



## *Seventeenth Annual Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution*

**September 24-26, 2021**

Fort Ticonderoga presents the Seventeenth Annual Seminar on the American Revolution September 24-26, 2021, 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 and Europe. Register by August 15th and save \$25.

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### **Thursday, September 23, 2021**

**5:00-6:30pm An Evening with Historian Stephen Brumwell**—Join us for this Zoom event featuring British historian and author Stephen Brumwell, keynote speaker at this year's Seminar on the American Revolution. This online conversation will explore many of the 18th-century personalities Dr. Brumwell has written about, including George Washington, Benedict Arnold, James Wolfe, and Robert Rogers. Space is limited for this free Zoom webinar for seminar attendees, so register online today!

### **Friday, September 24, 2021**

**8:00am-4:00pm "The Road to Bennington: New Insights on Stark's Victory" Bus Tour**—Fort Ticonderoga and America's History, LLC will partner to offer a one-day Revolutionary War tour led by Dr. Michael Gabriel, David Pitlyk, and Bruce Venter. A recent ABPP report shares new information that changes perspectives on this battle. Mike is the author of *The Battle of Bennington: Soldiers and Civilians*. David is the site director of the Bennington Battlefield Park. The cost is \$125 per person. Tour details may be found at [www.AmericasHistoryLLC.com](http://www.AmericasHistoryLLC.com). Register online or call 703-785-4373.

**6:00-7:00pm Opening Reception and Exhibit Highlight**—Join Seminar faculty and museum staff at an opening reception in the Mars Education Center with light refreshments and cash bar (included in registration fee, but

#### **Teacher Scholarships**

Thanks to generous support from Seminar patrons, Fort Ticonderoga offers both in-person and online scholarships for teachers. Applications are available at:

<https://www.fortticonderoga.org/event/seventeenth-annual-seminar-on-the-american-revolution/>

reservations are required). Join Curator Dr. Matthew Keagle for a brief introduction to the new 2021 exhibition "A Well Regulated Militia: Citizen, Soldier, and State."

### **Saturday, September 25, 2021**

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

**9:15-9:45 "to induce the Officers & Soldiery to exert themselves": The Role of Plunder and Trophies in the Revolutionary War**—Although little-explored by historians, both sides routinely sold items recovered from the battlefield and divided the proceeds among soldiers who had fought in the engagement. Utilized by such generals as George Washington, Richard Montgomery, John Stark, and Horatio Gates, the sale of "plunder" provided another incentive for soldiers to fight besides loyalty to their cause. Dr. Michael P. Gabriel, a professor of history at Kutztown University, is the author of three books on the American Revolutionary War and one on World War II.

**10:00-10:30 Dunmore's War: Last Conflict of America's Colonial Era**—In 1774, Lord Dunmore, last royal governor of Virginia, led the colony's militia in a defensive war against an Indian confederation led by the Shawnees. This presentation explains the causes, conduct, and outcome of the war, and the organization and operations of Virginia's colonial militia on the eve of the War for Independence. Dr. Glenn F. Williams is a historian at the U.S. Army Center of Military History, and specializes in the 18th century with an emphasis on Colonial-Revolutionary America.

**10:45-11:15 War Crimes Not Mentioned**—Despite many mentions of the "Laws of War" during the American Revolution, no one has sought out and

quantified what the realities of this legal and philosophical construct were outside of broad histories of “Just War Theory” and the development of later “Laws of Armed Conflict.” This presentation will cover the content, sources, and principals of the “Laws of War” of the late 18th century, and apply them to Revolutionary War case studies. Steven Woods has worked at historic military sites and museums for over 20 years, served six years in the Air Force, received his undergraduate degree from Le Moyne College, and is currently in graduate school.

**11:30am-12:00pm Ravaging the Ranks: The Toll of Illness on Two British Battalions**—It is well-known that disease caused more deaths than battle, but which diseases? Who died? What differed by region and season? This talk looks at these questions using medical records from the 29th Regiment of Foot and the Brigade of Guards. Don N. Hagist is the editor of *Journal of the American Revolution* and author of several books on British soldiers in the American Revolution.

