



VILLAGE OF MILLBROOK

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THE VILLAGE OF MILLBROOK MONTHLY NEWSLETTER BY MAYOR PETER F. DORO

SPECIAL ELECTION

Village of Millbrook residents are invited to participate in a Special Election on:

Tuesday, June 23, 2026

12:00 PM – 9:00 PM

Village Hall: 35 Merritt Avenue, Millbrook, NY



Voters will be asked to consider **two propositions**:

- **Proposition No. 1 – Bingo**

Would authorize eligible charitable, religious, educational, fraternal, service, volunteer firefighter, veteran, and civic organizations to conduct licensed Bingo games within the Village in accordance with New York State law.

- **Proposition No. 2 – Games of Chance**

Would authorize eligible charitable, religious, educational, fraternal, service, volunteer firefighter, and veteran organizations to conduct licensed Games of Chance within the Village in accordance with New York State law.

Eligible Voters

Village residents who are registered with the Dutchess County Board of Elections at least 10 days prior to the election are eligible to vote.

Your vote matters. We encourage all eligible residents to participate in this important community decision.

TYTE GALLERY EXHIBITION

If you enjoy the art of the Hudson River School, check out the paintings of Scott Balfe, James Coe and Tarryl Gabel at the Tyte Gallery (3280 Franklin Avenue, 2nd Floor), which remain **on view through Sunday, August 2, 2026.**

This traditional landscape exhibition showcases the on-site paintings of three of the Hudson Valley's most noted artists who continue a centuries-old tradition of working directly from nature in all types of weather and light conditions. Similar to the 19th-century French Impressionists who carried their easels on-site, each of the three featured artists' masterful works respond to the shifting light, changes in weather conditions and the emotional experiences of being alone in the landscape. Their encounters with the landscape, whether it be the Hudson River, the Catskill mountains or beyond, fosters paintings that are alive with atmosphere and color yet echo the traditions of great plein air painters that have come before them.



This exhibition has been curated by Village resident Wayne Lempka. Please see tytegallery.com for more information and gallery hours.

MILLBROOK ARTS & OPEN STUDIOS RETURNS JUNE 27–28

MILLBROOK ARTS GROUP PRESENTS

MILLBROOK ARTS & OPEN STUDIOS

JUNE 27 - 28, 2026

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY 11 AM - 4.30 PM
OPEN STUDIOS & EXHIBITIONS AT MILLBROOK ARTS PROJECT, MEDUSA-WOLF GALLERY, & TYTE GALLERY

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 5 - 6.30 PM
UN REAL EXHIBITION - PUBLIC RECEPTION @ MILLBROOK LIBRARY

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 6.30 - 9 PM
SUMMER SUNSET CONCERT @ BANDSHELL




1. MILLBROOK LIBRARY EXHIBITION | MAPS HERE
2. MEDUSA-WOLF GALLERY | 3264 FRANKLIN AVE
3. TYTE GALLERY | 3280 FRANKLIN AVE
4. SHARON BATES | 49 CULLEN LANE
5. ZOE BONTECOU | 911 BANGALL AMENIA RD
6. PEGGY FLAUM | 3318 FRANKLIN AVE
7. JUNE GLASSON | 7 VELLETRI WAY
8. SETH HOWE | 26 EDGEWOOD LANE
9. DAN LENCHNER | 11 RODRIGO KNOLLS
10. IRIS LEVINSON | 3788 ROUTE 44
11. PAUL MIYAMOTO | 49 CULLEN LANE
12. DAVID TUMBLETY | 9 VALLEY FARM RD
13. BANDSHELL CONCERT | 3327 FRANKLIN AVE

Discover Millbrook's vibrant arts community during the **2026 Millbrook Arts & Open Studios weekend**, part of Upstate Art Weekend. Local artists will open their studios to the public **on Saturday and Sunday from 11:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**, offering a unique opportunity to meet artists and explore their creative spaces. The weekend also features exhibitions at Tyte Gallery, Medusa-Wolf Gallery, and the Millbrook Arts Project, as well as a public reception at the Millbrook Library and a free evening concert at the Village Bandshell. For a complete schedule and participating artists, visit the Millbrook Arts Group website, millbrookartsgroup.org

MILLBROOK COMMUNITY GARDEN



The Village's first Community Garden is in full bloom! The Community Garden has 8 beds and is supporting 6 Village families, with 2 beds for the community fridge at the Library.



