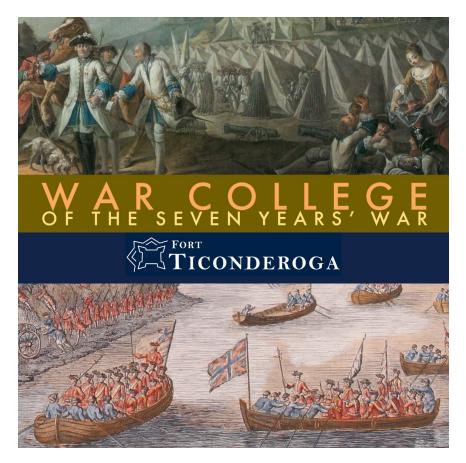
# Twenty-Seventh Annual War College of the Seven Years' War



Friday-Sunday, May 19-21, 2023

Fort Ticonderoga presents the Twenty-Seventh Annual War College of the Seven Years' War May 19-21, 2023, in the Mars Education Center and for an online audience. This annual premier conference focused on the Seven Years' War in North America and beyond features scholars from across North America and around the globe. Register by March 15<sup>th</sup> and save \$25.

# Friday, May 19, 2023

3:00-4:30pm "Archaeology and the Carillon Battlefield" Guided

**Tour**—Join Fort Ticonderoga Director of Archaeology Margaret Staudter for a walking tour of the Ticonderoga battlefield. The tour will introduce participants to the battlefield's remarkable history, discuss recent survey work, visit key archaeological features, and share exciting initiatives for long-term investigation and stewardship (THIS TOUR IS SOLD OUT. ANOTHER TOUR IS OFFERED SUNDAY).

**6:00-7:00pm Opening Reception**—Join War College faculty and museum staff at an opening reception in the Mars Education Center with light refreshments and cash bar (included in registration fee, but reservations are required).

**7:00-7:45pm Highlights from the Robert Nittolo Collection**—Fort Ticonderoga's Curator **Dr. Matthew Keagle** shares highlights from the Robert Nittolo Collection related to the Seven Years' War.

# Saturday, May 20, 2023

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

9:15-9:45am Anchors for Collective Identity: Culloden Militaria of the '45, Artefacts and Memorabilia—The items taken by people after the Battle of Culloden to different parts of the British Empire infused historic fact and myth to create collective identities. This presentation explores how these objects were cared for (in some cases fabricated many years later) and how this contributes to their intangible cultural value through analysis of two blunderbusses on either side of the Atlantic. Ellen Fogel Walker is the Public Affairs Coordinator at Culloden Battlefield for the National Trust for Scotland in Inverness, United Kingdom. Her work focuses on advocating for strengthened protection of battlefield landscapes in Britain using public memory and collections to demonstrate their outstanding value.

**10:00-10:30am Building an American Identity on the Mid-Atlantic Frontier in the 1760s**—Much has been written about the transition of colonists from British subjects to Americans, but few scholars examine this transition on the frontier. This presentation explores how

colonists on the mid-Atlantic frontier navigated the aftershocks of the Seven Years' War by forging an inter-colonial identity, often in opposition to British soldiers. **Dr. Jay Donis** is an Assistant Professor of History at Thiel College.

10:45-11:30am The Six Nations Confronts the French and Indian War: Joseph Brant Versus Han Yerry—During pre-Columbian times, the Five (later Six) Nations of Iroquois Indians formed what became their powerful League of Peace and Power. This alliance promised internal harmony as well as unity of purpose in dealing with those troublesome peoples external to the Confederacy. Overall, the League alliance remained firm to its purpose until small internal fissures became evident during and immediately after the French and Indian War. Emerging differences between young Mohawk leader Brant and the older Oneida warrior Han Yerry personify the factors pointing toward the decline and eventual collapse of the League, from which the once powerful Confederacy would never fully recover. Dr. James Kirby Martin is a widely published historian who co-authored Forgotten Allies: The Oneida Indians and the American Revolution and has served as a historian advisor to the Oneida Indian Nation of New York.

**11:45-1:45pm Lunch Break** (Box lunch from America's Fort Café included).

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

2:00-3:00pm John Bradstreet's Raid 1758: A Revisionist Assessment—Military historian Ian McCulloch attempts to dispel many of the myths that have grown up around the famous 1758 operation against Fort Frontenac (Kingston, Ontario) which preceded Robert Rogers' raid by a year. Commanded by the "Battoe-Master General," Jean Baptiste Bradstreet, an "American-born" British regular, it was carried out principally by American provincials from New Jersey, Rhode Island, Massachusetts, and New York. The Goose Van Schaick Orderly Book from the Fort Ticonderoga Museum collections will be highlighted, as well as French sources added to the mix, to give a more balanced unvarnished account of the raid than Bradstreet's personal version. McCulloch will also discuss the riverine operational capability that Bradstreet honed and put in place, a new water-borne style of combat that the British-American army would soon successfully deploy in the campaigns of Niagara (1759) and Montreal (1760). Lt. Col. Ian

Macpherson McCulloch (ret) is the former Director of the Canadian Forces' Centre for National Security Studies in Toronto and former CO of Canada's Black Watch in Montreal. Colonel McCulloch has spoken at the War College on several previous occasions on a variety of topics.

