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Towns of Chapel Hill, Carrboro and Hillsborough Weekly Calendar of Events June 23, 2020

Covid-19 has temporarily changed the way we are living and when the familiar (your backyard and your neighborhood streets) has become a little too familiar the virtual world can expand our horizons until we are able to get out, get away and travel again. For now, enjoy these links from the comfort of your own home. Friday, May 22nd @ 5pm North Carolina began transitioning into Phase 2 (Safer at Home) of easing some of the COVID-19 restrictions. Please adhere to those restrictions and stay safe!

Upcoming Virtual Programs presented by the Burwell School Historic Site: The History of Baseball in NC featuring Chris Holaday. Once upon a time, long before college basketball and football became so popular, baseball was king in NC. Black or white, rich college student or poor mill worker, it was the sport everyone played. In addition to providing entertainment for well over 100 years, baseball has been very socially important to communities, particularly in the years before television. Later, in the 1950s and '60s, it helped serve as an instrument of social change by racially integrating well before other aspects of Southern society, and African American players hold an important place in NC baseball history. This program will give an overview of the rich history of baseball in NC from the earliest years to the boom of the professional game in the 1930s and '40s, the decline of the 1970s and a re-birth in the 1980s. Saturday, June 27, 3 PM - 4 PM on Zoom, Registration is FREE but donations are appreciated. Also: The Future is Female - and So Was the Past featuring Laura Micham, Laura Micham, who is the Merle Hoffman Director of the Sallie Bingham Center for Women's History & Culture at Duke University, will speak on "The Future is Female and So Was the Past." She will concentrate her remarks on the Lisa Unger Baskin Collection at Duke, which contains material documenting 500 years of women at work. Sunday, July 12, 3 PM - 4 PM on Zoom - Part of "She Changed the World" Commemorating 100th anniversary of Women's Right to Vote, https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_-KnBvipwQPyTopqjb7E6Gg

Triangle Land Conservancy - Conservation Conversations: Meet Your Watershed - What does land conservation have to do with providing clean water? Where does your water come from when it's not raining? And how can you cool off in ponds, lakes, and rivers in the Triangle this summer? Tune in next **Wednesday**, **June 24**, for Conservation Conversations to get answers to these questions and more! Joining TLC's Senior Associate Director of Conservation Leigh Ann Hammerbacher are Matthew Starr, the Upper Neuse Riverkeeper with Sound Rivers, and Ed Buchan, Environmental Coordinator for the City of Raleigh. They'll be talking about how land conservation protects your water, as well as sharing some favorite and safe spots to dip your toes in this summer. Register today!

Virtual Art Adventures - **Saturdays, July 11 and August 8**, Join us as the Ackland takes our popular Art Adventures class online with instructor Allison Tierney! Art Adventures classes are designed for 6-9. Also check out: In Vulnerability: Selected Works by the MFA Class of 2020, Artist Interview with Chloé Rager, Join the Ackland's Lauren Turner in a recorded Zoom conversation with Chloé Rager, one of this year's MFA graduates who would have presented her work in In Vulnerability: Selected Works by the MFA Class of 2020. Chloé's works are critically engaged with the built environment and particularly concerned with spaces shaped by institutional or socioeconomic forces. https://ackland.org/

The Orange County Department on Aging invites adults 55+ to a free webinar filled with optimism about our future, Being Better than Before Part II: Living a fulfilling and creative life in the new world. As you look out at this new world, what do you see? We see the pandemic as both a tragedy and as an important reminder that we live in a world filled with unexpected changes. We believe that whatever you intend to do living in this new world you will do it more successfully, more gracefully, even more joyously, if you approach it as the most creative version of yourself, with the goal of being better than before. Click here for more information and to register or call the Seymour Center at (919) 968-2070, Wednesdays, July 1 & 8th at 10-11:30am.

UNC Department of Music and Carolina Performing Arts co-host Compose Carolina, a weekly livestream concert series highlighting UNC student and alumni musicians' original compositions, with conversations led by UNC Department of Music faculty members. Each week, we'll welcome a new Carolina composer, including alumni Eliana Fishbeyn, Noah Balamucki, and Christian Cail and students David Green, Alex McKeveny, and James Larkins, who will explore the theme "Looking Forward"—from the literal to the metaphorical—through an original musical piece and performance. They'll be joined in conversation by UNC Department of Music professors Allen Anderson, Stephen Anderson, and Lee Weisert. Event for June 26th https://www.unc.edu/event/compose-carolina-summer-music-series-with-alumna-eliana-fishbeyn/

"Mobilizing Against Anti-Black Racism and Racial Inequality in Contemporary U.S." is a June 26 moderated webinar at 3 p.m. featuring three of UNC-Chapel Hill's distinguished alumni, organized by the department of African, African American and Diaspora Studies: Pierce Freelon, Scholar, musician and social entrepreneur, Riana Lynn, CEO and Co-Founder of Journey Foods, Dr. Ronda Bullock, Executive Director of We Are. Registration required. Please register by June 26 at noon. https://www.unc.edu/event/mobilizing-against-anti-black-racism-and-racial-inequality-incontemporary-u-s/

