



BOSTON ATHENÆUM



We look forward to welcoming you to the Boston Athenæum this December.

Selected **UPCOMING EVENTS** (click each title to read full details)

M-Members only **P**-Open to the Public **R**-Reception **F**-Free event

Pop-Up Holiday Bookstore

Sunday, December 4, 1-3 pm

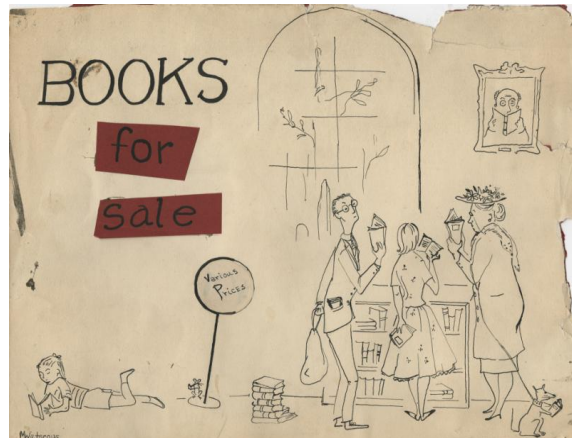
Enjoy tea, cocoa, and cookies while you shop for books to give as holiday gifts. Gift-wrapping available on-site.

P F Registration not required

Docent-Led Gallery Talk

Wednesday, December 7, 1-1:30 pm

Join a Boston Athenæum docent for a gallery talk on *Daniel Chester French: The Female Form Revealed* to discover how French used the female form to



memorialize actions, events, and emotions.

Gallery talk is limited to 8 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

P Members Free Non-members \$5

Dear Bunny, Dear Volodya

Thursday, December 8, 6-7 pm

Boston Globe contributing columnist Alex Beam and Random House Executive Editor Gerald Howard will perform a dramatic reading of Terry Quinn's poignant "dramatic dialogue" *Dear Bunny, Dear Volodya: The Friendship and the Feud*, based on the quarter-century-long correspondence between novelist Vladimir Nabokov and the *New Yorker* editor and critic Edmund Wilson.

P Members \$15 Non-members \$30



The Bridge Between Strings

Sunday, December 11, 1-3 pm

The Back Bay String Quartet will showcase the classical guitar as a solo and chamber instrument capable of standing on its own in concert.

P Members \$25 Non-members \$35



Eye of the Expert

Home and Garden: Domestic Material Culture in the Collections of the Boston Athenæum

Monday, December 12, 12-1:30 pm

What does the appearance of a home, both inside and out, say about its residents and their position in society? Join members of our expert staff for a conversation about how Americans have used their domestic environment as a form of personal expression, to project status, and to transform a house into a home.

M Members \$20

Muslims in America since 1619

Tuesday, December 13, 6-7 pm

Community Muslim Chaplain and retired US Army Reserves Lieutenant Colonel Shareda Hosein will chronicle the experiences of free and enslaved Muslims who have served in US wars, dating back to the Revolutionary War and the Civil War.

P R Members \$15 Non-members \$30

Nathaniel Bowditch and the Power of Numbers

Thursday, December 15, 6-7 pm

Professor Tamara Plakins Thornton will present her engaging biography of Nathaniel Bowditch (1773-1838): a mathematician, astronomer, navigator, seafarer, business executive, and transformational Trustee of the Boston Athenæum.

P Members Free Non-members \$15

A Celebration of Yehudi Wyner

Monday, December 19, 6-7 pm

This musical evening with the Ecce Ensemble, a community of culturally and socially engaged performing artists, is dedicated to Pulitzer Prize-

winning American composer and pianist Yehudi Wyner.

P R Members \$15 Non-members \$30

Docent-Led Gallery Talk

Wednesday, December 21, 2-2:30 pm

Join a Boston Athenæum docent for a gallery talk on *Daniel Chester French: The Female Form Revealed* to discover how French used the female form to memorialize actions, events, and emotions.

Gallery talk is limited to 8 people on a first-come, first-served basis.

P Members Free Non-members \$5



VIEW ALL UPCOMING EVENTS

WATCH & LISTEN

Historic gastronomist Sarah Lohman's lecture on the history of black pepper in American cuisine and its surprising connections to the city of Boston is now available to stream online in video or podcast format.

Catch up on other previous book talks and lectures here.



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