

Storytelling Fest Opens Jan. 4 in the arts

CANTON — North Country Public Radio, in association with St. Lawrence University, is pleased to present the second North Country Storytelling Festival.

Storytellers from all over the United States will gather on the St. Lawrence University campus in Canton throughout the month of January.

The festival gets underway on Jan. 4, with Marnie Reed Crowell and Fran Yardley, two North Country storytellers who will share regional tales and legends. Their performance begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Formal Lounge.

Jackie Torrence flies in from North Carolina for two appearances. On Jan. 6 this renowned storyteller will lead a workshop on the art of storytelling from 10 until noon in the Formal Lounge.

The following day Ms. Torrence will give a performance at 8 p.m. in the Griffiths Recital Hall. Jackie Torrence tells stories from the Cherokee and southern Black tradition plus Appalachian and Jack tales. Ms. Torrence has appeared nationwide and has several record albums to her credit. Her performances in the North Coun-

try are being funded by the Black Students Union of St. Lawrence University.

Marnie Reed Crowell, author, storyteller and host of WSLU's storytelling series "The Magic Carpet," and Joan Olsen Donovan, SLU professor of speech, will co-host the festival.

Joshua Sacco, WSLU's fine arts producer, will record the performances for a series of 13 programs to be distributed nationally.

The festival performances are geared to audiences of all ages; if your children can sit and listen to someone tell a story, they're old enough to enjoy the festival — and if you can use your imagination, you're young enough to enjoy it. All events are free-of-charge and open to the public; all locations are in the Noble Center building on the St. Lawrence University campus.

A complete calendar brochure of the Storytelling Festival is available from public radio station WSLU by writing to them at WSLU, St. Lawrence University, Payson Hall, Canton, 13617 or calling 315-379-5356.

Mrs. Wyant On 'Liberty' Commission

ALBANY — Gov. Mario Cuomo has announced the appointment of 10 members to the New York Statue of Liberty Centennial Commission, including Katherine F. Wyant, director of the Potsdam Public Museum, historian for the Village of Potsdam and a trustee of the Regional Conference of Historical Agencies.

The 25-member commission is charged with planning the 1986 centennial celebration of the Statue of Liberty, Cuomo said.

Earlier, Cuomo appointed Assemblyman Edward Abramson, D-Queens, as chairman of the commission. Members of the commission serve without pay through 1986. Legislative leaders appoint the remainder of the commission. Appointments announced by the

governor last week include:
— Alfred F. Calabro, a New York advertising executive.
— Faye Carol Feller, a vocalist active in civic activities.

— Laquita O. Henry, an advertising and promotion executive and vice president of the New York Coalition of 100 Black Women.

— Arthur Markewich, a retired senior justice of the Appellate Division of state Supreme Court and chairman of the New York Masonic Grand Lodge Committee on the Statue of Liberty.

— Paul O'Dwyer, an attorney and former president of the City Council of New York City.

— John L. Procopio, chairman of the board of E.G. Bowman Co.

Langelier-Hamill Is Featured Artist

The Friends of Brainerd Gallery at Potsdam College begins its 1984 Artist of the Month series at Maxfields featuring Suzanne Langelier-Hamill in January.

Her reception on the artist will be held on Jan. 10 from 4 to 10 p.m. at the Market Street restaurant.

A northern New York native from Norwood, Ms. Hamill graduated from Buffalo State with a bachelor's degree in art education and from Rochester Institute of Technology with a master's degree in graphic design. She is currently director of Publications at Potsdam College.

Ms. Hamill's interest in art began very early in her life and she participated in Adirondack area exhibits in high school.

"I was fortunate enough to be introduced to art by Robert Plum. He had a rare sensitivity as a teacher and he taught me to see and appreciate in a way that has been the basis for all my art experience," she said.

Her interests in art, besides drawing and painting, have included ceramics, jewelry, photography, photo-silkscreen, children's books illustrations and graphic design.

