

Guild Hall

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GUILD HALL ANNOUNCES ITS FULL LINEUP OF SUMMER 2023 PROGRAMS



Lisette Oropesa, French Bel Canto Arias, 2022. Photo: Lia Konrad

East Hampton, NY (June 22, 2023)— In celebration of Guild Hall's grand reopening of its museum, public spaces, and gardens (158 Main Street, East Hampton, NY), the institution has released the details of a robust lineup of programs both at their home and offsite.

The season will be anchored by two exhibitions in the newly renovated galleries. **Renée Cox: A Proof of Being**, a 30-year career overview organized by independent curator Monique Long, includes a selection of the artist's most well-known and celebrated photographs and a new immersive video installation. The exhibition, on view July 2 through September 4, 2023, traces the evolution of Cox's practice through a series of performative self-portraits, demonstrating the ways in which she has reclaimed art historical themes to explore notions of womanhood, beauty, and agency. **Leo Villareal: Celestial Garden** will open on August 5 and run through October 15, 2023 and will feature a monumental light sculpture composed of an array of LEDs over ten feet high and thirty feet wide. The artwork comes alive with perpetually evolving forms created by using custom software that orchestrates the compositions. An audio soundscape accompanies the visual display, along with artist-designed zero-gravity furniture.

Fan favorites will come back, such as the beloved culinary series **Stirring the Pot** with *New York Times* food & wine writer **Florence Fabricant** on select Sundays in July and August, and **Hamptons Dance Project** at Fireplace Lodge from August 18-20. Several enlightening talks will

take place in the galleries and gardens, including a conversation between **Renée Cox** and **Deborah Willis, Ph.D.** on July 9; author **Carmela Ciuraru** and **Katie Couric** will chat about Ciuraru's new book *Lives of the Wives* on July 17; and architecture critic **Paul Goldberger** and architect **Charles Renfro** will discuss East Hampton's Blue Dream House on August 24.

A festive **Family Day** is scheduled for August 7, including a Celestial Garden-inspired art project in the Boots Lamb Education Center and a Silent Dance party in the Frieda and Roy Furman Sculpture Garden. Guild Hall and Bel Canto Boot Camp's Resident Artist Series welcomes Cuban-American soprano **Lisette Oropesa**, who has become one of her generation's most sought-after lyric coloraturas, for a recital at St. Luke's Hoie Hall on August 12.

Garden As Art returns on June 24, featuring a talk by **Vincent Simeone** followed by self-guided tours of four stunning East Hampton gardens. The popular **Clothesline Art Sale**, one of the most beloved and affordable art traditions in the Hamptons since its inception in 1946, will take place on Saturday, July 22. Works submitted by the creative community will range in price from \$75 to \$3,500, with all proceeds split 50/50 between the artist and Guild Hall. Those interested in participating can register at guildhall.org/clothesline. And the annual **Summer Gala** will honor Guild Hall Trustee Ken Wyse on August 4, starting with cocktails at Guild Hall followed by a seated dinner at Mulford Farm, plus a surprise performance and dancing by DJ Mick.

The full schedule of programs and events can be found at guildhall.org/events.

Guild Hall's galleries and Louise & Howie's Coffee Bar will be open Thursday to Monday, 12-5 PM. Gallery admission is FREE, sponsored, in part, by Landscape Details.

FULL SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 24

[Garden as Art](#)

July 2–September 4, 2023

[Renée Cox: A Proof of Being](#)

Guild Hall, East Hampton

Sunday, July 9, 1 PM

[Renée Cox in Conversation with Deborah Willis, Ph.D.](#)

Guild Hall, East Hampton

Wednesday, July 12, 11 AM

[Open Class: Jacob Jonas the Company](#)

Guild Hall, East Hampton

STIRRING THE POT

[with New York Times Food & Wine Writer Florence Fabricant](#)

Sunday, July 16, 5-7 PM

[Tequila & Tacos at Estia's](#)

with Chef Colin Ambrose and Robert Simonson

Estia's Little Kitchen, Sag Harbor

Sunday, July 30, 11 AM

[35 Years of Nick & Toni's](#)

with Toni Ross, Chef Joe Realmuto, and Chef Jonathan Waxman

Nick & Toni's, East Hampton

Sunday, August 6, 11 AM
[Sip & Shuck at Rosie's with Seamore's](#)
Rosie's Amagansett

Sunday, August 13, 11 AM
[De Gustibus at Guild Hall](#)
with Chef Jarrod Huth of Canoe Place Inn & Cottages
Guild Hall, East Hampton

