

## VOLUNTEERS

Olana values the participation of volunteers and welcomes individuals who are interested in volunteering. Without the time and various talents of Olana's volunteers many projects and activities would be impossible.

Olana is pleased to offer volunteers free admission to the house and grounds and to selected lectures and activities. Please contact Keith Nyhof for details: e-mail: [knyhof@olana.org](mailto:knyhof@olana.org) or via phone: 518-828-1872 x 102

### MANY THANKS TO OUR CORPORATE PARTNERS

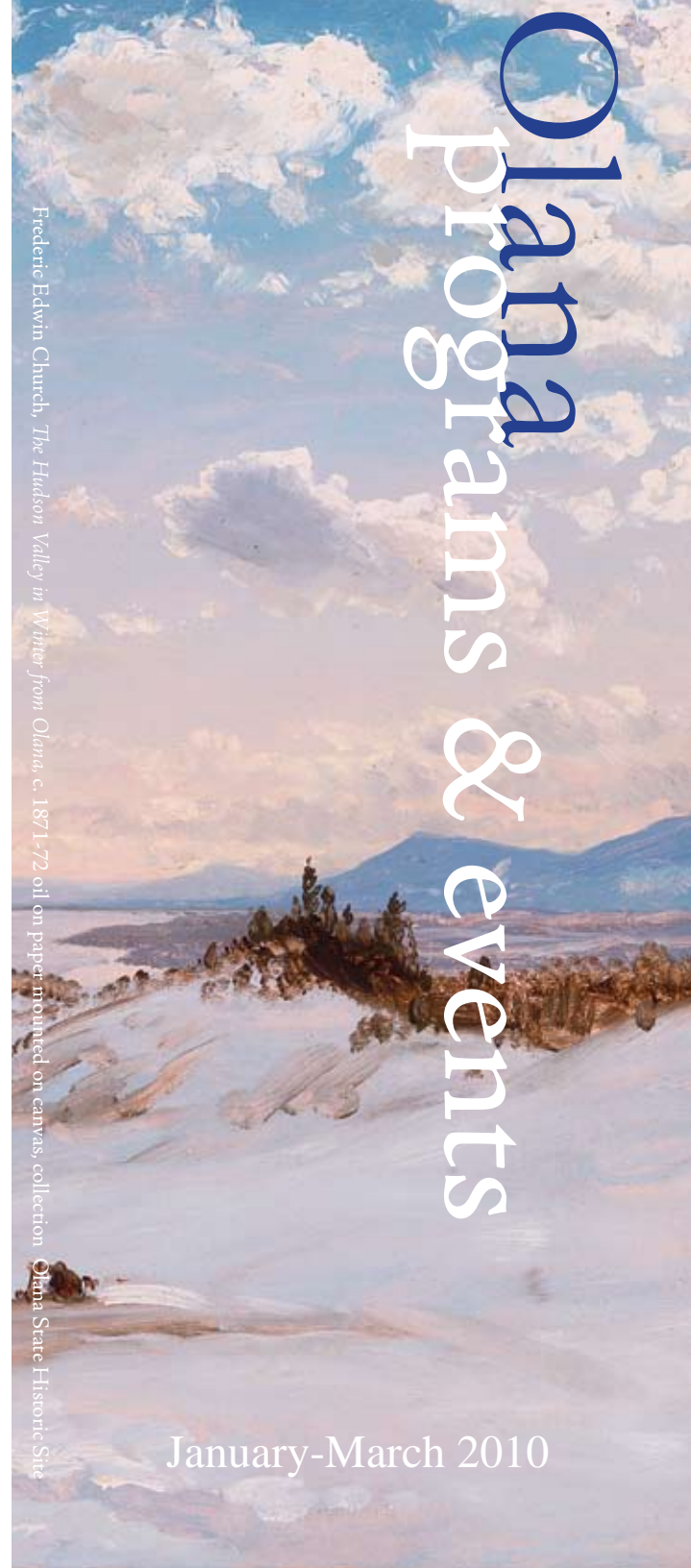
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Frederic Edwin Church, The Hudson Valley in Winter from Olana, c. 1871-72 oil on paper mounted on canvas, collection: Olana State Historic Site

# Olana Programs & events

January-March 2010

## House Tours

January-March  
Friday and Saturday 11AM-4PM  
Sunday 12PM-4PM  
The last tour starts promptly at 3PM.

