

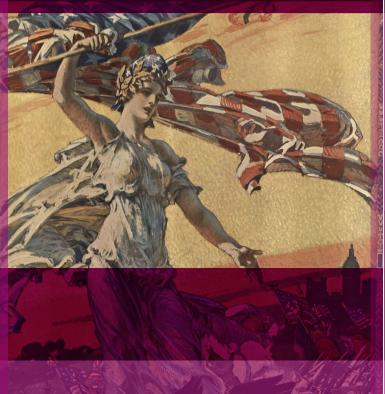
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Cultural Programming: Winter/Spring 2017

Medicine, History, and the Humanities





THE WELCOME HOME PICORIAL REVIEW



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Dear Friends.

Welcome to The New York Academy of Medicine Library's Winter/Spring 2017 calendar of events, presented by its Center for the History of Medicine and Public Health. We look forward to another year of vibrant programming with a unique spin on the history and culture of medicine and health, and what they mean for the future.

This year's events will tell stories including the controversial history of vaccine advocacy starting in the 1700s, how garlic went from being used as a tuberculosis remedy to a food seasoning, and how chronic diseases became a major political issue in the 20th century.

"Legacies of War: Medical Innovations and Impacts," our special 2017 event series commemorating the 100th anniversary of the American entry into WWI, will explore how the experience of war has prompted medical innovation, including surgical techniques, prosthetics, ambulances, and trauma care. Speakers will also address the impact of conflict on the minds and bodies of soldiers and civilian populations, past and present.

In order to ensure the sustainability of our programs, we have added a nominal fee for our events. A number of events throughout the year remain free due to the generosity of sponsors and partners. Discounts are available for Academy Fellows, Members and our valued Friends of the Rare Book Room, and we welcome students to attend for free.

Our Summer/Fall catalog will come out midyear. Sign up at **support.nyam/ signup** or visit us at **NYAM.org/events** in the meantime to make sure you don't miss any upcoming events. We look forward to seeing you throughout the year.

With all best wishes.

Lisa O'Sullivan, PhD

Vice President and Director, Library

2017 EVENT SERIES

Look for the color next to each series description for associated events on the calendar. Visit NYAM.org/events to register for events and up-to-date information on the program. Additional upcoming events include our "After Hours" series with Brooklyn-based Atlas Obscura in our beautiful and historic Drs. Barry and Bobbi Coller Rare Book Reading Room.



Legacies of War: Medical Innovations and Impacts

The profound physical and mental destruction left in the wake of war has by necessity accelerated innovation in medicine that often led to benefits for society as a whole. The conditions of war have brought advances in surgical care, prosthetics, blood banking, antibiotics and trauma care. This series commemorates the American entry into World War I in 1917 by exploring the often–intertwined history of conflict and medicine, as well as the devastating and ongoing impact of war on the minds and bodies of soldiers and civilian populations.



History of Medicine and Health

Our annual History of Medicine and Health series invites esteemed historians, authors, and emerging scholars to share their perspectives on the historical background to important issues in medicine, health, and culture around the world. Our 2017 series focuses on the changing demographics of health in NYC and beyond.



Friends of the Rare Book Room

The Annual Friends of the Rare Book Room Lecture is free and open to the public, followed by a private reception for all Friends. Other Friends events include receptions, private tours, and exclusive visits to the Drs. Barry and Bobbi Coller Rare Book Reading Room. Find out more about Friends events and join at NYAM.org/frbr.



Workshops and Reading Groups

Go deeper on selected topics ranging from cookery and food to digital humanities to art and anatomy, collaborating closely with our instructors in interactive reading groups, art demonstrations, and workshops.

SPONSORSHIP

Annual support for the Library's programming is made possible through generous funding provided by The lago Galdston Gift Fund, The John Kingsley Lattimer Endowment, Molina Healthcare, and The Lilianna Sauter Endowment.

Special support for 2017 Friends of the Rare Book Room programming is made possible through the generosity of the Pine Tree Foundation.