Monday, July 17, 7 PM
[Lives of the Wives Book Talk: Carmela Ciuraru in Conversation with Katie Couric](#)
Guild Hall, East Hampton

Saturday, July 22, 9 AM-2 PM
[Clothesline Art Sale](#)
Guild Hall, East Hampton

Friday, August 4, 5-10 PM
[Summer Gala Honoring Ken Wyse](#)
Guild Hall and Mulford Farm, East Hampton

August 5-October 15, 2023
[Leo Villareal: Celestial Garden](#)
Guild Hall, East Hampton

Monday, August 7, 3-6 PM
[Family Day](#)

Thursday, August 10, 6 PM
[Masterclass: Lisette Oropesa Coaches Guild Hall & Bel Canto Boot Camp Resident Artists](#)
St. Luke's Episcopal Church, East Hampton

Saturday, August 12, 5 PM
[Opera Recital: Lisette Oropesa and Bel Canto Boot Camp](#)
St. Luke's Episcopal Church, East Hampton

Friday to Sunday, August 18-20, 6 PM
[Hamptons Dance Project V](#)
Fireplace Lodge, East Hampton

Thursday, August 24, 7 PM
[Paul Goldberger and Charles Renfro Discuss the Blue Dream House](#)
Guild Hall, East Hampton

Saturday, September 2, 7-10 PM
[End of Summer Silent Disco Dance Party in the Garden](#)
Guild Hall, East Hampton

Monday, September 18, 11AM-7 PM
[Annual Maidstone Golf Club Outing](#)

SPONSORS & PARTNERS

Museum programs are supported by Crozier Fine Arts, and funding from The Michael Lynne Museum Endowment, and The Melville Straus Family Endowment.

Free admission is sponsored, in part, by Landscape Details.

Renée Cox: A Proof of Being

Lead Sponsors: Dorothy Lichtenstein, Fern and Lenard Tessler

Additional Support: Agnes Gund, Allen Harvey and Ludlow Beckett, Bernard Lumpkin and Carmine Boccuzzi, Lori and John Reinsberg, Jane Wesman and Don Savelson, and Lyn and E. T. Williams, Jr.

Media Partner: Hamptons Magazine

Theater Programming is supported in part by The Schaffner Family Foundation and funding from The Melville Straus Family Endowment. Music Programming is supported in part by The Ellen and James S. Marcus Endowment for Musical Programming.

Stirring the Pot

Lead Sponsor: Ciuffo Cabinetry

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Appliances Provided by SMEG

Wine and spirits provided by Southern Glazer Wine & Spirits and Paumanok & Palmer Vineyards

Hamptons Dance Project

Principal Sponsor: Leila Straus, in memory of her husband, Mickey

Silent Dance Party

Media Partner: James Lane Post

Learning + New Works

Guild Hall's Learning + New Works programs are made possible by the New York State Council on the Arts with the support of the Office of the Governor and the New York State Legislature. Additional major support comes from The Patti Kenner Arts Education Fellowship, the Lewis B. and Dorothy Cullman Endowment Fund, and The Melville Straus Family Endowment.

Guild Hall William P. Rayner Artist-in-Residence

Principal Sponsor: Kathy Rayner in memory of her husband, Billy Rayner

Guild Hall and Bel Canto Boot Camp Resident Artist Series

The Guild Hall and Bel Canto Boot Camp Resident Artist Series is supported by the Law Office of Natascia Ayers, Alexandre and Lori Chemla, Barbara Horgan, Ellen E. Myers, and Michéle and Steve Pesner, with additional support provided by Jan and Marilyn Breslow, Stan Herman, the Jeannette and H. Peter Kriendler Charitable Trust, Cornelia and Lawrence Randolph, Janet C. Ross, David Seeler and Ngaere Macray, Irene Silverman, and Barbara Toll.

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Garden as Art

Lead Sponsor: Bellwether Architects, PLLC

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Clothesline Art Sale

Media Partner: East Hampton Star

Summer Gala

Media Partner: Hamptons Magazine

ABOUT GUILD HALL

Guild Hall is the cultural heart of the East End: a museum, performing arts, and education center, founded in 1931. We invite everyone to experience the endless possibilities of the arts: to open minds to what art can be; inspire creativity and conversation; and have fun.

Guild Hall has served four generations and introduced audiences to the most storied artists and performers of our time. Now as we approach our centennial, we have embarked on a state-of-the-art renovation to match the caliber of our artistry for twenty-first-century audiences. The facility-wide Capital Improvements Project & Campaign includes top-of-the-line physical and technological enhancements to better deliver on our mission as an artist-driven, interdisciplinary institution.

For more information about Guild Hall, please visit GuildHall.org.

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