

The bicentennial of Thoreau’s birth offers the perfect opportunity to consider the myriad ways that Thoreau’s words and actions are still very relevant today, having direct applicability to so many realms of 21st-Century life.

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“Convince me that you have a seed there, and I am prepared to expect wonders.”

Pick up a packet of *Provider* Bush Beans, while they last.

Thoreau Storytime Saturday, April 29 at 11:00

HDT built a house by Walden Pond to live a simple life. Join us as we read stories about building and birthdays, build our own house craft, and enjoy a special birthday treat.

Sketching Natural Objects Saturday, May 13 from 10:30-12:30

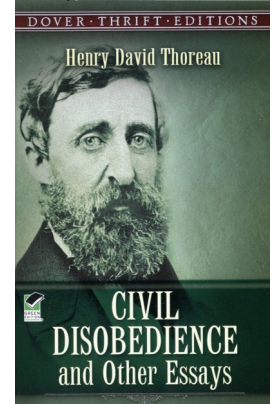
HDT was a keen observer of the natural world and drew in his journals. Professional illustrator Susan Spellman (30+ books & one of Newburyport Art Association’s teachers) helps you explore your own observational skills. Materials included, registration required, for teens and adults.



An Idea Heard ‘Round the World: Thoreau’s *Civil Disobedience*.

Tuesday, June 13 from 7:00-8:00 lecture and discussion presented by Salem State University’s Dr. Nancy Schultz. *Civil Disobedience* was published in 1849, after HDT’s one-night imprisonment. HDT argues for passive disobedience to protest unjust government actions. Others like Gandhi and Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. elaborated on this idea and modern ‘Occupy’ protests use the premise. What does *Civil Disobedience* mean today?

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Join Nancy’s **Summer Reading** group on Tuesday, July 11 at 11:00 to explore Thoreau’s connection to nature, and enjoy some birthday cake. Details TBA.



The **Concord Museum** features *Walden: Four Views*, *Anatomy of a Desk: Writing with Emerson and Thoreau*, and *Walden, A Game* as part of HDT’s bicentennial. Enjoy a visit with our discounted museum pass, you can also use a pass to visit Concord’s **Orchard House, Home of the Alcotts** on the same day. Pick up a Museum Pass brochure or ask at Reference.