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DRESSED TO KILL

From Arsenic in Clothing, Lead in Cosmetics to Blazing Crinolines

Readington Township, NJ- On **Sunday, March 1st from 1:00-4:00 PM**, **Dana Bala** will present *Dressed to Kill: From Arsenic in Clothing, Lead in Cosmetics to Blazing Crinolines*. Throughout history, we have worn deadly clothing and makeup to be the height of fashion even if it kills us! Bala will discuss some of the most lethal fashion practices during history, focusing on the Victorian period, when people were Dressed To Kill.

Bala has presented at other historic sites such as the Abraham Staats House, the Miller-Corey Museum, and volunteers at Washington Crossing Park. Her other areas of interest/expertise include embroidery, cooking and genealogy.

This Open House Sunday program will be held at the **Bouman-Stickney Farmstead**, located at **114 Dreahook Road** in the Stanton section of the township. For GPS use **Lebanon**, NJ 08833.

This is a free family friendly event, although donations will be gratefully accepted. In case of inclement weather please call the Museums to find out the status of the program. For more information please visit, www.readingtontwp.org/ReadingtonMuseums.html or call 908-236-2327.

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