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OLANA: A NEW PERSPECTIVE

The Olana Partnership invites you
to our second annual tour of privately-owned
landscapes within the Olana Viewshed

Saturday, October 24, 2009

Olana Viewshed Tour II

viewshed /vyü-shed/ *n.* : the
natural environment that is visible from
one or more viewing points.

The early Chinese called it a “borrowed view.”

Modern landscape experts and preservationists refer
to it as a viewshed. While designing his historic
landscape at Olana (now Olana State Historic Site),
Frederic Church specifically integrated his setting
with neighboring properties by revealing and framing
exceptional views.

This year, The Olana Partnership and the New
York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic
Preservation are joining with 9 landowners and 2
historic sites to celebrate the beauty which surrounds
Olana’s 250-acre 19th century *American Picturesque*
landscape.

We invite you to join the self-guided tour and visit
farms and estates, walk across meadows, up hills,
beside ponds, and through orchards. To stand high
above the Hudson River Valley in rarely-seen locations
and look back at Frederic Church’s Olana.

Join us to experience first-hand the magnificence and
variety of the region Frederic Church called “the center
of the world.”

Bindy Kaye & Abby Westlake, Co-chairs
Olana Viewshed Tour

Alice Platt & Mark Prezorski, Co-chairs
Olana Landscape/Viewshed Advisory Committee



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SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 24, 2009

Rain or shine

TICKET & MAP PICK UP

9:30 am - 2:00 pm

Wagon House Education Center

Olana State Historic Site

5720 State Route 9G

Hudson, New York

TOUR OF PRIVATE LANDSCAPES

IN OLANA’S VIEWSHED

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

VIEWSHED BENEFIT PARTY

HILL HOUSE FARM

WINE, HORS D’OEUVRES & SUNSET

4:30 - 6:30 pm

EXCLUSIVE SPECIAL EVENT

OLANA BELL TOWER TOUR

See order form for details

Olana’s bell tower commands far-reaching
views. A limited number of participants who
make advance reservations will have a unique
opportunity to experience these panoramic views
from one of the highest points at the site.

To purchase tickets in advance with your credit
card please call (518) 828-1872 ext. 103
Monday-Friday, 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Delicious boxed lunches may be purchased in advance
for \$15 with pick up on Saturday morning. Lunches
must be ordered and paid for when purchasing tickets.

*Tickets purchased on 10/24 will be sold at the non-
member price only. Tickets are non-refundable.*

PROCEEDS WILL BENEFIT OLANA’S
HISTORIC LANDSCAPE RESTORATION



DOME FARM includes an 1870s Calvert Vaux-designed home built for Henry Q. and Mary Elizabeth Mack at the urging of Mrs. Mack's cousin Frederic Church.

THE HILL was originally developed by Henry Walter Livingston in 1801. With a unique perspective of Olana, today The Hill is known for its Catskill and Berkshire Mountain views, a spectacular Palladian barn, horses and a sixty-acre lake.



SHAKESPEARE ON THE HUDSON is the former outdoor stage built into a natural amphitheater under a canopy of black walnut trees with the Hudson River as a backdrop. A long and scenic drive leads you to this glorious spot.

CATWALK is an historic Catskill estate overlooking the Hudson River built in 1865 by landscape painter Charles Herbert Moore. The property features bird's-eye views of the Rip Van Winkle Bridge and Olana.



RIVER SCHOOL FARM on Blue Hill has been protected as part of the Olana Viewshed. Its 1830s farmhouse, apple orchard, and spectacular hillside lookout provide full views of the mountains, Olana, nearby river-towns, and beyond.

PLEROMA FARM is a biodynamic farm and therapeutic retreat nestled at the foot of Olana. It features a straw-bale barn, Dutch Belted cows, Cornish-Rock hens, and sells organic meats, eggs, and raw milk.



SILVERMAN VIEW with its panoramic vista of the Hudson River and Olana, has an early stone farmhouse and 1743 barn restored in 1988 perched above the RamsHorn-Livingston Sanctuary's 436 protected acres.

