

# CAPE ANN Museum

## Cape Ann Museum's Library & Archives reopening after closure and remodeling

*Community Open House: Friday, Sept. 10 from 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*



*Cape Ann Museum's newly remodeled and repainted Library & Archives.*

GLOUCESTER, Mass. (September 2021) – After 1 ½ years of being closed due to the pandemic, a completely remodeled and repainted [Library & Archives](#) is reopening at the Cape Ann Museum at 27 Pleasant Street in Gloucester next week. “We are thrilled to welcome the public the new and improved Library & Archives,” said Oliver Barker, the Cape Ann Museum’s Director. “The Museum has been working hard, with the help of our Volunteer Team, to make the space more inviting, accessible and functional in the ways the public needs.”

### **A Grand Re-opening event for members will be held on Thursday, Sept. 9 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.**

Librarian & Archivist Trenton Carls will give tours of the new layout, discussing projects from the past year, displaying recent acquisitions, and sharing what is on the horizon for the CAM Library & Archives. There will be live music by local jazz musician Steve Lacey, light refreshments, and a small used book sale taking place in the atrium. The CAM Library Volunteer team will be on hand to discuss projects they have been working on and will answer any questions.

### **The public is invited to a Community Open House on Friday, Sept 10 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

Throughout the day, Carls will be on hand to discuss the newly updated and reopened Library, showcasing recent acquisitions, walking visitors through recent digital exhibits and introducing many of the CAM Library Volunteers, without whom, none of this would be possible. On that day, there will be an encore Community Conversations event with the CAM Librarian & Archivist at 1 p.m. to share changes and plans, and seek input from the community about how to make the CAM Library & Archives

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a welcome and useful resource to all. The Museum's Librarian & Archivist Trenton Carls shared that, "This is the moment we have been looking forward to since last March. While we have been very fortunate to have had this past year to connect with the community virtually and by appointment, we are eager for everyone to come back in and enjoy this space and CAM's incredible collections."

For more information about the exhibit and other events happening at the Cape Ann Museum, visit [www.capeannmuseum.org](http://www.capeannmuseum.org).

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*The Cape Ann Museum, founded in 1875, exists to preserve and celebrate the history and culture of the area and to keep it relevant to today's audiences. Spanning 44,000 square feet, the Museum is one of the major cultural institutions on Boston's North Shore welcoming more than 25,000 local, national and international visitors each year to its exhibitions and programs. In addition to fine art, the Museum's collections include decorative art, textiles, artifacts from the maritime and granite industries, three historic homes, a Library & Archives and a sculpture park in the heart of downtown Gloucester.*

*In Summer 2021, the Museum opened the 12,000 square foot Janet & William Ellery James Center at the [Cape Ann Museum Green](http://www.capeannmuseum.org). The campus also includes three historic buildings – the White Ellery House (1710), the recently acquired Babson-Alling House (c.1740), and an adjacent Barn (c. 1740), all located on the site at the intersection of Washington and Poplar Streets in Gloucester. CAM Green is open Thursday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. and Sunday 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 pm.*

*The Cape Ann Museum is located at 27 Pleasant Street in Gloucester and is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Admission is \$12.00 adults, \$10.00 Cape Ann residents, seniors and students. Youth (under 18) and Museum members are free. Cape Ann residents can visit for free on the second Saturday of each month. For more information please call (978)283-0455 x110 or visit [www.capeannmuseum.org](http://www.capeannmuseum.org).*

For a detailed media fact sheet please visit [www.capeannmuseum.org/press](http://www.capeannmuseum.org/press).

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