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## Flagler Museum Announces New "Food Talks"

Exclusive reading groups also announced in collaboration with Florida Atlantic University

PALM BEACH, FL - A new lecture program plus another new collaboration with a local university have been announced by the <u>Henry</u> <u>Morrison Flagler Museum</u> (One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach) for dates in January and February. Two lectures and a series of exclusive reading groups are the latest additions to the Museum's previously announced calendar of programs, which include the 2022 Music Series and a special Valentine's Day Tea Service. All events will be located at Henry Flagler's 1902 estate, Whitehall.

<u>Together, at the Table "Food Talks"</u> Select Sundays in February at 3:30 pm Free for Sustaining level Members and higher \$10 for Family level Members and Individual/Educator level Members \$10 for Whitehall Society Members \$28 for non-Members, includes general admission



Hamilton (left) and Palmer

The Flagler Museum's newest program series, called Together, at the Table, is taking over the Museum's annual Whitehall Lecture Series this year to present special lectures focused on food. The following "Food Talks" will present an over-arching celebration of people and foodways that are the foundations of Florida's cultural heritage and the American South's regional cuisine legacy.

• February 6 - "Southern Foodways: Florida Cuisine" presented by Anna O. Hamilton will focus on Florida foodways and systems, including the relationship between Henry Flagler's Florida East Coast Railway system and Florida agriculture of the late 1800s. Hamilton, a former journalist, is an oral historian, audio producer, and foodways scholar from northeast Florida who is currently a doctoral student in the department of American Studies at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

• February 27 - "Southern Foodways: Creole Cuisine" presented by Zella Palmer will be a comprehensive lecture that lays the foundation for understanding the cultural history and people of Creole cooking as a defining factor of American South regional cuisine. Palmer, an author, professor, filmmaker, curator and scholar, is the Chair and Director of the Dillard University Ray Charles Program in African-American Material Culture in New Orleans, LA.

For lecture tickets, please call (561) 655-2833 ext. 10. Advance reservations are required, as space is limited.

About the series: The Together, at the Table series is centered around dining practices, cultural foodways, and culinary traditions relevant to Florida history, drawing inspiration from the 2019 reintroduction of the original Dining Room furniture suite to Whitehall. The series at its essence is a celebration of the rich diversity of South Florida's expansive cultural heritage and an intentional spotlight on the people of our community. Additional programs in the Together, at the Table series, which launched in November 2021 with a sold-out farm-to-table dinner in collaboration with Swank Farm and renowned chef Pushkar Marathe of Stage Kitchen, are expected to be announced in the coming months.

<u>Over the Moon for "Starry Nights" Reading Group</u> Select Thursdays at 9 am Free



In collaboration with Florida Atlantic University's Harriet L. Wilkes Honors College, book lovers are invited to Whitehall for a series of exclusive chats about works from today's brightest literary stars as a preview to the university's upcoming "Starry Nights" author series. These small groups will actively engage in one-hour long conversations in the style of a book club, moderated by an FAU professor. The



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following books, written by four of today's most distinguished authors, will be discussed on select Thursdays in January, February and March at the Museum:

• January 20 - Black Widow: A Sad-Funny Journey Through Grief for People Who Normally Avoid Books with Words Like "Journey" in the Title by Leslie Gray Streeter

- February 10 *Infinite Country* by Patricia Engel
- February 24 The Trojan War Museum by Ayse Papatya Bucak
- March 24 *them* by Joyce Carol Oates

For more information and to RSVP, please call the Flagler Museum at (561) 655-2833 ext. 10. Advance reservations are required, as space is limited.

Reading Group participants will also receive registration and priority seating at FAU's "Starry Nights" events featuring the four authors as guest speakers. The "Starry Nights" series will be held at FAU's John D. MacArthur Campus in Jupiter. To learn more about FAU's "Starry Nights" author series, please visit <u>www.fau.edu/honors/starrynights/</u>.

2022 Flagler Museum Music Series Every Tuesday, February 1 - March 8, 2022 Doors open at 6:30 pm Concerts begin promptly at 7:00 pm \$70 per concert \$350 for six-concert series One free concert for Legacy Members Advance purchase recommended

The 2022 Flagler Museum Music Series will feature six evenings of extraordinary student and faculty performances from the renowned Frost School of Music at the University of Miami. This unique collaboration will present internationally recognized and award-winning faculty and highlight emerging and virtuosic student ensembles. One of the most innovative music schools in the United States, Frost School of Music trains its students using an interdisciplinary approach in a highly diverse and unique community environment. For the first time ever, the Music Series line up will include both Chamber and Jazz performances and feature two concert locations on Museum grounds. Attendees are invited to arrive early to take advantage of a pre-concert reception in the Grand Hall.

- February 1 Frost Faculty String Trio (Chamber)
- February 8 KHAOS Wind Quintet (Chamber / Jazz)
- February 15 The Brian Lynch Artist Ensemble (Jazz)
- February 22 Deco Saxophone Quartet (Chamber / Jazz)
- March 1 The Frost Septet (Jazz)
- March 8 The Frost MSJ Faculty Sextet (Jazz)

For more information, visit <u>www.flaglermuseum.us/music-series-2022</u> or call (561) 655-2833 ext. 10.

*The 2022 Flagler Museum Music Series is funded in part by Roe Green and The MBS Family Foundation.* 



The Frost MSJ Faculty Sextet: (clockwise from top left) Charles Bergeron, Etienne Charles, Marcus Strickland, Brian Lynch, Dafnis Prieto, Martin Bejerano.



*Frost Faculty String Trio: (left to right) Bettina Mussumeli, Ross Harbaugh, Jodi Levitz.* 



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Valentine's Day Tea Service by the Café des Beaux-Arts Sunday, February 13 Seatings at 12:00 pm & 2:00 pm \$70 for Members \$80 for Non-members *Prix-fixe* menu, includes Museum admission and tax \*Reservations required

A Valentine's Day-themed Tea Service set to a romantic soundtrack of live music performed by a classical harpist will be served in the Flagler Kenan Pavilion, a modern building adjacent to Whitehall which evokes the ambiance of a 19th century Beaux-Arts railway palace. The Pavilion's floor to ceiling glass windows offer tea service guests a spectacular view of Lake Worth and the City of West Palm Beach. Two seatings are available during this special program, and guests may also enjoy touring Whitehall and Railcar No. 91 before or after their reservations. A keepsake is also included.



For more information, visit www.flaglermuseum.us/valentines-day-tea-service or call (561) 655-2833 ext. 10.

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## The Henry Morrison Flagler Museum

When it was completed in 1902, Whitehall, Henry Flagler's Gilded Age estate in Palm Beach, was hailed by the New York Herald as "more wonderful than any palace in Europe, grander and more magnificent than any other private dwelling in the world." Today, Whitehall is a National Historic Landmark and is open to the public as the Flagler Museum, featuring changing exhibitions and special programs. The Museum is located at One Whitehall Way, Palm Beach, FL 33480. Hours are Tuesday to Saturday, 10 am to 5 pm, and Sunday, 12 to 5 pm. For more information, call (561) 655-2833 or visit www.flaglermuseum.us.

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