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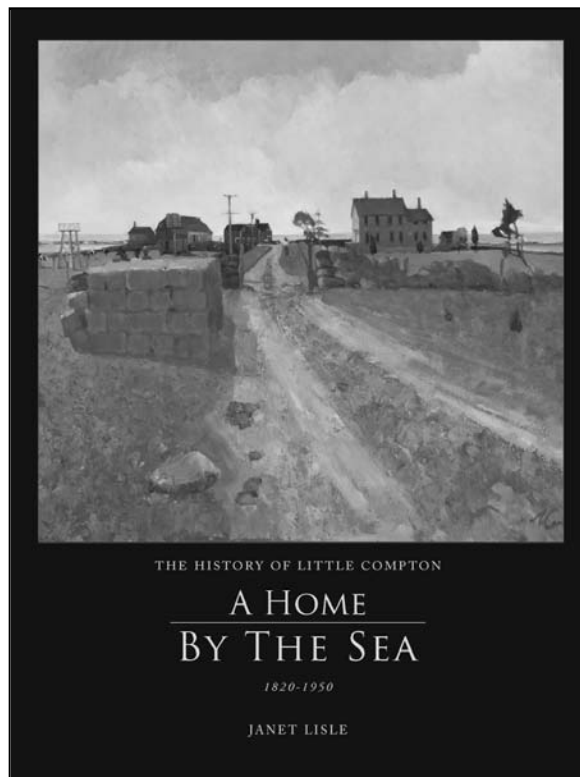
The History of Little Compton A Home By the Sea

1820-1950

Available in July

A Home by the Sea

After two years of research, writing and production, Janet Lisle's second volume of Little Compton history will be published in just a few short weeks. The new book, entitled *The History of Little Compton, A Home By the Sea, 1820-1950*, is the companion to Ms. Lisle's *First Light: Sakonnet* which was published by the Historical Society in 2010 and is now in its second printing. Together both books chronicle Little Compton's history and its connections to the wider world from the time of the Sakonnet Indians to the middle of the twentieth century.



of the previous century and new innovations in business and industry. The Civil War, immigration, tourism, World War I, Prohibition, The Depression, new technologies and World War II provided area residents with challenges and opportunities their eighteenth century ancestors could never have imagined. Through every decade the town witnessed the comings and goings of its men and women—leaving to seek their fortune, receive an education, or serve their country—and then returning once again to visit or settle in our home by the sea.

The Book

A Home by the Sea opens in the early nineteenth century as Little Compton is pulled between the farming traditions

The Exhibition

The publication of the book corresponds with the opening of a new special exhibition by the same name at the Wilbor House

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Save The Dates

Exhibit Preview Party	July 6
Family Day	July 7
Annual Meeting	Aug. 8
75th Anniversary	Aug. 19
Cider Social	Oct. 11

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WANTED AS GIFTS OR LOANS!

Antique or Vintage Items

To be sold in our Antique Sale to benefit the Historical Society.

Antique Items with Little Compton Histories

For possible inclusion in our permanent collection. The Collections Committee will review each item.

Digital Images of Family Photographs

Your clearly labeled photographs may help us identify the hundreds of unidentified photos in our collection.

Obituaries, Funeral and Memorial Service Programs, Copies of Eulogies

Help us document the lives of our 20th century residents by sharing information about your loved ones with us.

Written Histories

Record your Little Compton memories and we will archive them.

Corporate Members

Local businesses play an important role in the preservation and presentation of Little Compton's history. Additional Corporate Members are always welcome. Please call 635-4035 or complete the membership form on page 8.

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Museum. The exhibition will feature more than 50 original artworks by Sakonnet Area artists (each of which is for sale) as well as historic objects from the Society's collection. It will be open Thurs.-Sun. from 1 to 5 PM beginning July 7 through Labor Day and on Sat.-Sun. through Columbus Day. The exhibit is free to LCHS members and \$5 to non-members.

The Events

A variety of special events will celebrate the publication of the book and the opening of the exhibit. Please see pages 6-7.

Buy The Book

A Home by the Sea will be available for sale at the Wilbor House Museum, at the Congregational Church Fair, Amazon.com, Wilbur's Store, Partner's Village Store, Sakonnet Vineyards and other area retailers. The cost is \$35. Members will receive a \$5 discount if they purchase the book at the Wilbor House.

SUMMER HOURS

Wilbor House Tours Special Exhibition

Thurs.-Sun.

