"From *Thoreau's Seasons* to *Men of Concord*: N.C. Wyeth Inspired" Concord Free Public Library Art Gallery April 15th – September 18th 2016

In this landmark collaboration, the Concord Free Public Library and the Concord Museum have each brought together a selection of rich, evocative works of art and historical documents to tell the uniquely local story of N. C. Wyeth's series of painted panels, *Men of Concord*, and the Houghton Mifflin book. Accompanying the exhibit is an array of programming that includes:

EXHIBIT OPENING

April 15th from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Library Rotunda

The exhibit opening will feature remarks by Elliot Bostwick Davis, John Moors Cabot Chair of the Art of the Americas Department, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston. Dr. Davis will present "*Heaven is under our feet as well as over our heads*": *The Intersection of Art and Literature in the Worlds of Henry David Thoreau and the Wyeth Family of Artists*. The evening's program will also include the performance of musical pieces transcribed from the manuscript Thoreau family flute books held by Louisa May Alcott's Orchard House.

The event is free and open to the public; light refreshments will be served.

PANEL DISCUSSION

Sunday, June 5th at 1:30 in the Library Rotunda.

A panel discussion moderated by Leslie Perrin Wilson. Panelists include David Michaelis, author of *N.C. Wyeth: a biography* (1998), Sandra Harbert Petrulionis, Distinguished Professor of English and American Studies, Pennsylvania State University, Altoona, and Alan Wallach, Ralph H. Wark Professor of Art and Art History and Professor of American Studies Emeritus Professorial Lecturer in Art History, George Washington University

GALLERY TOURS

Leslie Perrin Wilson, Curator of the William Munroe Special Collections, will offer guided gallery tours of the exhibit on the following dates:

Wednesday, April 27 @10:00 a.m. Monday, May 2@3:00 p.m. Saturday, May 14@10:00 a.m. Thursday, May 26@6:30 p.m. Wednesday, June 8@2:00 p.m. Wednesday, June 22@10:00 a.m. Monday, July 18@10:00 a.m. Wednesday, August 17@10:00 a.m. Saturday, September 10@10:00 a.m.

To RSVP to any of these events, please call <u>978-318-3355</u> or email <u>meckel@minlib.net</u>. The exhibit is open during regular library hours. For more information and updates, see the library's website at <u>www.concordlibrary.org</u>