To learn more about how you can support engaging and informative programs that make the Library's collections come alive to new audiences, please call 212.822.7244.

DIRECTIONS AND INFORMATION

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Register for all events at NYAM.org/events.

Additional events will be added throughout the year. The Summer/Fall program will be available midyear with full details of events in the second half of the year. To receive updates, sign up at **support.nyam.org/signup**.

COST

Advance registration is required for most events, whether ticketed or free. For paid events, sales are non-refundable and non-exchangeable except in cases of cancellation.

Discounts are available for Academy Fellows, Members, Friends of the Rare Book Room, seniors and students. Seniors and students must present an ID at event registration.

LOCATION

Unless otherwise noted, all events will be held at The New York Academy of Medicine, located at 1216 Fifth Avenue at 103rd Street

DIRECTIONS

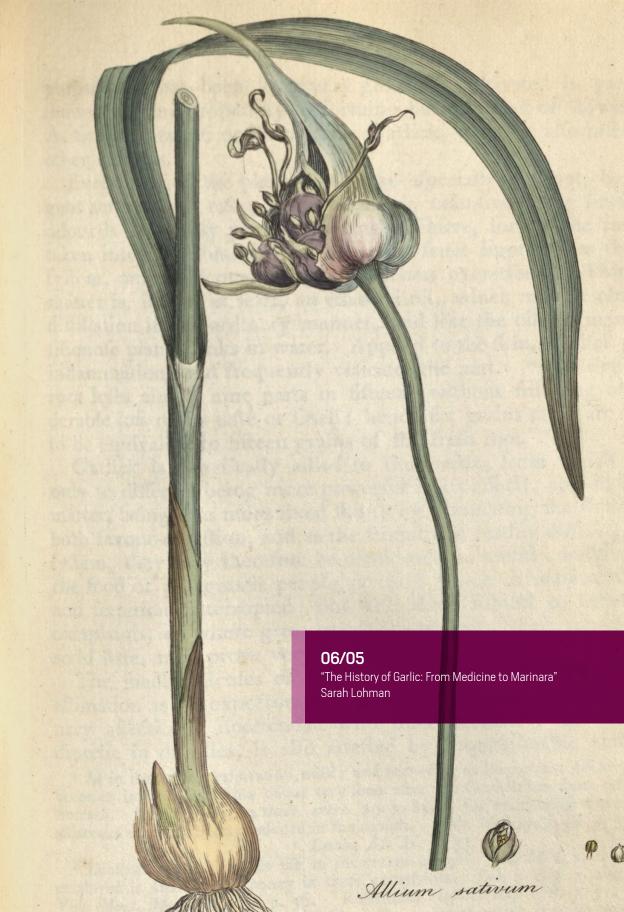
By subway: 6 to 103rd St., 2/3 to 110th St. By bus: M1, M2, M3, M4 to 103rd St. For driving directions and parking information, please visit **NYAM.org/about/visit**.

CONTACT

For more information, call 212.822.7301 or email cultural events@nyam.org.

CALENDAR AT A GLANCE

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02/01 "The Roles of Physicians in 19th-Century Polar Exploration" Douglas Kondziolka			
O2/16 Seventh Annual History of Medicine Night The Academy Section on the History of Medicine and Public Health	**The Medical Legacy of War—Perspectives from the Field" Judith Matloff, Robert Nickelsberg, Randi Hutter Epstein (moderator)		
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

01/28

"How a Colonial Family Read: The Winthrops and Their Books"

11:00 AM-12:30 PM

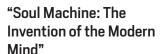
Free, advance registration required

This lecture in the history of the book is part of NYC Bibliography Week.

Speaker: Anthony Grafton, Henry Putnam University Professor of European History, Princeton University

When John Winthrop and his family left England for Massachusetts, they brought along more than their notions about beginning a New World life. They brought books, in quantity, and they went on buying more. And they used them actively, for everything from searching their own souls and disciplining less obedient ones to practicing alchemy and hunting witches. This lecture will use evidence in the Winthrops' copies of their books to show how four generations of male and female Winthrops read, and track the story of an early American family over time.