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

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

**1:30-2:30pm KEYNOTE: Turncoat: Benedict Arnold and the Crisis of American Liberty**—Two hundred forty-one years after his plot to deliver the crucial fortress of West Point to the British was exposed, General Benedict Arnold remains the most notorious traitor in U.S. history. But why did one of the American Revolution’s most celebrated defenders defect, and how close did his conspiracy come to inflicting a fatal blow to

the Patriot cause? Dr. Stephen Brumwell is an award-winning independent historian and writer living in Amsterdam, Netherlands.

**2:45-3:15pm “A Measure of the Utmost Importance”: The Battle of the Virginia Capes, 5-9 September 1781 from an Operational and Tactical Perspective**—Cornered in Yorktown, Lord Charles Cornwallis needed reinforcement or evacuation by the British Royal Navy. However, the tactical and operational failings of the Royal Navy squadron under Rear-Admiral Graves leading to the failure to defeat the French squadron under Admiral Comte de Grasse off the Virginia Capes ultimately doomed the British forces at Yorktown. Dr. Stanley D.M. Carpenter is Professor Emeritus from the U.S. Naval War College in Newport, Rhode Island (where he served as a Professor of Strategy, Command Historian, and Strategy and Policy Department Chairman), a retired U.S. Navy Captain, and a specialist in the War of American Independence, British Naval and Military History, and World Wars I and II.

**3:30-5:00pm Fort Ticonderoga Museum, King’s Garden, and Museum Store open.**

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

**7:00pm “Run out the Piece!”: Naval Gunnery in the American Defense of Ticonderoga**—Join Vice President of Public History Stuart Lilie to look at naval gunnery on land in the American fortifications at Ticonderoga. From cannons and carriages to ammunition and drill, see how Continental Artillerymen employed naval equipment and techniques as they held the line for liberty at Ticonderoga.

## **Sunday, September 26, 2021**

**9:00-9:30am The Canadian Exile of the Hudson Valley Loyalists**—At the end of the American Revolutionary War, many Loyalists chose to begin a new life in Canada rather than stay in the United States. Focusing on Loyalists from New York’s Hudson Valley, this lecture will explore why thousands fled the country, how they coped with exile, where they settled, and how individual Loyalists and their communities were shaped by wartime experiences. Kieran J. O’Keefe is a Ph.D. candidate at The George Washington University.

**9:45-10:15am Mounting Mermaids on Alligators: The Establishment of the Georgia Continental Line**—Georgia, as the youngest and poorest of the thirteen colonies to join in rebellion against Great Britain, faced unique challenges in raising military forces during the opening years of the War for Independence. This lecture will explore the efforts of Colonial Georgians to establish military forces for both defense and as a statement of solidarity with the other colonies. Christopher Long is Manager of Military Programs and Historical Research at the Citizenship Trust/ American Village, a history and citizenship education center located in central Alabama.

**10:30-11:00am An Army of Immigrants: Martial Races, Foreign Officers, and the Continental Army**—Over the course of its existence, the Continental Army transformed from a conglomeration of local militia into a professional fighting force. This lecture will analyze the manner in which European officers contributed to this development, especially in technical branches such as the artillery and engineers. Jim Mc Intyre teaches History at Moraine Valley Community College in Palos Hills, Illinois, and serves as an Adjunct for the United States Naval War College in their Distance Education Program.

**11:15-11:45am “Destruction & Wanton Waste”: The Impact of War in a Peaceful Valley**—Following a victory at the Battle of Brandywine, General Sir William Howe’s army occupied the Quaker-dominated battlefield landscape for five days. This lecture will discuss the severe impact the battle and occupation had on the local population. Andrew Outten is the Director of Education & Museum Services at Brandywine Battlefield Park and Chairman of the Brandywine Battlefield Task Force.

**12:00pm Lunch** (Box lunch from America’s Fort Café included).

## Become a Seminar Patron!

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 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 *Turncoat: Benedict Arnold and the Crisis of American Liberty* by Stephen Brumwell, keynote at this year's seminar.

### Honorary Brigadier General (\$750)

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

## 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 9:30am-5:00pm, with extended evening hours on Saturday. Several members of the Seminar faculty will be signing copies of their books at the Museum Store on Saturday at 12:30pm, where copies of their books will be for sale. *Remember, Members of Fort Ticonderoga receive a 10% discount on all books.*

## Meals and Reception

### Friday Evening Reception

Plan to join us Friday evening from 6:00-7:00 in the Mars Education Center for a reception with Seminar faculty and staff. A menu of light *hors d'oeuvres* will be served. A cash bar with beer and wine also will be available. Included in registration, but reservations are required.

