

Fifteenth Annual Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution



September 21-23, 2018

Fort Ticonderoga presents the Fifteenth Annual Seminar on the American Revolution September 21-23, 2018, in the Mars Education Center. This annual seminar focused on the events of the American Revolution offers a unique, informal setting promoting interaction and discussion between speakers and attendees. Speakers include both new and established scholars studying the Revolutionary era in America.

Weekend Schedule

Subject to Change

Friday, September 21, 2018

8:00-4:00 “Forts and Fights: The Revolutionary War in the Mohawk Valley” Bus Tour—Fort Ticonderoga and America’s History, LLC will partner to offer a one-day Revolutionary War tour led by Dr. Bruce Venter and local historians. The tour starts and ends in Johnstown, New York. The cost is \$100 per person. There are 2 ways to register: 1) online at www.AmericasHistoryLLC.com, or 2) call 703-785-4373. This tour is limited to one bus, so please register early.

3:30-5:00 Carillon Boat Tour—Enjoy centuries of stories that floated across Lake Champlain. Set between the Green and Adirondack Mountains, tours on the *Carillon* explore the epic 18th-century military history as well as Lake Champlain’s maritime heritage in the 19th and 20th century. Pre-registration required. Reserve directly at (518) 585-2821. The same cruise is available 1:00 Sunday.

6:30-7:30 Opening Reception—Join Seminar faculty and staff at an opening reception in the Mars Education Center with light refreshments and cash bar (included in registration fee, but reservations are required).

7:30 A Coat Not My Own: Uniform Substitution in the Revolutionary Era—The popular visualization of the 18th-century battlefield is filled with colorfully dressed soldiers in matching uniforms. During wartime, or due to the exigencies of imperial service, many early modern soldiers found themselves wearing uniforms that were not made for them. Fort Ticonderoga’s Curator **Matthew Keagle** will explore the surprisingly common practice of adopting the uniform of different units and even different armies by soldiers in the Revolution and how it challenges our understanding of authority and identity.

Saturday, September 22, 2018

9:00 Welcome. **Beth Hill**, President and CEO, Fort Ticonderoga.

9:15-10:00 “Why does the Almighty strike down the tree with lightning?”: The Sullivan Campaign of 1779, William Tecumseh Sherman, and the Creation of Memory—During the summer of 1879, 50,000 people gathered near Elmira, New York, to celebrate the centennial of General John Sullivan’s campaign against western Haudenosaunee communities. William Tecumseh Sherman, Commanding General of the United States Army, served as the keynote speaker. How did Sherman choose to remember the Sullivan Campaign and how did he connect this conflict with his own experiences during the American Civil War? An analysis of Sherman’s speech reveals that the echoes of war reverberate long after the combatants are laid to rest. **Dean Bruno** is a Lecturer in the History Department at North Carolina State University.

10:15-11:00 The White Sands of Freedom: The Patriot-Spanish Alliance to Capture British West Florida—In 1781, the Continental Army laid siege to a British fort with the aid of a European ally—not in Yorktown, but in Pensacola. This presentation will analyze the Patriot-Spanish effort to expel the British from the Gulf Coast from 1779-1781. **Brady J. Crytzer** teaches history at Robert Morris University and is the author of six books studying imperialism in North America.

11:15-12:00 “Live in love with, and in the exercise of kindness to my fellow-soldiers”: The Continental Army as America’s First Band of Brothers—Recovering the lived experience of men who fought in the Revolutionary War, this presentation will explore the sense of camaraderie and friendships forged among members of the Continental Army. What was the significance of these relationships and how does studying them help us better understand the nature and legacy of the American Revolution? **Rachel Engl** is a Ph.D. candidate in history at Lehigh University and has served as a fellow at the Fred W. Smith National Library for the Study of George Washington at Mount Vernon and the McNeil Center for Early American Studies in Philadelphia.

12:15-1:45 Lunch Break (Box lunch from America’s Fort Café included).

1:00-1:30 Book Signing at the Museum Store in the Log House.

