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THE AMERICAN FOUNDATION OF SAVOY ORDERS

INVITATION

Seventeenth Annual Savoy History Series

Lecture, Reception and Dinner

Thursday, November 4, 2021



"The Power of Gems Across European Royal Courts and The Fabled Jewels of the Savoy Queens of Italy: The Fascinating Reminiscences of H.R.H. Prince Dimitri of Yugoslavia and The Inspiration of Ancestral Gems on Jewels of His Own Design"



The Knickerbocker Club
2 East 62d Street, New York City
6:00 PM – Lecture

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Ancestral Gems on Jewels of His Own Design”

H.R.H. Prince Dimitri of Yugoslavia, Guest Speaker

Caroline Weber, Moderator

Prince Dimitri’s ancestors played pivotal roles through centuries of social, political, economic and cultural change. The most notable were Catherine the Great, the Medicis, Empress Maria Teresa of Austria, Emperor Charles V, Louis XIV, Charlemagne, William the Conqueror, Mary, Queen of Scots, King Victor Emmanuel of Italy and King Albert and Queen Elizabeth of Belgium. It’s through ancestral gems that renowned jewelry designer Prince Dimitri of Yugoslavia traces his ancestors’ history in *Once Upon a Diamond: A Family Tradition of Royal Jewels*. Published by Rizzoli, the richly illustrated book provided Prince Dimitri the opportunity to present his research on the provenance of these rare treasures, illustrating his family’s love for jewelry amassed over generations by monarchs of European royal courts (Italy, Greece, Belgium, Russia, and Yugoslavia.)

Fascinated by his mother’s and grandmother’s jewelry and those seen in jewelers’ windows growing up, Prince Dimitri pursued a career in auction houses and fine jewelry, opening his namesake house in New York in 2007. He will recount the genealogy of his family, untold stories of enthralling exploits and informal familial moments, the magnitude of its breathtaking jewelry collected by generations of monarchs and other titled relatives, particularly of the three Savoy Queens of Italy, as well as how these gems provided inspiration to create and establish his own jewelry company and his own often bespoke creations.

Prince Dimitri’s talk will be in the form of an informal interview moderated by Caroline Weber who is an author, fashion historian and a scholar of French literature, history, and culture. Since 2005 she has been a professor of French and Comparative Literature at Barnard College, Columbia University. She has also taught at the University of Pennsylvania and Princeton. Weber’ first two books, *Terror and Its Discontents* (2005) and *Queen of Fashion: What Marie Antoinette Wore to the Revolution* (2006), analyzed the complex politics of revolutionary France. *Proust’ Duchess: How Three Celebrated Women Captured the Imagination of Fin-de-Siècle Paris* (2018), won the French Heritage Society Book Award and was a finalist for the Pulitzer Prize.



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Thursday, November 4, 2021

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A Reception will follow from 7 - 9 PM

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