01/31



6:00 PM-7:00 PM

Free, advance registration required

Speaker: George Makari, Director, DeWitt Wallace Institute for the History of Psychiatry, Weill Medical College

In his book *Soul Machine*, Dr. Makari takes us back to the origins of modernity, a time when a crisis in religious authority and the scientific revolution led to searching questions about the nature of human inner life. This is the story of how a new concept—the mind—emerged as a potential solution, one that was part soul and part machine, but fully neither.

02/01



"The Roles of Physicians in 19th-Century Polar Exploration"

6:30 PM-8:00 PM

\$50 General Public \$35 Friends of the Rare Book Room; wine and dinner included in ticket price **Speaker: Douglas Kondziolka,** Vice-Chair for Clinical Research, Neurosurgery, New York University

Dr. Kondziolka, a collector of Arctic and Antarctic polar exploration books, maps, and letters from the era of the late eighteenth through the early twentieth century, will reveal how these publications tell the story of a cast of unique characters, and among them many physicians, who dared to venture into lands unknown. This talk will highlight the diverse roles physicians assumed in these expeditions, from naturalists to artists to caregivers to troublemakers.

02/16



Seventh Annual History of Medicine Night

Join a diverse range of health professionals and historians as they present their research into the legacy of the medical tradition within which they work. The annual History of Medicine Night is presented by the Academy Section on the History of Medicine and Public Health.

The John K. Lattimer Lecture: "The Marrow of Tragedy: Disease and Diversity in Civil War Medicine"

6:00 PM-7:30 PM

\$12 General Public \$8 Friends, Fellows, Members, Seniors Free to Students with ID **Speaker: Margaret Humphreys,** Josiah Charles Trent Professor in the History of Medicine, Duke University

Health care in the United States Civil War is often depicted as gruesome, with amputations (without anesthesia) as the centerpiece of horror. In actuality, hospitals could be sites of healing, although there were significant differences between North and South. In this lecture Humphreys highlights the variations among medical loci during the war, an analysis that illustrates the aspects of "good health care" that made a difference in the survival of Civil War patients.

03/15

"Infectious Madness, the Well Curve and the Microbial Roots of Mental Disturbance"

6:00 PM-7:30 PM

\$15 General Public \$10 Friends, Fellows, Members, Seniors Free to Students with ID Speaker: Harriet Washington, science writer and author

From offended gods to broken taboos to schizophrenogenic mothers, humans have long been enmeshed in what neuroscientist Robert Sapolsky calls the "primordial muck" of understanding the origins of mental illness. Today, armed with clearer insights and better tools, we are undergoing a paradigm shift that acknowledges the key role of microbes in forging our mental health. In this talk, based on her book *Infectious Madness: The Surprising Science of How We "Catch" Mental Illness*, Washington traces the history, culture, and some disturbing contemporary manifestations of this "infection connection."

03/23

The lago Galdston Lecture: "New York City and the Chronic Disease Movement in Interwar America"

6:00 PM-7:30 PM

\$12 General Public \$8 Friends, Fellows, Members, Seniors Free to Students with ID **Speaker: George Weisz,** Cotton-Hannah Chair of the History of Medicine, McGill University

After World War I, the United States became the first nation to transform chronic diseases into a major political issue. The heart of this movement was New York City, and particularly its medical community centered in The New York Academy of Medicine and led by Academy Fellow Ernst Boas. With the election of Franklin Roosevelt as President in 1932, several major New York figures went to Washington and brought the chronic disease problem onto the national stage, which enduringly influenced American health care policy during the following decades.



"Double Identity: Anomaly and the Imagination"

6:30 PM-8:00 PM

\$50 General Public \$35 Friends of the Rare Book Room; wine and dinner included in ticket price

Speaker: Rosamond Purcell, artist and photographer

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Acclaimed artist and photographer Purcell has been interested in monstrous imagery from early modern books for much of her career. Fantastical descriptions and images of conjoined twins, one-eyed giant cyclops, and dog-headed cannibals appear in manuscripts and books. In medical collections, their biological counterparts are preserved as effigies in wax and as skeletons of conjoined twins, giants and dwarfs. Similar anomalies are found across the kingdoms of life. This talk will cover ideas about hybrid beings, the illusion of the monstrous, and the fluidity of natural forms.