LYNLEE sits on protected Olana Viewshed land and directly abuts Olana's historic landscape. The property boasts the closest view of Frederic Church's Persian-style mansion.



CHERRY RIDGE FARM is perched above the Hudson River on protected land and grows plums, cherries, apples, apricots, peaches, nectarines, and pears. Its early sugar maple allée provides close views of Olana and the bridge, river and mountains.

VIEWSHED BENEFIT PARTY

HILL HOUSE FARM
Located on the western slope of Blue Hill in the Town of Livingston, the 1850 farmhouse and barn are beautifully set in the middle of eighty-eight preserved acres of a former orchard and farm. From the front of the house stretches out an unobstructed 180-degree view of the entire Catskill range over a large, reflecting five-acre pond.



CEDAR GROVE The Thomas Cole National Historic Site is the prologue to the Olana story. A visit to Cedar Grove provides entry into the world of the man who became the father of American landscape painting and founder of the Hudson River School of art. Free admission to Cedar Grove has generously been provided to Viewshed Tour participants.



BEATTIE-POWERS PLACE James Powers, a prominent businessman and State Assemblyman, built the house with sweeping views of the Hudson River and Olana in 1839. It remained in his family for more than one hundred years. In the 1990s, Mary Dean Beattie bequeathed the property to the Village of Catskill and its residents. Friends of Beattie-Powers have generously agreed to open the house and property to Viewshed Tour participants.

OLANA: A NEW PERSPECTIVE PARTNERS IN EDUCATION & PRESERVATION



New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation has made an unprecedented commitment to land preservation and environmental stewardship with more than \$200 million invested in projects across the state. www.nysparks.com

The Columbia Land Conservancy works with the community to conserve the farmland, forests, wildlife habitat and rural character of Columbia County, strengthening connections between people and the land. www.clctrust.org

Scenic Hudson works to protect and restore the Hudson River and its majestic landscape as an irreplaceable national treasure and a vital resource for residents and visitors. Scenic Hudson has protected 1,248 acres in the Olana Viewshed. www.scenicudson.org

An Olana house tour is not included in the Viewshed Tour ticket. If you wish to tour the house on 10/24, please contact Olana State Historic Site during opening hours at (518) 828-0135 for reservations and fee information.

ORDER FORM

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PAYMENT

Check payable to *The Olana Partnership*

VISA MasterCard American Express

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Signature: _____

ITEM	MEMBER	NON-MEMBER	TOTAL
TOUR TICKETS	_____ @ \$40	_____ @ \$50	\$
VIEWSHED BENEFIT PARTY	_____ @ \$75 MUST RESERVE	_____ @ \$100 MUST RESERVE	\$
TOUR AND BENEFIT	_____ @ \$100 (\$15 discount)	_____ @ \$150	\$
BELL TOWER TOUR	FREE* (Limited Number Available) MUST RESERVE	_____ @ \$50 (Limited Number Available) MUST RESERVE	\$

JOIN TODAY!
Save money on tour and benefit tickets.

MEMBERSHIP	Individual \$40	Dual \$60	Family \$75	Artist Circle \$100	\$
Tickets sold 10/24/09 at non-member price only. Tickets are non-refundable.					
Individual members may purchase one (1) ticket at member rate					
Dual members may purchase two (2) tickets at member rate					
Family members may purchase four (4) tickets at member rate					
Artist Circle members may purchase ten (10) tickets at member rate					

Tower Tour free to current members who purchase tour ticket

Guests must preregister and will be assigned a specific tour. No Tower Tour tickets will be sold on 10/24. Each tour is limited to maximum 10 guests per tour and are offered every 15 minutes between 10:00 am and 1:00 pm. Guests must arrive for scheduled tour no less than 5 minutes prior. If they miss assigned tour they will only be admitted if there is a vacancy on the next scheduled tour. Tower tours are not transferable.

To check member status or register call (518) 828-1872 ext. 103