

Pilgrim Society Pilgrim Hall Museum



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Pilgrim Hall Museum Presents
Wickedly & Maliciously:
Mehitable Warren & Witchcraft in Plymouth
An illustrated lecture at Pilgrim Hall Museum
by
Emily Czirr Finelli
Monday, October 29, 7 to 8 pm.
Sponsored by Richard & Deanna Nealey and
Stephen C. O'Neill, Associate Director and Curator Pilgrim Hall

Looking for a new witch hunt this Halloween? There's no better way to prepare for the holiday than by spending an eerie October evening learning about local witchcraft cases. The word "witch" often brings to mind the 1692 witchcraft hysteria in Salem, but, there were numerous lesser known witchcraft accusations throughout New England and Massachusetts. According to a 1708/9 document in the Archives of Pilgrim Hall Museum, Mehitable Wilder Warren, a Plymouth woman was accused of being a witch. The original document will be on display from early September through the end of December in the exhibit Written, Printed, and Drawn: Rarities of Plymouth's Past. Mehitable Warren's court case has surprising connections to the Salem Witchcraft trials. And the Warren case was not the Plymouth area's only witchcraft case, there were two Seventeenth Century witchcraft accusations. Find out how these Plymouth cases fit in with New England witchcraft hysteria in the late 17th and early 18th centuries on Monday October 29 at 7pm for the lecture "Wickedly & Maliciously": Mehitable Warren and Witchcraft in Plymouth given by the Pilgrim Hall Museum's Weekend Manager and Curatorial Intern Emily Czirr Fanelli. Don't miss this chance to learn about these hidden witches in Plymouth history. This program is generously sponsored by Richard and Deanna Nealey and Stephen C. O'Neill, Associate Director/Curator, Pilgrim Hall.

Pilgrim Hall Museum is located at 75 Court Street (Route 3A), Plymouth, Massachusetts 02360.

Information: 508-746-1620; Web site: www.pilgrimhall.org

Hours: 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. 7 days a week. The Museum is closed on Christmas Day and the month of January.

Admission: Adults \$8.00; seniors (62+) \$7:00 and AAA members \$6.00; Children (5-17) \$5.00; Families (2 adults with their children aged 5-17) \$25.00. Residents of Plymouth, Massachusetts are admitted free.