1-5 PM

or

by appointment

Research

by appointment

Office Hours

Tuesday ~ Friday

9 AM ~ 3 PM



Take a Rhody Ramble!

Visit the Wilbor House
and other great RI Places
this Summer!

- Pick up your Rhody Ramble passport at the Wilbor House.
- Start exploring with your family.
- Stamp your passport and enter to win prizes!

Wilbor House Events

Family Day	Saturday, July 7	1-4 PM	<i>See page 7</i>
Please Touch Tour	Thursday, July 19	1 PM	
Please Touch Tour	Friday, August 10	1 PM	
Cider Social	Monday, October 8	1-4 PM	

The Rhody Ramble is a passport to history that helps kids and families explore Rhode Island's unique historic places with programming created especially for them! From waterfront mansions to working farms, the Rhody Ramble offers many different ways for visitors to experience early life in Rhode Island. A full calendar of events includes outdoor festivals, music concerts, scavenger hunts and hands-on activities. Created as a guide both for local families and visitors, the Rhody Ramble helps kids to connect with Rhode Island's history and discover its hidden treasures.

The Rhody Ramble includes 18 member organizations of the Historic Sites Coalition of Rhode Island (HSCRI), a network of historic places open to the public. Founded in 2007, the HSCRI brings together stewards of historic sites to share resources, exchange ideas and promote Rhode Island's unique places. The HSCRI is a program of Preserve Rhode Island, a statewide preservation advocacy organization.

Visit Rhody Ramble: <http://www.rhodyramble.org>

Enter the Contest: <http://www.rhodyramble.org/Home/Contest>

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THE
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Little Compton Historical Society
Annual Meeting

Wednesday, August 8, 2012

7:00 PM Business Meeting

7:15 PM Annual Speaker

United Congregational Church

Featured Speaker Janet Lisle

Author of: THE HISTORY OF LITTLE COMPTON

**A HOME
BY THE SEA**

1820-1950



Photograph by Allison Taggart Barone

Free and Open to the Public. Refreshments will be served.



LITTLE COMPTON
HISTORICAL SOCIETY

is participating in the
**Little Compton
Antiques Show**

**August 3-4
At Sakonnet Vineyards**

Please donate antiques and vintage items in good
condition for the Historical Society's booth.

Antique & Vintage Items Needed

***Clean out your attics and barns and
please donate your items!***

We will pick up at your home!

Donations are tax-deductible and proceeds benefit
the Historical Society's programs and activities.

Call 635-4035

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24 Hours A Day

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And click on the

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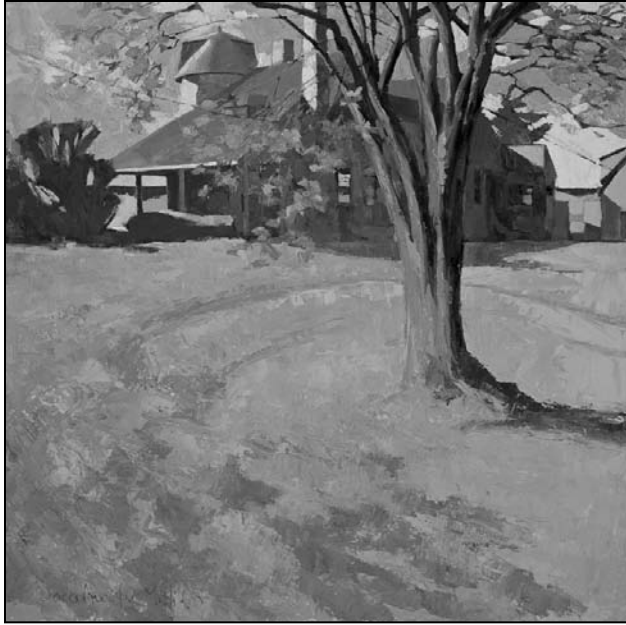
To browse images
and information on
over 13,000 items
related to Little
Compton's History.



*Ladies Bathing Suit
LCHS On-Line Collection*

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Special Exhibition 2012



Mill House by Dora Atwater Millikin

The History of Little Compton A Home By the Sea

An exhibition of new art and historic objects

Free to Members

\$5 Non-Members

(\$7.50 includes Wilbor House Tour)

\$2.50 Non-Member Children

(\$5 includes Wilbor House Tour)

July 7–Labor Day

Thursday–Sunday 1-5 PM

Labor Day–Columbus Day:

Saturday & Sunday 1-5 PM

Private Tours for Groups of Any Size—By Appointment

Find our Books on Amazon.com

All of the Historical Society's publications
are now available on Amazon.com

Search for them today!

