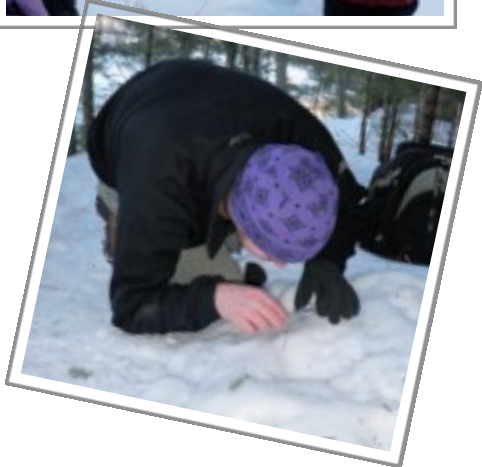
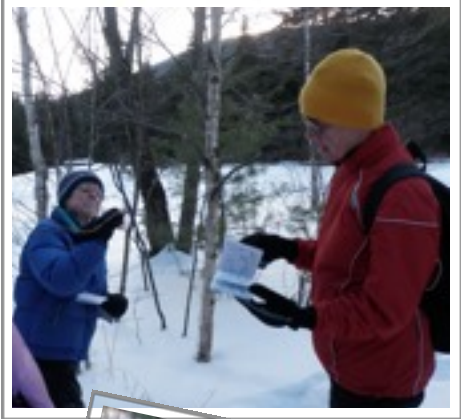


# Margret and H.A. Rey Center & Curious George Cottage



## Winter 2011-2012 Program Guide



**TheReyCenter.org**  
**603-236-3308**  
**35 Village Road, Bldg C**  
**PO Box 286**  
**Waterville Valley, NH**

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# 2011 Artisan Fair

November 25 – December 18, 2011

Hours: Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m. & Sundays 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

Photography \* Quilts  
Handmade Hats, Bags & Wallets  
Jewelry \* Herbal Products  
Watercolors \* Ornaments  
and more...



At the Margret & H.A. Rey Center  
Town Square, Waterville Valley  
603-236-3308 or [TheReyCenter.org](http://TheReyCenter.org)

*Proceeds support Rey Center  
art & science education programs for all ages.*

## Special Events

**Winter Solstice Celebration & Bonfire**  
**Thursday, December 29, 2011 - 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Join us on Corcoran Pond Beach around the solstice bonfire as we celebrate the day that marks the return of the sun. Our celebration will feature the telling of a solstice legend, singing, a snow creature contest and other solstice traditions. We will provide hot cocoa and cider; desserts are potluck – please bring something to share. \$5 suggested donation per person.



***A Romantic Evening in Paris – Rey Center Fundraising Dinner***  
**February 2012 (Date TBA) – 6:30-10 p.m.**

Let us transport you to the streets of Paris for this romantic evening featuring fabulous food and amazing live entertainment. A live auction will feature trips, tickets and more. This event sells out! Contact the Rey Center for tickets and more information.



**For more info visit [TheReyCenter.org](http://TheReyCenter.org)**

Friends in a Paris Cafe by Margret Rey

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## Coffee & Birds at the Curious George Cottage

Saturdays – 9:00-10:00 a.m. (December 31-March 17)



Enjoy a cup of coffee, the company of neighbors and friends, and the magnificent view out the Cottage windows while admiring the variety of birds at the bird feeders. Stay for 15 minutes or stay for the hour; come once or come every Saturday during the winter. Bird counts are submitted to the Cornell Lab of Ornithology's Project Feeder Watch citizen science program. Fee: No charge for Rey Center members; \$3 per person for non-members.



The Cornell Lab of Ornithology  
**Project FeederWatch**  
*Embrace the winter. Count feeder birds for science!*

## Curious George Story Time & Craft

Held During Vacation Weeks – 11:00 a.m.-noon –

December 27, 29, 31, February 20, 22, 24, 28, 29, March 1, 2

Join us at the Curious George Cottage to hear your favorite Rey stories read out loud. Selections will include stories from the Curious George series as well as other Rey favorites such as Pretzel, Elizabete, Cicely G and more. Following story time we will make Curious George and other seasonal crafts that children can take home. All ages welcome. Location: Held at the Curious George Cottage.



Fee: \$3 per child for Rey Center members, \$5 per child for non-members.

## Curious George Story Time

Saturdays - 11 a.m.-12 p.m. & 4-5 p.m. – Year-round

Daily During Vacation Weeks – 4-5 p.m. –

December 27-31, February 19-25 & February 28-March 3

Pull up a bean-bag chair to hear your favorite Rey stories read out loud. Selections will include stories from the Curious George series as well as other Rey favorites such as Pretzel, Elizabete, Cicely G and more. All ages welcome. Location: Margret and H.A. Rey Center, Town Square. Fee: No charge to attend, donations welcome.



