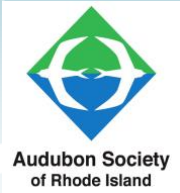


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Audubon Society
of Rhode Island



Ornament by Ann Dionne

Holiday Craft Fair

Join Audubon for the annual artisan fair. With local vendors selling a variety of nature and wildlife related wares, you are sure to find perfect gifts for the nature enthusiasts on your list. Jewelry, bird houses, photography, ornaments, stationery and other locally made treats are just a few items to choose from. Come shop and be sure to enter our raffle for a chance to win one of the handcrafted items donated by our artisans.

Powder Mill Ledges Wildlife
Refuge, 12 Sanderson Road,
Smithfield, RI; December 7,
2024; 10:00 am-4:00 pm.

Free. Ages: All.

Visit: www.asri.org



WOONASQUATUCKET RIVER
WATERSHED COUNCIL

Turkey Trot

Date: November 29th, 2024
Time: 10 AM – 11:30 AM
Location: Woonasquatucket River
Greenway

Hosted by: 15 Minute Field Trips

Get ready for a festive stroll with 15 Minute Field Trips! Join us for a casual Turkey Walk where you can soak in the beauty of the Woonasquatucket River Greenway while enjoying the company of friends and family. This leisurely walk is perfect for all ages and abilities, making it a great way to celebrate the holiday season and connect with nature.

Accessibility: This event is wheelchair accessible and open to everyone.

[Register Here!](#)

Notable Works' Live Staged Reading of "Sell Division"

Thank you to the wonderful, dedicated and talented cast of *Sell Division* and to all those who attended Friday, November 15th's Live Staged Reading of the musical *Sell Division: Breaking the Chains of Perception*. It was with the great support of the Charles Sullivan Fund for the Arts and Humanities, Professor Theodore Clement and the CCRI Performing Arts Department that Notable Works Publication and Distribution Co, Inc. was so honored to be able to premiere *Sell Division* in the Bobby Hackett Theater at the Community College of Rhode Island, where it received a standing ovation. (Photo of cast below and more photos on page 4 courtesy of Jen Scungio).



Click the link below to view the video to this Live Staged Reading (90 min.)

<https://youtu.be/QT6gVSCssYk>

Going forward, our "Sell Division Team" is hoping to find a theater group which might be interested in presenting a full production of this musical. Please contact Noreen at: info@notableworks.org if you have any ideas, feedback or suggestions.

We are also pleased to announce that Notable Works is kicking off a **2025 Poetry Initiative/Contest** based on the theme of *Sell Division*. We are seeking original poetry submissions which focus on healing and bridging the divide that misinformation can create as it pertains to our natural environment and social concerns. The submission period is from **January 1, 2025 to March 1, 2025** (Midnight EST). This year's **Final Judge** will be **Tina Cane**, who was Poet Laureate of Rhode Island from 2016 to 2024. You may learn more about Tina Cane by visiting: <https://www.tinacane.ink>.

Cash Prizes will be awarded:

First Place: \$100

Second Place: \$50

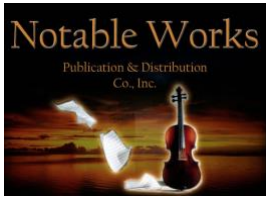
Third Place: \$25

Three Honorable Mentions will also be selected and all six winners will be featured at a Special Event in the **William Hall Library Auditorium** in Cranston, Rhode Island on May 3, 2025 at 11AM which will also feature some of the songs and the cast of *Sell Division*. The six winners of this Poetry Contest will also have their works published in Notable Works' monthly newsletter *Notable Notes*. In addition, the Top Three Winners will be featured on the Cranston Public Library's **Poetry-On-Line** in Celebration of National Poetry Month during April 2025.

For more information and for the Poetry Contest Guidelines, visit:

www.notableworks.org or Email: info@notableworks.org

Notable Works' Annual Tote Bag Project



www.notableworks.org

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(left to right) Carolann Soder,
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Camila Romero, McAuley Village
Staff and Noreen Inglesi &
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Amos House of Providence

(left to right) Noreen Inglesi, Notable Works'
Artist in Residence, Jessica Salter, Chief
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Bina Gehres, Notable Works' Director



The Wethersfield Knitters

Thank you to Gayle Lynch and the Wethersfield Knitters, Shanti Anderheggen, the Smile Doll Program at the Cranston Senior Center, Janice Bottis, and all who assisted with this year's Notable Works' Tote Bag Project. Notable Works' Tote Bag Project provides local families and individuals in need with necessary items such as hats, gloves, scarves, socks, blankets and hygiene products during the cold winter months. So far this season, Notable Works' tote bags have been delivered to Amos House of Providence, McAuley Village, McAuley House Ministries and Praise Tabernacle Church in Cranston. To learn more about this project, to make a donation or to volunteer, please email Bina at: binagehres@cox.net and visit our website at: www.notableworks.org.



