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Please join us for the

48th Annual

Creative Living Series

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The Woodstock Fine Arts Association

is an organization of volunteers in support of the arts and the Opera House. Funds are raised for scholarships and Opera House restoration. Programming efforts also include a school children's performance series that introduces students throughout the area to the appreciation of the performing arts.

Creative Living Series Committee:

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BOX OFFICE INFORMATION

- Phone: (815) 338-5300
- Hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM and Saturday, 12:00 PM - 5:00 PM and two hours before performances
- Visa, MasterCard and Discover accepted

POLICIES

- No exchanges or refunds.
- \$2 handling charge on all phone orders and mail orders.
- Performances are subject to change.
- \$3.00 surcharge per ticket is included in the series and single ticket prices. This charge has been authorized by the City of Woodstock with all proceeds being applied to the Opera House Annex Project.

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Creative Living Series

All Programs Begin at 10:00 a.m. • Coffee and Conversation Offered at 9:00 a.m.

Bob Sirott

MY FOUR NETWORKS –
STORIES FROM MY CAREER
OCTOBER 20, 2011



Bob Sirott has been in broadcasting for over four decades. He began as a page at NBC and returned later as an anchorman for that network. He established himself as Chicago's number one afternoon radio personality on ABC's WLS before stepping out in front of the camera. Sirott was anchor and correspondent for the CBS magazine show *West 57th* and he was a pioneering

developer of local morning TV programs for NBC and Fox. Now he is back at Fox as the evening news anchor. A lifelong Chicagoan, Sirott is known for his "One More Thing" commentaries, many of which are Chicago-related.

Eddie Ross

CELEBRATE IN STYLE
NOVEMBER 17, 2011



Lifestyle expert and former *Martha Stewart Living* Senior Style Editor Eddie Ross is well-known for inspiring readers with clever decorating and entertaining ideas, combing the country's flea markets and giving new life to old things. With columns in *Woman's Day* and *Southern Living* magazines, together with a popular blog at eddieross.com, Ross brings a unique combination of beauty and awareness to clients,

including Lowe's, Sears, Kmart and Carleton V. A graduate of the Culinary Institute of America and former Associate Design Director at Food Network, Ross will share ideas and demonstrations for creating stylish table settings, dazzling centerpieces and artful presentations for holiday fare.

Maria Finitzo

TELLING A STORY THROUGH FILM
JANUARY 19, 2012



Filmmaker Maria Finitzo documents the drama of ordinary lives as a way to deepen our understanding of society and inspire change. A long time associate of the documentary company Kartemquin Films, she has tackled subjects ranging from the controversial science of stem cell research (*Terra Incognita*, which won the Peabody Award) to the survival strategies of girls navigating the rocky waters of

adolescence (*5 Girls*). Finitzo has completed her first fiction film, *Life Lessons*, from her original screenplay, and has begun work on *In the Game*, her next documentary film.

Leslie Hindman

DEMYSTIFYING THE AUCTION PROCESS
FEBRUARY 16, 2012



What's it worth? is a question that auctioneer, author, and television host Leslie Hindman is used to hearing. Since founding Leslie Hindman Auctioneers in 1982, she has been a driving force in the auction industry. She has shared her expertise as host of *At the Auction with Leslie Hindman* and *The Appraisal Fair* on HGTV, and as author of the critically acclaimed book *Adventures at*

the Auction. From contemporary paintings, fine jewelry and French furniture to rare books and manuscripts, Hindman offers ten criteria for determining the value of an object and shares stories from behind the scenes.

Laura Caldwell

THE INNOCENCE PROJECT
MARCH 15, 2012



Laura Caldwell, lawyer-turned-author-turned-humanitarian, is the Director of Life After Innocence, a program that helps people who have been wrongfully convicted rebuild their lives and reclaim their rights as citizens. Research on her sixth novel led Caldwell to the criminal case of Jovan Mosley, a young man charged with murder who sat in a holding cell for nearly six years awaiting

trial. Compelled by his story, she joined Mosley's defense team and ultimately won his acquittal. The experience inspired her first nonfiction book, *Long Way Home*. Caldwell is Distinguished Scholar in Residence at Loyola University Chicago School of Law.

Robert K. Wittman

FBI'S ART CRIME TEAM FOUNDER
APRIL 19, 2012



During a 20-year career with the FBI, Robert Wittman recovered over \$300 million worth of stolen art and cultural property. Among them: a Rembrandt stolen from the Swedish National Museum and valued at \$36 million; five Norman Rockwell paintings worth \$1 million, stolen from a private Minneapolis gallery and recovered from a farmhouse in Brazil; Geronimo's eagle feather war bonnet, valued at \$1.2 million; and an original copy of the Bill

of Rights, stolen by a Union Soldier and valued at \$30 million. Wittman, often referred to as the FBI's Real Indiana Jones, details the undercover operations that solved the world's greatest art heists in his book *Priceless*.

Past Speakers Include

Maya Angelou, Carol Marin, Charlie Trotter, Colin Cowie, B. Smith, Calvin Trillin, Dr. Michael Roizen, Nuala O'Faolain, Jane & Michael Stern, Beverly Sills, Martha Stewart, Shelley Berman, Dr. Joyce Brothers, Wally Phillips, Joan Benny, Rick Steves, Studs Terkel, Joseph Epstein, Amy Dickinson, Loretta LaRoche, Shozo Sato, Jane Hamilton, Rick Bayless, Ann Patchett, John Callaway, Janet Carroll, Bill Kurtis, Betsy Palmer, Sarah Paretsky, Joel Daly