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RFA Home Tour

12:30 - 3:30 PM, August 6

and the

Taste of Rangeley

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After-Party:

3:30 PM at the Mountain Star Estate
includes desserts, coffee and full cash bar

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Welcome to the RFA's annual Home Tour fundraiser to benefit arts education programs for local youth. All homes are open for the tour at 12:30-3:30 PM.

General Information:

Plan to begin the tour at the first site promptly at 12:30 PM as it will take the three hours to visit all the properties.

This year the tour will include food offerings featuring local chefs and restaurants at each home. The Chefs/ Restaurants include Kirk Wright of Bald Mountain Camps, Steven True of the Portage House, Joanna Farrar of Classic Provisions, Nicole Brochu of Bigelow Fields Micro Bakery, Sarge Pub and Grub, and the Furbish House Brewpub. Explore the grounds and views while enjoying local fare served under a tent. Then join us at Mountain Star Estate barn for cocktails (cash bar), gourmet desserts and coffee while you are entertained by Katie Tressler's vocals accompanied by Don Mantovani on the keyboard.

Your ticket purchase helps fund in-school, after school and summer programs for local youth. Tickets can be purchased in advance on-line at rangeleyarts.org and at the RFA Lakeside Theater in Rangeley. Last minute tickets are sold at the home tour sites during the tour (cash only).

A special thank you to our sponsor Experience Rangeley Magazine. Thank you to the property owners for opening up their homes. Also thank you to Priscilla St. Louis of Sunrise View Farm for donating floral arrangements at each home. We are so grateful to our volunteers; without them we could never hold this traditional event.

THE HOME TOUR LOCATIONS

Floating Camp: Roam. The houseboat of Rheanna Sinnett

Located at 274 Shore Road in Oquossoc

Floating Camp Roam is a built-from-scratch, custom design "ShantySkow" by Rick Keith of Falmouth, ME. This elegantly simple houseboat features reclaimed wood details, upcycled doors and windows and custom pagoda-style aft deck space. Reminiscent of a canal boat with long narrow lines, Roam maintains an open, airy feel surrounded by windows and slat hatches that keep you connected to the water just below eye level. Roam was built during winter/spring of 2019. It sleeps 1-3 guests and amenities include a kitchenette, wet bath and ample outdoor deck space. Probably the smallest home ever to be on the tour but certainly one of the most unique! Owned by a former Navy helicopter pilot, Certified Maine Guide and Yoga instructor with family ties to Rangeley, Sinnett claims that driving the houseboat is not unlike flying a helicopter. Maneuvering the boat takes a bit of practice and precision.

Directions: from downtown Rangeley drive 6.8 miles North on Route 4. Turn Left onto Shore Rd. (it runs parallel to Route 17); stay on it for 1/2 mile. The property is on your left.

Finlandia Lodge and Cabins. The home of Scott and Sennu Keith

Located at the very end (#282) of Bonney Point Road, off Route 4 on Rangeley Lake.

Finlandia lodge is a private waterfront location on the very tip of Bonney Point with expansive views of Rangeley Lake and Saddleback Mountain from almost every room in the house. Originally, it was built in 1920 as a fishing lodge, but in 2012 it was completely renovated. It now has 8 bedrooms that help to house the couple's young adult quadruplets and two young children, and a chef's kitchen with a great vaulted ceiling, huge library complete with hundreds of DVD's and books, beautiful screen porch that begs to be napped in, game room and bunk rooms in the walk out basement, drop down projection movie screen, claw-foot tubs, soaking tub, two private cabins and a water trampoline. The home owners have paid special atten-

tion to architectural details while renovating their home using antiques and salvaged pieces from all over the world. With roots in Finland the house has a slight Scandinavian flare and feel with a rustic edge. The Taste of Rangeley at this venue features Chef Kirk Wright from Bald Mountain Camps serving local fare under the white tent with sprawling views and the relaxing sounds of the loons.

Directions: from downtown Rangeley, drive 6.5 miles North on Route 4. Drive past the second Mingo Loop access and take the next road on the left – Bonney Point Road. Drive all the way to the end, and park on the side of the road.

The Furbish House and Brewpub

Located at 2541 Main Street in Rangeley

This historic Rangeley landmark was built in 1912 for Harry A. Furbish, a prominent Rangeley businessman. It was operated as the North Country Inn, Bed and Breakfast for years before it was sold this past year to Chip and Beth Smith. This wonderful main street location is one of the newest restaurant additions to Rangeley. Chip, Beth and family transformed this gem into a warm and inviting space to gather with friends, great food and beer. Guests can dine on the first floor in sight of a large brick pizza oven, open space brewing room and beautifully hand crafted bar in what use to be the dining room, there is seating up stairs in the converted bedrooms as well as out on the patio and covered porch. A third level displays oak floors, built in benches and access to widow's walk with magnificent views of the lake. The Restaurant features large rooms throughout with 9 foot ceilings, oak floors and cut glass doorknobs. We hear the pizza recipe took two years to perfect and it is perfection! Sample the pizza and explore this historical home on our tour this year. Cheers!

