Autumn 2026 Members' Trip

Norman Rockwell Museum and The Mount

Spend a lovely day traveling with friends -
old and new – visiting two wonderful museums!

Tuesday, September 15, 2026

· The Berkshires

Members will delight in spending a day traveling to Massachusetts in the beautiful Berkshires!
Enjoy a special tour at Norman Rockwell Museum
and then travel the short distance to enjoy a delicious lunch (included) and
ample free time on the beautiful grounds of The Mount, home to Edith Wharton.

We will then make the short trip to stop at Main Street Stockbridge
for a group photo followed by time to enjoy a little shopping.

The trip also includes lots of excitement on the bus and, of course, some prizes!

TRIP ITINERARY –

Please note this is the tentative plan but there may be some small changes to tour times.

7:30 am	Bus departs from Fenimore Art Museum. *Please arrive by 7:15am ready for a great day of art and great company.* *Breakfast/snack items will be on the bus and some fun games with prizes!*
9:45 am	Arrive at **Norman Rockwell Museum**.
10:00 am - 11:00 pm	Enjoy a special group tour of Revolution to Rockwell.

This day includes the 2026 Special Exhibit, ***American Stories: From Revolution to Rockwell***. This very special exhibition is planned in commemoration of America's 250th founding, Norman Rockwell Museum will present American Stories: From Revolution to Rockwell, from June 6 through October 26, 2026. This sweeping exhibition will portray how artists – from the Revolutionary War era to today – emblazoned the ideals and evolving story of America. American Stories: From Revolution to Rockwell will illuminate how iconic imagery created over centuries helped to reflect and shape what it means to be American. Join **Russell Lord, Chief of Curator Affairs,** for a tour of ***American Stories: Revolution to Rockwell.*** This thematic exhibition explores how artists over the last 250 years have represented America's evolving story. Lord will discuss how select works on view reflect and shape American identity. The tour will also touch on the role illustration has played in tracing the actual history of the nation as well as communicating our shared values and aspirations.

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11:00 am - 11:45 pm	Free time to explore at your own pace the remainder of the museum and walk the grounds and visit the museum shop.

You will also be able to enjoy the Museum Grounds…on the Museum's scenic 36-acre site, enjoy a walk with stunning Berkshire vistas, including gardens, specimen trees and plants (identified with labels), and sculptures created by Norman Rockwell's son Peter; meander through our field paths to the Housatonic River, or pick an apple from trees planted for each Rockwell grandchild. Bring your own picnic or select New England favorites from our ***Terrace Café,*** *which is open seasonally. Visitors may sketch or paint on the grounds, using their own materials – or purchase kits in the Museum Store.*

11:45 pm - 12:45 pm	Enjoy a special group tour of his studio.

Rockwell's Studio - Open for the season and Closing November 8, 2026
Rockwell called his Stockbridge studio, his "best studio yet." The building was originally located in the backyard of his home on South Street in Stockbridge, Mass. In 1976, toward the end of his life, Rockwell left the studio and its contents to Norman Rockwell Museum. The building was cut in two and moved to the Museum's grounds in 1986.

1:00 pm	Board the bus for next stop - **The Mount, Edith Wharton Cultural Center.**
1:15 pm – 2:15 pm	Enjoy a tour of the house and history of The Mount.
2:15 pm – 3:00 pm	Meet on Terrace for a group photo then time for INCLUDED late afternoon lunch on the grounds of The Mount.
3:00 pm	Explore at your own pace and time to walk the garden grounds and visit the museum shop.
4:30 pm	Board the bus to enjoy Main Street.
5:00– 6:00 pm	Stop to peruse and shop on Main Street, Stockbridge * – perhaps enjoy a drink and small bite to bring on the bus!

** Please note: Dinner is not included in the price of the trip. Please plan to pick up something in Stockbridge or bring along with you.*

6:30 pm	Board the bus for the return trip.
8:45 pm	Arrive in Cooperstown at Fenimore Art Museum with wonderful memories of a day well spent!