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Southold Historical Museum Continues Winter Lecture Series: “Farm to Table: A Not so New Concept”

Southold Historical Museum 2024 Winter Lecture Series, “Farm to Table: A Not So New Concept” continues in April. For centuries, farming has been integral to life on the North Fork. In recent years, there has been a vibrant “Farm to Table” movement wherein chefs and home cooks prepare locally-sourced food. The series has been exploring various aspects of the movement which dates back farther than some realize.

The third lecture in the series titled “Keeping It Rooted on Long Island” will be held on Monday, April 8, 2024 at 5pm at the Southold Town Recreation Center at 970 Peconic Lane, Peconic, NY 11958. Renowned Chef Tom Schaudel will share his experience with using fresh, local ingredients. His menus have delighted the taste buds of many restaurant guests, but even as his offerings expand, he still features foods that one might see when driving through the North Fork on a late summer day. Schaudel will not only share stories from his remarkable history in the restaurant industry, he will also demonstrate some of his own “Farm to Table” culinary creations.

Deanna Witte-Walker, Southold Historical Museum’s executive director, stated, “The April 8 event promises to be more than just a lecture. While Tom Schaudel is a serious chef with an impressive resume, he is also a down to earth neighbor with a great sense of humor. We are honored to host him and can’t wait to see what he has cooked up!”

A 1973 graduate of The Culinary Institute of America, Schaudel has an extensive history. He opened his first restaurant, Panama Hatties in Huntington in 1983. He has since been the driving force behind a long list of acclaimed Long Island restaurants which include Spring Close House (East Hampton), Downtown Grille and Wine Bar (Montauk), 107 Forest Avenue (Locust Valley), Lemongrass (Roslyn), Tease (Roslyn) Coolfish (Syosset), Thom Thom (Wantagh), Passionfish (Westhampton Beach), Starfish (Merrick), The Jedediah Hawkins Inn (Jamesport), The Mansion at the Woodlands (Woodbury), Jewel by Tom Schaudel (Melville), Be-Ju Sashimi and Sake Bar (Melville), and The Petulant Wino (Aquebogue).

Having grown up on Long Island and living on the East End, Schaudel has a strong sense of place which has influenced his culinary style. His current line-up of local restaurants includes Amano (Mattituck), Alure (Southold), and Ross-Schaudel Catering and Event Planning (Mattituck). Schaudel has even had his own line of wines, under the Tom Schaudel “Reserve” label, made here on the North Fork and served at all of the restaurants.

He has been featured on such television shows as Gordon Elliot's *Door Knock Dinners* on Food Network, *Chef's Night Out* on Metro Channel, and has been a frequent guest chef on Long Island's own Channels 12 , 21, and Telecare, *The James Beard House* in New York City, and Ed Lowe's *Morning Show*. He has written two books – the first titled *Playing With Fire-Whining and Dining on the Gold Coast*, and the second - *A Second Helping: Whining and Dining on Long Island*

Southold Historical Museum's Winter Lecture Series is free and open to the public. Programs such as these support the mission of Southold Historical Museum to promote interest in and education about our local history. The Museum is indebted to the community for its support and specifically to The Poliwoda Team of Douglas Elliman Real Estate for their sponsorship of the "Farm to Table: A Not so New Concept" Winter Lecture Series.

For more information on this event or any other museum programs, please call (631) 765-5500 or email info@southoldhistorical.org. The "Farm to Table: A Not so New Concept" Lecture series continues through early spring with other guest speakers. More information to follow. Visit our website for other upcoming events: www.SoutholdHistorical.org