

October 2019

# Harmony Hall



## **Celebrating October**

**Bat Appreciation Month**

**Italian-American Heritage  
Month**

**Positive Attitude Month**

**Mystery Series Week**  
*October 6–12*

**World Day of Architecture**  
*October 7*

**National Chess Day**  
*October 9*

**Be Bald and Free Day**  
*October 14*

**International Artists Day**  
*October 25*

**All Hallows Eve**  
*October 31*

## **The Big History of Small Toys**

Few toys can light up a child's face like a dollhouse, complete with its rooms full of miniature furniture and housewares. This October, Dollhouse and Miniature Month, we look at the evolution of dollhouses from ostentatious displays of wealth to mini classrooms of domestic chores, from children's toys to adult hobbies.

The very first dollhouses, engineered in Germany, Holland, and England in the 17th century, were designed for one audience: adults. These "cabinet houses" were elaborate displays of wealth. Cabinet doors opened to reveal tiny rooms outfitted with priceless little trinkets and objects. In the late 17th century, designs moved away from display and toward pedagogy. Miniature "Nuremberg kitchens" contained tiny pots, brooms, and other domestic tools. Such displays taught girls their domestic duties. These dollhouses even contained miniature people so that girls could also learn how to direct servants.

In the 18th century, England saw the creation of "Baby houses," so-called because they were miniature versions of real-life dwellings. Rather than display expensive trinkets, the houses boasted miniature replicas of all the home's wares: grandfather clocks, rugs, wallpapers. Today, visitors to the Art Institute of Chicago enjoy similar reproductions in the Thorne Miniature Rooms, tiny models of European and American interiors from the 13th to 17th centuries.

Attitudes about childhood and play evolved during the 19th century, and so the importance of toys was elevated, and dollhouses became playthings. Thanks to the industrial revolution and advent of mass production, dollhouses were made on a massive scale, reducing costs and widening availability. A growing middle class hungered for the toys. Dollhouses have returned as an adult pastime, allowing grownups to live out interior design and architecture fantasies in expensive and custom-made miniatures. These high-end toys don't come cheap and cost thousands.



### **Music Appreciation**

**Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup>:** Music Appreciation Class with David:

**Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>:** Music Appreciation Class with Mike:  
Berlin to Broadway with Kurt Weil (Part 2):  
Symphony No.1 ("Berlin")

**Oct 16<sup>th</sup>:** Music Appreciation with David

**Oct 23<sup>rd</sup>:** Music Appreciation Class with Mike:  
Camille Saint Saens; Symphony No.3

**Oct 30<sup>th</sup>:** Music Appreciation Class with David:

### **Opera**

**Oct. 4<sup>th</sup>:** Gioachino Rossini's "Matilde di  
Shabran."

**Oct 11<sup>th</sup>:** Camille Saint Saens' "Samson et  
Dalila."

**Oct 18<sup>th</sup>:** Richard Wagner's "Siegfried."

### **Broadway**

**Oct 5<sup>th</sup>:** Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Cats."

**Oct 12<sup>th</sup>:** Andrew Lloyd Webber's "Love Never  
Dies.' Sequel to "Phantom of the Opera."

**Oct 19<sup>th</sup>:** "Wicked."

**Oct 26<sup>th</sup>:** "Notre Dame de Paris."

## **UPCOMING Events**

### **October 4th**

Q & A with Debbie, Danny & Cherie –  
10:00am 2nd Floor

### **October 5th**

St. John's Sing-a-Long – 2:30pm Lobby

### **October 17th**

Just Bead It – 2:00pm 2nd Floor

### **October 19th**

River Hill HS – 11:00am 2nd Floor

### **October 23rd**

Dr. Lazris Talk – 10:00am 2nd Floor

### **October 24th**

Resident Trip to Cracker Barrel – 10:30am  
Lobby

### **October 31st**

Halloween Party with Paul Jude – 2:00pm  
TBD

### Religious Services & Events:

**Tuesdays & Thursdays:** Rosary Communion Service - Located in the Parlor at 3:00pm

**Sundays:** Catholic Communion Service- Parlor at 9:00am

**4th Wednesdays:** Catholic Mass Services at 2:30- Located in the Parlor

**Sundays:** Grace Christian Church - Located on 3rd Floor at 11:00am

**2nd Sundays:** St. John's Baptist Church at 2:30pm - Located on 3rd Floor

**2nd and 4th Fridays:** Jewish Services with Rabbi Baron at 11:00am - Located in the Parlor

*On our updated website you can find the month's activity calendar, newsletter, and movie listings!*

[www.lorienhealth.com/locations/harmony-hall](http://www.lorienhealth.com/locations/harmony-hall)



Meet Ann Sticklin! Ann was born in Charleston, WV. She graduated high school in 1940 and married the love of her life in 1943. Then her husband was sent overseas to serve his country during WW2. She then went to work for telephone company.

