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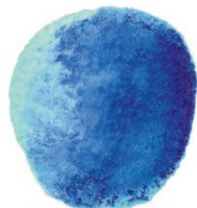
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Culturally Curious: Fall 2021

StoneRidge, a premier active Life Plan Community, has been supporting the arts and cultural interests of our residents since 2004. Our community is made up of a diverse population whose love of the arts, and passion for cultural pursuits add to the enrichment of their lives and enhance the greater Mystic community. Welcoming you to this series is an exciting way for you to stay curious with us.

You are invited to be our guest for this series. Remember to keep this invitation and call early to reserve your spot to attend one, or all, of these events.



All events 4:00 pm StoneRidge Auditorium

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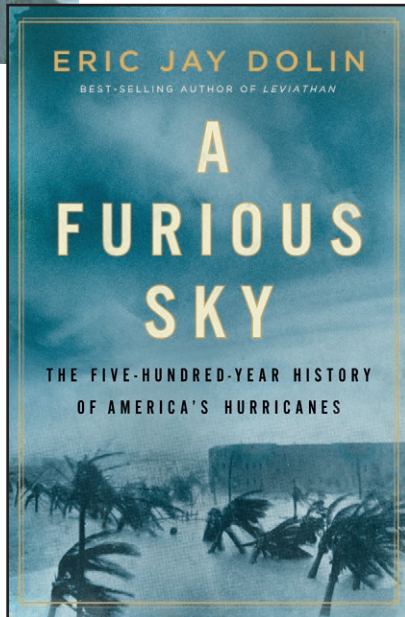
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**To RSVP call Sandra Pasioka at
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Space is limited, so please inquire early
to reserve your seat.**

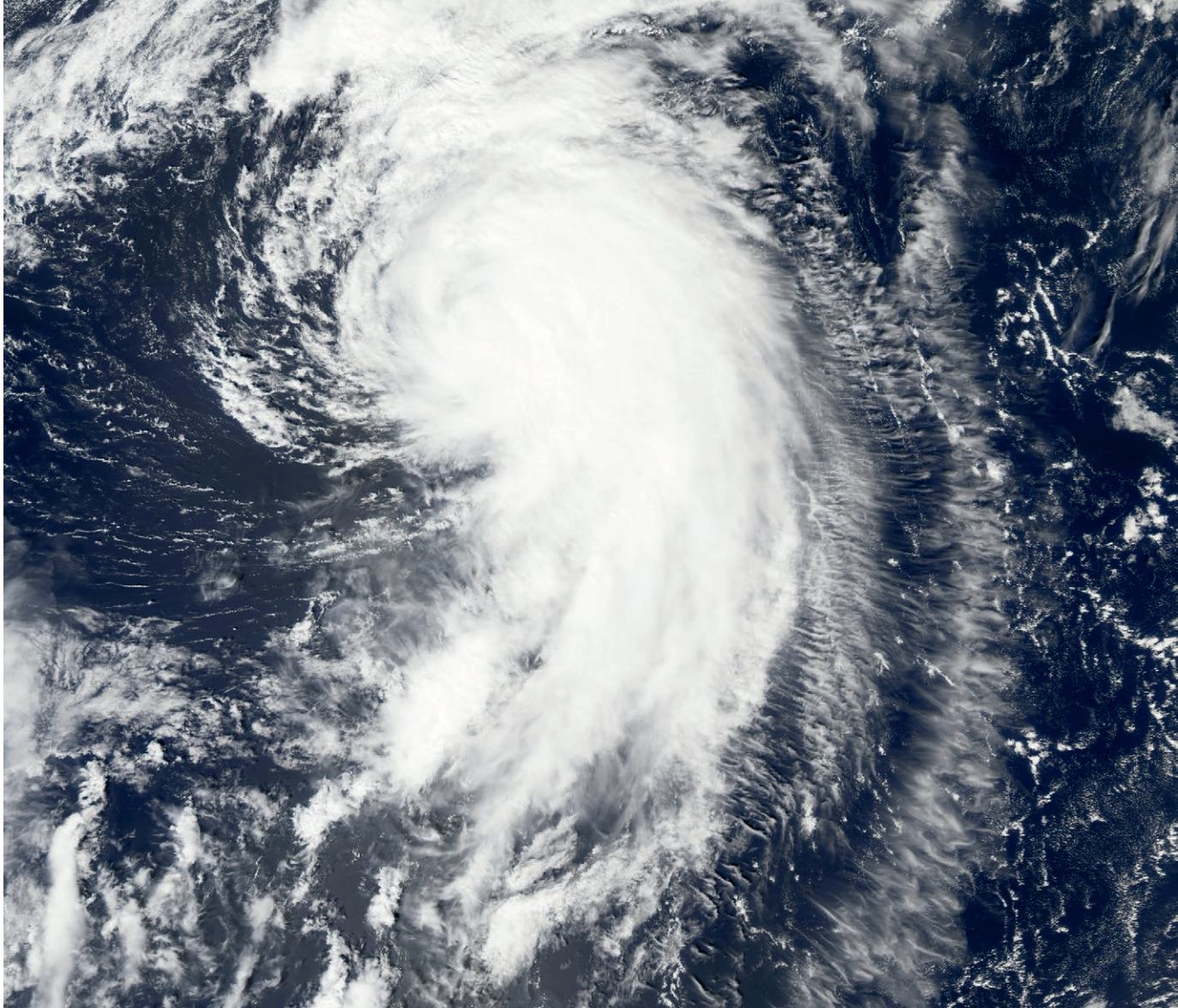
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From the moment European colonists laid violent claim to this land, hurricanes have had a profound and visceral impact on American history—yet, no one has attempted to write the definitive account of America’s entanglement with these meteorological behemoths. Now, bestselling historian Eric Jay Dolin presents the five-hundred-year story of American hurricanes, from the nameless storms that threatened Columbus’ New World voyages, to the devastation wrought by Hurricane Maria in Puerto Rico and the escalation of hurricane season as a result of global warming. Populating his narrative with unlikely heroes such as Benito Viñes, the nineteenth-century Jesuit priest whose revelatory methods for predicting hurricanes saved countless lives, and journalist Dan Rather, whose coverage of a 1961 hurricane would change broadcasting history, Dolin uncovers the often surprising ways we respond to natural crises. A necessary work of environmental and cultural history, *A Furious Sky* will change the way we understand the storms on the horizon of America’s future.

