

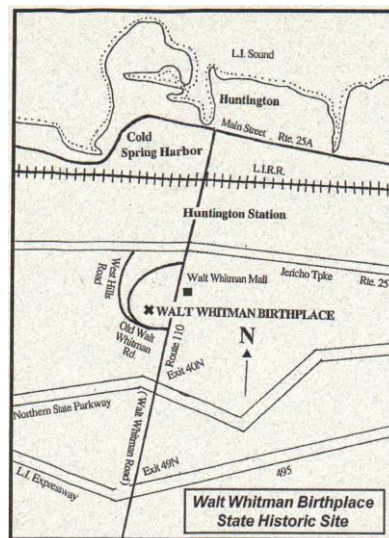
PROGRAMS & EVENTS

- ❖ Annual *Poet-in-Residence* designation features a Master Poetry Workshop Class and an evening Poetry Reading
- ❖ *Walking with Whitman Series* showcases national and regional poets, & includes a community open mic, live music, and refreshments
- ❖ Annual *Long Island Poet of the Year Award* is given to an esteemed community writer and leader
- ❖ Annual *Reading & Discussion Series* is sponsored by Humanities New York
- ❖ *Annual Student Poetry Contest* awards over 100 winning young poets each year
- ❖ Museum Studies Internship program and Volunteer credits available for High School & College students
- ❖ School programs feature guided tours of the Birthplace & poetry writing workshops for Pre-K – Grade 12
- ❖ Guided tours of the Birthplace are given to thousands of local, national, and international visitors each year
- ❖ Art Exhibitions on display in The Gathering House
- ❖ Members and Scholars are invited to view Special Collections and Curatorial items by appointment
- ❖ Badge-earning programs for Troops and Scouts
- ❖ Family Day programs are offered throughout the year including Halloween, Yuletide, and St. Patrick's Day
- ❖ Victorian Tea Parties & Tours for Adults & Children
- ❖ Educational programs and workshops

WALT WHITMAN BIRTHPLACE

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Summer Hours

Monday – Friday 11am-4pm
Saturday/Sunday 11am-4pm

Winter Hours

Wednesday – Friday 1pm-4pm
Saturday/Sunday 11am-4pm

Summer Hours begin June 15.
Winter Hours begin on Labor Day.

Closed Holidays

Easter Sunday
Thanksgiving Day
Christmas Day
New Year's Day

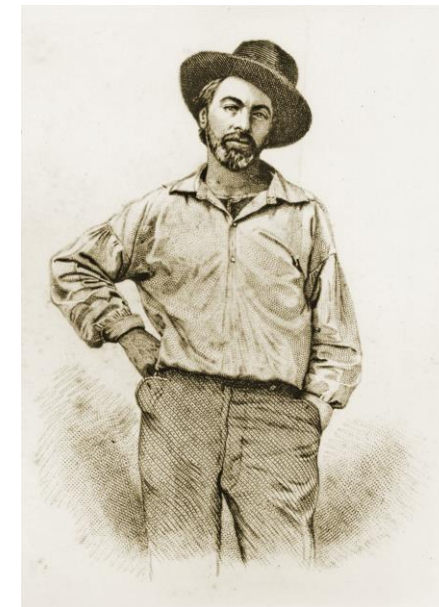
School/Group Tours & High Teas by appointment

We are a charitable organization to which donations are tax exempt pursuant to Section 501(c) 3 of the Internal Revenue Code.

Walt Whitman
birthplace • state historic site • interpretive center

246 Old Walt Whitman Road
Huntington Station, New York 11746

“An American Treasure”



JOIN US!



National Literary Landmark
National Register of Historic Places



**Parks, Recreation
and Historic Preservation**

*“Starting from fish-shape
Paumanok, where I was born”*



The **WALT WHITMAN BIRTHPLACE ASSOCIATION** was organized in 1949 and purchased Whitman's birthplace to safeguard it for future generations. In 1957, the Birthplace Association gave New York State title to property.

The Association, working in cooperation with NYS Office of Parks, Recreation & Historic Preservation, preserves the house where the poet was born and lived the early years of his life, and makes the poet's life and work accessible to all through guided tours, school programs, events and exhibits. The farm house was built by Walt's father circa 1810 and Walt was born here on May 31, 1819.

