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THE MUSEUMS OF OLD YORK ANNOUNCES ITS 21ST ANNUAL DECORATOR SHOW HOUSE

York, Maine — Old York is pleased to announce *Twin Cottage on Starboard Lane in York* as the 21st Annual Decorator Show House. Designers have been issued invitations to preview this magnificent property and by late March their proposals will be juried and chosen designers will begin work transforming this twenty-six-space cottage into a showplace for the benefit of the Museums of Old York.

Old York's Decorator Show Houses will be featured in *Maine Home and Design Magazine* and have been featured in *Accent Home and Garden, Traditional Home, Better Homes and Gardens*, the *Boston Globe*, and many other local and national publications. The major fundraiser annually attracts thousands of visitors and raises much needed funds for the ongoing preservation efforts and education programs sponsored by the museum.

Mark your calendar and plan to join Old York for the opening Night Reception scheduled for July 16th. This is a wonderful opportunity to be among the first to view the newly decorated home and meet the designers who made it all possible. The Show House will open to the public July 17th and run through August 14th on Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday 10 am to 5 pm; Thursday 10 am to 7 pm; Sunday 1 to 4 pm. The Show House is closed on Tuesdays. Parking will be on-site. A \$20 admission fee will be charged at the door, advanced ticket sales available through the Museums of Old York Office.

The show house will be chaired by Beverly Young with a committee of volunteers. If you would like to volunteer on a committee or during the Show House please call Old York at 207-363-4974 ext. 13. Additional information about this exiting event is posted online at www.oldyork.org.

The final section includes information about sponsors.

About the Museums of Old York

The Museums of Old York collects, stewards and presents objects of historical and community significance from York, Maine and surrounding communities. The museum's collections are among the finest of their kind, showcasing an unrivaled spectrum of local architecture (including a National Historic Landmark), an archival library and outstanding furniture, decorative and folk art collections. In addition to its vast collections, the museum offers a vibrant schedule of exhibitions, lectures, workshops and hands-on education programs along with a contemporary art gallery. The museum campus features numerous period gardens and nine historic properties, including the Ramsdell House, a more than 250-year old house that once belonged to a farm laborer, and the Remick Barn, a fully-accessible education and exhibition center. For more information, please call (207) 363-4974 or visit the museum's website at www.oldyork.org.

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