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ALBANY INSTITUTE TO HOST PRESIDENTIAL BIOGRAPHER WILL SWIFT FOR LECTURE ABOUT NIXONS

ALBANY, NY— On Sunday, June 1, 2014 the Albany Institute of History & Art will host a lecture and book signing with author Will Swift about his book *Pat and Dick: The Nixons, an Intimate Portrait of a Marriage* (Threshold Editions, 2014). The lecture will begin at 2PM and is free with museum admission. This event is organized by the museum shop. Copies of the book will be available for purchase in the shop.

Will Swift is a historian, presidential biographer, and practicing clinical psychologist. He will give a fascinating talk about the challenges of researching and writing a nuanced portrait about the complex and enigmatic personal relationship between our controversial 37th President and his very private wife, the former Pat (nee Thelma) Ryan. Using previously unavailable letters and archives, Swift's recently published book shares deep insights into the 53 year marriage that sustained both Pat and Richard Nixon during his remarkable and turbulent political career.

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The Albany Institute is open Wednesday-Saturday 10AM-5PM, Thursday until 8PM, and Sunday Noon-5PM. On Tuesdays, the museum is open to registered groups only. The museum is closed on Mondays and some holidays. Admission is FREE for Albany Institute members; \$10/adults; \$8/seniors and students with ID; \$6/children 6-12; FREE/children under 6. Thursday evenings (5PM-8PM) are now FREE at the Albany Institute! For more information and a listing of our upcoming events, please visit www.albanyinstitute.org or call (518) 463-4478.

The Albany Institute's distinguished collections and acclaimed exhibitions comprise the definitive expression of the cultural, historical, and artistic heritage of Albany and the upper Hudson Valley. From its world-renowned Hudson River School collection, to the famous Albany Mummies, to the wide range of lectures, outstanding educational and family programming, and special events, this distinctive and engaging institution provides visitors of all ages and interests with a splendid museum experience. One of America's oldest museums, the Albany Institute of History & Art was founded in 1791, during the presidency of George Washington, making it older than the Louvre, the Smithsonian, and the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

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