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The Newport Show Hosts Authors and Designers Meg Braff and Marshall Watson for a Talk and Breakfast Shopping Event

Newport, RI (June 2019) – The Newport Show is known for offering a variety of antiques, art and exquisite objects during the annual shopping tradition. It’s also a center for fine design and fashion. This year the Show will host authors and renowned interior designers Meg Braff, who is also a Newport Show exhibitor, and Marshall Watson, for a two-part program that complements the event.

On **Saturday July 27, 2019 at 10am**, Marshall will discuss his work and approach to interior design using gardens as inspiration during the talk “**From the Inside Out, a Gardener’s Journey to Elegant Interiors.**” Showing lustrous photos of his interiors as well as the gardens that accompany them, Watson will illustrate the dynamic possibilities of a fortified symbiosis between interiors, architecture, and the natural world. Seen through the lens of a passionate gardener, the lessons shared sum up “The Art of Elegance.”

On **Sunday July 28, 2019 at 9am**, The Newport Show will start a new tradition during the special event “**Breakfast with Meg and Marshall**”. Join Meg Braff and Marshall Watson for breakfast at The Newport Show Café followed by a design exploration walk through The Newport Show floor before it opens to the public. Hear Meg and Marshall elaborate on how to design gracious living spaces with pieces that are available for purchase while asking questions about interior design specific to your home.

Admission to The Newport Show is required for “From the Inside Out”, which costs \$15 per person. A special admission ticket is required for the Sunday shopping event “Breakfast with Meg and Marshall.” This ticket costs \$30, which includes admission to the Show that day. Both tickets are available online at TheNewportShow.com. Space is limited, advance ticket purchases are advised.

Meg Braff’s sophisticated color sense and deft eye for mixing antique and modern pieces has broad appeal, evidenced by her numerous residential commissions across the country and the Caribbean, as well as at her shop, Meg Braff Antiques & Decoration in Locust Valley, NY. Her work has been featured in *House Beautiful*, *Traditional Home*, *Veranda*, *Coastal Living*, *Southern Living*, and *Hamptons Cottages & Gardens*, among others. Her book “The Decorated Home: Living with Style and Joy” (Rizzoli 2017) will be available for purchase at The Show.

Marshall Watson’s robust awareness of periods and styles enables him the flexibility to immerse himself in a range of projects. Though richly layered and often romantic and elegant, his work always showcases a touch of the unexpected and is noted for its “calm and lightness of being.” His work is frequently featured in many publications, notably *Architectural Digest*, *Veranda*, *House Beautiful*, *Luxe*, *House and Garden*, *Traditional Homes*, *Hamptons Cottages and Gardens* and the *New York Times*. He has also been featured in *New York Spaces*, *Metropolitan Home*, *The Chicago Tribune*, as well as being a regular design columnist for the *Southampton Press*. His book “The Art of Elegance” (Rizzoli 2017) will be available for purchase at The Show.

The Newport Show takes place at the St. George's School Ice Rink, 375 Purgatory Road, Middletown, RI, and will run **July 27 and 28, 2019**; doors open at 10am. The weekend kicks off with the **Gala Preview Party** on **Friday July 26, 2019** from 6pm-9pm. For the latest updates, follow The Newport Show on Facebook and Instagram at @TheNewportShow and visit TheNewportShow.com.

About The Newport Show

The Newport Show, founded in 2007 as the Newport Antiques Show, is one of the country's leading events for collectors of decorative arts and antiques. Proceeds from sponsorships and ticket sales benefit both the Newport Historical Society and the Boys & Girls Clubs of Newport County and to date the Show has raised a cumulative total of over \$2.4M for its beneficiaries. For more information visit TheNewportShow.com or call 401-846-2669.

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