



News and Notes for Historic Homeowners - 11

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Upcoming Events

Historic New England presents a traditional whitewash workshop

Friday, April 22, 2011, 9:00 am - 3:00 pm, [Casey Farm](#), Saunderstown, Rhode Island

Historic New England's property care experts lead a workshop on applying traditional whitewash finish. Historically, a whitewash finish was found in various spaces around the home from barns to the basements or service areas of many older homes. Learn how whitewash is made, mix your own, and take part in whitewashing the stone foundation and wooden surfaces of the share barn at Casey Farm. Leave the workshop with a full understanding of how to safely use whitewash, a recipe to create your own, and a source list for materials and supplies.

Reservations required. Workshop fee is \$40 and includes materials. Bring a brown bag lunch. Although protective gear is provided, attendees should wear old clothes and shoes. Call 617 994 5959 to register or visit www.HistoricNewEngland.org for more information.

May is Preservation Month

Preservation: Inside and Out

Tuesday, May 17, 2011, 7:00 - 9:00 pm, Newburyport, Mass.

The Newburyport Preservation Trust will hold a panel discussion on options for the treatment of historic homes. Bring your preservation questions for Sally Zimmerman, manager of historic preservation services at Historic New England, and David Webb, a preservation carpenter, who will discuss preservation versus rehabilitation and what are the differences, focusing on the decision points that confront owners looking to update old houses. The discussion will take place at the Belleville Church Parish Hall, 300 High Street, Newburyport. For more information, see www.NBTPreservationTrust.org.

Three Events on May 21

Historic Interior Paint Treatments

Saturday, May 21, 10 am - noon, Phillips House, 34 Chestnut Street, Salem, Mass.

Learn about historic paint analysis and what it teaches about your home's historic interior. William Finch, historical architect, reviews the paint analysis he completed for the Phillips House in 2002 and shares his process for determining historic colors. Sally Zimmerman reviews Historic New England's *20th-Century Paint Chart*. Participants may bring photographs of their homes and receive suggestions on historically appropriate paint colors.

Reservations recommended. \$10 Historic Homeowner members; \$15 Historic New England members; \$20 non-members. Please call 978-744-0440 for more information. To purchase tickets online, go to the [Events Calendar](#) at www.HistoricNewEngland.org.

"Living Green & Renewable Energy Fair," 10 am - 3 pm, Old Town Hall, 32 Derby Sq., Salem, Mass.

Historic New England will have a booth at this event, organized by the Salem, Mass. Chamber of Commerce in conjunction with the Salem Renewable Energy Taskforce. The Fair brings together green industry professionals and consumers to discuss products, services and information that encourage healthier, more sustainable consumption and lifestyles for businesses and families. For more information, see www.salem-chamber.org.

Anatomy of a Fireplace, 10 am - 2 pm, Spencer-Peirce-Little Farm, Newbury, Mass.

Join masonry expert Richard Irons for a special behind-the-scenes exploration of the chimney: the heart of the seventeenth century house. Using the stacks and hearths at three Historic New England houses (Spencer-Peirce-Little, Swett-Ilseley, and Coffin houses), Irons identifies original material, discusses the evolution of chimney technology, and explores how changing foodways and cooking methods influenced hearth configuration. Bring pictures of your chimney mysteries for his review.

Reservations required. \$25 Historic Homeowner members; \$30 Historic New England members; \$35 non-members. Please call 978-462-2634 for more information. To purchase tickets online, go to the [Events Calendar](#) at www.HistoricNewEngland.org.

And June is Historic New England Members' Month!

Passport to Historic New England Homes, Wednesday, June 29, 2:00 - 4:00 pm, Governor John Langdon House, 143 Pleasant Street, Portsmouth, N.H.

Senior Stewardship Manager Joe Cornish and Manager of Historic Preservation Services Manager Sally Zimmerman explore the architectural traditions and styles of the

region by looking at Historic New England's thirty-six properties. Followed by light refreshments and a tour of the Langdon House.

This program is free and exclusively for Historic New England members. Members' Month event registrations start May 5. Members may register for up to three individual programs. Please call the membership office at 617 994 5910 for more information.

As always, don't hesitate to call or email with your questions and concerns about your historic home and thank you for your support of Historic New England and the Historic Homeowner program. It is YOUR commitment to preservation that helps protect and maintain the unique character of historic properties throughout our region!

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