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Are you a farmer or landowner looking to implement conservation practices on your land? Look no further! Join ERICD and NRCS on December 5th, 5:30 PM at the Tiverton Public Library's Community Room to learn more about NRCS program applications! [RSVP Here!](#)

Help support Portsmouth AgInnovation farm! In order for our students to continue this great work and to continue fostering a place of community partnerships, we need your help! We can't do this without you. Your support will allow us to expand our reach, purchase essential equipment, and develop programs that make AgInnovation accessible to everyone in our community! [Donate HERE today!](#)

On Saturday, March 15, 2025, the **Rhode Island Environmental Education Association** will be hosting their **Annual Summit**, an opportunity for environmental educators, advocates, students, and others to gather, celebrate, learn, and form connections that strengthen our community. This year's theme is youth voice.

Learn more at www.rieea.org

2025 Rhode Island Nature Video Festival

Organized, Curated and Hosted by:
RI Natural History Survey, RIC Environmental Club
RI State Film Society, RIC Film Studies Program
and Environment Council of Rhode Island

Submissions now open for the 2025 RI Nature Video Festival

Friends, colleagues, film makers, schools and related organizations. We are gearing up a little early this year to begin getting out the word on submissions to the RI Nature Video Festival to everyone who we have ever talked to about the event so that we have more of a chance to connect to youth organizations and schools as we continue to seek more videos from the YouTube generations. If you have any way to get the word into the hands of youth or work with programs that work with youth that might be interested, please help us get out the word. I am available to talk to anyone and everyone about the event and to offer my experience as a video maker to those contemplating making a video. Contact Greg Gerritt 401-374-5186 YouTube Moshassuckcritters.

<https://prosperityforri.com/about-us/f/submit-your-videos-for-the-2025-ri-nature-video-festival>



RI Writing Project

Spring 2025 Events



January
Book Club
Wednesday, January 22
3:30-5:00 on Zoom



February
Writing. Art. Movement
Saturday, February 8
Rhode Island College



March
Pedagogy Surprise
Saturday, March 22
Time and Location TBD



April
Open Air Institute
Saturday, April 26
Time and Location TBD



May
Writing Marathon
Saturday, May 17
Time and Location TBD

For information Email: riwritingproject@gmail.com

Live Staged Reading of “Sell Division”



(Left)
Carolyn
Soares,
Narrator



(Left to right)
Samantha Limner,
Crowd member,
Liz Leonard,
1st Woman and
Larry Jensen,
Crowd Member &
Man in Pro Group



(Left to right)
Betty Teixeira,
Warden Hattie
Jackson and
Norman Rivera,
Victor



(Left)
Maddie
Cardoza,
Valerie



(Left to right)
Princesa Diaz,
Angel; Samantha
Limner, Inmate;
Liz Leonard,
Jonsey; Larry
Jensen, Cameron;
Laura Nasser,
Inmate 1&Ruby;
Betty Teixeira,
Hattie



(All rows left to right)
(last row)
Bob Cribari, Corp. 2;
Chris Kerrigan, Derek;
(2nd Row)
Betty Teixeira, Hattie
and Joanne Bennett,
Grifter
(front row) Norman
Rivera, Victor
and Madison Durfee,
Audrey

On Changing The World

We will have to surrender
at some point
or else
sacrifice the quality
of our lives
to unnecessary martyrdom
or stupidity.

We may never hear
the sound of Canada geese
flying in formation
in early fall.

We may never
walk along the rocks
and look to all horizons
in the solitude
space
mobility
and freedom
that some have always known,
taken for granted
and now insist
are basic human rights
for which we fight.

We may never know
a pretty meal
a private room
feather pillows
or the luxury of autonomy.

We have to surrender
because this is not a
struggle
for one person.
One person cannot make the moon
into the stars.

Instead, focus on the
increments
single degrees
smile, words, small
changes.

Watch the drops
as they fall one by one
but nevertheless fall
into the bucket.

by Aubrey Atwater

A Rainbow In The Sky

“Look there’s a rainbow in the sky.”
That’s what she said
As we passed by her
Just before the sun was about to set
On an elegant fall evening
Overlooking the Galilee shoreline
She was fair skinned
With a radiant smile
And a lilac scarf
Draped delicately around her neck
She could have just viewed the rainbow herself
Selfishly drinking in its nectar
Of coral blue, orange and yellow
Cascading against a plush amber sky
Instead she shared one of her precious treasures
A keepsake, a not so many in a lifetime
experience
Gave of herself
And after a momentary exchange of common
rapture
Gracefully faded away
As did the rainbow
Into the twilight sky.

by Noreen Inglesi

QUOTE OF THE MONTH

Happiness is not made by what we own. It is what we share. ...by Jonathan Sacks

Rabbi Jonathan Sacks was a prominent Jewish leader in Britain for more than 20 years. He was also well known for his public speaking, in which he often emphasized the values of community and [compassion](#), such as in his popular 2017 TED Talk, “[How we can face the future without fear, together.](#)” Sacks’ focus on bringing people together and guiding spirituality into the modern era netted him the admiration of Queen Elizabeth II, who knighted him in 2005. Here, he reminds us that true fulfillment isn’t material — it’s based on our connections with the people around us.