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BBC NEWS AND VIEWS

JUNE MEETING — The next BBC Meeting (and last until the fall) is **Wednesday, June 16** at Greenwich House Music School (46 Barrow St.) at 7:00PM. At 6:30, enjoy cool drinks with your neighbors in the Garden; then, at 7:00, help decide with your neighbors our budget appropriations for next year.

YE OLDE VILLAGE FAIR — The 36th annual Ye Olde Village Fair was a smashing success! This year, we had beautiful weather and Villagers and visitors alike crowded the outdoor café and all the booths. We had more vendors — including, once again, the NYFD, Engine 24, Ladder 5, our local firefighters, making pasta with sausages. Thanks to **Pat La Frieda Meats**, for donating the meat and **Joe Scarda** who cooked the pasta, along with fellow firefighters, who did the serving. A special, special thanks to **David Gruber** who coordinated all of this to make it happen. Our heroes, not only donated the proceeds to The Caring Community, but hung our flag the day before. As always, all monies raised by the BBC through the Fair go right back to our community — to care for our nearly 100 trees and treepits, and to help fund many worthy programs of local organizations.

Special thanks to **Assemblymember Deborah Glick**, who showed her community spirit by working at the BBC Coffee and Dessert Table from start to finish!

Special thanks to BBC fav, our own perfect **Ernestine Buscemi**, who worked at the BBC Coffee and Dessert Table from start to finish — and was responsible for the lovely flowers that adorned the table, which everyone raved about (as well as the food!). Thanks, Ernie!

Thanks to **Diane Wildowsky** of Sotheby's International Realty, who underwrote the cost of our tables and chairs, to **New York University**, which underwrote our entertainment, to **Wise Construction**, who underwrote the cost of beer, and to **Matt Umanov**, of Umanov Gui-

tars, who contributed generously as well.

Of course, extra special thanks to **Dora Nyffenegger**, who is the BBC master baker — Dora's Apple Pie has become a legend! — and to our other notable bakers, including **Kathy Donaldson**, **Diane Wildowsky**, and **Diane Levine**.

And more special thanks to **Diane Wildowsky**, who coordinated the BBC Arts and Crafts Show, with notable assistance from BBC Artist in Residence, **Cheryl Brock**.

Yet more special thanks to **Terri Howell**, who does everything, including soliciting this year's wonderful raffle prizes. Terri reports that 72 local restaurants generously donated 128 raffle prizes (or made donations) total value of \$5905.00, and we urge all BBCers to please use the enclosed list of contributors as a guide when patronizing local restaurants.

And, again, thanks to **Cynthia Garcia**, who organized this year's terrific Food Court — the best ever — and worked tirelessly on Fair day keeping the vendors happy. A very difficult task, which she carried through with grace and good humor.

Finally, thanks to **Joy Hornung** and Cheryl Brock, who coordinated and mc'd the entertainment. A marvelous job of keeping the crowds pleased with lots of different kinds of music.

And thanks, as always and forever, to **Larry Selman**, who has sold the most raffles in the history of the Western World.

This year, **Scott Stringer**, Manhattan Borough President, presented to **Kathy Donaldson**, **Bill Lavelle** and **Bob Oliver** a Proclamation from the Office of the Manhattan Borough President City of New York for 36 years of community service. This award is given to individuals who donate their time and talents to fostering New York's neighborhoods. Needless to say, it was an honor to be recognized and thanks to Diane Wildowsky for campaigning the Manhattan Borough's Presidents Office for getting these awards.

Congratulations to long-time resident of Bedford Street, Emmy Award-winning filmmaker, **Ken Kimmelman** — noted for his social issue films against racism and

homelessness, including for the UN, and children's educational films for Sesame Street — just released his new animated film *Thomas Comma* (24-min). Based on a story by poet **Martha Baird**, it's the charming, humorous, sophisticated adventure of a lonely comma looking for the right sentence — what truly represents him in the world. The film has already won the Platinum Remi at Houston WorldFest and an Award of Merit at the Accolade Competition.

