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Artist Jeff Fioravanti Joins Amesbury Civil War Weekend in Benefit for the Bartlett Museum

Amesbury, MA (May 11, 2006) – The Bartlett Museum is pleased to announce that they will host a special appearance and presentation by historical landscape and preservation artist Jeff Fioravanti as part of Amesbury's Civil War weekend, sponsored by the museum. Located at 270 Main Street in Amesbury, this event is apart of an ongoing exhibit currently on display at the Bartlett. The exhibit offers insight into Amesbury's involvement during the American Civil War. The Civil War weekend will find the museums doors open on May 20th from 10 AM - 4 PM and May 21st from 10 AM - 3 PM. Mr. Fioravanti's presentation is scheduled for Sunday, May 21st at 1:30 PM. The artist will present as his topic, insights into his artwork and the inspirations behind some of his artwork, paying particular attention to his Gettysburg series, as well as how he utilized his art to promote and aid historic preservation and conservation. Admission to the talk and museum is fee.

Names for noted local resident Josiah Bartlett, who signed the Declaration of Independence, the Bartlett museum built in 1870 and home to a one time school house, offers today a unique collection of artifacts and rotating exhibits that give visitors a glimpse into the history of Amesbury, and it's surrounding communities, and their involvement in local, state, regional and national events.

Jeff Fioravanti is a local artist from Lynn, Massachusetts, who has gained increased attention for his thought provoking depictions of America's most treasured lands. Termed what he calls "Painting the Soul of America" the artist attempts to connect the viewer to the pristine, storied properties of our nation, often utilizing his skill to increase awareness of these lands and buildings, and the struggle to protect these valuable links to our heritage and history. While at the Bartlett, the artist will offer selected items for sale, of which a portion of each sale will be returned to the museum to aid their activities and programs.

To learn more about the Bartlett Museum, please visit wikipedia the online encyclopedia at http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Josiah_Bartlett_Museum, or call the museum curator at 978-388-3089.

To learn more about artist Jeff Fioravanti, view samples of his work, and read of some of his past efforts with historic preservation/conservation, please visit him online at <http://www.fioravanti-fineart.com> or call him directly at 781-595-5961.