# Art Workshops for Adults

## Watercolor for Beginners with Tamsin Zimbone A Three-Day Workshop Offered:

**December 6, 7 and 8 - 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

**March 13, 14 and 15 - 1:00-4:00 p.m.**

Join artist Tamsin Zimbone for this 3-day watercolor workshop for beginners. Tamsin will provide the layout for a landscape scene, and then together, step-by-step, you will paint. No experience necessary. You will leave with a completed painting. Fee for three-day workshop: \$75 per person for Rey Center members, \$90 for non-members. All materials included.



## Alla Prima Oil Painting with Nancy Griswold A Two-Day Workshop Offered:

**Saturday, Jan 14 - 1:30-5 p.m. & Sunday, Jan 15 - 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, Feb 4 - 1:30-5 p.m. & Sunday, Feb 5 - 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

**Tuesday, Feb 21 - 1:30-5 p.m. & Wednesday, Feb 22 - 10 a.m.-1:30 p.m.**

This two-day program will teach an immediate and direct approach to oil painting using Alla Prima methods with mentor, Nancy Griswold. We will be working from life subjects, breaking barriers of fear to indulge in the enjoyment and fulfilling experience of working with oils. Students will produce one small oil painting per two-day session. Fee for two-day workshop: \$75 for Rey Center Member, \$95 non-members. Materials not included; materials list provided.



*The Dairy Farm Dream of Vermont  
by Nancy Griswold*

## Drawing Fundamentals with Maryellen Sakura

**Friday, January 20 - 1-4 p.m. & Saturday, January 21 - 10 a.m.-4 p.m.**

Renew your ability to see and record the world around you. Using still life settings, found objects, the nearby landscape and photo resources, we will explore a number of exercises aimed at building your skills. We will use conte crayon (less messy than charcoal), pencil and micropens. Drawing and design are the fundamentals needed in all other art forms. Fee for two-day workshop: \$105 members, \$130 for non-members (all materials included).



## Art Workshops for Adults *(continued)*

### Printmaking with Maryellen Sakura

**Saturday, Feb 25 - 1:00-4:00 p.m. & Sunday, Feb 26 - 10 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

Explore monotype, monoprint, drypoint and stencils in this fun class. Build upon your previous experiences and discover the excitement of the unexpected that is printmaking. Come with some inspirational resources such as your sketches or favorite photos of people, places or landscapes.

Materials are included with the registration fee, so just bring your ideas, openness and playfulness! Fee for two-day workshop:

\$115 members, \$140 for non-members (all materials included).



### Acrylic and Mixed Media with Maryellen Sakura

**Friday, March 23 - 1:00-4:00 p.m. &**

**Saturday, March 24 - 10 a.m.-4:00 p.m.**

Acrylics are the clean-up friendly alternative to oils. They also have some great characteristics in application techniques. We will explore imagery on panels but also work to combine the unexpected discoveries in surfaces found and built. This is a time to let loose of your preconceptions. Bring with you a great attitude and a work that you admire from a book or magazine. We will work on three panels not in sequence, but simultaneously. Materials are included with the registration fee, so just bring your ideas, openness and playfulness! Fee for two-day workshop: \$120 for Rey Center members, \$145 for non-members (all materials included).



*A Perfect Pond by Maryellen Sakura*

***Space is limited. Advance registration required.  
Workshops are designed for adults and youth ages 15+.  
To register or for more information:  
603-236-3308 or [Programs@TheReyCenter.org](mailto:Programs@TheReyCenter.org)***

## Rey Center Art Gallery Exhibits



### **A Waterville Winter (December 24, 2011-February 4, 2012)**

**Opening Reception: December 27 -6:30-8:30 p.m.**

Featuring works by local artists in a variety of media depicting winter scenes of Waterville Valley and the White Mountains.

### **Community Art Exhibit (February 8-March 31, 2012)**

**Opening Reception: February 19, 2012 - 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

The Rey Center Art Gallery features works by local and regional artists in a variety of media. Visit [TheReyCenter.org](http://TheReyCenter.org) for exhibit details.

## Literary Discussion Group

**Saturdays - 4:30-6:00 p.m.**

Join us for an intellectual evening to discuss poems, short stories and essays at the Curious George Cottage. Hors d'oeuvres are potluck, please bring something to share. Readings are provided in advance by email and at the Rey Center. Adults. Location: Curious George Cottage. Fee: \$5/person for Rey Center members, \$8/person non-members.