**3:15-3:45pm Simeon Piscevic (Simeon Piščević), general and diplomat of the era of the Seven Years' War**—Simeon Piscevic (1731-1797) was a Serb who began his military service in the Austrian army during the War of the Austrian Succession. He then transferred to the Russian services, where he rose to the rank of general. During the Seven Years' War in the Russian military services, numerous Serbian officers would share the same fate as Simeon Piscevic. Destinies of these officers, and the entire Serbian people, were determined by the relations between Russia and Austria, two allies in the Seven Years' War and the following decades of the 18<sup>th</sup> century. **Dr. Djordje Djuric** is a professor at the Faculty of Philosophy in Novi Sad, Serbia, where he teaches world history of the 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> centuries. He studies, among other things, Serbian-Russian relations in that period.

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

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

## Sunday, May 21, 2023

9:00-9:30am Feeling Strangeness: the Sensory Experience of War in North America (1754-1760) — From the soldiers' point of view, the French and Indian war has been a sensory shock in many ways. European soldiers, as well as their Native allies, experienced new environments, new forms of warfare, and some of them also made their first experience of the enemy's fire. This presentation examines how the troops dealt with new sensations, between confusion and adaptation. Clément Monseigne is a Ph.D. candidate in Early Modern History at Bordeaux University; his dissertation analyzes the place of sensory perceptions in the war experience of French and British soldiers during the Seven Years' War.

9:45-10:15am "Lay'd up And Decay'd": Examining the History and Archaeological Material of the King's Shipyard at Fort Ticonderoga— After the Seven Years' War in North America, a number of vessels from the British flotilla were left to rot in "The King's Shipyard" at Fort Ticonderoga. Other structures were built there as well, including the "Great Bridge" during the Revolutionary War and a steamboat dock during the lake's commercial era. Results from recent archaeological investigations are shedding light on this complex assemblage of submerged cultural resources near Fort Ticonderoga. Daniel Bishop is a Ph.D. student in the Nautical Archaeology Program at Texas A&M University. He specializes in 18<sup>th</sup>- and early19<sup>th</sup>-century maritime history and ship construction.

10:30-11:00am "that Most Fatal disorder to the Virginians": The Seven Years' War and a Pandemic of Smallpox, 1756-1766—Smallpox is perhaps the most significant pathogen in human history. This presentation recasts the global Seven Years' War as a story about smallpox and its spread, relocating our lens away from the battlefield, and showing how it impacted indigenous nations, enslaved Africans, and women in camp and on the home front. Camden R. Elliott is a Ph.D. candidate in early American history at Harvard University. His dissertation uses the methods and sources of environmental history to recast the history of the Ango-Wabanaki Wars.

**11:30am Lunch** (Box lunch from America's Fort Café included).

12:30-2:00pm "Archaeology and the Carillon Battlefield" Guided Tour—Join Fort Ticonderoga Director of Archaeology Margaret Staudter for a walking tour of the Ticonderoga battlefield. The tour will introduce participants to the battlefield's remarkable history, discuss recent survey work, visit key archaeological features, and share exciting initiatives for long-term investigation and stewardship (\$30 additional fee for this limited-space program).

# **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 War College 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 upon request.

#### **Pot Roast Dinner Saturday Evening**

Pot Roast, 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.

# Fort Ticonderoga Museum and Museum Store

Registration includes complimentary admission to Fort Ticonderoga Friday through Sunday of the War College. The Museum Store in the Log House will be open 10:00am-5:00pm, with extended evening hours on Saturday. Several members of the War College faculty will be signing copies of their books at the Museum Store on Saturday at 1:00 p.m., where copies of their books will be for sale. *Members of Fort Ticonderoga receive a 10% discount on all books*.

#### Fort Ticonderoga's Center for Digital History

Those who are unable to travel to Ticonderoga for this annual program can sign up to attend the conference online through Fort Ticonderoga's Center for Digital History using Zoom Webinars.



All sessions will be streamed. 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.

# **Become a War College Patron!**

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

# **Honorary Lieutenant Colonel (\$250)**

Includes the registration fee; recognition in the War College program; and an invitation to a private dinner with members of the War College 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 *John Bradstreet's Raid 1758* by this year's keynote speaker Lt. Col. Ian McCulloch.

