



## **Anne Devine**

**Anne Devine** is an American walking artist who lives within the Catskill Mountain Park in upstate New York. The area was made famous in the 18th century by the Hudson River School of Artists. The mountain's lakes, reservoirs and rivers provide the water for New York City. It is an area rich in apple orchards and Anne is currently developing work on the Westwind organic apple orchard

Anne chooses two themes for her 5 year walking forecast both of which she feels will be catalysts for an increase in walking and the numbers of walkers. She feels that with mounting household debt, and hikes in the price of oil, that walking will become more of a necessity, for a large number of families in America. On the other end of the wealth scale, popularised by Sir Richard Branson's desire for space tourism, and the Russian suggestion of launching a space hotel, that there will be a huge uptake in walking in space, and in trying out walking in weightlessness.

Notes from **Anne Devine's 5 year walking forecast for Talking Walking**: Recorded over the telephone in August 2013 and published in December 2013 on <http://talkingwalking.net>

To mark the fifth anniversary of Talking Walking, we asked thought leaders to make their 5 year predictions about the state of walking in the fields in which they work and the places where they live. Respondents were asked to call a Skype number to leave their forecast, identifying who they were, what work they were doing that revolved around walking, and what their forecast was for walking in the next five years. We recorded these voice messages and reproduce them here: <http://www.talkingwalking.net/5-year-walking-forecast/>

### **Links to further information on topics mentioned:**

Listen to a previously recorded Talking Walking interview with Anne Devine: <http://www.talkingwalking.net/anne-devine-talking-walking/>

Hudson River School of Artists: [http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hudson\\_River\\_School](http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Hudson_River_School)

Catskill Region of upstate New York: <http://nysparks.com/regions/catskill/default.aspx>

Westwind organic apple orchard: <http://westwindorchard.com/>

Sir Richard Branson's Virgin Galactic: <http://www.virinalgalactic.com/>