**Fee:**  
\$9 Adults,  
\$8 Seniors and students (*must show ID*).

Free to members of The Olana Partnership and children under 12.

Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations are recommended, call (518) 828-0135.

Closed New Year's Day.

## Special Tours

Saturday, January 9, 11:30am  
Saturday, January 23, 11:30am  
Saturday, February 13, 11:30am  
Saturday, February 27, 11:30am  
Saturday, March 13, 11:30am  
Saturday, March 27, 11:30am

### Family Tour at Olana

Visitor's Center  
All ages  
\$9/adult; \$8/students and seniors, free for children under 12 and members of The Olana Partnership

Explore the house, its paintings and treasures from a child's perspective. Tours are geared for families with 6-12 year olds, but all ages are welcome. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Reservations are required by 4pm the preceding Friday. Call (518) 828-0135 for information.

## Ongoing Program



January-March  
**Impromptu Snowshoe Trek**  
Wagon House Education Center/Farm Complex  
All ages  
Free

It's that time of the year for winter fun and exercise in Olana's Picturesque landscape. Join Jenny Brinker, Columbia Land Conservancy's (CLC) Environmental Educator, on a snowshoe trek on carriage drives at Olana as well as at other sites in our area. To take advantage of the sporadic snowfall in Columbia County, you can sign up to be on an email alert system to notify you when there will be a snowshoe trek. You can check your email and if there is a message from CLC: "Come join us for snowshoeing," simply reply to the email and meet at the designated site. There will be a limited number of snowshoes to lend. Beginners are welcome. For more information and to register for the email list, contact Jenny Brinker at (518) 392-5252x210 or by email at [jenny@clctrust.org](mailto:jenny@clctrust.org).



## Photography Contest

Cornell Cooperative Extensions of Columbia and Greene Counties, along with Columbia-Greene Community College, are sponsoring the "2010 Biodiversity: Captured in Photographs" contest. The contest is open to both youth (grades 6 - 12) and adults from Columbia & Greene Counties. The deadline for entries is March 1, 2010. An awards reception will be held April 13 at CGCC; winning and other selected photographs will be on display at the college from April 9 until April 30, 2010.

Olana is one of the recommended sites you can visit to seek out native flora and fauna for pictorial compositions! Our carriage drives (nature trails) on over 250 acres are open every day 8am-dusk free of charge through March. Come capture the landscape – and best of luck!

A copy of contest rules and an entry form are available by contacting: [tcm5@cornell.edu](mailto:tcm5@cornell.edu).

## Thank You



The Olana Partnership would like to thank Assemblyman Marcus Molinaro for securing a grant which funded a new video projector, DVD player, and speakers for future programming at the Wagon House Education Center.

Educational public programming is made possible due to the generosity of donors and the John Wilmerding Educational Initiative. To support and receive discounts on programming, become a member of The Olana Partnership today at [www.olana.org](http://www.olana.org).

## January



Sunday, January 17, 1-4pm

### *River of Dreams:*

#### *Teacher Professional Development Workshop*

Wagon House Education Center/Farm Complex

Educators of all kinds

Free

Calling all Hudson Valley teachers: attend this once in a lifetime opportunity to participate in a fun, professional development workshop focusing on teaching local history at the most picturesque of places. Join Hudson Talbott for an in-depth presentation of his new book *River Of Dreams – The Story Of The Hudson River*. Local teachers who are already using the book in their classrooms will provide you with easy tips to incorporate it into your curriculum. Brainstorm with other professionals in your field and be a part of history. Learn how to use the book and its powerful message to educate your students about our unique landscape in hopes they grow up to preserve it. Light refreshments will be served; signed books and cds will be available. Space is limited. Pre-register by preceding Friday via e-mail at [codonnell@olana.org](mailto:codonnell@olana.org); or call (518)828-1872x110.