Directions: located in downtown Rangeley at the corner of Pleasant and Main Streets.

Fieldstone Cottages

Located off route 4 just before downtown 2342 Main St.

Newly built custom 4 season cabins and cottages in downtown Rangeley. Fieldstone Cottages are nestled in a beautiful meadow,

feels remote and peaceful. Each studio-style cabin sleeps 2-4 guests, has high ceilings and lots of natural light. The white washed walls and exposed beams and corrugated metal showers are warm and inviting. The frog pond comes alive in the summer and in the winter you can drive your snowmobile right onto the trails from your doorstep. So close to town that you can walk there faster then driving!

Directions: from downtown Rangeley, travel south on Route 4 for 0.4 miles – the cottages are on your Right.

The Farmhouse Inn

Located just outside of town on Route 4: 2057 Main Street

From 1833 to 1836 John, James, and Luther Hoar II purchased various properties from Squire James Rangeley to create a single large block. The resulting property is located at the spot where the Town of Rangeley and the four plantations of Dallas, Rangeley and Sandy River come together. In 1899 it was acquired by Nathan Ellis who purchased it from the heirs of Luther (who changed his name from Hoar) Nile. It was named Lake View Farm, but it is usually referred to as the Ellis Farm. At one time the farm housed 3000 sheep. Early on there were 12 or 13 barns were built to manage the sheep farm. The Big House, which was originally a barn, was finished in 1903.

Nate had eight sons and one daughter. His #7 son, Lynwood, purchased the Farm from the estate about 1917. Lynwood and Marion (Oakes) had 6 sons and 6 daughters. He continued the farm as a sheep farm and in the late 1920's he had fourteen single-room tourist cottages built near the lake for the tourist trade. He also established a central dining room in the Big House. In the early 1940's Lynwood purchased four other competing dairy units in the area and went into the dairy business on a large scale. The farm grew to a high point of nearly 300 head of cattle, 100 hogs, 200 chickens and 10-12 horses. Walter (#4 son) purchased a quarter interest in the Farm and modernized the operation and produced homogenized and pasteurized dairy products for the surrounding towns. He operated it jointly with his father until 1959.

From 1961-1973 the farm was used to raise beef cattle and large portions of the land was subdivided and sold off. The remaining 220 acre

farm was bought by Paul (son #5) and Barbara Ellis. In 1973 the farm was rebuilt and converted into an Inn. Over the years the inn has changed hands a few times and housed a pub and a full service restaurant. In 2013 Shane and Stacey Vorous bought the Inn and along with their 4 children started renovating once again, this time with the idea to turn it into a rustic and beautiful wedding venue while keeping the history alive. What was once the dairy pasteurizing barn is now an airy beautiful honeymoon suite; the Little House still shows the rustic beams and floors and a tiny staircase leading to the upstairs bedroom. The Vorous Family live and work out of the Farmhouse and strive to keep the history of one of Rangeley's oldest standing homes alive.

Directions: from downtown Rangeley, travel south on Route 4 for 1.4 miles. The Farmhouse is on your left. Plenty of parking.

The Mountain Star Estate

Located on the grounds above the Farmhouse Inn.

