

Sixteenth Annual Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution



September 20-22, 2019

Fort Ticonderoga presents the Sixteenth Annual Seminar on the American Revolution September 20-22, 2019, in the Mars Education Center. This annual premier seminar focused on the military, political, social, and material culture history of the American Revolution features scholars from across North America. Register by July 15th and save \$25.

New this year: Register Online at www.fortticonderoga.org/education/workshop-seminars/SAR.

Weekend Schedule

Subject to Change

Friday, September 20, 2019

8:00-4:00 “Evacuation 1777: The Mount Independence Military Road to Hubbardton” 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 Jim Rowe (Crown Point Road Association). The tour starts at Fort Ticonderoga. The cost is \$100 per person. Tour details may be found at www.AmericasHistoryLLC.com. Register on the website or call 703-785-4373. This tour is limited to one bus, so please register early.

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 “All is Calm?”: Uncovering the Christmas Day Incident at Ticonderoga—On Christmas Day 1776 a riot erupted that threatened the lives of soldiers in the same army and revealed the fragile unity of the American revolutionary cause. Fort Ticonderoga Curator **Matthew Keagle** will explore how this tale of division was uncovered from centuries-old records and what it says about the remarkable struggle for independence.

Saturday, September 21, 2019

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

9:15-9:45 Promises to Keep: French-Canadian Soldiers of the Revolution, 1775-1783—The Continental Army’s failed invasion of Quebec brought French Canadians into its ranks; in New York State, it also led to an early American refugee crisis. During and after the War of Independence, exiled Canadians’ calls for adequate compensation for their sacrifices revealed the limits and possibilities of the Revolutionary experiment. **Dr. Patrick Lacroix** is a historian of American religion and immigration and currently teaches at Phillips Exeter Academy (Exeter, N.H.).

10:00-10:30 Our Kahnawake Friends: America’s Essential Indian Allies in the Canadian Campaign—In the early days of the Revolutionary War, the powerful Kahnawake Mohawk nation influenced the thirteen colonies’ decision to invade Canada and directly impacted the course of the subsequent 1775-1776 campaign. This lecture will examine Kahnawakes’ pro-American diplomatic and military efforts that led British officials to singularly condemn them as irredeemable “Bostonians.” **Mark R. Anderson** is an independent historian and author of two books examining the American Revolution in Canada.

10:45-11:15 The Intercultural and Transatlantic Intimacies of George Galphin, the Revolutionaries’ Commissioner of Indian Affairs in the South—This lecture will examine the intimate connections that George Galphin, the revolutionaries’ commissioner of Indian affairs in the South from 1775-1780, cultivated in the Native American South, the British and Spanish Empires, and the transatlantic world of trade, all of which he brought to bear against the British during the Revolutionary War. **Dr. Bryan C. Rindfleisch** teaches history at Marquette University and is the author of the book, *George Galphin’s Intimate Empire: The Creek Indians, Family, and Colonialism in Early America*.

11:30-12:00 “To Live a Widow”: Personal Sacrifice and Self-Sufficiency in the American Revolution—During the Revolutionary War, women with absent husbands frequently referred to themselves as widows. This paper analyzes this rhetorical decision as more than an expression of temporary loss, arguing that it served as a legitimization for navigating economic autonomy in the era of coverture. **Dr. Alisa Wade** teaches history at the University of British Columbia, and researches the intersections of gender and capitalism in early America.

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

12:30-1:00 Book Signing at the Museum Store in the Log House.

1:30-2:30 KEYNOTE: Nathanael Greene and the Road to Charleston—This presentation covers the critical two and a half year campaign in the Carolina’s and Georgia that drove a harried Lord Cornwallis to his American destiny at Yorktown. Besides descriptions of major battles, the story includes the nightmarish problems faced by Major General Nathanael Greene: logistics, savage civil war, and politics. **John Buchanan** is the author of *The Road to Guilford Courthouse: The American Revolution in the Carolinas*; *The Road to Valley Forge: How Washington Built the Army That Won the Revolution*; *Jackson’s Way: Andrew Jackson and the People of the Western Waters*; and *The Road to Charleston: Nathanael Greene and the American Revolution*.

2:45-3:15 Revolt in the Colonies: A View from the Whig Country House—The family papers of the Hardwicke dynasty, offer a fascinating view of the unfolding North American crisis. As committed Whigs, the Hardwicks and their connections were sympathetic to the demands of the colonists and resented the leadership of Bute and Tory parliamentarians, but were also deeply invested in the British Empire, its trade routes, and the financial benefits of being invested in the British East India Company. The family’s letters and diaries offer insight into the ways elite British people viewed the war in America and its impact on the Atlantic world, economic interests, and personal connections. **Dr. Margaret Sankey** is the Director of Research and Electives at the USAF Air War College, at Maxwell Air Force Base in Alabama. Her Ph.D. is from Auburn University and she is the author of *Jacobite Prisoners of the 1715* and *Women and War in the 21st Century*.