Friends of the Rare Book Room are invited to come at 6:00pm to look at selected books with the speaker in the Drs. Barry and Bobbi Coller Rare Book Reading Room prior to the talk. To join the Friends visit **NYAM.org/frbr** or see the back of this catalog.

04/04



"Crossing Boundaries" 6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Free, advance registration required

Speaker: Roger Kneebone, Professor of Surgical Education and Engagement Science, Imperial College London

This lecture explores surgery as a site of performance and craftsmanship as well as the application of scientific knowledge. Much of Kneebone's work uses simulation to communicate what words alone cannot capture. Vivid scenarios invite audiences to experience the world of surgery, taking part in operations performed by actual surgeons and their teams.

Co-presented with the Center for Science and Society, Columbia University.

04/06



"Lady Mary's Legacy: Vaccine Advocacy from the Turkish Embassy Letters to Video Games"

6:00 PM-7:30 PM

\$12 General Public \$8 Friends, Fellows, Members, Seniors Free to Students with ID **Speaker: Lisa Rosner,** Distinguished Professor of Historical Studies, Stockton University

On April 1, 1717, Lady Mary Wortley Montagu wrote her famous "Letter to a Friend" from the Turkish Embassy, describing the process of smallpox inoculation. With that letter, she became one of the earliest vaccination advocates, joined over the next three hundred years by celebrities and scientists, pop culture icons and heads of state, patients and game developers. This talk will explore the colorful and controversial history of vaccine advocacy.



The Annual Friends of the Rare Book Room Lecture: "Art in the Service of Medical Education"

6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Free, advance registration required

Speaker: Rose Holz, Director of Humanities in Medicine, University of Nebraska

This talk investigates the hugely influential Birth Series sculptures created in 1939 with artist Abraham Belskie by Dr. Robert L. Dickinson, a sexologist, gynecologist, and artist extraordinaire. The Birth Series illustrates the process of human development from fertilization through delivery and shaped modern gynecological education for aspiring practitioners and educated lay individuals in matters of pregnancy and reproduction. It also helped create the language and imagery central to modern reproductive politics.

Friends of the Rare Book Room are invited to a private reception with the speaker after the event. To join the Friends visit **NYAM.org/frbr** or see the back of this catalog.

04/26



"Scent Track: What Can the History of Olfaction Tell Us about Theorizing in the Life Sciences?"

6:00 PM-7:30 PM

Free, advance registration required

Speaker: Ann-Sophie Barwich, historian of science, Columbia Center for Science and Society

Perfumery may possibly be the second oldest business in the history of mankind. However, olfaction, the sense of smell, has attracted systematic interest in scientific studies only recently. The discovery of the olfactory receptor genes by Linda Buck and Richard Axel in 1991 catapulted olfaction into neurobiological research. This talk focuses on the difficulty of scientifically studying olfaction. What is the material "smelling principle" underlying the variety of odorous plant and animal materials? How do you "materialize" the perceptual process of smelling? And by what criteria can you test your ideas about smell as a perceptible and qualitatively rich but invisible dimension of matter?

This event is part of the New York History of Science Lecture Series presented in collaboration with The Center for Science and Society at Columbia University.

5/02-23 Tuesdays |



Presenter: Kriota Willberg, Interdisciplinary Artist

Visualizing and Drawing Anatomy Workshop 6:00 PM-8:30 PM This four-week workshop utilizes live models as well as anatomical illustrations from the Library's historical collections to teach participants to look beneath the skin of the human body

5/02-23 (cont.)

