle as you turn the glass. As you learn and practice the techniques of reverse glass at the workshop, you will develop the skills necessary to master reverse glass painting.

Madison County Historical Society's Heritage Handicrafts: Reverse Glass Workshop is part of a series of leisure arts workshops designed to engage and involve participants in Fine Arts and Crafts activities common in the 19th century, with a focus on making cultural connections to creative pastimes, which are still relevant today. The Historical Society is collaborating with the Historical Society of Early American Decoration (HSEAD) member artists who will be leading a series of workshops at the Madison County Historical Society. HSEAD is a not-for-profit national organization whose mission is to perpetuate and expand the unique skills and knowledge of Early American Decoration through educational workshops, research, publishing, and exhibitions.

Anne Dimock has been a member of the HSEAD for 45 years. She is an accredited teacher of American Painted Tinware and Reverse Glass painting and has earned her specialist award in Reverse Glass Painting. She has been teaching since 1980 and presently holds classes in her home and travels to teach seminars throughout the Northeast.



She has received numerous awards from HSEAD and the National Watch and Clock Association, and her work has been featured in Early American Life's Top 200 Craftsmen. She lives in Trumansburg New York, has three children, nine grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

To learn more about the Historical Society of Early American Decoration, visit their website at www.hsead.org. To register for the workshop, please contact the Madison County Historical Society at 315-363-4136, history@mchs1900.org, or www.mchs1900.org. Prepackaged, single-serve snacks, and light refreshments will be offered.

MCHS HERITAGE HANDICRAFTS

Holiday Penny Rug Workshop

Sunday, September 25 1 - 3 pm

\$25 for MCHS members\$30 for nonmembers

The class size for this workshop is restricted to



15 participants who must be at least 13 years of age. Learn to make a Penny Rug Holiday Ornament with rug maker, Sandy Rolewicz. In the 1800s women would repurpose worn textiles, saving wool scraps to create colorful fabric home decor. A penny rug is created by layering circles of wool, using a coin as a template to trace the circular shape, hence the term penny rug.

Terne Coated Tin Roof Restoration Project is still in need of your support!

We need \$1,100 to reach our goal!

In April of 2021, the Historical Society received a \$5,000 grant from the Pomeroy Fund for NYS History, a partnership between the William G. Pomeroy Foundation and the Museum Association of New York for the restoration project on the Historical Society's side porch ternecoated tin roof where snow and ice build-up damaged the porch roof. The project has yet to commence due to the late Spring rainy weather here so, the plan is to start in Summer 2022. The damage is extensive, and the restoration project costs \$9,000. With the funding support received from the Pomeroy Fund for NYS History, a partnership between the William G. Pomeroy Foundation and the Museum Association of New York grant, and \$2,900 received in donations from our members we have almost raised enough funds. The Historical Society hopes that we can count on you, our members, once again to help us meet our goal of raising \$1,100 so that we can repair the roof.

Collections Committee volunteers needed

The Collections Committee ensures that proper care and procedure are exercised with the Historical Society's collection of archives, objects, textiles, and photography. Volunteers will be trained on all aspects pertaining to the organization's adopted collection management policy. The committee is actively involved with exhibitions, tours, and other projects related to the display and use of the historical society's collection. The Committee works in close consultation with the Executive Director.





Madison County Historical Society's 58th Annual Madison County Craft Festival

Saturday, September 10 from 10 am - 5 pm Sunday, September 11 from 10 am - 4 pm

MCHS 435 Main Street in Oneida Adult Admission \$5 Weekend Passes \$8 Children 12 and under are free

Enjoy a fun family weekend outdoors purchasing handmade items from our talented artisans, eating delicious food from the food trucks, purchasing wine from NYS wineries, joining us under our kid activity tent for kid's activities, partaking in guided house tours, and listening to live music.

Proceeds from the event support the educational programs offered at the Madison County Historical Society.

Sponsorship opportunities available:

contact Sydney at sydney@mchs1900.org.

Festival applications: contact Sydney at sydney@mchs1900.org

KIDS ACTIVITIES

Join us under our kids activity tent on the side yard for scheduled activities. Imagination Station with Maya Phillips will be joining the festival with her free interactive activities for kids. There will also be free house tours of Cottage Lawn offered.

LIVE MUSIC SCHEDULE

Saturday, Sept. 10, 2022 10 am – 12 pm Papamojo 12:30 – 2:30 pm Mark Barnes $3 - 5 \, \text{pm}$ Scattered Fleurys

Sunday, Sept. 11, 2022

10 am – 12:30 pm Black Opal Double Chase $1 - 4 \, \text{pm}$

RAFFLE

We are very excited to announce a raffle drawing of a bench that has been created and donated by New York State Designer Blacksmiths. The drawing of the bench will be on Sept. 11. Tickets available now and during the show are \$2 each or three for \$5. New York State Designer Blacksmiths will be on grounds by the agricultural barn demonstrating the art of blacksmithing all weekend.