In the modern Interpretive Center, built in 1997, visitors delve deeply into Whitman's life and poetry through a series of engaging exhibits. Among important artifacts are a writing desk used by Walt as a young school teacher on Long Island and a first edition of his epic book of poetry, *Leaves of Grass*. The Interpretive Center houses a museum shop and a multimedia area that offers a biographical video and a recording of Whitman's voice. The Center also contains a performance space with stage and seating for 80 guests, a meeting room (capacity 50), and kitchen facilities. Glass doors offer a panoramic view of the Grand Lawn and the 8' bronze statue of *Whitman with Butterfly*. The Gathering House, built in 2004 utilizing the original floorboards of the prior barn, offers space for Art Exhibits and meetings.

MISSION STATEMENT

Walt Whitman Birthplace Association is Walt Whitman's voice today, celebrating the poet's vision of democracy, diversity, and creativity. Our programs and exhibits educate the public on Whitman's life and times, explore his contribution to our nation's rich cultural heritage, and inspire poets, artists, and writers.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

INDIVIDUAL \$30

Discount rate for student, teacher, veteran, senior, young professional \$20

- Unlimited individual free admission to Walt Whitman Birthplace, Interpretive Center & Gathering House
- Annual subscription to our newsletter *Starting from Paumanok*
- Discounts for poetry programs, workshops and events
- 10% discount in Museum Gift Shop

FAMILY \$40

All of the above benefits for a family and/or unit of four

FRIEND \$50

All of the above benefits plus:

- Placement of your book in Museum Gift Shop

LIBRARY PASS \$150

- Unlimited free admission for all patrons to the Birthplace, Interpretive Center & Gathering House
- "Print on Demand" passes are accepted

ORGANIZATION & BUSINESS \$75

- Membership card for unlimited free admission
- Discount on rentals for meetings, social events, job development workshops, presentations, etc.
- Organization or Business listed on our website as a Friend

PATRON \$100

All of the above benefits plus:

- Acknowledgement of your contribution listed in *Starting from Paumanok*

SPONSOR \$250

All of the above benefits plus:

- *Walt Whitman: The Measure of His Song*, 200th Birthday Edition, signed by Editor & Whitman Scholar, Ed Folsom

ASSOCIATE \$500

All of the above benefits plus:

- *Behind the Scenes* tour with Curator
- 10% discount for site rentals for personal poetry readings or social events

BENEFACTOR \$1000

All of the above benefits plus:

- WWBA Poet-in-Residence's Book & Broadside

POETS CIRCLE \$2500+

All of the above benefits plus:

- Invitation to Trustee dinner with annual Poet in Residence
- Name inscribed on museum wall plaque
- Gilt-edged hardback edition of *Leaves of Grass*

I WANT TO SUPPORT THE BIRTHPLACE SIGN ME UP!

New Membership Renewal

NAME: _____

EMAIL: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

FOR GIFT MEMBERSHIP

RECIPIENT NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

METHOD OF PAYMENT

Check amount: \$ _____

Payable to: *Walt Whitman Birthplace Association*

246 Old Whitman Rd., Huntington, NY 11746

Charge membership amount: \$ _____

AMEX VISA MASTERCARD DISCOVER

Card # _____

Exp. Date _____

Signature _____

Pay Online and/or via PayPal at www.waltwhitman.org

Fax charged membership to: **631-427-5247**

SELECT MEMBERSHIP LEVEL

<input type="checkbox"/> Discount	\$20	Reason for Discount	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Individual	\$30		
<input type="checkbox"/> Family	\$40		
<input type="checkbox"/> Friend	\$50		
<input type="checkbox"/> Library	\$150		
<input type="checkbox"/> Org-Business	\$75	Areas of Interest	
<input type="checkbox"/> Patron	\$100	<input type="checkbox"/> Biography	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor	\$250	<input type="checkbox"/> Poetry	
<input type="checkbox"/> Associate	\$500	<input type="checkbox"/> History	
<input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor	\$1000	<input type="checkbox"/> Education	
<input type="checkbox"/> Poets Circle	\$2500+		