December 10- *When the Train Comes* by Zoe Wilcomb

December 17 - *The Aleph* by Jorge Louis Borges

December 31 - *Master and Man* by Leo Tolstoy

January 7 - *Dry September* by William Faulkner

January 14 - *The Melancholy Summer of Madame Breyves* by Marcel Proust

January 21 - *The Smallest Woman in the World* by Lcarice Lispector

January 28 - *A Farewell* by Aurthur Schnitzler

February 11 - *The Farmer's Children* by Elizabeth Bishop

February 18 - *Lost Letters* by Milan Kundera

February 25 - *The Right Hand* by Alexander Solshenitsyn

March 3 - *Cathedral* by Raymond Carver

March 10 - *The Ruin of Humanity* by Alberto Moravia

March 17 - *The Dead* by James Joyce

March 24 - *Wicked Girl* by Isabelle Allende

**Readings provided in advance. More info at [TheReyCenter.org](http://TheReyCenter.org).**

# Rey Center Winter Lecture Series

## **The White House: The President's Home in Photographs & History by author Vicki Goldberg**

**Friday, December 30 - 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

Join author Vicki Goldberg as she shares photographs and stories from her new book, "The White House: The President's Home in Photographs and History." The book features over two hundred photographs from the 1840s to 2010 of the White House, the presidents, their wives, children, visitors, staff, pets, kitchens and press rooms. Fee: No charge to attend, donations welcome.



## **Space Accidents You Didn't Know About and Lessons Learned by Larry Young**

**Friday, January 13 - 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

Join former NASA Apollo Astronaut Larry Young to learn about space accidents that you have likely never heard about and the lessons learned from these events. Fee: No charge to attend, donations welcome.



## **NH Wildlife in Winter by Squam Lakes Natural Science Center Thursday, February 23 - 6:30-7:30 p.m.**

Three live animals and a naturalist from the Squam Lakes Natural Science Center will join us to talk about how wildlife survive the winter. Join us following the program for an owl prowl, where we will head outside to find as many owls as we can! All ages welcome. Fee: No charge to attend, donations welcome. ***Program generously sponsored by Waterville Valley Realty.***



## **Of Musick & Astronomy: The Life & Times of Sir William Herschel presented by R.P. Hale**

**Friday, February 24 - 7:00-8:00 p.m.**

William Herschel was a musician, composer and organist, linguist, mathematician, physicist and astronomer during the 18th Century's Great Enlightenment. Harpsichordist, astronomer and historical re-enactor R.P. Hale plays Herschel in this multimedia Chautauqua living history program. Fee: No charge to attend, sponsored by the NH Humanities Council.



***Lecture Location: Margret & H.A. Rey Center, Town Square.***

***Advance registration requested for all programs.***

***To Register: 603-236-3308 or [programs@thereycenter.org](mailto:programs@thereycenter.org).***



# Winter Nature Explorations

## Wild Snowmen

**Wednesday, December 28, 2011 – 10:30 a.m.-noon**

Join us to learn about ways that our local wildlife survive the winter. We will create “wild snowmen” with edible decorations that will provide our local wild critters with a snack! Designed for families with youth ages 3+.



## Animal Tracks



**Friday, December 30, 2011 – 10:30 a.m.-noon**

Join us to learn about the tracks and signs that animals leave behind. We will head out on snowshoes to identify all the evidence of wildlife that we can find. Designed for adults and families with youth ages 5+.

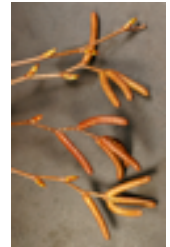


## Twigs, Buds and Bark



**Tuesday, February 21, 2012 – 10:30 a.m.-noon**

Identifying trees in the winter can be tricky. Join us to learn how to identify trees by examining their twigs, buds and bark. Designed for adults and families with youth ages 8+.



## Snow Caves!

**Thursday, February 23, 2012 – 10:30 a.m.-noon**

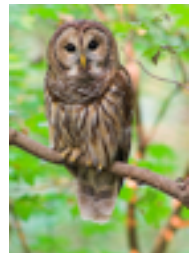
Join us to play in the snow! We will learn about snow shelters and dig snow caves. Be prepared to do some digging! Designed for families with youth ages 5+.



## Owl Prowl

**Thursday, February 23, 2012 – 7:30-9:30 p.m.**

Join us as we venture out on a winter night to find out whoooo lives in our forests! We will listen for and identify all the owl calls we hear. Designed for adults & families with youth ages 8+. Location: Margret and H.A. Rey Center, Waterville Valley Town Square. Come early for NH Wildlife in Winter program beginning at 6:30 p.m.