MADISON COUNTY **26th Annual Madison** County Sept. 16-18, 2022 Hop Fest

The Madison County Hop Fest celebrates the past, present, and prosperous future of the hop industry in Madison County and throughout NYS. At the 26th Annual Madison County Hop Fest we will have programs about hop culture in NYS, home brewing demonstrations, exhibits on the history of hops, vendors selling hop-related merchandise, hop farmers, beer clubs, paired beer dinner, food trucks, raffle, live music, sampling of a variety of craft beer, and the crowning of Hop King or Hop Queen 2022!

There is no admission to attend the Madison County Hop Fest. There is an admission fee for the Paired Beer Dinner



and Craft Beer Sampling. Participants must be 21+ years of age to sample the craft beer at the Hop Fest. Proceeds from the event support the educational programs offered at the Madison County Historical Society. If you would like to help support the Historical Society by becoming a sponsor, please contact Sydney at sydney@mchs1900.org.

MCHS Craft Festival – 2022 Registered Artisans and Food Vendors

BLACKSMITH

NYS Designer Blacksmiths of the Mohawk Region

Stop by their booth to watch the blacksmith demonstrations and enter the drawing to win a custom-made park bench

CANDLES AND/OR SOAP

Lauren Brown, The Gritty Sisters Soapery, LLC Artisanal homemade soaps, scrubs, and frostings that are sometimes gritty and pretty using quirky ingredients such as various beers, wine coffee, almond milk, etc.

Megeen Etter, Stay Golden Soy Hand-poured small batch soy candles

Sondra Fashner, Soni's Suds Handcrafted soap, lotions, scrubs, bath bombs, and CBD balm

Joy Perkins, Anomalie, Organic lotion candles, and beauty products Handcrafted soap, lotions, scrubs, bath bombs, and CBD balm

DECORATIVE PAINTING

Mary and Jim Jenny Pine woodcut, routed, stained, painted, and varnished

Debbie Suter, Debbie's Dream Hand-painted wooden ornaments, plaques, and signs

EDIBLE ART

Bob and Jane Jones, Faithful Friends A variety of pet treats for your beloved pets

Sarah Ficken, New Moon Farms Beef, Pork, Chicken, Caramels, Pies, Jams, and loaves of bread

Vanessa Gilbert, Tug Hill Roasters, LLC Roasted coffee beans and coffee brewing accessories

Sherry Kellogg, Frog Park Herbs II Packaged herbs and spices

Carol Milliman – Estes, Milliman's Candy Kettle Fudge Homemade old fashion fudge, original recipes, no machines or mixes

Carol Shaw, Shaw's Maple Products Maple Syrup, maple popcorn, maple cotton candy, maple fudge, maple baked goods, and more

FIBER ARTS & LEATHER

Robin Coirin, Remember When Chenille bunnies, bears, aprons, and more

Betty Correia, Purr Sez Quilted purses, and holiday décor

Cathy Jackson, Golden Hands Design Dreamcatchers from vintage doilies, knit and crochet accessories, and upcycled jewelry

Susan Keating, A Spin in Time Custom sewing, homespun yarns, and knits. Stop by her booth to see an old-fashioned spinning wheel and watch her demonstrate how it is used. Therese McAdams, Good Karma Handy Crafts Hand-sewn variety of cotton products, corn heat, baby blankets, and corn hole bags

Kimberley Maykish, Woodrich Creations Handwoven shawls, scarves, rag rugs, and table linens

Denise Mazza, Carmel Drive Creations Hand-sewn purses, totes, market bags, pouches, wallets, cell phone pillows, wine totes, and backpacks

Samantha Piquette, Loved Creations Vegan leather keychains, initial keychains, hand sanitizer holders, air pod cases

Ellen Valeriano, Decorative Embroidery by Ellen Machine embroidered designs on pillows, towels, and tea light covers

Tammy Waloven, Tammy's Handcrafted Boutique Handmade clothing and accessories using new and used fabrics and clothing.

FLORAL

Tina Emmons, Creative Waves Deco mesh wreaths, and trees

Kathy Rogowski, Kathy's Creations Handmade deco mesh wreaths, and home décor

GLASS ART

Sarah Powell, Gravity Glass Studio Glass artist that specializes in torchworking (lampworking) to create jewelry, sculpture, drinkware, and memorial pieces.

JEWELRY

Mary Jo Astrachan, Astrachan Artistry Beaded bracelets, and earrings from her collection of crystals, gemstones, and glass beads

Lisa Fish, Magpie Mercantile originally designed semi-precious stone and beaded jewelry wrapped in wire

Sabina Bajic, MMB Inspiration One-of-a-kind jewelry made of sterling silver, gemstones, etc.