*“It was wonderful to be here today. I feel the course was very comprehensive and I learned many new techniques to use and ways to look at a painting from many angles.”*

— Landscape Painting Workshop program participant



Sunday, January 31, 3-4pm

### *Landscape Yoga*

Wagon House Education Center/Farm Complex

Adults

\$10/class; \$5 members of The Olana Partnership

Does your New Year's resolution include time for well-being? Nourish body and soul this winter in our education center that has radiant floor heating! This gentle yoga class will bring the inspiring picturesque landscape views inside, celebrating the spirituality of nature. Yoga instructor Ed Sisk from the *Yoga With Ed* studio in Hudson, NY will provide mats and modification tools, or bring your own. Pre-register by preceding Friday via e-mail at [codonnell@olana.org](mailto:codonnell@olana.org); or call (518)828-1872x110.

### *Skating Permitted:*

Weather and ice permitting. Check signs on site or call (518) 828-0135 for ice condition.

## February

Friday, February 12-Sunday, February 14

### *Presidents' Day Weekend Tours:*

#### *Lincoln, Church and the U.S. Civil War*

Visitor's Center

All ages

\$9/adult; \$8/students and seniors, free for children under 12 and members of The Olana Partnership

After the attack on Fort Sumter that began the War, the exhibition of Church's new painting of Icebergs opened in New York City with a new title reflecting Church's sympathies toward the Union cause: The North – Church's Picture of Icebergs. Join us for house tours focusing on the impact of the U.S. Civil War on Church's life and career.

*“I wish you would make a run up some day and make a winter visit . . . The winter scenery here is marvelous. . . I had good skating on my pond.”*



Frederic Church to William Henry Osborn, Jan. 2, 1870



Saturday, February 13- Saturday, February 20

### *6th Annual Olana trip to Mexico*

Join Olana in historic Mexico and, in one adventure-filled week, experience both the magic of Mardi Gras in the indigenous highlands and the mystery of the Maya ruins, deep in the Chiapas jungle. For information call Keith Nyhof at (518) 828-1872 ext. 102.



Sunday, February 14, 1-4pm

### *Architecture for Kids*

Wagon House Education Center/Farm Complex

Ages 6-10 and their caregivers

Free

Children and caregivers are invited to come to Olana's Education Center to explore architecture. Inside find stations to experiment with unique architecture blocks and create your own structure by using multi-media materials: sponges, paint, clay, toothpicks, gumdrops and soap! Pre-register by preceding Friday via e-mail at [codonnell@olana.org](mailto:codonnell@olana.org); or call (518)828-1872x110.

Sunday, February 28, 3-4pm

### *Landscape Yoga*

See previous description. Pre-registration required.

## March



Sunday, March 21, 1pm

### *First Spring Weekend Hike*

Visitor's Center

All ages

Free

Celebrate spring's first weekend by getting outside for a little fresh air in Olana's reawakening landscape. Weather permitting. Call (518) 828-0135 if conditions are questionable or for more information.



Monday, March 22, 10am-12pm

### *Local Flora and Fauna:*

#### *Nature Photography*

Wagon House Education Center/Farm Complex

All ages

Free

Larry Federman, Assistant Warden/Educator for Audubon New York, offers this exciting lecture on the flora and fauna of our community. Larry always has a camera with him at Audubon sites; now you too can discover the plants and animals that call these sanctuaries home through his incidental photos. After the presentation we'll head out for a landscape walk. Binoculars and sketch pads will be available. Come out and capture the first of spring. Pre-register by preceding Friday via e-mail at [codonnell@olana.org](mailto:codonnell@olana.org); or call (518)828-1872x110.



Friday, March 26, 2-4pm

### *Green Gardening*

Wagon House Education Center/Farm Complex

Ages 3-5 and their caregivers

Free

Spring is here! Watch your own kitchen garden grow: come to Olana's farm complex to create your own fairy garden to bring home. Plant herb, vegetable and/or flower seeds in recyclable/re-used containers and then decorate your garden pots with art supplies inspired by Olana. Pre-register by preceding Thursday via e-mail at [codonnell@olana.org](mailto:codonnell@olana.org); or call (518)828-1872x110.

Sunday, March 28, 3-4pm

### *Landscape Yoga*

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