Visualizing and Drawing Anatomy Workshop

6:00 PM-8:30 PM

\$290 General Public \$250 Friends, Fellows, Members, Seniors and Students and draw the structures and tissues giving the body its shape and character. This is not a figure drawing workshop. Our focus will be on visually locating and rendering the anatomy of the body in order to enhance figure drawing skills. All skill levels are welcome. Participants should bring a sketchpad and drawing implements of their choice. Handouts are provided.

05/10

"The Medical Legacy of War—Perspectives from the Field"

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

\$15 General Public \$10 Friends, Fellows, Members, Seniors Free to Students with ID

Books will be available for purchase at the event.

Speakers: Author Judith Matloff, Photographer Robert Nickelsberg, Academy Fellow Randi Hutter Epstein

Explore a unique perspective on post-traumatic stress disorder and war with Academy Fellow Randi Epstein as she discusses the medical and psychological aspects of conflict with two veteran war correspondents, a writer and a photographer. The conversation will explore journalist and writer Judith Matloff's No Friends but the Mountains: Dispatches from the World's Most Violent Highlands. Robert Nickelsberg, a Time magazine contract photographer for 25 years, accompanied Matloff on several trips. His photographs will be on display as the panel discusses capturing war images with an eye to the physical and psychological trauma suffered by soldiers and civilians.

05/11



6:00 PM-7:30 PM

\$12 General Public \$8 Friends, Fellows, Members, Seniors Free to Students with ID **Speaker: Bert Hansen,** Professor Emeritus of History at Baruch College of CUNY

This evening is an introduction to the architecture of medical care in the city. While many sites of New York's medical history have been lost, especially interiors and equipment that we can no longer view except through images, New Yorkers are fortunate that our streets still present lively remnants of the past. History professor Bert Hansen will place numerous NYC sites into the main chapters of medical development for the last 200 years. This illustrated lecture invites everyone to wander the city with new eyes for its medical heritage.

NYC Medical Heritage Sites: Uptown Tour 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

\$25, advance registration required

Guide: Bert Hansen, Professor Emeritus of History at Baruch College of CUNY

Starting at the Academy, a small group will visit several sites in upper Manhattan including the Cardinal Cooke building and the former Cancer Hospital. A high point will be special access to the newly restored medical history murals painted by Charles Alston and others at Harlem Hospital in the 1930s.

Early registration is open to **Friends of the Rare Book Room**; others may purchase remaining tour tickets starting Monday April 24, 2017. To join the Friends visit **NYAM.org/frbr** or see the back of this catalog.

05/20

NYC Medical Heritage Sites: Downtown Tour 1:00 PM to 2:30 PM

\$25, advance registration required

Guide: Bert Hansen, Professor Emeritus of History at Baruch College of CUNY

Starting near NYU's newest hospital building, Langone Medical Center, the walking tour will head south to view numerous sites along a section of the historic "bedpan alley" neighborhood, including the former Lying-In Hospital (now the Rutherford Building), beautifully restored New Deal murals in Bellevue hospital, a horse-drawn ambulance from the 1890s, and the German Dispensary. For the hardy, an optional extension will continue to the West Village to see NYC's oldest surviving medical building, the Northern Dispensary.

Early registration is open to **Friends of the Rare Book Room**; others may purchase remaining tour tickets starting Monday May 1, 2017. To join the Friends visit **NYAM.org/frbr** or see the back of this catalog.

06/05

"The History of Garlic: From Medicine to Marinara"

6:00 PM-7:30 PM

\$15 General Public \$10 Friends, Fellows, Members, Seniors Free to Students with ID

Books will be available for purchase at the event.

Speaker: Sarah Lohman, author

In her new book, *Eight Flavors: The Untold Story of American Cuisine*, Sarah Lohman traces the origins of popular flavors in American cooking, looks at the people that brought them to this country, and explores how they shaped American cuisine. Working with the archives at The New York Academy of Medicine, Lohman explores how Americans shifted from using garlic as a medicine to treat maladies as varied as tuberculosis and hemorrhoids, to consuming two pounds of garlic per capita per year in the 21st century.

For event information and to register, visit NYAM.org/events. Additional events will be added throughout the year.

