

## LITERARY ARTS GUILD PUBLISHES NEW BOOK ABOUT FARMING IN NEW HAMPSHIRE

### Rollout Event Scheduled for March 29, 2023

*New London*--The Literary Arts Guild of the Center for the Arts is pleased to announce publication of the fifth book in its Visual Verse series, entitled, **Rooted in New Hampshire: Farming the Lake Sunapee Region**. The poems in this volume are inspired by photographs from nine regional farms. In partnership with Adventures in Learning, a rollout event for the book to which the public is invited will take place on Wednesday March 29, 2023, at 7 p.m. at Lethbridge Lodge, Colby-Sawyer College, New London, NH.

*Rooted In New Hampshire* is a tribute to the over 4000 farms averaging about 100 acres each whose open lands still help to preserve much of New Hampshire's rural character. In addition, the book attests to the importance of area farms in providing our communities with a high-quality array of fresh foods, abundant wildlife habitats, continuation of our distinct cultural heritage, and significant contributions to our state's economy.

The Literary Arts Guild's partners in developing this book are Beaver Pond Farm in Newport; Greenhill Farm in Sutton; Kearsarge Food Hub in Bradford; Kearsarge Gore Farm in Warner; Meetinghouse Hill Tree Farm in South Sutton; Muster Field Farm in Sutton; Sanctuary Farm in Sunapee; Schroeder Farm in Newbury; and Spring Ledge Farm in New London. Verse responses to each of the visuals selected by participating farms were created by the poets of the John Hay Poetry Society.

The book's introduction notes that "hearty and determined" New Hampshire farmers and their families have long drawn "sustenance from New Hampshire's granite-bound, heavily forested land..." It also finds hope in the "rising generation of young farmers [who] reclaim our land, generating resilient community and an abundant future for us all."

**Rooted in New Hampshire: Farming in the Lake Sunapee Region**, printed by the prize-winning Echo Publications of New London is available at Morgan Hill Book Store, New London; Main Street Bookends, Warner; and through the Center For the Arts website <https://centerfortheartsnh.org>.