**Fee: \$4 per person or \$10 per family for Rey Center Members, \$7 per person or \$15 per family for non-members per program.**

**Programs meet at the Curious George Cottage unless otherwise noted. Dress in warm layers and wear snow boots.**

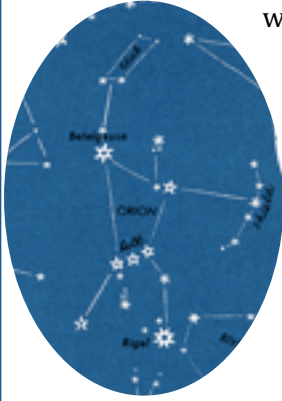


= bring snowshoes or rent in advance from the Nordic Center

# Dark Sky Snowshoe Adventures

**Saturday, January 14 – 6:30-8:00 p.m.**

**Saturday, March 17 – 6:30-8:00 p.m.**



Venture out on snowshoes to explore winter at night! We will observe winter constellations, listen and look for nocturnal wildlife, and enjoy the crispness of a winter night. Hot cocoa will await us at the end of our journey (and a telescope too if the sky is clear!). Designed for families with youth ages 7+. Dress in warm layers with snowboots. Bring snowshoes or rent in advance from the Nordic Center in Town Square. Fee: \$4 per person or \$10 per family for Rey Center Members, \$7 per person or \$15 per family for non-members. Location: Margret and H.A. Rey Center, Waterville Valley Town Square.

# Dark Sky Stargazing Nights

**Saturdays: December 17, January 21 February 18 – 6:30-8:30 p.m.**

**March 24 & April 21 – 7:00-9:00 p.m.**

Join us at the H.A. Rey Observatory located behind the Curious George Cottage for a night of stargazing! Telescopes will be set-up and knowledgeable volunteers from the New Hampshire Astronomical Society will be your guide. We will view planets, galaxies, constellations and more. This is a drop-in program; stay for 15 minutes or stay for two hours. Adults and families with children ages 5+. Dress in warm layers and bring binoculars if you have them.

Location: Curious George Cottage.

Fee: No charge to attend.



*Generously sponsored by the Snowy Owl Inn  
of Waterville Valley, NH.*

## SAVE THE DATE!

### *Curious George Cottage Family Festival* August 11-12, 2012

Curious George and the Man With the Yellow Hat will visit Waterville Valley for a weekend full of family fun including:

- ★ Banana Pancake Breakfast with Curious George
- ★ Live music, Mad Science Show, Planetarium Shows
- ★ BBQ Lunch with the characters
- ★ Traveling Barnyard
- ★ Children's games
- ★ Family nature discovery walk
- ★ Spaghetti Dinner with the characters

For tickets and complete event schedule visit [TheReyCenter.org](http://TheReyCenter.org).



## Schedule At-A-Glance

### WEEKLY ACTIVITIES:

- Wednesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. – Rey Center Open Hours (Dec 28-March 17)
- Wednesdays-Saturdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. – Rey Center Art Gallery Open (Dec 28-Mar 17)
- Saturdays, 9:00-10:00 a.m. – Coffee & Birds (December 23-March 17)
- Saturdays, 11 a.m.-12 p.m. – Curious George Story Time (year-round)
- Saturdays, 2-4 p.m. – Curious George Cottage Open Hours (December 31-March 17)
- Saturdays, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time (year-round)
- Saturdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. – Margret and H.A. Rey Center Open Hours (year-round)
- Saturdays, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. – Rey Center Art Gallery Open (year-round)
- Saturdays - 4:30-6 p.m. – Literary Discussion Group (December 3-March 24)

### SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

- November 26-December 18, Sat 10-5, Sun 10-2 – Rey Center Artisan Fair
- December 6-8, 1:00-4:00 p.m. – Watercolor for Beginners with Tamsin Zimbone
- December 17, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Dark Sky Stargazing Night
- December 25-26 – Closed in observance of Christmas Holiday

#### December Vacation Week Programs

- December 27-31, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. – Rey Center Vacation Week Open Hours
- December 27, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Art Gallery Reception “A Waterville Winter”
- December 27, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft
- December 27, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time
- December 28, 10:30 a.m.-noon – Winter Nature Explorations: Wild Snowmen
- December 28, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time
- December 29, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft
- December 29, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time
- December 29, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Winter Solstice Celebration & Bonfire
- December 30, 10:30 a.m.-noon – Winter Nature Explorations: Animal Tracks
- December 30, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time
- December 30, 7-8 p.m. – The President's Home in Photos & History by Vicki Goldberg
- December 31, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft
- January 1, 2012 – Closed in Observance of New Year's Holiday
- January 13, 7-8 p.m. – Space Accidents You Didn't Know About by Larry Young

