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Fort Ticonderoga recently announced the completion of the 9-million-dollar Pavilion project at a press conference that included New York State officials and regional and community members.



## THE BIG PICTURE

### A Summer to Remember

As we transition from the waves of students returning to Fort Ticonderoga this spring to families excited for summer fun, I continue to be awed by the power of Ticonderoga's story and the awesome opportunities we have to bring our history into the lives and experiences of visitors of all ages.

The thrilling flash of musketry and roar of cannon will echo across our historic site all summer as we bring America's signature stories to life. This year will feature our new daily programs portraying the year 1759 as the French Fort Carillon becomes the British-held Ticonderoga. Mark your calendars for the NEW battle reenactment *1759 Siege of Carillon*, including an after-hours program you won't want to miss.



Our singular museum collections are fundamental to all of our work. Several initiatives are underway to better interpret our archaeological collections, including the repatriation of indigenous ancestors and their associated belongings as part of a project funded by the Institute of Museum and Library Services.

Teachers from across America become students this summer when they join us for two major institutes on site and in person! Learn more about their experience and our new partnership with Norwich University. Also be sure to follow the impressive work underway led by the 2022 class of Edward W. Pell Fellows on our social media platforms.

The Pavilion is front and center this summer as we celebrate a community grand opening and press conference where we announced our impressive economic impact projections for the next 10 years. Thanks to your generous support, Fort Ticonderoga has invested more than \$20 million in capital projects over the past decade and is preparing for substantial growth.

Your support makes our vibrant and exciting initiatives possible. Visit often this summer to see the impact you are making from the youngest first-time visitor to the next generation of museum professionals. We expect you'll agree – it is a summer to remember!

With gratitude for your support,  
Beth L. Hill  
President and CEO

## Contributions

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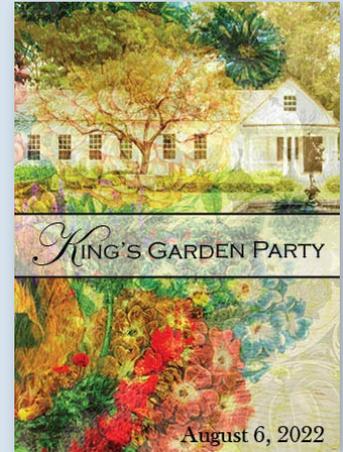
**Saturday,  
August 6th**

### ***Our Divinely Delicious Garden Party!***

Join us for this exquisite summer event! Enjoy botanical-infused cocktails, music, and edible floral fare. A spirited "best of" competition keeps things lively, and silent and exclusive experience auctions give you a great chance to support our mission of preservation and education.

**Tickets:** [www.us.givergy.com/kingsgarden](https://www.us.givergy.com/kingsgarden)

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or email [info@fort-ticonderoga.org](mailto:info@fort-ticonderoga.org).



## A Beloved Friend



The Fort Ticonderoga family has lost a towering intellect, a trustee whose contributions would be difficult for anyone to surpass, and a good friend. **Nick Muller** passed away this spring after fighting bravely against chronic illness and the loss of his beloved wife, Carol. As frail as he was in his final year, he dutifully attended board meetings in person and, at least once, remotely from his hospital bed. I, personally, and I know, many others, have lost a dear

friend. We are truly saddened by that loss, but we, and Fort Ticonderoga, are very much the better for Nick's having been in our lives. Rest in peace, old friend.

—Sanford W. Morhouse, Fort Ticonderoga Board Chairman

Fort Ticonderoga has established the **H. Nicholas Muller III Research Fellowship Fund**. This program will honor Nick's memory and continue the work he so passionately pursued throughout his life. To make a gift please contact [info@fort-ticonderoga.org](mailto:info@fort-ticonderoga.org) or call 518-585-2821



## More Than Meets the Eye

The King's Garden is not only beautiful to behold, it also provides a bounty of flavorful vegetables that enliven the menu at America's Fort Café! Our Farm-to-Table garden at the King's Garden provides nearly 2,000 pounds of fresh-picked produce every year that goes straight to the plate. Strawberry lemonade, asparagus soup, and other seasonal specials are not only delectable, they feature the sweet taste of Ticonderoga history.



