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Greenwich Historical Society to Host Spring Fling at French Farm

Cos Cob, CT, April 21, 2015--Don't miss this opportunity to enjoy a fun-filled afternoon for the entire family at historic French Farm. Featured on the burgeoning agenda: sheep shearing, spinning and beekeeping demonstrations, an heirloom vegetable plant sale and music by popular bluegrass/swing band Too Blue (from 1:00 to 3:00 pm).

Stroll the magnificent gardens where (with mother nature's cooperation) the exquisite peonies will be in bloom, visit the farm animals and learn more about the exotic heritage poultry that call French Farm home. Refreshments will be available for purchase from popular food truck MeltMobile.

Bring a blanket and enjoy a rare chance to explore a living work of art right in your own backyard.

More about French Farm

French Farm holds a unique place in Greenwich's historic landscape. It is comprised of the remaining 4-acre heart of a 35-acre residential farm, originally built between 1905–1910 by AIA President H. Van Buren Magonigle for Mary Billings French. It was the first Greenwich property listed on the National Register of Historic Places and is also a designated Local Historic Property.

The property, which evolved over many years, was the work of the late David Wierdsma. The unique garden rooms and tableaux that flow throughout reflect Wierdsma's fascination with heirloom and specimen plants, animals, fossils, garden sculpture and artfully repurposed everyday objects. The last of many gentleman's farms built in Greenwich, French Farm also features its original chicken coop, cow barn, silo and greenhouse.

Sunday, May 17, 2015, 12:30 to 3:30 (rain or shine)

French Farm, 516 Lake Avenue, Greenwich, CT 06830. On-street parking only.

Members: \$10 for adults; \$5 for children.

Nonmembers: \$15 for adults; \$10 for children.

No charge for children 2 and under.

Reservations required. Visit www.greenwichhistory.org or call 203-869-6899, Ext. 10.

(No outside food, please.)



(above) The colorful eggs testify to the exotic heritage hens nesting at French Farm.

(right) The regal and colorful French Farm peacock fans his glorious plume tail.