Eric Jay Dolin is the best-selling author of *Leviathan* and *Black Flags*, *Blue Waters*. He and his family live in Marblehead, MA.





Saturday, October 2nd at 4:00 p.m. Stephen Lash, Chairman Emeritus of Christie's Americas shares his story and experiences



Christie's is a name and place that speaks of extraordinary art, unparalleled service, expertise and global reach. Founded in 1766 by James Christie, Christie's has since conducted the greatest and most celebrated auctions through the centuries providing a popular showcase for the unique and the beautiful. Christie's offers around 350 auctions annually in over 80 categories, including all areas of fine and decorative arts, jewellery, photographs, collectibles, wine, and more.

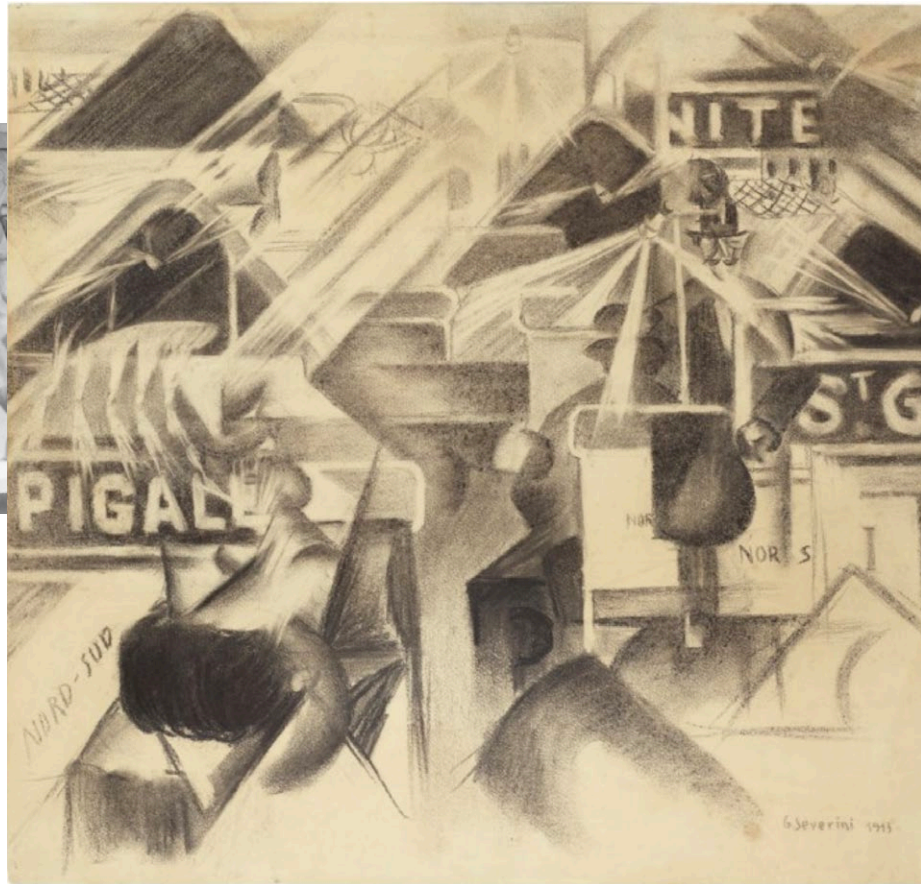
Lash who is Chairman Emeritus of Christie's Americas, previously served as chairman for more than a decade. He joined Christie's in 1976 and has been involved in many historic and record setting auctions. He is a trustee of the Institute of Fine Arts at New York University and New York Landmarks Conservancy, where he was chair for several years. He served on the board of the Preservation League of New York State and the co-chair of the Maritime Visiting Committee at the Peabody Essex Museum. Lash was the founder and first president of the Ocean Liner Museum, now part of the South Street Seaport. He received his bachelor's degree from Yale and his MBA from Columbia Business School. He and his wife Wendy Lehman Lash live in New York and spend summers in nearby Stonington, CT.