## TAKE A CRUISE!

SINCE 2015, more than 31,000 visitors have cruised aboard the *Carillon*, which now features gorgeously restored 1920s-style mahogany woodwork and a new sonar system to look at shipwrecks and fascinating remains of the past beneath Lake Champlain. Armchair generals and lovers of natural beauty alike continue to enjoy daily cruises with fresh narratives year-after-year.

The *Carillon* is perfect to charter for family outings, wedding rehearsals/receptions, and curated excursions of any kind! Contact Ryann Wiktorko Fort Ticonderoga Group Sales Manager at 518-585-1023 for details and reservations.

## Peek at the Pavilion!

Enjoy exquisite details of the restored Pavilion during an entertaining 60-minute tour that examines the evolution of this National Historic Landmark from summer home to hotel, its renovation in 1909, and its most recent complete restoration. Enjoy furniture, decorative arts, and archaeological remains from the Pavilion on exhibit for the very first time.

Don't miss out on this NEW EXCLUSIVE experience! Space is limited for these very special tours.

Availability: August 24, September 8 & 22, October 13

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## PAVILION TEA

Join us for the first Pavilion Tea of the season on Thursday, July 28th from 1-3 pm. Pre-registration required. Purchase tickets by calling (518) 558-4651 or visiting [fortticonderoga.org](http://fortticonderoga.org).



A French cannon crew loads their 4-pounder in the twilight. The 1759 Siege of Carillon reenactment will feature a special evening tour of British siege works and French defenses.

**JULY 23-24**

# Two Days of Drama and Courage!

*New epic reenactment of the 1759 Siege of Carillon*

**FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 2011,** Fort Ticonderoga will recreate the dramatic French and Indian War struggle that roared across the peninsula! A combination of demonstrations, vignettes, and battle reenactments will allow visitors to experience the British advance through stiff French resistance to gain a foothold overlooking the French-held Fort Carillon.

Different engaging scenarios will be presented each day of the event. Visitors will hear the rumble of artillery and the crackle of musketry, and witness the events that led to the fort's destruction. Watch as the French make a final desperate sortie at the British lines, and on an action-packed Sunday, you'll get a look at a rare sight—the French evacuation by water!

“The twilight will be ablaze with gunfire during the special Saturday evening tour of the Siege of Carillon. You'll watch British and American Provincial soldiers struggle to build cannon batteries while dodging shells fired by French gunners.”

—*Stuart Lillie, V.P. of Public History*

## **More to 1759!**

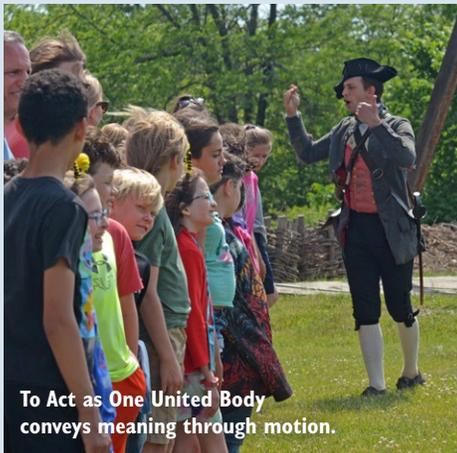
Beginning July 27, daily programs will transform our experience to highlight how Fort Ticonderoga rose out of the rubble of French Fort Carillon. Interpretive staff will portray Connecticut Provincial soldiers, some of the first American citizen soldiers, who guarded this prized post the British had sought since 1755. In victory, however, tensions grew between the American soldiers and the British regulars they served beside. Those tensions and disagreements would one day boil over into war. In fact, some of the Connecticut Provincial soldiers returned to Ticonderoga in 1775 as the first American troops in a rebellion against England.

## Ready for some time travel?

Fort Ticonderoga offers numerous immersive experiences to make every visit unforgettable! Educating future generations is at the heart of our mission, and the staff of Fort Ticonderoga goes above and beyond the call of duty to create exceptional learning experiences.

### 1 “To Act as One United Body”

*To Act as One United Body* is a unique teambuilding program that immerses students in an experience customized to the soldiers of their home state. Drawing from our museum archives, this hour of drills, marches, and formation tactics has quickly become one of the most popular and impactful programs offered to students!



To Act as One United Body conveys meaning through motion.

### 2 Sails, Mallets, and Warships

The Maritime Artificer's Apprentice program engages learners of all types through a multimedia, multi-sensory approach to Ticonderoga's naval history. Students gain a new perspective on the Revolutionary warships that fought on Lake Champlain. By pushing a sail-makers needle or swinging a caulking mallet, young learners begin to understand global supply networks as well as the mechanical arts needed to build and maintain an American fleet for Independence.