### Lunch Saturday and 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. \$25 per person. By pre-registration only.



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*See pages 1-3 for full descriptions of each presentation.*

The online stream of these sessions of the Seminar on the American Revolution from Fort Ticonderoga's Center for Digital History will use Zoom Webinars. Online participants will be able to ask questions of presenters using the "Q&A" function.

Both in-person and online participants will have access to these recorded sessions for two weeks following the seminar.

## Registration and Travel Information

### 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. Early Bird Registrations must be received by August 15th, not postmarked by that date.

[Register online here!](#)

### 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. [Click here for a list of area accommodations.](#)

## 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*, discounts for seminars and conferences, and invitations to special events.

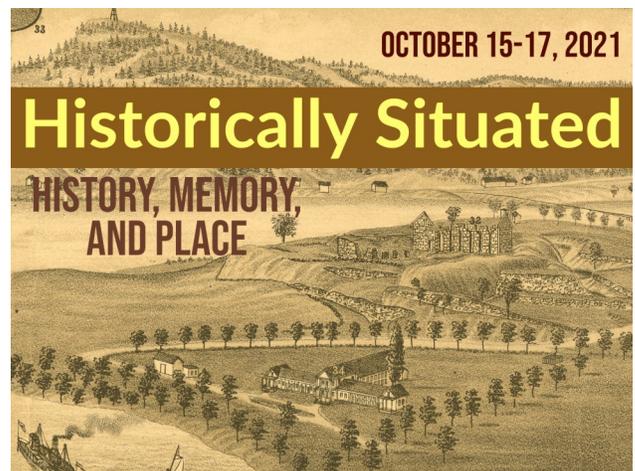
### MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

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



### CARILLON BOAT CRUISE SUNDAY

Enjoy a 75-minute narrated tour of Lake Champlain aboard the *Carillon*. This cruise will highlight sites around the Ticonderoga peninsula and beyond during the Revolutionary War. Get the view from Lake Champlain as you explore the completion of the American fleet in 1776. See the sonar scan of the log supports from bridge construction over the winter of 1776-1777. Explore the dynamic amphibious maneuvers during the British siege and capture of Ticonderoga in 1777. Cruise available Friday and Sunday afternoons. Pre-registration is required. Call (518) 585-2821 to make reservations.



Contact Rich Strum at [rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org](mailto:rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org) about a discount for this preservation conference when also attending the Seminar on the American Revolution!



Fort Ticonderoga is an independent not-for-profit educational institution and museum open to the public since 1909 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.

### Covid-19 Requirements

Fort Ticonderoga and attendees at the Seminar on the American Revolution will be required to follow New York State Covid-19 Protocols that are in place at the time of the Seminar.

# 2021 SEMINAR ON THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION REGISTRATION FORM

[Save a stamp and register online here.](#)

## Registration Information

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

Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Yes, please confirm my registration by email.

My name as I would like it to appear on my name tag:  
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Yes, you may include my contact information on a handout for attendees at the Seminar.

## TOTALS

Registration Fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Dinner Fees \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Membership \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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## On-Site Registration Fees

(includes lunch both days)

### Early Bird Registration (by August 15, 2021)

- Member, \$120
- General Public, \$140

### Registration (after August 15, 2021)

- Member, \$145
- General Public, \$165

### Seminar Patron Registration

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

### Reception & Dinner

- Friday Evening Reception (included but must pre-register)
- Turkey Dinner Saturday Evening, \$25

### For Our Information

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

## Virtual Registration Fees

### Early Bird Registration (by August 15, 2021)

- Member, \$50
- General Public, \$60

### Registration (after August 15, 2021)

- Member, \$65
- General Public, \$75

## Membership

- I am a member of Fort Ticonderoga
- I would like to become a member or renew my membership at the level designated below:
  - Corporal (individual) \$60       Lieutenant \$175
  - Sergeant (dual) \$85       Captain, \$250
  - Ensign (family) \$125       Major, \$500
  - Colonel, \$1,000

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