BBCer playwright **Larry Myers** has some of his works in the Global Fringe Festival at the Saval Theater at St. John's University, 101 Murray Street. His works include *Edgar Cayce's Autograph*, *Lady Gaga's Guidebook for Living*, *Fire Across Bangkok* and *Blood Red Shirts*. Global Fringe Festival runs from the second week of July until the end of August. Contact **theaterman@gmail.com** only for tickets.

Nabe Notes

The West Village Chorale presents *Summer Sings 2010*.

When: Mondays at 7:30 PM., June, July and August.

Where: The Church of St. Luke in the Fields, 487 Hudson Street (at Grove). Tickets: \$12; \$10 Seniors and Students; Season Ticket (10 sings), \$90.

The Cherry Lane Theatre, in partnership with the BBC, announces *Friends & Angels of Cherry Lane*, offering neighbors a year's worth of benefits to see shows, attend special events, and enjoy Cherry Lane's programs — with amazing discounts and free tickets. For just \$150 (or 2 memberships for \$250), you receive: 1) A private reception with *Nonsense* creator and director **Dan Goggin**, artists and West Village residents on Thursday, June 17 at 8PM at the home of **Bill Lavelle** and **Bob Oliver** (founding members of the BBC Block Association) at 81 Barrow St.; 2) A premium ticket to the June 17 performance, at 8PM, of *Nonsense* (the 25th Anniversary revival on its original stage!);

3) A free ticket to attend one Master Class or Master Forum next season;

4) 30% off all Cherry Lane Mainstage productions, Mentor Project, Solo Fest!, and Master Classes during the 2010-2011 season.;

5) Invitations to special "meet the artists" / BBCBA events during the year. For more information, call 212.989.2020, X20.

The Greenwich House Music School (46 Barrow St., between 7th Ave. So. & Bedford St.) announces pianist **Taka Kigawa**, June 8, 8PM (Ad-

mission, \$10) at Renee Weiler Concert Hall; Swan Lake, June 9, 5:30PM, 7PM (Admission \$12, adults; \$7, students) at the Cherry Pit Theatre, 155 Bank St.; *The Magic Flute*, June 10, 5:30pm (Admission, \$3, free for children) at Renee Weiler Concert Hall. For more information, call 212.242.4770.

Washington Square Music Festival returns to the park. Four free concerts Tuesdays at 8PM in July. Rainspace: St. Joseph's Church, 371 Sixth Avenue. For program details, www.washingtonsquaremusicfestival.org

From the BBC Poet Laureate, Holly Rose Diane Shaw Romance

The Butterfly
Hearing the meadowlark and the fragrance of the rose
The rose bush puts on her silken sheath fluttering in the breeze
connecting our paths
Of sun and rain glistening following the dance of petals
Flowering into the dance of song.

**A HAPPY AND SAFE SUMMER TO YOU ALL,
FROM YOUR BBC!
SEE YOU IN SEPTEMBER!!**

Neighborhood Notes & Notables

A 17-year-old Queens teen got the words "Carpe Diem" tattooed onto the inside of his wrists last summer at Village Pop Tattoo. State laws say that you have to be 18 to be inked and his mom is suing. **Mary Couillard**, of Rockaway Park, filed a lawsuit her son Jason is now saying he regrets his tattoo, according to the *NY Post*. Couillard's lawyer **John Ardito** claims that Jason wasn't asked for ID to prove his age, and the manager of Village Pop says he no longer has the records saying, "I didn't know I was supposed to keep them."

On Sunday, May 22 the first **Adoptapalooza** was held in Washington Square Park. The event was hosted by the Mayor's Alliance for NYC's Animals. Scores of adorable and adoptable cats and dogs from the NYC Animal Care & Control shelters and Sean Casey Animal Rescue were available for new homes. The event featured the following:

* Ex-'Bachelor' star **Prince Lorenzo Borghese** hosted the Adoptable Dog Trot.

* The Doggie Agility Course & Demo by Walk This Way Canine Behavior Therapy.

* The Doggie Costume Contest featured fashionable New Yorkers and their pets, emceed by LX New York's **Maria Sansone**, host of the rescue segment, "Maria's were on hand to help prospective new owners find a match. economy plays for NYC."