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Greenwich Historical Society Sets Stage for Shock! Tales of Horror, Joy and Surprise

Cos Cob, CT, October 15, 2013—Just in time for Halloween, the Historical Society's autumn Story Barn will feature tales that produced strong emotions of horror, surprise or joy. Story Barn, staged in a cabaret-like setting, is a creative approach to oral history that puts a contemporary spin on good, old-fashioned storytelling. On October 25, storytellers will focus on events in their personal experience that elicited horror, surprise or joy. As well as being seasonally appropriate, the theme of "shock" ties to the Historical Society's fall exhibition, The New Spirit and the Cos Cob Art Colony: Before and After the Armory Show. The 1913 Armory Show, officially titled The International Exhibition of Modern Art, was the first large exhibition of modern art in the United States and one that introduced astonished Americans to European "avant-garde" artists such as Pablo Picasso, Henri Matisse and Paul Cezanne. Much of the exhibit was "shocking" at the time and influenced the later work of countless American artists, including Cos Cob art colony artists.

Now in its fourth year, Story Barn is an excellent opportunity to hear amazing yarns spun by friends and neighbors. Beer, wine and light snacks will be served. Emceed by former board member and comedian Bonnie Levison, the evening's lineup will be...a surprise!

October 25, 2013 Greenwich Historical Society, Vanderbilt Education Center 39 Strickland Road, Cos Cob, CT 06807

Members \$15; nonmembers \$20. Beer, wine and light snacks will be served.

To reserve, visit <u>www.greenwichhistory.org</u> or call 203-869-6899, Ext. 10. Space is limited.



Comedian and program organizer Bonnie Levison