When her husband returned home from the war, she continued to work for the phone company while her husband attended school at West Virginia University. They went on to have two sons in 1947 and 1950. She then stopped working to raise her family. She has traveled extensively through the years. She also enjoyed volunteering at different organizations. Ann moved to Maryland and into Harmony Hall two years ago.

### Health Concerns

For Questions regarding Audiology, Dental, Eye Care and Podiatry services – please call HEALTHDRIVE AT (888) 964-6681, Option 3. If you want to sign up for any of these services contact Claro or Gimly at ext. 4026/4032.

Thank You

Please do not hesitate to call the Recreation Office at 410-531-6000 x 4022, and we will be happy to sign you up for the events you wish to attend.

### Transportation Trips

1<sup>st</sup> Monday – Walmart

2<sup>nd</sup> Monday – Target

3<sup>rd</sup> Monday – The Dollar Store

4<sup>th</sup> Monday – The Mall in Columbia

10:30am to 12:30pm

Giant

Tuesday at 2pm (1 hour)

Friday at 11:15am (1/2 hour)

- Recreational trips are subject to time changes and cancellations when deemed necessary by Transportation
- If you need to schedule a transportation appointment, ask the Front Desk for more information

## The Gift of Liberty

On October 28, 1886, France gave the United States a gift to commemorate the nation's first 100 years as a democracy and the alliance between France and the United States that had won America its independence during the Revolutionary War. That gift was a massive statue entitled *Liberty Enlightening the World*, but it is better known worldwide as the *Statue of Liberty*.



Such a gift was the idea of Edouard de Laboulaye, a French intellectual and political theorist. It was 1865, U.S. President Abraham Lincoln had just been assassinated, and France itself was politically divided between those who supported the monarchy and those who craved liberty. Laboulaye hoped that such a gift would not only honor the late President Lincoln, but also spark a desire for freedom and democracy in France. Laboulaye sought the help of the French artist and sculptor Frederic Bartholdi, who shared the same political visions.

Inspiration for *Lady Liberty* first struck Bartholdi while traveling in Egypt to see the construction of the Suez Canal. At the canal's entrance, he envisioned an enormous lighthouse in the shape of a robed peasant carrying a torch. He even suggested this idea to Egypt's leaders, but they did not have the money for such a statue. Bartholdi re-envisioned such a beacon of light and hope for the United States. On the day of its commemoration, a million people lined the streets of New York City for a parade, where traders first threw ticker tape from the windows of the New York Stock Exchange.

The Statue of Liberty originally acted as a lighthouse for New York Harbor until 1902, and it even housed a lighthouse keeper. But it is best known as a beacon of freedom for the millions of immigrants entering America after their trans-Atlantic crossing. Her inscription boasts a monumental welcome: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to be free."

## October Birthdays

In astrology, those born between October 1–22 balance the scales of Libra. Libras epitomize fairness and balance, often striving to minimize conflict and seek compromise. They achieve this with their charming, sincere, and lovable personalities. Those born between October 23–31 are Scorpions of Scorpio. Scorpions are passionate and assertive yet are known to keep cool and calm. This composure makes them good, steadfast leaders and loyal and honest friends.

Walter Matthau (actor) – October 1, 1920  
Ray Croc (entrepreneur) – October 5, 1902  
Chevy Chase (comedian) – October 8, 1943  
John Lennon (musician) – October 9, 1940  
Molly Pitcher (soldier) – October 13, 1754  
Bela Lugosi (actor) – October 20, 1882  
Pablo Picasso (artist) – October 25, 1881  
Mahalia Jackson (singer) – October 26, 1911  
Teddy Roosevelt (president) – October 27, 1858  
Henry Winkler (actor) – October 30, 1945

## Giants Among Us



On October 2, 1969, President Lyndon Johnson signed a bill creating Redwoods National Park in California. While it is estimated that over two million acres of old growth redwoods once existed along California's coast, today 133,000 acres of those remaining forests are protected as national and state parks. The coastal living conditions for these trees are perfect, and they get much of their water from the thick fog that rolls in off the coast. These trees are the tallest on Earth, and as such are the world's tallest living things. Take the redwood known as "Hyperion." Standing at 379 feet tall, it is the tallest known tree in the world. The tree is hidden deep within a rugged and inaccessible section of Redwood National Park and is considered so valuable that its location has not been disclosed so as to discourage visitors and vandals alike.