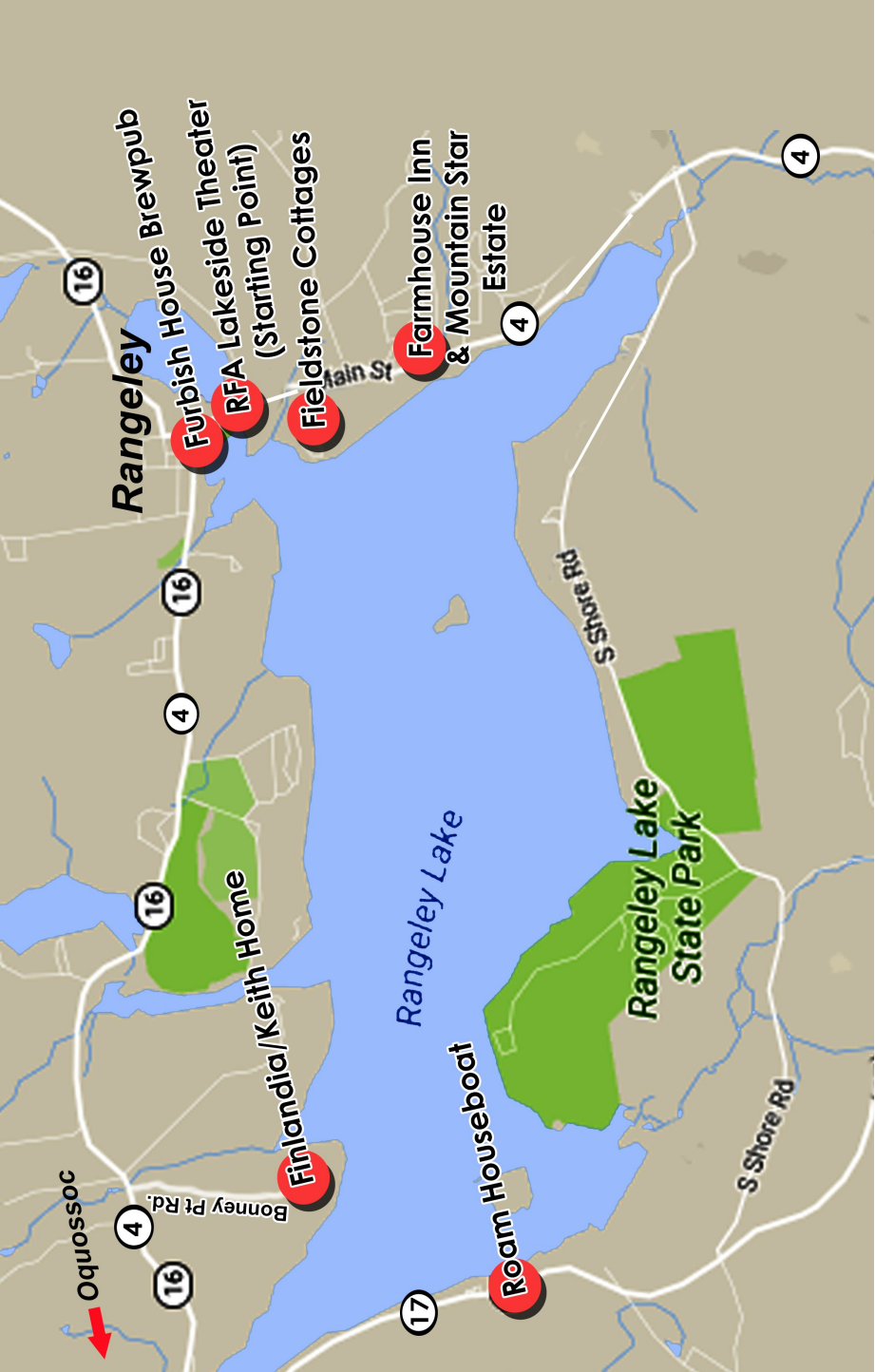
Built in 2017 this wedding barn was created using reclaimed beams and boards from an old chicken farm. The Vorous family painstakingly removed every nail and preserved the character and warmth of the wood with building this venue. Weddings and events for up to 200 can be held here and it is truly a breathtaking place. The Taste of Rangeley at this venue features desserts, coffee and cocktails (cash bar) as part of our After-Party.

*Thank you for supporting the arts education in Rangeley,
from the RFA Home Tour and Taste of Rangeley Committee:*

*Adrian Heatley, Joanna Farrar, Millie Hoekstra,
Amanda Brochu, Katie Emerson*

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Please carpool if possible, some locations have limited parking.

This is a self-guided tour and you can begin at any location. Please be at the first location promptly at 12:30, as it will take the full 3 hours to complete the tour.

DIRECTIONS: *all directions are from the RFA Lakeside Theater as a starting point – 2493 Main Street in Rangeley.*

FLOATING HOUSEBOAT: ROAM - 274 Shore Road, Oquossoc.

Directions: Drive 6.8 miles North on Route 4. Turn Left onto Shore Rd. (it runs parallel to Route 17); stay on it for 0.6 mile. The property is on your left.

FINLANDIA LODGE - 282 Bonney Pt. Road, Rangeley.

Directions: Drive 6.5 miles North on Route 4. Drive past the second Mingo Loop access and take the next road on the left – Bonney Point Road. Drive all the way to the end, and park on the side of the road.

FURBISH HOUSE BREWPUB - 2541 Main Street, Rangeley.

Directions: located in downtown Rangeley at the corner of Pleasant and Main Streets.

FIELDSTONE COTTAGES - 2342 Main Street, Rangeley.

Directions: Travel south on Route 4 for 0.4 miles – the cottages are on your Right.

FARMHOUSE INN - 2057 Main Street, Rangeley.

Directions: Travel south on Route 4 for 1.4 miles; it's on your left. Plenty of parking.

MOUNTAIN STAR ESTATE - 2057 Main Street - is located on the grounds of the Farmhouse Inn.

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