Ms. Hamill has worked as a professional graphic designer in a design studio in Rochester and producing instructional materials, slides and television graphics at the State University College in Geneseo and at Staten Island Community College in New York before returning to work at Potsdam College.

Her professional career is directed toward visual communication, and it has influenced her personal work. "It is difficult working full time and finding time and energy at the end of the day for drawing and painting. I spend more time thinking about painting than I can spend actually doing it, and that can be frustrating."

"When I do have time I am more productive if I treat a drawing or painting as a communications project. I assign myself a set of problems and a time frame or deadline to begin with. I enjoy working through the solutions and the sense of accomplishment on

New Shows Begin On WSLU Radio

CANTON — North Country Public Radio, WSLU-96.7FM begins the new year with an impressive lineup of new shows that offer something for everyone.

The Monday afternoon format changes with Jackie Sauter hosting an hour of historic and contemporary folk music — "The Folk Show," beginning at 2 p.m. "Ballads, Bards & Bagpipes" brings an hour of music from the British Isles at 3 p.m. and from 4-5 p.m. Kathleen Fitzgerald will be playing a variety of music on "Jazz And More."

"The Fourth Annual Long Beach Blues Festival" airs on Tuesdays at 2 p.m. during January. The Long Beach Blues Festival has built a reputation of presenting the finest blues performers in a relaxed, family-oriented setting. Scheduled to perform are such blues greats as Albert King, Bobby "Blue" Bland, Jimmy McCracklin, Sonny Rhodes, Koko Taylor and Johnny Copeland.

At 7:30 p.m. on Tuesdays WSLU presents "Songs Jumping In My Mouth," a most unusual series that National Public Radio has produced for children and their families. The 13-part weekly presentation will give listeners a rare opportunity to hear children's fantasies, questions and observations intergrated with the larger world of history, culture and ideas.

Classical music lovers can tune in on Wednesdays at 11:05 a.m. for "Concert America," a series which includes performances from the Sun River Music Festival and the Ojai Music Festival.

"The Santa Fe Chamber Music Festival" offers chamber music concerts ranging from baroque to contemporary on Thursdays at 8:05 p.m. with a repeat broadcast the following Saturday at 11:10 a.m.

"Contemporary Western Europe" hosted by NPR's Noah Adams is a series of 15 half-hour programs that focus on the political and socio-economic currents in Western Europe. To give American audiences a better understanding of these topics, the NPR programs present views from a wide range of political leaders.

Featured in the series are French President Francois Mitterrand; West German Prime Minister Helmut Kohl; Giorgio Napolitano floor leader of Italy's Communist Party, and Petra Kelly, spokesperson for the ecologically-oriented Green Party in Germany. On-site interviews with European citizens round out the perspective as they share accounts of how their lives are being affected by these changes. The series airs on Fridays at 7:30 p.m.

competition.

"I don't try to produce many paintings to sell. I am pleased if I do two or three pieces a year. It's the personal involvement that's important."

Being involved in art is not just a job, it is a way of living and seeing things and my own work is personal and on-going," she concluded.

Ms. Hamill most recently had work exhibited at the second annual North Country Regional Art Exhibit, Brainerd Gallery, Potsdam and a contemporary watercolor exhibit at the Remington Museum in Ogdensburg.

She lives in Potsdam with her artist husband, Richard and her daughter, Jorja.

POTSDAM COLLEGE EXTENSION

Canton:
ED-395 Methods of Inquiry — 3 cr. Sec. 82 Wednesday 4:30-7:00 p.m.

PSY-321 Psychology of Adolescence — 3 cr. Sec. 82 Thursday 5:00-7:00 p.m.

SOC-335 Sociology of Aging — 3 cr. Sec. 82 00-8 30 p.m. Wednesday

NOTE: The courses are taught at Canton, N.Y. and support for the courses is provided by the program office at the College of Education (Ulster).

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