Speaker: Mary Roach

"GRUNT: The Curious Science of Humans at War"

6:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Free, advance registration required

Books will be available for purchase at the event.

Much of military science is preoccupied with the study of violence, the development of strategy, of weapons, of warfare. But on a daily basis, soldiers also fight more esoteric battles against less considered adversaries: exhaustion, shock, disease, extreme heat, cataclysmic noise. In *GRUNT: The Curious Science of Humans at War*, America's favorite science writer, Mary Roach, explores those aspects of war that no one makes movies about—not the killing but the keeping alive. *GRUNT* salutes the scientists and surgeons running along in the wake of combat.

06/13

Museum Mile Festival 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Free, no registration necessary

Join us at the annual Museum Mile Festival, a block party on Fifth Avenue stretching from 105th to 82nd street. Enjoy free arts and crafts exploring the amazing human body and health along our sidewalks.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Cultural Programming: Summer/Fall 2017



"The Great War and Modern Veteran Care" Beth Linker

"A History of American War in Five Bodies" John Kinder

The Heberden Society Lecture
Susan Lamb

The Liliana Sauter Lecture in the History of Medicine Ijeoma Eboh

"Falling Through the Medical Cracks—Images of One Life" | Nina Berman, Randi Hutter Epstein

"The Sherlock Holmes of Non-Fiction Medical Writers"
D. T. Max, Lisa Sanders, Randi Hutter Epstein

Embroidering Medicine Workshop Kriota Willberg

LIBRARY

The Academy is home to one of the world's most significant historical libraries in medicine and public health, safeguarding the heritage of medicine to inform the future of health. Serving a diverse group of patrons—from historians and researchers to documentary filmmakers to medical students and school students—the Academy collections serve to inform and inspire a variety of audiences from the academic to the public at large. For more information, visit **NYAM.org/library**.

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Join us on the first Monday of every month (excluding holidays) to see highlights from the collection in the Drs. Barry and Bobbi Coller Rare Book Reading Room. Meet at 12:00 PM in the Academy lobby.

Online Shop

The online Library Shop offers an impressive range of gifts, from home goods to fine art, featuring images from one of the nation's most significant historical libraries in medicine and public health. You will find images that mirror the diversity of our collections, from medicine, public health, food and cookery, to New York City history, botany, natural history, and much more. Visit **NYAM.org/shop.** All proceeds support the preservation of the Library's collections and public programming and outreach.





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As a Friend, you'll join a group of committed and passionate supporters who enjoy exclusive benefits and special access—all while providing fundamental support for our public programs and outreach activities; the acquisition, conservation, and cataloging of remarkable historical materials; and digitization of our key treasures.

To join, complete the following form or visit **NYAM.org/frbr**. For more information, contact frbr@nyam.org.

Membership Levels and Benefits

\$75 Friend / \$50 Student Friend

- Discounted prices for public events
- Invitations to Friends events and programs (discounted for student Friends)
- Reception following the Annual Friends Lecture
- Acknowledgment in our website and annual report

Contributor | \$200

- All Friends benefits, plus
- A tote bag featuring an image from the collections

Sponsor | \$350

- All Contributor benefits, plus
- An exclusive coffee mug

Supporter | \$650

- All Sponsor benefits, plus
- An exclusive set of note cards featuring breathtaking images from our collections

Malloch Circle Member I \$1,200

- All Supporter benefits, plus
- Invitations to exclusive events, including meet the speaker opportunities, private tours of collections and notable exhibitions

Malloch Circle Patron | \$2,500

- All Malloch Circle Member benefits, plus
- Free entry to all Friends programs for you and a guest
- A private lunch with our curator and historical collections librarian

Vesalius Circle Partner | \$5,000

- All Malloch Circle Patron benefits, plus
- Adopt a rare book needing conservation; acknowledgement in a bookplate
- A private tour, with up to six guests, of the rare book room focused on your individual interests

Vesalius Circle Benefactor | \$10,000

- All Vesalius Circle Partner benefits, plus
- Host a cocktail reception for up to fifteen guests at the Academy with special support from our events team

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