3:30-4:00 German Auxiliaries’ Reactions to American Slavery and Relationships with Enslaved Americans—As they campaigned in the War of American Independence, German soldiers encountered slavery as an unfamiliar institution. Some developed military relationships with black Americans. The nature of those evolving relationships determined whether German soldiers merely noted enslaved people as interesting components of the American landscape, whether they embraced and exploited this social system, or whether they made space for displaced people of color behind their lines or in their units. **Dr. John Ruddiman** teaches history at Wake Forest University and is the author of *Becoming Men of Some Consequence: Youth and Military Service in the Revolutionary War*.

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 “His Horse and One Month’s Provisions...”: Mounted Militia in the Champlain Valley and Beyond—Dig deeper into militia on horseback in the Champlain Valley during the Revolutionary War. Explore this regional case within a broader American tradition shaped by the scale and landscape of North America. **Stuart Lilie** is Vice President of Public History at Fort Ticonderoga.

Sunday, September 22, 2019

9:00-9:30 Loyalty and Loyalism: Henry Knox and the American Revolution as a Transatlantic Family Struggle—On the eve of the Revolutionary War, Washington’s future artillery commander Henry Knox married Lucy Flucker, a member of an influential Loyalist clan and the daughter of Massachusetts Bay’s Royal Secretary. This lecture will explore and analyze the bitter transatlantic family struggle that ensued after Lexington and Concord and which shattered this once close family. **Dr. Phillip Hamilton** is Professor of History at Christopher Newport University and is the author and editor of several books on America’s revolutionary era.

9:45-10:15 “I Hope...We Shall Ever Be on Terms of Friendship”: The Politically Divided Tilghman Family—During the Revolutionary War, Loyalist James Tilghman had a son in the Continental Army, a son in the Royal Navy, a son with the East India Company, and a brother in the Continental Congress. This lecture will reveal, in their own words, how the Tilghmans reacted to decisions, actions, and political leanings of various family members. **Jessica J. Sheets** is a Research Historian at the U.S. Army Heritage and Education Center and a Ph.D. Candidate (ABD) in the American Studies program at Penn State Harrisburg.

10:30-11:00 Peacemaking as American Imperative: Reconciliation between Loyalists and Patriots after the American Revolution—Elite and ordinary Americans were surprisingly eager to make peace after the civil war of the American Revolution—the majority of American Loyalists, more than 400,000 people, stayed in the new United States after the War. This presentation uses the framework of transitional justice to explore how lawmakers and public intellectual voices constructed a regime of peacemaking in the early Republic that sought to create a more stable and prosperous union for all. **Dr. Rebecca Brannon** is Associate Professor at James Madison University and is the author of *From Revolution to Reunion: The Reintegration of the South Carolina Loyalists*, and co-editor of *The Consequences of Loyalism: Essays in Honor of Robert M. Calhoon*.

11:15-11:45 A Different Kind of Revolution: The Madras Coup and British India Policy during the American War of Independence—On August 4, 1776, the Governor of Madras, Lord Pigot, was abducted, imprisoned, and ousted from power by a faction within the Madras Council, the governing body of the British East India Company's Madras Presidency in south India. This presentation explores the imperial anxieties resulting in British reactions to the coup and places them in the context of an empire at war, showing one way in which the American Revolution reverberated throughout the British Empire. **Dr. Matthew Gayford** recently completed his Ph.D. at the University of Waterloo.

12:00 Lunch (Box lunch from America's Fort Café included).

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 57 teachers to attend the Seminar on the American Revolution and, since 2001, has provided 77 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, 2019.

Meals and Reception

FRIDAY EVENING RECEPTION

Plan to join us Friday evening from 6:30-7:30 in 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.**



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.

New This Year! Register online at this link:

www.FortTiconderoga.org/education/workshop-seminars/SAR

CANCELLATION POLICY

All cancellations must be **received** by September 10th. 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

Numerous overnight accommodations are available throughout the Ticonderoga area and the greater Lake George-Lake Champlain region. A list of area accommodations is available at:

www.fortticonderoga.org/visiting-adirondacks/places-to-stay

Book your room early to ensure the broadest choice of options.



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 20, 2019, and at 1:00 p.m. Sunday, September 22, 2019. Cost is \$27. Cruises do sell out, so booking in advance is recommended. Book your cruise directly with Fort Ticonderoga by calling (518) 585-2821.

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 Road to Charleston: Nathanael Greene and the American Revolution* and *The Battle for the Fourteenth Colony*, both by featured speakers at this year's seminar.

Honorary Brigadier General (\$750)

In addition to all of the above, the first patron at this level receives accommodations for Friday & Saturday night at Sugar Hill Manor Bed & Breakfast.

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)	\$60
Sergeant (dual)	\$85
Ensign (family)	\$125
Lieutenant	\$175
Captain	\$250
Major	\$500
Colonel	\$1,000



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**“The Manner in which the American Colonies Declared themselves
Independent of the King of England, throughout the different**

Provinces on July 4, 1776 ”

—Printed for Bernard’s New complete & Authentic History of England, London, 1783
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