2:00-2:45 The Court-Martial of Paul Revere—This presentation chronicles Paul Revere’s only active military service during the American Revolution—a major but disastrous period in his life. Who was Paul Revere and what does his conduct before, during, and after the Penobscot Expedition teach us about the character and human foibles of this iconic figure? **Michael Greenburg** is a practicing attorney and nonfiction writer living in the Boston area.

3:00-3:45 General Charles Lee in New York: Confronting Tories as well as the Boundaries of Military Authority—When does military action to suppress civilian dissent cross the line into repressing civil liberties? When does military necessity justify this action? These always challenging questions are made even more difficult in revolutionary situations when the military authority does not represent a fully-formed legitimate state. In the early months of 1776, Charles Lee was charged with preparing the Patriot defenses of New York City. He interpreted this mandate to include taking action against local civilian Loyalists. The Continental Congress’ response to Lee’s controversial actions helped to set the precedent for the supremacy of civilian political control over military authority that would become the norm for the American state as it emerged. **Timothy Leech** received his Ph.D. in history from Ohio State University in 2017. His dissertation considers the state-formation implications surrounding the establishment of the Continental Army from 1774 through 1776.

4:00-5:00 Fort Ticonderoga Museum, King’s Garden, and Museum Store open.

5:00 Dinner at America’s Fort Café (pre-registration only).

7:00 “Convinced of the Necessity of preventing...Anarchy and Confusion”: Benedict Arnold’s Declaration of Principles and Its Place in Early Revolutionary History—On June 15, 1775, Benedict Arnold and 30 other men affixed their names to a declaration Arnold composed at Crown Point at a time when the trajectory of the evolving Revolution was unknown. Does this little-known document deserve a prominent place in the history of the early days of the American Revolution and who were the men who signed this document? **Richard M. Strum** is Director of Academic Programs at Fort Ticonderoga.

Sunday, September 24, 2017

9:00-9:45 “This Horrid Trade of Blood”: The Revolutionary Transformation of Anthony Wayne—Far from being the “mad” general of legend, Anthony Wayne was a thoughtful commander who transformed from a young colonel dreaming of fighting alongside Julius Caesar in the opening days of the Revolution to a broken general who, in his last campaign in the forgotten swamps of Georgia, came to know war as a “horrid trade of blood.” Wayne’s transformation during eight years of fighting provides a clear picture of the toll the war took on those who participated in it. **Dr. Mary Stockwell** is a writer and historian whose latest book, *Unlikely General: “Mad” Anthony Wayne and the Battle for America*, came out in March 2018.

10:00-10:45 John Trumbull's Revolution in the North Country—Trumbull, a young officer assigned to the Northern Department, became involved in the building of defenses at Mount Independence and across Lake Champlain in 1776. Less than a decade later he began a series of epic paintings devoted to the Revolution, one of which, *The Death of Montgomery at Quebec*, grew out of his experiences that year. This lecture focuses on his mix of fact and fiction in his pursuit of images that have come to define the Revolution in the American imagination. **Dr. Paul Staiti**, Alumnae Foundation Professor of Fine Arts at Mount Holyoke College, authored *Of Arms and Arts: The American Revolution through Painters' Eyes*.

11:00-11:45 Cook's and Latimer's Connecticut Militia Battalions and the Battles of Saratoga—By studying these often ignored militia units—the only two which fought in both battles of Saratoga—we reveal one of the best documented examples of how militia battalions on Continental Army service were typically ordered up, formed, equipped, and utilized in battle. **Eric Schnitzer** is Park Ranger/Historian at Saratoga National Historical Park.

12:15 Lunch (Box lunch from America's Fort Café included).

1:00-2:30 Carillon Boat Tour—Enjoy centuries of stories that floated across Lake Champlain. Set between the Green and Adirondack Mountains, tours on the *Carillon* explore the epic 18th-century military history as well as Lake Champlain's maritime heritage in the 19th and 20th century. Pre-registration required. Reserve directly at (518) 585-2821.

