COLUMBIA HISTORICAL SOCIETY FARM, STABLE & GARDEN TOUR

This year's tour being held on SUNDAY, June 25th from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM will allow attendees to experience two of Columbia's oldest farmsteads dating back to the early 1800's: one is being lovingly restored by its new owners and the other is now a CT certified organic vegetable, herb and flower producer partnering with a pasture to table provider who also grows mushrooms. You will visit a home gardener whose giant thunga privacy hedge is the backdrop for multiple raised vegetable beds, berry bushes and unique plantings around large boulders excavated on the property. A total of 6 unique properties will be available to visit.

The tour is held rain or shine. Ticket sales will be limited to 75 so as not to overcrowd our special properties located within a 15-minute drive from the center of Columbia.

Advance ticket sales of \$20.00 per person are now on sale. The last day to purchase advance tickets will be June 20th. A limited number of tickets <u>may</u> be sold the day of the tour for \$30.00.

To purchase Advance tickets electronically, go to the Society's website at www.columbiahistory.org. Click on SUPPORT US and follow the prompts.

Tickets may also be purchased by mailing a check (on the memo line please indicate farm/garden tour tickets) to: Columbia Historical Society P.O.BOX 551 Columbia, CT. 06237 ATTN. GARDEN TOUR.

Tickets, along with farm and garden location information will be available for pick up the morning of the tour at the Beckish Senior Center, 188 Route 66, Columbia, CT from 9:30AM-10:00AM. Ample parking is available for carpoolers.

Weather permitting plein air painters will be painting at some sites.

Visit the CHS website at www.columbia-history.org for additional information **Or** contact Millie Ramsey at <u>millieramz@gmail.com</u> or 860 729-5472.

Weather permitting, wagon rides to the upper fields of Heartstone Vineyard may also be available as well as a short walk on another farm property with a gorgeous view of the surrounding area. The plein air painters may be exhibiting their completed work at the Heartstone Winery as well. More info on these 3 activities will be available SUNDAY, JUNE 25th.