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HISTORY CAMP GOES “WILD” AT THE BRICK STORE MUSEUM

KENNEBUNK, MAINE – Spend a day at The Brick Store Museum exploring and experiencing animal folk art with History Camp: Going ‘Wild!’ to be held on Saturday, July 14, from 8:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The program marks the Museum’s fourth annual History Camp for children ages 8 to 12.

Space is limited, and pre-registration is required by July 7. The registration fee of \$30 per camper (\$25 for Museum members) includes a nutritious snack and all supplies. Campers are to bring their own lunch “in the spirit of the day,” packed in a basket, pail or box. Registration forms are available at www.brickstoremuseum.org or by contacting the Museum at 207.985.4802.

This year’s History Camp features special activities that tie in with the theme of the Museum’s newest exhibition: *Wild Things: Selections from Kate Manko’s Collection of Folk Art Animals*. Campers will begin the day by viewing the nearly 100 carved pieces in the exhibition to serve as their inspiration. Youngsters will then try their hands at painting articulated toy snakes and fish in the folk art tradition, let their imaginations run wild in crafting a “stuffed fish,” and learn to identify the tracks made by various Maine wild animals and create a casting of an animal pawprint as a keepsake.

The camp concludes with family members and the general public invited to the Museum from 2:30 to 3:00 p.m. to view the campers’ projects and to tour the *Wild Things* exhibition. As lasting memories of the day, campers take home everything they have created.

History Camp is made possible by the Museum’s Education Committee and support from The Virginia Hodgkins Somers Foundation.

The Brick Store Museum is located at 117 Main Street in Kennebunk’s historic district and for more than seventy years has been dedicated to preserving and exhibiting the region’s rich cultural heritage. Its galleries and research archives are open to the public year-round: Tuesdays through Fridays, 10 – 4:30 and Saturdays, 10 – 1. Admission to the Museum is by donation, suggested \$5 per person. Visit www.brickstoremuseum.org or call 207.985.4802 for further information.

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