Or stop by the Wilbor House Museum
Shop, Wilbur's General Store, Sakonnet Vineyards
or Partner's Village Store

Available
July 12 on
Amazon.com

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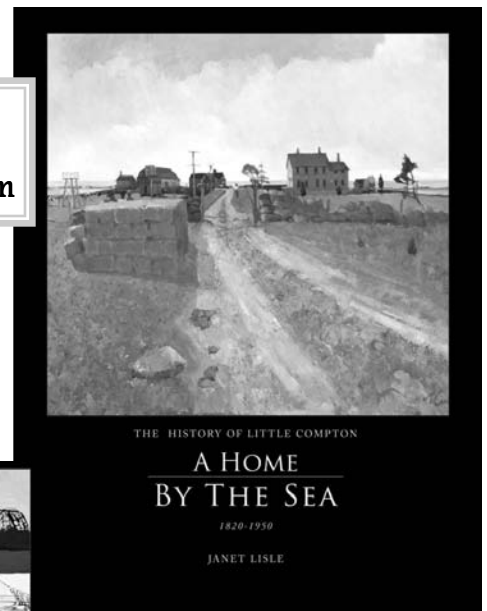
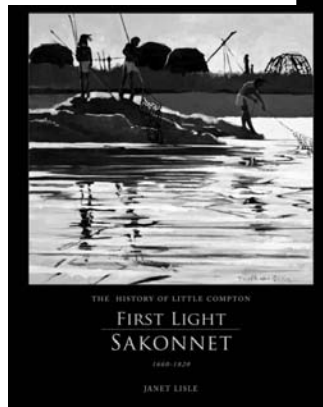
By Janet Lisle

The History of Little Compton

First Light: Sakonnet

1660-1820

By Janet Lisle





From Second Creek to South Shore by Meredith Wildes Cornell

Exhibit Preview Party

Honoring the publication of
THE HISTORY OF LITTLE COMPTON

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JANET LISLE

**Friday, July 6, 2012
6-8 PM**

The Wilbor House Museum

Catering by Wilhelmina's Catering
Wine from Sakonnet Vineyards
Open Bar: Wine, Beer and Soft Drinks

Book Signing by Janet Lisle 6:30-8 PM
Silent Auction of New Works
by over 40 Sakonnet Area Artists

Tickets on sale to members June 1, Non-members June 15

Exhibit Preview Party

Please return this form to
LCHS, PO Box 577, Little Compton, RI 02837 by June 29
Please make checks payable to LCHS. Tickets will be held at the door.

_____ I (We) plan to attend Number Attending _____

- Guests \$ 30 per person
- Supporters \$ 50 per person
- Sponsors \$ 100 per person

Name(s) _____

The amount of your gift over \$30 per person is tax deductible.

_____ I (We) are unable to attend but would like to make the following tax deductible donation. \$ _____

Little Compton Historical Society

Family Day

Saturday, July 7
12-4 PM

Free and Open to the Public

Honoring the publication of
THE HISTORY OF LITTLE COMPTON

A HOME BY THE SEA

1820-1950

JANET LISLE

Book Signing from 12:30-2:30 PM

Silent Auction of New Works
by over 40 Sakonnet Area Artists

FREE:

Special Exhibition: *A Home By the Sea*

Wilbor House Tours

Refreshments

Children's Activities



LCHS Membership

- Event Sponsor \$250 & up
- Program Sponsor \$150
- Supporting \$100
- Corporate \$75
- Contributing \$50
- Family \$30
- Individual \$20
- My Company will match my membership or gift. Completed matching form enclosed.

Please make checks payable to:

Little Compton Historical Society
PO Box 577, Little Compton, RI 02837

Name: _____

Address: _____

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State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Membership

With Benefits from Coast to Coast

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Your Historical Society membership card provides you with **FREE or Discounted Admission to 250 historic sites all across the country!**

For a complete list of participating sites log onto
www.mohistory.org/content/membershipservices/timetravelers.aspx
or call LCHS at 635-4035.

As always you'll enjoy local membership benefits including free admission to the Wilbor House and our special exhibitions, invitations to special events and advance registration for our most popular programs. Most importantly, your membership gift helps preserve Little Compton's rich history for generations.

Members receive \$5 off every copy of *A Home By the Sea*

Postal Customer

Tickets starting at \$75

5-8PM

Sunday, August 19, 2012

*An Evening at
Goosewing Farm*

75th Anniversary Celebration

Member's Only Event

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