FRANKLIN AVENUE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

The Village of Millbrook is moving forward with the next phase of sidewalk improvements along the north side of Franklin Avenue.

Final bids for the Franklin Avenue Phase 3 ADA Sidewalk Improvements Project are due on June 18, 2026. Following the bid award process, construction is expected to begin later this summer and be completed by early fall.

This project will continue the Village's efforts to improve pedestrian safety, accessibility, and connectivity throughout the community.

For project details, bid documents, and additional information, please visit the Village website. <https://villageofmillbrookny.gov/news-and-notice/bid-notice-franklin-avenue-phase-3-ada-sidewalk-improvements-project/>

2026 MILLBROOK SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

Get ready for another season of great music under the summer sky! The **Millbrook Arts Group's 2026 Summer Concert Series** returns to the Millbrook Bandshell with a diverse lineup of talented performers spanning classical, jazz, bluegrass, country, Latin American folk music, big band favorites, and more.

All concerts are **free and open to the public**, offering a wonderful opportunity for residents and visitors to gather, relax, and enjoy live music in the heart of the community.

2026 Concert Schedule:

June 27 – *The Lustre Kings* (Rock, Country, Blues & R&B)
July 4 – *Big Band Sound* (Big Band Era Favorites)
July 18 – *Raquel Hawkins* (Country & Rock and Roll)
August 1 – *Pulso de Barro* (Latin American Folklore)
August 15 – *The Laura Evans Group* (Eclectic Jazz)
August 29 – *County Line Bluegrass* (Traditional Bluegrass)

Concerts begin at **6:00 PM**, except for the performance on **June 27 at 6:30 PM**.

Bring a lawn chair or blanket and enjoy an evening of music with friends, family, and neighbors at the **Millbrook Bandshell**.

Thank you to the H.W. Wilson Foundation, Millbrook Tribute Gardens, and the Estate of Nancy F. Perkins for their generous support of this community tradition.



MILLBROOK ARTSGROUP

2026 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

SUN. MAY 24th 5:30pm*	One Piano Four Hands - Concert Truck Classical music at Bennett Park – Millbrook Music Salon
SAT. JUNE 27th 6:30 pm	The Lustre Kings Rock, country, blues and R&B Millbrook Arts & Open Studios / Upstate Art Weekend
SAT. JULY 4th 6pm	Big Band Sound Swinging sounds from the Big Band Era and beyond
SAT. JULY 18th 6pm	Raquel Hawkins Country grit and rock and roll
SAT. AUG. 1st 6pm	Pulso de Barro Folklore music of Latin America
SAT. AUG. 15th 6pm	The Laura Evans Group Eclectic Jazz
SAT. AUG. 29th 6pm	County Line Bluegrass Traditional Bluegrass with tight harmonies

ALL CONCERTS ARE FREE AT THE MILLBROOK BANDSHELL*

SPECIAL THANKS TO H.W. WILSON FOUNDATION, MILLBROOK TRIBUTE GARDENS & ESTATE OF NANCY F. PERKINS FOR THEIR GENEROUS SUPPORT!



THE MILLBROOK FASHION EDIT RETURNS JUNE 26 – 28

Mark your calendars — THE MILLBROOK FASHION EDIT returns June 26–28 in the heart of Millbrook and is shaping up to be the summer style event you won't want to miss.

The Millbrook Fashion Edit, offers the thrill of great designer finds. As the world pivots toward elevated thrifting and the rediscovery of craftsmanship, treasure hunting for past season gems, barely worn statement pieces, and classic staples that feel as fresh as the day they were made.

