

## Northborough Historical Society Programs 2021-2022

All programs begin at 7:30 pm

September 24, 2021

**I Now Pronounce You Lucy Stone** performed by Judith Kalaora, a professional actor and the Director of History at Play. In 1847 Lucy Stone was the first woman from Massachusetts to earn a college degree. As a prominent U.S. orator, abolitionist, suffragist and a vocal advocate and organizer promoting rights for women, she inspired thousands to join the suffrage movement. (Location: Trinity Church, 23 Main Street, Northborough, MA).

October 22, 2021

**1620: The First Year.** Christopher Daley, a local historian and author, will lecture on the Mayflower voyage, the settling of Plymouth Colony and the Pilgrim's encounter with the Wampanoag people. (Location: Trinity Church, 23 Main Street, Northborough, MA).

December 3, 2021

**The Vikings, an Icelandic Saga.** Dr. William R. Short, an internationally renowned author, filmmaker, and independent scholar, will present a fascinating talk of enduring tales and historical facts of the Viking people: a culture of combat, weaponry and feared warriors in Medieval times. (Location: Trinity Church, 23 Main Street, Northborough)

January 28, 2022

**Third Parties in America: 1860 to 2016.** John Northgraves, a professor of American History, will present the historical instances when third parties gained enough momentum to be on the ballot and either became an annoyance to the two "regular" parties or changed the results of an election. (Location: TBA).

February 25, 2022

**The Garfield, Burnett House.** Deborah Costine, a member of "Preservation Massachusetts", will present an overview of the Burnett family history and the steps taken to preserve and restore this grand home in Southborough, MA. (Location: TBA)

March 25, 2022

**Bathsheba Spooner: A Revolutionary Murder Conspiracy.** Researched and written by Andrew Noone, a local author. He will tell the intriguing and scandalous history of Bathsheba Spooner, accused of murdering her husband and dubiously famous as the first woman hanged in the United States. This most sensational "true crime" tragedy of 1778 happened right here in Worcester County. (Location: Society building)

April 22 2022

**The Local Historic Districts of Northborough.** Norm Corbin, a Northborough Historical Society member and frequent lecturer on local history, will provide a visual "tour" and informative presentation of Northborough historic districts. (Location: TBA)

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May 20, 2022

**Mark Fidrych.** Kevin Merchant, a lifelong friend of Mark, will present a fitting tribute to Northborough's Professional Baseball legend, sharing personal anecdotes, professional stats, memorabilia and career highlights. Be prepared to join in and share your own memories of the "The Bird". (Location: TBA)