## **Honorary Brigadier General (\$750)**

In addition to all of the above, the first patron at this level receives 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: free
admission to Fort Ticonderoga
for 12 months, 10% discount in
the Museum Store, a
subscription to <i>The Haversack</i> ,
free admission to dozens of
virtual events, discounts for
seminars and conferences, and
invitations to special events.

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS				
Corporal (individual)	\$70			
Sergeant (dual)	\$90			
Ensign (family)	\$135			
Lieutenant	\$180			
Captain	\$250			
Major	\$500			
Colonel	\$1,000			

# **Registration and Travel Information**

## **How to Register**

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

War College 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 March 15<sup>th</sup>, not postmarked by that date. To pay with a credit card, please register online at the link below or call (518) 585-2821.

Register online at this link:

www.FortTiconderoga.org/event/twenty-seventh-annual-war-college-of-the-seven-years-war/2023-05-19/

#### **Cancellation Policy**

All cancellations must be received by May 10<sup>th</sup>. Registration fees will be refunded, less a \$25 processing charge. Refunds will be processed after the War College. 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. Rooms book quickly, so make your reservation today! A list of area accommodations is available at:

www.fortticonderoga.org/visit/adirondack-vacation/places-to-stay/

# **2023 WAR COLLEGE REGISTRATION FORM**

Save a stamp and register online at:

https://www.fortticonderoga.org/event/twenty-seventh-annual-war-college-of-the-seven-years-war/2023-05-19/

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	Pot Roast Dinner Saturday Evening, \$25		$\overline{\Box}$	Ensign (family) \$135	
				Lieutenant \$180	
Sunday Archaeology Tour			$\overline{\Box}$	Captain, \$250	
	Guided Tour 3:00pm Friday, \$30		_	Major, \$500	
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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						
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To use a credit card, please register online or call (518) 585-2821.						



# Fort Ticonderoga Seminar on the American Revolution

Friday-Sunday, September 22-24, 2023

Fort Ticonderoga presents the Nineteenth Annual Seminar on the American Revolution September 22-24, 2023, in the Mars Education Center and for an online audience. This annual premier conference focused on the military, political, and social history of the American Revolution features scholars from across North America and around the globe. Sign up as a subscriber for the War College and the Seminar on the American Revolution by March 15<sup>th</sup> and save!

#### **Keynote Speaker**

Hessians: German Soldiers in the American Revolutionary War—Dr. Friederike Baer, associate professor of history at Penn State University Abingdon.

#### **Other Confirmed Speakers**

- ♦ Mark Anderson, independent historian
- Stephen Brumwell, independent historian
- Wade Catts and Jen Janofsky, Rowan University
- ♦ Justin Clement, Potts Grove Manor
- Isabella Courtney and Catherine Zipf, The Bristol Historical & Preservation Society
- ♦ Don Hagist, Journal of the American Revolution
- ♦ Armin Langer, University of Florida
- ♦ Timothy Leech, independent historian
- ♦ John Weaver, West Virginia University

Visit the event webpage for up-to-date information about speakers and topics:

www.fortticonderoga.org/event/nineteenth-annual-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.

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#### Center for Digital History



# **Upcoming 2023 Programs**

Fort Ticonderoga Center for Digital History

These programs are offered through Zoom webinars and are free for members (\$10 each for non-members). For details and to register for programs, visit:

www.fortticonderoga.org/calendar/category/lectures-seminars-and-workshops/

#### Fort Fever Series Wednesdays at 7:00pm ET

The Fort Ticonderoga Fort Fever Series features presentations by Fort Ticonderoga Staff.

January 25<sup>th</sup> Kevin Maher, Artificer Shoemaker

From Lake to Last, Reproducing Shipwreck Shoes

February 22<sup>nd</sup> Dr. Matthew Keagle, Curator

Hidden Hands: Uncovering the Black Presence in

Fort Ticonderoga's Collections

March 22<sup>nd</sup> Tabitha Hubbard, Collections Manager

Documenting, Preserving, and Make Accessible

Ticonderoga's Archives

April 19<sup>th</sup> Cameron Green, Director of Interpretation

Building British Ticonderoga

#### Fort Ticonderoga Author Series Sundays at 2:00pm ET

The Fort Ticonderoga Author Series features presentations by authors of books related to Fort Ticonderoga's history.

January 15<sup>th</sup> Steven Elliott

Surviving the Winters: Housing Washington's Army

During the American Revolution

February 12<sup>th</sup> Claire Bellerjeau

Espionage and Enslavement in the Revolution: The

True Story of Robert Townsend and Elizabeth

March 12<sup>th</sup> David O. Stewart

George Washington: The Political Rise of America's

Founding Father

April 16<sup>th</sup> James McIntyre

A Most Gallant Resistance: The Delaware River

Campaign September-November 1777



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