Maritime Artificer's Apprentice program

### 3 Live A Soldier's Life!

Marching in the footsteps of soldiers and their families at Ticonderoga is one thing, but students and scouts can also stay overnight at Fort Ticonderoga inside barracks, soldiers' huts, or even in tents pitched on the Parade Ground! With supervision from our skilled staff, young visitors cook their own 18th-century inspired meals over the camp kitchen. Attendees get the once-in-a-lifetime experience to venture out onto Lake Champlain in a replica bateau or aboard the *Carillon* cruise boat, and explore Fort Ticonderoga's exhibits, programs, and the Carillon Battlefield hiking trail.

### 4 Ticonderoga's Floating Classroom

*Carillon*, our 60-foot tour boat, serves as a floating classroom each year

to hundreds of young and eager learners. Maritime interpreters dramatically tell the tales of Revolutionary War sailors and soldiers, highlighting historic vistas above the water and sonar scans of what lies beneath, including dozens of archaeological sites.

### 5 A 6-acre Puzzle!

For 2022, Fort Ticonderoga's Heroic Corn maze features a new pattern that combines French, British, and New England emblems to coincide with this year's portrayal of 1759. Visitors of all ages can search for different trenches and tools of siege craft in a Maze Quest. Follow history hints to guide you through the maze! Open Tuesday-Sunday August 13-28; Weekends only September 3-Oct 16.

To learn more or schedule a program, contact Ryann Wiktorko, Fort Ticonderoga Group Sales Manager, at 518-585-1023.

## Bringing the Battlefield to New Heights

Fort Ticonderoga preserves the July 8, 1758, Carillon Battlefield, one of the most significant military landscapes in North America. Thanks to a new interpretation grant from the National Park Service's American Battlefield Protection Program, museum staff are building upon a previous geographic and historical survey of the Carillon Battlefield and working with new partners to explore how to make the battleground and the broader Heights of Carillon, more accessible.



### Want to help?

Please take this survey to help us understand how you interact with the Carillon Battlefield and trails, and how you would like to engage with the battlefield in the future.

## In Common Cause

Fort Ticonderoga has expanded its partnership with Norwich University, America's oldest private military college. Norwich will offer history graduate credits to teacher participants in our seminar *Institute For the Common Defense: Subjects, Citizens, and America's Military Origins, 1609-1815*. We look forward to the development of this relationship, the origins of which date back to almost the beginning of Norwich's history. School founder Alden Partridge visited the ruins of Fort Ticonderoga in 1819, the year the university was founded and just a year before William Ferris Pell began the preservation of this historic landmark.



Norwich University's Kreitzberg Library

### From Curator to Classroom

Curator Dr. Matthew Keagle teaches classes in Public History and Museum Studies at Norwich University and mentors interns in the university's Master of Arts in History program. That has fostered student relationships that will last for generations.

*Over the past two years, Dr. Matthew Keagle has been instrumental in teaching and advising students in the Public History concentration of Norwich University's online M.A. in History Program. He has taught the courses Introduction to Public History and Museum Studies and advised an intern working remotely from Arizona. I am grateful for the enthusiasm and expertise that Dr. Keagle brings to Norwich courses.*

—David J. Ulbrich, Ph.D., Chair, Graduate Studies Division, Program Director, M.A. in History and M.A. in Military History

*“As an aspiring Public Historian, my experience with the fort and its staff has been one of the most valuable of my education. I continue to be impressed with the efforts of the fort and the passion for history that is shared among all members of its staff.”*

—Vincent Cole, Norwich University Masters Student



The 2022 Edward W. Pell Graduate Fellows include Ellie Renshaw (College of William & Mary); Estrella Salgado (University of Michigan); Ann Hewitt (University of Delaware); and Jack Weaver (West Virginia University).

Join us for the **2022 Edward W. Pell Graduate Fellows Symposium on Thursday, August 4th, at 1:00pm ET**. The 2022 Fellows conclude their summer experience by sharing about their projects. The symposium takes place in the Mars Education Center Great Room and will also be available on Zoom. For more information, email Rich Strum at [rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org](mailto:rstrum@fort-ticonderoga.org).

