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Mattatuck Museum Announces Cultural Travel Experience to Greece in 2027

WATERBURY, CT – The Mattatuck Museum invites travelers to experience the history, culture, and beauty of Greece on a 14-day small-group journey, “Gems of Greece: Athens, Naxos & Crete,” taking place April 3–16, 2027. Hosted by Museum Director Bob Burns, the tour offers participants an immersive exploration of ancient landmarks, island traditions, and contemporary Greek life. Travelers will begin their journey in **Athens**, the historic capital known as the cradle of democracy. Highlights include guided visits to the Acropolis and Acropolis Museum, panoramic city tours, and time to explore the lively Plaka neighborhood at the foot of the Acropolis. From there, the group travels to the Cycladic island of **Naxos**, where guests will experience traditional villages, a sailboat cruise through the Lesser Cyclades, and a tasting at a family-owned Kitron distillery. The tour continues on **Crete**, Greece’s largest island, where participants will visit the legendary **Knossos Palace**, enjoy a hands-on Cretan cooking class, explore historic towns, and experience olive oil and wine tastings among the island’s renowned groves. The journey concludes with a return to Athens for a final evening overlooking the illuminated Acropolis.

Designed for just **12–24 travelers**, the program offers an intimate travel experience that blends guided exploration with free time for personal discovery. The tour includes **14 days of travel and 21 meals**, along with round-trip airfare from New York, hotel accommodations, transportation, and guided excursions.

Travelers who reserve early can **save \$50 per person when booking by August 4, 2026**.

For more information or to reserve a spot, contact **Bobbi Nappi** at Largay Travel at (203) 757-9481 or bobbi@largaytravel.com, or visit:

<https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1432471> or www.mattmuseum.org/calendar/travel-with-mattatuck

ABOUT THE MATTATUCK MUSEUM

Located in the heart of downtown Waterbury’s architectural district, the Mattatuck Museum is a vibrant destination, known locally and regionally as a community-centered institution of American art and history. The collections at The MATT span the history of American art from the colonial era to the present day with special strengths in Naugatuck Valley history and Connecticut artists, as well as artists from around the world representing the diversity of our community. The collection includes more than 8,000 objects including paintings, unique works on paper, photography and sculpture.

In February 2021, The Mattatuck reopened after a \$9 million renovation project to reimagine the Museum while continuing to be a welcoming, inclusive, stimulating, and enriching community anchor. The “new” Mattatuck Museum, designed by Ann Beha Architects, includes an extensive 14,000 square foot renovation to the existing space and an addition of almost 7,000 square feet to enhance public access, educational programming, collections storage, and exhibitions.

The Museum is operated with support from the Connecticut Department of Economic & Community Development/CT Office of the Arts, which also receives support from the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency. The Museum is a founding member of the Consortium of Connecticut Art Museums and is a member of the Connecticut Art Trail, a group of 29 world-class museums and historic sites (ctarttrail.org).

The Mattatuck Museum is located on the Green in Waterbury, CT at 144 West Main Street. The Museum is open Tuesday through Saturday from 11:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. and Sunday from 11:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. The Museum is closed on Mondays from September through May. The Museum offers free, convenient off-street parking directly behind the Museum and in additional lots on Park Place. The Mattatuck Museum website (mattmuseum.org) outlines the Museum’s updated guidelines for visitors, including what to expect on your visit, cleaning and safety protocols, and frequently asked questions. Follow us on [Facebook](#) and [Instagram](#) for more updates and content.

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