For Educators

TEACHER SCHOLARSHIPS

Thanks to the generous support of patrons, Fort Ticonderoga offers four scholarships for K-12 teachers who are first-time attendees at the Seminar. Since 2004, Fort Ticonderoga has provided scholarships for 53 teachers to attend the Seminar on the American Revolution and, since 2001, has provided 72 teacher scholarships for the War College of the Seven Years' War. Teachers interested in applying for a scholarship should download an application from the website at www.fortticonderoga.org/education/educators or contact Rich Strum, Director of Academic Programs at rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org. Deadline is August 15, 2018.

Meals and Reception

FRIDAY EVENING RECEPTION

Plan to join us Friday evening from 6:30-7:30 at the Mars Education Center for a reception with Seminar faculty and staff prior to the kick-off presentation at 7:30. A menu of light *hors d'oeuvres* will be served. In addition, a cash bar with beer and wine will be available. ***Included in registration, but reservations are required.***

LUNCH SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Box lunches from America's Fort Café are included in the registration fee both days. A vegetarian option is available.

ROAST TURKEY DINNER SATURDAY EVENING

Roast turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy, vegetable, roll, and dessert at America's Fort Café. A vegetarian alternative is available. \$20 per person. **By pre-registration only.**

FORT TICONDEROGA MUSEUM and MUSEUM STORE

The Fort Ticonderoga Museum is open all three days of the Seminar. Seminar registration includes complimentary admission to Fort Ticonderoga Friday through Sunday of the Seminar. The Museum Store in the Log House will be open 9:30-5:00 Friday, 9:30-6:00 Saturday, and 9:30-5:00 Sunday. Several members of the Seminar faculty will be signing copies of their books at the Museum Store on Saturday at 1:00, where copies of their books will be for sale. **Remember, Members of Fort Ticonderoga receive a 10% discount on all books.**

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Fort Ticonderoga is a not-for-profit educational institution and museum and serves its mission to preserve, educate, and provoke an active discussion about the past and its importance to present and future generations. We foster an on-going dialogue surrounding citizens, soldiers, and nations through America's military heritage.

Registration and Additional Options

HOW TO REGISTER

Fill out the registration form on the reverse side and mail with your credit card information or check made payable to **Fort Ticonderoga** to:

Seminar Registration
Fort Ticonderoga
PO Box 390
Ticonderoga, NY 12883.

Registrations with payment will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration will not exceed 175 participants. Early Bird Registrations must be **received** by July 15th, not postmarked by that date.

CANCELLATION POLICY

All cancellations must be **received** by September 15th. Registration fees will be refunded, less a \$25 processing charge. Refunds will be processed after the Seminar. There is a \$10 processing charge to transfer registrations to another person.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Best Western Plus Ticonderoga Inn & Suites (518-585-2378) offers a discount rate of \$115.99/night for Seminar attendees booking in advance. In order to receive your discount, be sure to mention you are attending the Seminar on the American Revolution at Fort Ticonderoga when making your reservation. There are additional events happening in the area the same weekend, so book early!



CARILLON BOAT TOUR

Explore the Ticonderoga peninsula and surrounding areas on board the *Carillon* cruise boat. Tours are available at 3:30p.m. Friday, September 21, 2018, and at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, September 23, 2018. Cost is \$25. Pre-registration is required to receive this discounted rate. Book your cruise directly with Fort Ticonderoga by calling (518) 585-2821 and mention you are attending the Seminar.

Seminar Patrons

For those who wish to support the Seminar teacher scholarships as patrons, three levels are available.

Honorary Lieutenant Colonel (\$250)

Includes the registration fee; recognition in the Seminar program; and an invitation to a private dinner off-site with members of the Seminar faculty and Teacher Scholarship winners Saturday evening.

Honorary Colonel (\$500)

In addition to all of the above, patrons at this level

receive a copy of *The Court Martial of Paul Revere* and *Unlikely General: "Mad" Anthony Wayne and the Battle for America*, both by featured speakers at this year's seminar.