## The First Residents

This past fall, Fort Ticonderoga was awarded a crucial grant to build and strengthen relationships with the Indigenous communities whose homelands include Fort Ticonderoga. These collaborations will develop the documentation necessary for the repatriation of Indigenous ancestors and their associated belongings that fall under the National Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA) and lead to improved collections management practices under community guidance. This project was made possible, in part, by the Institute of Museum and Library Services [MA-249522-OMS-21].



The area surrounding Fort Ticonderoga has been home to Indigenous communities for thousands of years. (Photo: Carl Heilman II, © Fort Ticonderoga)

## CARILLON ON CANVAS

We are excited to host a special exhibition of a new painting by noted historical artist Don Troiani depicting the fury of the 1758 Battle of Carillon. Explore its rich detail and learn how museum staff helped Troiani reconstruct this pivotal moment. Some even modeled for the artwork! The large painting will be on display beginning the 4th of July weekend through October in the Mars Education Center.



## Summer and Fall Fun!

To learn more, visit [www.fortticonderoga.org](http://www.fortticonderoga.org)

### August 6-7

#### Living History Event: The Sound of 1776

Through fifes and drums, living history vignettes, and weapon demonstrations, discover the story of the Northern Continental Army, which rebuilt itself at Ticonderoga beginning in July 1776. Hear dramatic readings of the Declaration of Independence.

### September 3-4

#### Living History Event: "Been Building ...a Snug Little House"

Watch as British and Provincial soldiers build soldiers' huts to prepare for winter garrisoning duties. Observe historic research in action as soldiers recreate these simple shelters. Grab a mallet or saw and try out timber framing for yourself!

### September 9

#### Homeschool Day

Spend a day at Fort Ticonderoga and take part in a series of programs designed for homeschool families! Students can step aboard the *Carillon* for a 75-minute narrated tour on Lake Champlain and practice the basic

Revolutionary War drills of American soldiers. Explore a new design in the six-acre Heroic Corn Maze and answer clues connected to Fort Ticonderoga's history as you find your way through the maze.

### September 17-18

#### Battle Reenactment: Brown's Raid

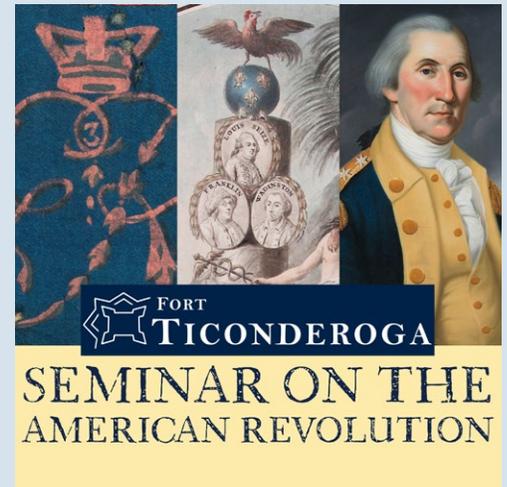
This two-day battle re-enactment highlights the epic 1777 Brown's Raid! Patriot Colonel John Brown will lead an attack that takes British troops garrisoning Fort Ticonderoga by surprise!

### October 1

#### Heritage, Harvest, & Horse Festival

This fall-favorite event makes for a great annual family tradition! Discover the historical importance of horses and other working animals during exciting demonstrations. Meet friendly animals, stroll through the farmers' market featuring local food, beverages, and crafts, participate in family fun activities, and tackle the six-acre Heroic Corn Maze.

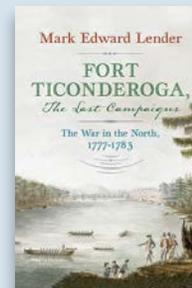
## SEMINAR ON THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



Fort Ticonderoga is excited to provide virtual access to its marquee conferences, including the upcoming Seminar on the American Revolution, through the Center for Digital History. The hybrid model enables both an in-person and online audience to hear from established scholars and those new to the field.

The Seminar on the American Revolution takes place September 23-25. Registration is now open for both in-person and virtual attendees on our website.

## Summertime Must-Read!



Mark Edward Lender's *Fort Ticonderoga, The Last Campaigns: The War in the North, 1777-1783* from Westholme Publishing documents, largely for the first time, Fort Ticonderoga's history from the pivotal

campaign of 1777 through the end of the Revolutionary War. Available at our Museum Store, Lender's book provides a new perspective of the ongoing role the region played in the war for American Independence.



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