# Schedule At-A-Glance (continued)

## SPECIAL PROGRAMS:

January 14-15– Alla Prima Oil Painting with Nancy Griswold

January 14, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Dark Sky Snowshoe

January 15, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. – Rey Center Holiday Open Hours

January 15, 11 a.m.-noon & 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

January 20-21 – Drawing Fundamentals with Maryellen Sakura

January 21, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Dark Sky Stargazing Night

February 4-5 – Alla Prima Oil Painting with Nancy Griswold

February 12, 6:30-10:00 p.m. - Rey Center Fundraising Dinner

February 18, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Dark Sky Stargazing Night

February 19, 6:30-8:30 p.m. – Art Gallery Opening Reception

### February Vacation Week Programs - MA

February 19-25, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. – Rey Center February Vacation Week Open Hours

February 19, 11 a.m.-noon & 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

February 20, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft

February 20, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

February 21-22 – Alla Prima Oil Painting with Nancy Griswold

February 21, 10:30 a.m.-noon – Winter Nature Explorations: Twigs, Buds and Bark

February 21, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

February 22, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft

February 22, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

February 23, 10:30 a.m.-noon – Winter Nature Explorations: Snow Caves!

February 23, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

February 23, 6:30-7:30 p.m. – NH Wildlife in Winter by Squam Lakes Science Center

February 23, 7:30-9:30 p.m. – Owl Prowl

February 24, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft

February 24, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

February 24, 7-8 p.m. – Of Musick & Astronomy: Life & Times of Sir William Herschel

February 25, 7-9 p.m. – Astronomy & Stargazing with McAuliffe-Shepard Disc. Center

February 25-26 – Printmaking with Maryellen Sakura

### February Vacation Week Programs - NH

February 28-March 3, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. – Rey Center Vacation Week Open Hours

February 28, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft

February 28, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

February 29, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft

February 29, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

March 1, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft

March 1, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

March 2, 11 a.m.-noon – Curious George Story Time and Craft

March 2, 4-5 p.m. – Curious George Story Time

March 13-15, 1:00-4:00 p.m. – Watercolor for Beginners with Tamsin Zimbone

March 17, 6:30-8:00 p.m. – Dark Sky Snowshoe

March 23-24 – Acrylic and Mixed Media with Maryellen Sakura

March 24, 7-9 p.m. – Dark Sky Stargazing Night

## Advance Registration Requested for All Programs

Call 603-236-3308 or email [programs@TheReyCenter.org](mailto:programs@TheReyCenter.org)

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# Visit the Margret & H.A. Rey Center and Curious George Cottage

## Margret and H.A. Rey Center

**Waterville Valley Resort's Town Square - second level**

**Year-round Hours: Saturdays 10 a.m.-5 p.m.**

**Winter Hours: Wednesdays-Saturdays  
10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Dec 28-March 17)**

Immerse yourself in all things Curious George! View original artwork by the Reys, read Curious George books, explore the nature nook, play games, try your hand at drawing in the style of H.A. Rey & visit the Rey Center Art Gallery.



## Curious George Cottage

**7 Noon Peak Road, Waterville Valley**

**(next to elementary school & recreation department)**

**Winter Hours: Saturdays 2:00-4:00 p.m. (December 31-March 17)**

Visit the Curious George Cottage, the former summer home of Margret and H.A. Rey, to read Curious George books, try your hand at drawing in the style of H.A. Rey, walk the Curious George Nature Trail, watch birds at the bird feeders, relax and take in the view of Mt. Tecumseh, and learn about how the Curious George Cottage is going green!



## About the Margret & H.A. Rey Center

Margret and H.A. Rey, authors of the Curious George children's book series and former summer residents of Waterville Valley, New Hampshire, were artists and adventurers, historians and naturalists, gardeners and stewards. Today their pursuits live on in the Margret and H.A. Rey Center, a nonprofit organization dedicated to honoring the Reys' spirit of curiosity and discovery by increasing understanding of and participation in art, science, and nature through programs for youth, adults and families.

**[TheReyCenter.org](http://TheReyCenter.org)**

**603-236-3308**

**Become a member today!**

*Margret and H.A. Rey Center is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization. Donations support Rey Center programs and are tax deductible to the fullest extent of the law.*