Pablo Picasso (1881-1973)



Gino Severini (1883-1966)



La Ferrovia Nord-Sud

G. Severini 1913
charcoal on paper
17 ¾ x 20 7/8 in.

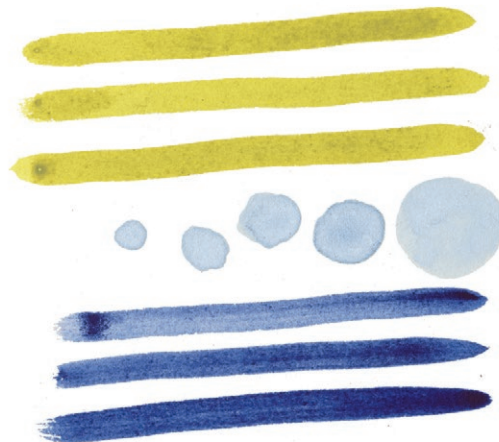
Thursday, November 4th at 4:00 p.m. The Yale Whiffenpoofs perform

More than 100 years ago, on a frosty January night in New Haven, Connecticut, five of the Yale Glee Club's best singers convened at Mory's Temple Bar to escape the cold. Louis Linder, the tavern's barkeep and a music aficionado, welcomed them in, beginning an institution that survives to this day.

Of those original five singers, four were members of the Glee Club's prestigious Varsity Quartet, a group that sang together regularly at various alumni events. Unwilling to restrict themselves to performances at public functions, the group began to meet on a weekly basis at Mory's, where they improvised harmonies to the songs they loved so well. These weekly meetings soon became a hallowed tradition amongst the singers.

As their fame on campus grew, the quintet began their search for a name. Denton 'Goat' Fowler, tickled by a joke featuring a mythical dragonfish named the Whiffenpoof, suggested the name to his companions, who found the name an apt reflection of the atmosphere of levity that accompanied the group's gatherings. The word quickly caught on with the group's admirers, and the name stuck.

In the years since, each generation of Whiffenpoofs have taken up the mantle of their forebears. For more than one century of songsters, the name, the song, and the weekly date at Mory's have remained inviolate traditions that continue to bind us together.





Coming this Fall Jūratė Švedaitė, Lithuanian Soprano performs

Possessing a vocal artistry and stage presence capable of “transfixing audiences with moments of opera magic,” Lithuanian soprano, Jūratė Švedaitė, has performed on four continents with organizations such as the Lithuanian National Chamber Orchestra, Connecticut Lyric Opera, Eastern Connecticut Symphony Orchestra, Connecticut Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra, Prolirica de Antioquia (Colombia), Kaunas (Lithuania) Chamber Orchestra, Classical Orchestra of Piła (Poland), the Lithuanian National Ensemble “Lietuva”, Schlern International Music Festival (Italy), Greve Opera Festival (Italy), San Gimignano Music Festival (Italy), Pazaislis International Music Festival (Lithuania), among others, in venues as varied as Carnegie Hall, the Jerusalem Center (Israel), the Lithuanian National Philharmonic and Teatro Metropolitano de Medellin.

Her previous roles include the diva Tosca, Cio-Cio San in *Madama Butterfly*, Violetta in *La Traviata*, Mimi in *La Bohème*, Contessa in *Le Nozze di Figaro*, Donna Anna in *Don Giovanni*, Pamina in *Die Zauberflöte*, Desdemona in *Otello*, Antonia/Giulietta in *Les Contes d'Hoffmann*, Marguerite in *Faust*, Tatyana in *Eugene Onegin*, Nedda in *Pagliacci*, Micaela in *Carmen*, the title role in Floyd's *Susannah* and Mother in *Amahl and the Night Visitors*.

An active performer of sacred works and oratorios as well, her credits include Monteverdi's and Vivaldi's *Magnificats*; Bach's *Mass in B minor*, *Christmas Oratorio*, *Coffe* and *Peasant Cantatas* as well as numerous sacred cantatas; Mozart's *Requiem*, *Exsultate Jubilate*, *Solemn Vespers* and *Missa Brevis*; Pergolesi's *Stabat Mater*, Brahms's *Ein Deutsches Requiem*, Verdi's *Requiem*, and Faure's *Requiem*.

The granddaughter of one of Lithuania's most revered composers and arrangers of traditional music, Jonas Švedas, she began performing at an early age and made her recording debut at the age of twelve; also, at that time, she hosted several programs for children on national television. Ms. Švedaitė later attended the Lithuanian Music Academy where she earned bachelor's and master's degrees in Opera Performance and Vocal Instruction. She now resides in Southeastern CT where she is an Associate Professor at Connecticut College as well as voice instructor at Thames Valley Music School.







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