Luxury Looks Without the Luxury Price Tag: With budgets tighter and shoppers getting smarter, the Edit taps into the joy of scoring luxury pieces without the luxury price tag. It's fashion treasure hunting—Millbrook style.

Shop Sustainably: But it's also about choosing better. More people are ditching plastic heavy fast fashion and gravitating toward beautifully made clothing crafted from natural fibers. The Edit celebrates that shift, offering pieces worth recycling, and upcycling into something uniquely yours. Choices that's good for your wallet and the planet

Sip & Shop: A lemonade stand with snacks will be available for purchase. Stop by, enjoy a refreshing treat, and hunt for treasures to enhance your summer wardrobe.

Location

58 Front Street, Millbrook, NY

Event Hours

Friday, June 26: 11:00 AM – 6:00 PM


Saturday, June 27: 10:00 AM – 6:00 PM

Sunday, June 28: 11:00 AM – 5:00 PM

We hope you'll join us for a fun weekend of fashion, sustainability, and community in downtown Millbrook!

For more information visit:


[facebook.com/MillbrookFashionEdit](https://www.facebook.com/MillbrookFashionEdit)



The Millbrook
Fashion Edit

Friday 26 June | 11–6pm
Saturday 27 June | 10–6pm
Sunday 28 June | 11–5pm

58 Front Street • Millbrook, NY 12545



KEEPING BASEMENTS DRY WHILE PROTECTING OUR SEWER SYSTEM

Due to a high water table, shale deposits and other concerns, many basements in the Village experience water and moisture, especially during storm events. Because of this, many of us have sump pumps. Sump pumps are not inherently bad for the Village. In fact, they are often beneficial for homeowners because they help keep basements dry and protect foundations. The concern for Millbrook arises from where the sump pump discharges its water into the sewer system and the cumulative effect of many sump pumps operating at once. **Discharging into the sewer system is against Village code and NYS law.**

The following list includes some of the most common sanitary sewer lateral defects and illegal connections found on private property:

Sump Pump: Where seasonal groundwater exists, coupled with poor foundation drainage or failed/failing foundation waterproofing, sump pumps connected to sewers are sources of inflow. Sump pump connections to the sanitary sewer must be disconnected and rerouted into a drywell or pumped onto the property away from neighboring properties. When rerouting the sump pump, residents must ensure that no stormwater is being pumped onto the village right of way.

Driveway Drain or Yard Drain: Any connection from a driveway or yard drain into the sanitary sewer must be cut and rerouted. In most cases, a gravity solution may not be available, meaning residents would need to connect drains into a new or existing sump pump pit that discharges into a drywell, or onto their property away from any neighboring properties.

Roof Leader Downspout: Any identified connection from roof leader downspouts into the sanitary sewer must be cut and rerouted. Residents may reconnect into a drywell or discharge onto their property away from any neighboring properties.

Broken Sewer Lateral Cleanout Cap: While minor in nature, open cleanout caps allow for inflow. A broken or missing cleanout cap must be replaced.

Root Intrusion into Sewer Lateral: In areas of the sanitary sewer where root intrusion from trees and other plants is present, residents must have the roots cut and removed from the pipe if necessary and repair that section of pipe to prevent future issues. Repairs may include the installation of a cured in place 2 pipe liner, or grout sealing the damaged sections of pipe. Upon completion, owners may need to schedule routine maintenance to address reoccurring root issues.

Offset Joint, Pipe Fracture, or Defective Pipe: Where high ground water tables exist, defective sewer pipes are main contributors for infiltration. Damaged sanitary sewer pipes include, but are not limited to, any offset joints, cracked sections pipe, significant pipe sag, or collapsed sections of pipe. If possible, pipes can be lined with cured-in-place pipe lining materials or grout sealed. For substantial damage where lining is not an option, sections of pipe may need to be excavated and replaced with new pipe.

