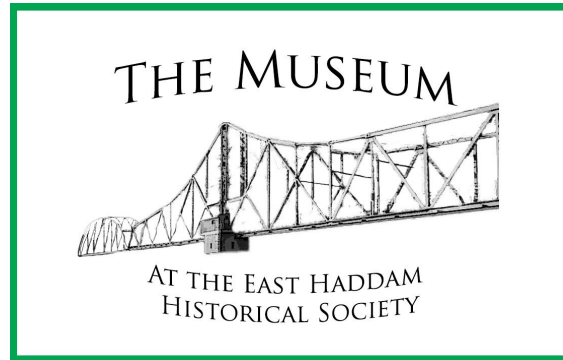




October 2022



November Events - Join Us!

November 13th at 3:00 PM

**Author Erik Hesselberg:
*Night Boat to New York***

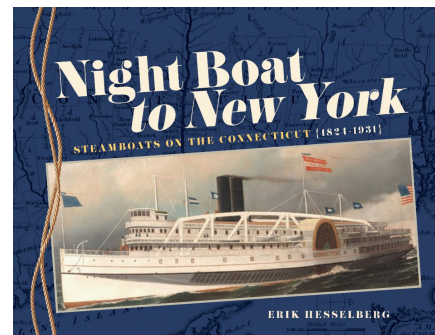
Erik Hesselberg's book *Night Boat to New York: Steamboats on the Connecticut, 1824-1931*, is a portrait of the vanished steamboat days—when stately sidewheelers plied between Hartford and New York City. Thirty-five large steamboats were in service on the Connecticut River in those years.

Steamboating brought people and goods—Colt's firearms and Essex's pianos—down river to New York for export to world markets. Mr. Hesselberg will discuss steamboat travel and events in East Haddam.

Author Erik Hesselberg has been writing about the Connecticut River for 20 years as an environmental reporter for the Middletown Press and executive editor of Shore Line Newspapers in Guilford. He was president of the Middlesex County Historical Society and developed the award-winning exhibit "A Vanished Port," on the Connecticut River's ties to the slave economy of the Caribbean islands. Click here to visit his blog, [**Voices On The River**](#). Erik lives in Haddam, CT.

The event is free for EHHS members and children under 12, with a suggested donation of \$5 for non-members.

Date: Sunday, November 13, 2022 at 3:00 PM



Reception to follow

Location: East Haddam Historical Society

Address: 264 Town Street, East Haddam, CT

For more information, call 860-873-3944

November 20th at 3:00 PM

Garrett Groesbeck:

The Japanese Koto: A Traditional Instrument in the 21st Century

Garrett Groesbeck is an ethnomusicologist, koto player, and PhD student at Wesleyan University. The koto, a 74-inch, 13-stringed instrument, has been popular from the earliest periods of Japanese musical history to the present day. Garrett lived and studied in Japan and is a Japanese Ministry of Education (MEXT) scholar. From 2017 to 2019 he worked at the arts organization Japan Folk Festival, arranging cultural events worldwide. In this presentation at the East Haddam Historical Society and Museum, Garrett will discuss the instrument and will engage the audience in this ancient form of music.



Date: Sunday, November 20, 2022 at 3:00 PM

Reception to follow

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Upcoming December Events

Wednesday, December 7th at 7:00 PM

Annual Member Meeting and Presentation

Dr. Karl Stofko: *Mysteries of East Haddam*

You won't want to miss this popular event -- Dr. Karl Stofko's annual presentation of weird and wonderful historic events from East Haddam's colorful past!

Dr. Karl Stofko, Town and Historical Society Historian, is East Haddam's very own walking historical encyclopedia and master mystery storyteller. This year, he will share intriguing stories of:

- E. Louisa Mather: Poet and East Haddam's Only Suffragette
 - Almost a Baroness: The Story of Eve Durand
 - Dr. Abner Beebe: Revolutionary War Tory and the Story of His Mills Atop Chapman Falls
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Wednesday, December 14th - 7:00 PM Annual Holiday Party
Details to follow

East Haddam Historical Society and Museum

Become a Member!

Renew your membership for 2023 or become a new member of EHHS!

Members enjoy free admission to our museum, monthly lectures, events or meetings, a gift of hand-drawn notecards, and the joy of knowing you are illuminating and preserving East Haddam history!



Individual memberships are \$20/year and household memberships are \$35/year. Click [here](#) to become a member or renew membership!

As a nonprofit organization, EHHS depends on *your* donations to curate new exhibits, maintain existing collections, and offer exciting programs. We thank you in advance for your generosity! [Click here to donate](#), scroll to the bottom of the Membership page. Call 860-873-3944 with questions.

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