

# TALKING HART ISLAND

WEEKLY PODCAST

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Local History Author Michael T Keene and Voice Actress Legend Norma Jean Gradsky to Host New Podcast,  
"Talking Hart Island; The Untold Story of America's Largest Mass Graveyard"

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## ABOUT THE PODCAST

- "Talking Hart Island" is a half-hour weekly podcast that explores the history of Hart Island, America's largest mass graveyard.
- Hart Island has been used as New York City's potter's field since 1869. It is estimated there are over 1,000,000 people buried there.
- Because of recent advances in DNA and fingerprint technology, the identities of some of these previously forgotten and anonymous people have been revealed. The results are truly shocking.
- "Talking Hart Island" will interview a special guest each week selected from an extraordinary assembly of scholars, authors, and scientists in the fields of history, law, medicine, and the arts as we unravel a secret kept hidden for over 150 years.

## TESTIMONIALS

"A compelling and fascinating detailed history of Hart Island, the final resting place of lesser-known and sometimes famous New Yorkers ... Enriching ... Rewarding."

—Graham Russell Gao Hodges, Professor of History, Colgate University

"Bringing to life the souls of the past that until now have been lost to history ... Highly recommended."

—Richard M. Ryan, Professor of Psychology, University of Rochester