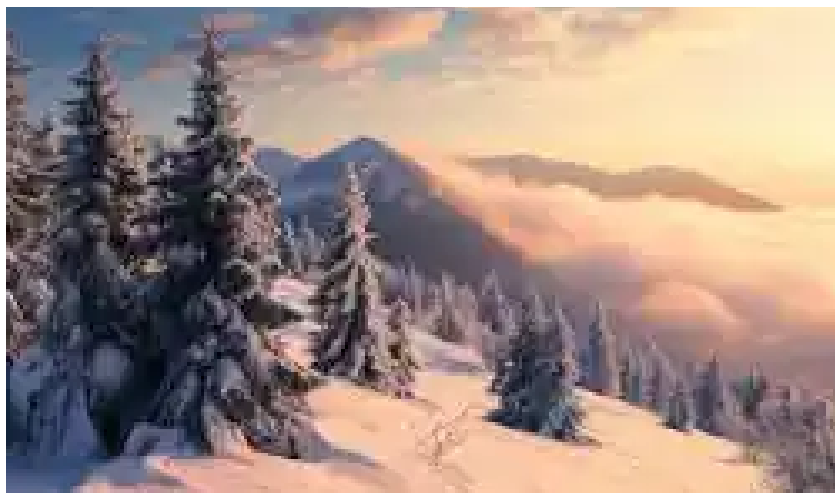




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NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY 2026



HELLO STORYTELLERS

We find ourselves in the deepest part of winter now, the stretch where the cold settles in, the daylight comes grudgingly, and everything seems to move a little slower. But even here, the season is shifting. The light is returning by small degrees, and we can feel that familiar change beginning: winter loosening its grip, spring quietly getting ready behind the scenes.

This is a good time to remember what storytelling has always done for people. Stories don't just entertain us, they gather us. They bring warmth into rooms that might otherwise feel empty, and they create connection during months when it's easy to feel isolated. In the middle of a hard season, a well-told story can be a kind of shelter.

I want to thank everyone who continues to support the NH Storytellers Alliance, our board members, volunteers, hosts, performers, and all the listeners who show up and keep the circle strong. Your participation is what makes this organization more than a name on a page. It makes it a community.

As we look toward spring programming and upcoming gatherings, I hope you'll stay engaged, invite others in, and keep sharing what you do best. The next season is closer than it looks—and there are good nights ahead.

Warmly,
Quinn Golden
President, NH Storytellers Alliance

STORYTELLING OPPORTUNITIES

SOUHEGAN STORYTELLING GUILD
1ST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 7-8:30PM
AMHERST TOWN LIBRARY
CONTACT: RICHARD HART RICHHART49@GMAIL.COM

CENTRAL NH STORYTELLING GUILD
2ND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH 1:00-3:00PM
HORSESHOE POND PLACE SENIOR CENTER,
CONTACT: RUTH NIVEN -RUTHNIVEN@HOTMAIL.COM

KITTERY CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS
2ND MONDAY OF THE MONTH 6:30 - 8:30 PM
KITTERY COMMUNITY CENTER
CONTACT: TERE KIPP- THERESAKIPP@CNTRES.COM

TAMWICH PERFORMERS CIRCLE
2ND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 7PM
TAMWORTH TOWN HOUSE
CONTACT: VICKY DWORKIN-VICKY.DWORKIN@GMAIL.COM

SOUTHERN NH STORYTELLING GUILD
3RD TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 7:00PM - 8:50PM
NASHUA PUBLIC LIBRARY (LOWER LEVEL),
CONTACT: KELLI WHITE- DRUMERAH@YAHOO.COM

MONADNOCK STORY CIRCLE
CONTACT SEBASTIAN LOCKWOOD
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SEACOAST STORYTELLERS GUILD
4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH OF
EXETER LIBRARY 6:30 - 8PM
CONTACT BARBARA PASTER -
FRONTSTREETMAMA9@GMAIL.COM

TRUE TALES LIVE
1ST AND 4TH TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 6:30 - 8:30 PM
FIRST TUESDAY - WORKSHOP, FORTH TUESDAY PERFORMANCE
CONTACT: [HTTP://TRUETALESLIVENH.ORG](http://TRUETALESLIVENH.ORG)

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**New Hampshire Storytelling Alliance Presents
2026 Granite State Story Swap
Keynote Speaker:
Kim Weitkamp**

Kim Weitkamp stands out as a storyteller by connecting, inspiring change, and building community. Whether at festivals, coaching corporate teams, or mentoring artists, she brings passion and dedication to every role.

Kim's behind-the-scenes impact comes through her coaching and consulting for organizations and teams, including Purina, Edward Jones, Feeding America, and Habitat for Humanity. She is listed among Columbus's top 20 coaches, helping others use storytelling to connect and transform.

Kim helps organizations and teams grow by teaching storytelling. She has worked with nonprofits such as Feeding America and Habitat for Humanity, as well as companies such as Liebherr and Grifols. Influence Digest lists her among the top 20 coaches in the Columbus, Ohio area.

She has also hosted award-winning radio shows, received Toastmasters' Leadership in Communication Award in Washington, D.C., and was nominated for the Blue Ridge Excellence for the Arts award.

To learn more about Kim, visit www.kimweitkamp.com. For information about her consulting and coaching, go to www.profitablestory.com. To book Kim for a show or event, contact Annie at annielaughman@gmail.com, office@treehouseartists.biz, or call 540.254.0246.



**Granite State Story Swap
Saturday May 2, 2026
8:00 am - 4:00 pm
Benz Community Center
18 Heard Rd Center Sandwich, NH 03227
\$20 members
\$30 for non-members
[Register Here](#)**



NHSA FEATURE ARTICLE

**IF YOU HAVE A WRITTEN PIECE THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE CONSIDERED AS THE MONTHLY
FEATURED ARTICLE IN THE NHSA NEWSLETTER, SEND YOUR SUBMISSIONS
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Wed,
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For more info:
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ANNUAL STORYTELLING EVENTS

ALL DAY 1ST SAT IN MAY GRANITE STATE STORY SWAP
A FEATURED STORYTELLER'S KEYNOTE PLUS CONCERT AND STORYTELLERS SITTING AROUND AND SWAPPING STORIES ALL DAY.

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