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A WEEK OF WILD THINGS

KENNEBUNK, Maine –The Brick Store Museum and Kennebunk Free Library are pairing up to proudly present “A Week of Wild Things.” Inspired by the Museum’s ongoing *Wild Things* exhibition of American folk art animals, as well as all those critters in literature at the Library, there is something for all ages. Said Brick Store Museum executive director Tracy Baetz, “The theme lends itself to activities across a wide variety of disciplines.” Janet Cate, director of the Kennebunk Free Library, agreed. “We’re very excited about the collaboration and the fact that the week blends art, literature and music,” she said. A detailed schedule follows, with information also appearing online at www.brickstoremuseum.org/WildThingsWeek.pdf:

Tuesday – Saturday, November 13 - 17

- *Critters in Literature*: Strap on your binoculars and join a scavenger hunt in the Library's Illustrators' Gallery. In addition, craft projects for budding artists will be available all week during regular Library hours in the Youth Services Room. Kennebunk Free Library, 112 Main Street.

Tuesday – Friday, November 13 - 16

- *Wild Things Mask Making and Scavenger Hunt*: Visit the *Wild Things* exhibition, 10AM - 4:30PM, and craft a foam mask based upon your favorite “wild thing.” A scavenger hunt is also available within the exhibition to test your skills of observation. Made possible by a grant from the Virginia Hodgkins Somers Foundation. Brick Store Museum, 117 Main Street.

Thursday, November 15

- *Wild Things Exhibition with Collector Kate Manko*: The fanciful *Wild Things* exhibition of nearly 100 carved animals belonging to young collector Kate Manko is as much about folk art as it is the art of collecting. Come see this popular show through Kate’s eyes, as she will be on hand in the Museum galleries 3 - 4:30PM to answer questions for young and old. Brick Store Museum, 117 Main Street.

Friday, November 16

- *Free Family Concert by Eve & Mare:* Kennebunk welcomes Eve & Mare, all the way from Nashville and as heard on XM Kids Radio and stations across the nation. The duo is a finalist for “Best New Artist” in the 2007 Children’s Music Web Awards. Their songs span a variety of musical styles and touch upon universal themes of nature, animals, and life’s daily adventures, all couched with an uproarious sense of humor. Even grownups will find themselves singing along! Made possible by the King Family and Shepard & Read, the 7PM concert is offered free of charge, with donations gratefully accepted. CDs of their debut album, “Daddy’s Moonlight Alligator Boat Ride” will be available for purchase onsite for \$15. Brick Store Museum’s Program Center, 4 Dane Street.

Saturday, November 17

- *Free Songwriting Workshop with Eve & Mare:* Hot off their performance from the evening before, Eve & Mare provide an encore by leading a free songwriting workshop geared for children ages 6 to 12, made possible by the King Family and Shepard & Read. In an hour’s time, Eve & Mare will guide the group in creating an original song from start to finish, along the way exploring rhythm, rhyme, major/minor keys, and the art of storytelling. After the session, Eve & Mare will return to Nashville to professionally produce the song and make the final recording available for all participants. Pre-register by contacting the Library at 207.985.2173 or kfl@kennebunkl.lib.me.us. Kennebunk Free Library, 112 Main Street.
- *Feathered Folk Art Painting Workshop:* Made possible by a grant from The Virginia Hodgkins Somers Foundation, this intergenerational, hands-on program is for participants ages 7 to 107. Marvel at the variety of birds on view in the *Wild Things* exhibition and then try your hand at painting a wooden shorebird of your own; they make great gifts for the holidays. Learn clever painting techniques along the way. Pre-registration is required by contacting the Museum at 207.985.4802 or outreach@brickstoremuseum.org. Cost is \$10/person (\$8 for Museum members). Brick Store Museum, 117 Main Street.

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