Gretchen Brown, Metalsmith Design handmade mixed metal jewelry

Constance Griswold, Wrapped up Beads Wire wrapped pendants, earrings, rings, and bracelets

Lee Ann Harris, Crescent Moon Studio Gemstone jewelry that features crystals, fossils, and hand-selected stones

MIXED MEDIA/OTHER

Crystal Brown and Amy Cunningham, Ash, Oak & Thorn Henna body art, artisan soap, bath soaks, oils, incense, leather books, jewelry, barrettes, accessories, and candles

Brittani Pirillo, Bling- N- Thingz by Brittani, LLC Customized Iridescent Aura Quartz Crystal Suncatchers, customized Denim Rhinestone Jackets, cotton shirts, Palo Santo Candles, and other types of healing energy candle

Dale Bowers, Dale Bowers Art Pebble art, and sandblasted stone art fashioned into wall art, tea light candle holders, and decorative stones

Kiersten Clancy, Poplar Creek Farm Wooden dog bowls, charcuterie boards, wine racks, goat milk soap, beeswax candles, lotion bars, and honey

Cathy Hudson, BFF Crafts Books are cleverly cut and folded to create a variety of images

Sara Jackson, Junk to Jems Designs jewelry and designs, multifaceted home décor, functional design, and one-of-a-kind jewelry

Joan Kimball, The Palm Reading Lady Palm Readings

Tammy Ray, The Shak Hand-built and wheel-thrown functional pottery from bowls, mugs, dishes. There is also a combination of functional reclaimed wood items.

NATURE PHOTOGRAPHY

Howard Astrachan, Astrachan Artistry Nature Photography

Kirk Riedel, Kirk's Country Photos Original matted 8" x 10" and 11" x 14" photographs

POTTERY

Jane Gerard, Pottery Gals Hand-built and wheel-thrown functional pottery from bowls, mugs, dishes, pie plates, platters, wind chimes, and more.

WOODWORKING

Richard Maykish, Maykish Creations Scroll saw art pieces

Victoria Norton, Northern Willows Woodcrafting Repurposed old and new wood used to make signs, charcuterie boards, animals, and holiday décor using power and hand tools

Randolph Perkins, Anomalie Unique lamps and reclaimed products

FOOD TRUCKS AND FOOD VENDORS

Tacocat Food Co. of Hamilton Menu – Gourmet taco truck from the guys from Brake From The Grind. Variety of tacos using as many locally sourced products as possible, cooking fresh to order

Oh Crepe and Waffles of Vernon Menu – Crepes and Waffles

Oscar's Menu – Lobster Rolls, Crab cakes, shaved rib eye cheesesteaks

WINERIES

Thousand Islands Winery, Alexandria Bay, NY

Lakeland Winery, Syracuse, NY Tugg Hill Estate, Lowville, NY

For fuill list of vendors go to: https://mchs1900.org/ madison-county-craft-festival/

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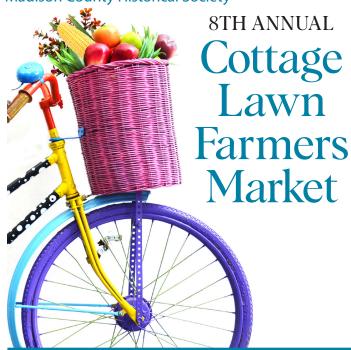
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As a member, you receive a 12-month membership which includes: 10% discount on gift shop purchases; Free use of the Mary King Research Library; Free Tours of Cottage Lawn; Free subscription to the Madison County Historical Society's Newsletter; Free subscription to Madison County *Heritage* – MCHS' publication.

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Madison County Historical Society



Tuesdays, June 7 - August 30 2 - 6 pm

The Madison County Historical Society is excited to announce new plans for the 8th Annual Cottage Lawn Farmers' Market. The summer market will open every Tuesday



starting June 7 and run through August 30, from 2-6 pm. The Historical Society is looking for farmers, food trucks, and other related market products to participate in this weekly market on the grounds of the Madison County Historical Society located at 435 Main Street in Oneida. The seasonal market will feature local, seasonal produce, cheese, eggs, herbs, soaps, maple products, honey, poultry, and much more. Plans are being made to have live entertainment and themed weeks focusing on wellness, families, and recognizing our dedicated service organizations within our community. Other weekly activities offered will include guided house tours, and weekly storytelling provided by the Oneida Public Library.

See inside for list of farmers, artisans, and food vendors participating in the Cottage Lawn Summer Farmers' Market **))**

NEW! Fall and Winter Markets

In addition to the summer market, the Historical Society will be offering a fall market that will run on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays from 2 - 6 pm and a winter (indoor) market that will run on the 1st Tuesday in November and December from 2 - 6 pm. The plan for the winter (indoor) market is to offer a holiday shopping experience where artisans from the Madison County Craft Festival will be joining the market.

For an application and more information, go to **www.mchsfarmersmarket.org**, or call the Madison County Historical Society at 315-363-4136.

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