



“Newport, a Fabled Destination” Presentation
By Bettie Bearden Pardee
Rosecliff, August 27 at 6pm

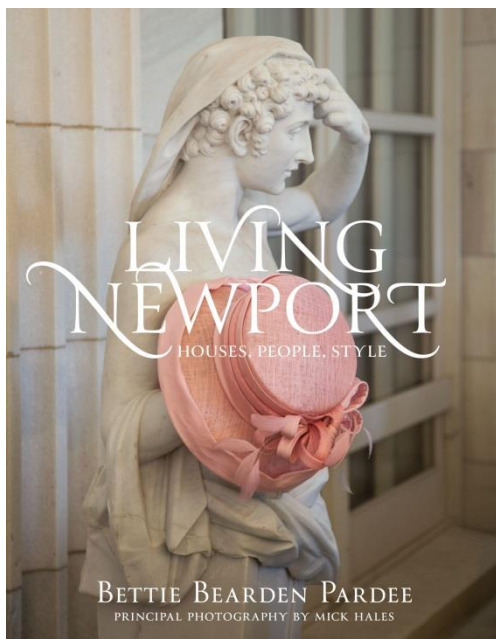
Part of the Preservation Society of Newport County’s “Great Escapes” Summer Lecture Series

Book Signing of “Living Newport: People, Houses, Style” and Refreshments of Pink Desserts & Champagne/Prosecco to Follow Lecture

(Newport, RI) As part of the Preservation Society of Newport County’s “Great Escapes” 2014 Summer Lecture Series, author **Bettie Bearden Pardee** presents ***Newport, a Fabled Destination*** on Wednesday, August 27 at 6pm at Rosecliff, 548 Bellevue Avenue.

Newport is its own Great Escape, a premier destination for sumptuous weddings, world-class sailing regattas and Downton Abbey-esque sporting rituals. From Presidents to philanthropists, it is also known for the people who have summered and socialized here. Played across a spectrum of stunning backdrops -- Bellevue Avenue to Ocean Drive, Hammersmith Farm to Bailey’s Beach -- Newport’s unique combination of old world architecture and contemporary charm are celebrated as it marks its 375th anniversary.

Admission: Preservation Society members \$15; general admission \$20. Refreshments of pink desserts and pink Champagne/Prosecco will be served after the lecture. Advance reservations are required. Reservations can be made online at www.NewportMansions.org or by calling (401) 847-1000 ext. 111.



A book signing of Ms. Pardee’s latest coffee table book, ***Living Newport: Houses, People, Style*** will follow the lecture. Exclusively available in Newport this summer and on bookshelves nationwide in September 2014, ***Living Newport: Houses, People, Style*** (published by Glitterati Inc. New York/London) is the fourth design and entertaining book by Newport’s Bettie Bearden Pardee.

Living Newport offers private access – throwing open the doors of seventeen Newport properties – by an author who has the longstanding relationships to ensure entrée into these very private domains.

Through the lens of the four seasons, and against an elegant backdrop, the reader is given an insider’s view of these stylish residents who live in Newport for its attractions, associations, architecture, stylish charms and natural beauty.

About Bettie Bearden Pardee

Bettie Bearden Pardee is the author of books on gardening and entertaining, including *Private Newport: At Home and in the Garden*. A former contributing editor to *Bon Appetit*, she produced the featured editorial, "Entertaining with Style". In addition, Bearden Pardee served as the host and creative producer of the thirteen-part PBS series *The Presidential Palate: Entertaining at the White House*.



An accomplished hostess, her home, "Parterre," provides the ideal setting for carrying on Newport's tradition of gracious living. Bettie is an active community leader and Chair of many events that are staples of the social season, including the Newport Flower Show.

As a connoisseur of garden design, the art of entertaining and Newport style, Ms. Pardee's creative lectures reflect a range of popular lifestyle topics, from "Entertaining, Newport Style....when Grace Kelly was a Guest" to "Wit and Whimsy in the Garden". She has been a guest lecturer for the Atlanta Botanical Garden, Santa Barbara Historical Society, Garden Education Center of Greenwich, and the Boston Committee of the Garden Club of America among others. With a selection of illustrated lectures that enlighten and amuse, Ms. Pardee has lectured for groups small and large (500). Lecture inquiries are welcome through Bettie Bearden Pardee's web site, www.PrivateNewport.com and her Facebook page.

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