

ALL DRESSED UP ... for the 1890s!

Agawam Cultural Council's Applause Series brings 1890s fashion and society to a screen near you ...

PHOTO CAPTION: An educational and entertaining look at 1890s fashion and society, Kandie Carle's presentation of "**The Victorian Lady's Parlor**" will be broadcast at 7 PM on Friday, May 7, 2021 on the Towns of Agawam's and Southwick's public access channels (Comcast 15) and streamed at 7:00 pm as well as part of the Agawam Cultural Council's virtual Applause Series.



The seventeenth season of the Agawam Cultural Council's popular *Applause Series* concludes virtually on Friday, May 7, 2021 with Kandie Carle's one-woman show **The Victorian Lady - 1890s Gilded Age (The Victorian Lady's Parlor)**. The pre-recorded performance will be presented on the Town of Agawam's public access channel (Agawam TV15) at 7:00 pm and streamed from the "Watch" button on www.agawammedia.tv for those residing outside of Agawam. This performance is also being shown on the Town of Southwick's TV15 at 7pm and streamed from the "Watch Channel 15" button on www.southwickma.org/channel-15-public-access. Those who wish to watch on a smart device at a different time should email r.kadis@comcast.net for a link for the performance.

PLEASE NOTE: The program will NOT be available to view after May 7th.

Dressed in vintage and authentically reproduced undergarments, clothing, and accessories, Carle highlights not only the differences, but also numerous similarities between contemporary society and that of our Victorian ancestors. Carle takes her audience on a journey of discovery by using clothing and accessories as tools, explaining how each layer and garment was worn, and when and where it was appropriate. Described as the "right mix of facts, humor, and history," the program is filled with intriguing anecdotes about the home life of both sexes during a magnificent era in history.

Production sponsors for **The Victorian Lady -1890s Gilded Age** are Agawam City Councilor Rosemary Sandlin and People's Bank. The Agawam Cultural Council also thanks the Agawam Special Police, Elaine Carlson, Hampden County Sheriff Nick Cocchi, OMG, Inc., and the Southwick Cultural Council for their generous support as *Applause Series* season sponsors.

In lieu of the in-person free will donations the Agawam Cultural Council (ACC) normally accepts at the conclusion of all its events, (which support fully 40% of the cost of each performance), the council asks viewers to consider making a properly "socially distanced" donation to support efforts to "Give Back to the Community" by visiting the ACC web site www.agawamcc.org and clicking on the green "Donate" button. A check in any amount, payable to the Agawam Cultural Council, may also be sent to: Agawam Cultural Council, Town Hall, 36 Main Street, Agawam MA 01001.

For more information on the activities and virtual offerings of the Agawam Cultural Council during this time of social distancing, please visit their web site, www.agawamcc.org. The Agawam Cultural Council is an all-volunteer local partner of the Massachusetts Cultural Council, a state agency, and is funded, in part, by the MCC. The ACC is charged with bringing engaging, entertaining, and educational events and opportunities in the arts, humanities, and sciences, to children and adults from Agawam and the surrounding communities.