

## Winter Presentation

## John Burroughs' Nature Gospel

The poet John Keats feared science would unweave the rainbow. Catskill naturalist John Burroughs, however, embraced science for the light it could shed on nature, never fearing he'd lose his sense of wonder and reverence as a consequence. John's connection to nature was essentially religious. What did he mean by "religious," how did his views fit into the 19<sup>th</sup>-century context, and how is his sense of the religious relevant at a time when the earth is in mortal danger?

**Anne Richey** has taught numerous courses on Burroughs in the Catskill region and has served many years as a tour guide at Woodchuck Lodge. She is the author of *Church of the Robin's Ha-Ha!: John Burroughs' "Natural Religion" and Other Poems.* 

The book will be available for sale after the lecture. Our thanks go to Anne Richey for generously donating a portion of the proceeds to Lifespring

Date: Wednesday, March 4, 2020

**Time:** 11:00 am -12:30 pm

Place: Community Room

Saugerties Public Library 91 Washington Avenue

The <u>deadline for reservations</u> is *Friday, February 28,2020* 

Reservations are on a first come, first served basis



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