Honorary Brigadier General (\$750)

In addition to all of the above, the first two patrons at this level receive accommodations for Friday & Saturday night at Best Western Plus Ticonderoga Inn and Suites.

Become a Member of Fort Ticonderoga

When registering, it's easy to become a Member or renew your current membership. Members receive: unlimited admission to Fort Ticonderoga, 10% discount in the Museum Store, a subscription to *The Haversack* newsletter, discounts for seminars and conferences, and invitations to special events.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

Corporal (individual)	\$50
Sergeant (dual)	\$75
Ensign (family)	\$100
Lieutenant	\$150
Captain	\$250
Major	\$500
Colonel	\$1,000

2018 SEMINAR ON THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Information

Please use one form per person. Make photocopies or print out additional forms from the Fort Ticonderoga website for additional registrants.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

My name as I would like it to appear on my name tag:

Yes, please confirm my registration by email.

Email address _____

Yes, you may include my contact information on a handout for attendees at the Seminar.

Reception & Dinner

- Friday Evening Reception (included but must pre-register)
- Turkey Dinner Saturday Evening, \$20
- Extra Dinner for my spouse or other person not attending the seminar, \$20

For Our Information

- Please contact me about vegetarian options for meals (remember, lunches Saturday and Sunday are included in the registration fee).

Membership

- I am a member of Fort Ticonderoga
- I would like to become a member at the level designated below:
 - Corporal (individual) \$50
 - Sergeant (dual) \$75
 - Ensign (family) \$100
 - Lieutenant \$150
 - Captain, \$250
 - Major, \$500
 - Colonel, \$1,000

TOTALS

Registration Fees \$ _____

Dinner Fees \$ _____

Membership \$ _____

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Early Bird Registration (by July 15th)

- Member, \$110
- General Public, \$130

Regular Registration (after July 15th)

- Member, \$135
- General Public, \$155

Seminar Patron Registration

- Honorary Lieutenant Colonel, \$250
- Honorary Colonel, \$500
- Honorary Brigadier General, \$750

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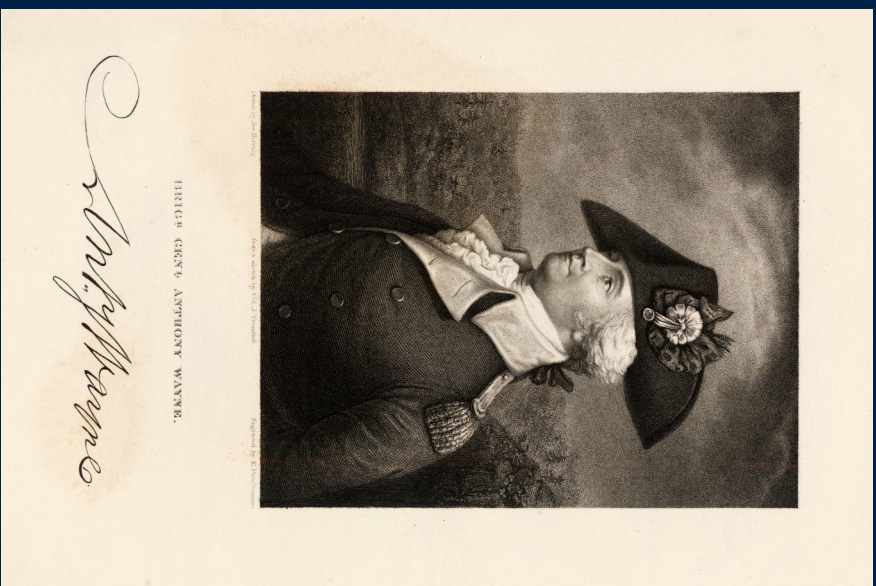
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"Brig. Gen. Anthony Wayne"
—19th-Century Lithograph from an original sketch by Col. John Trumbull
Collection of the Fort Ticonderoga Museum, 2004:0045a