

August 11 Saratoga County History Center News and Events



Saratoga County History Center

Sharing History to Promote Community
August 11, 2022



This was a very busy time for the Saratoga County History Center. Last week we had our series, Historians' Walking Tour, visiting Schuylerville during extreme heat (and a dramatic storm.) Our tour got a sneak preview of the new Regional Visitors Center. Then, 36 visitors attended a saxophone quartet on the porch of the SCHC's Brookside Museum. This week is extremely busy, so have a look at our schedule.

**THIS IS A MUSEUM THAT GETS IT,
BECAUSE WE WANT TO SEE FOOD AND
THE HISTORY OF FOOD.**



DOUG GOUDIE



**VISIT "IN THE
SARATOGA
STYLE: POTATO
CHIPS AND THEIR
REGIONAL
FOLKLORE"**

**THURSDAY TO
SUNDAY
1PM TO 5PM.**



Saratoga County History Center's Events

August 10 - 6pm *Off The Northway* Presentation and Book Signing at Northshire

Books. Longtime local journalist Stephen William will talk about some of the tales that make Saratoga Springs unique, how the \$15 billion GlobalFoundries chip plant came to Saratoga County, and how the construction of the Northway has changed the county. He will also sign copies of *Off the Northway*, a compilation of 83 articles written by Williams from 2005 through 2020 for the Daily Gazette in Schenectady, NY. The book will be available for purchase. The event is sponsored by and proceeds to benefit the Saratoga County History Center. The event will be held at the Northshire Books, 424 Broadway, Saratoga Springs, NY 12866

August 12 - 2pm Fridays in the Herb Garden: there's more to an herb than its name. The Saratoga County History Center invites you to join Kathleen Royka, Master Gardener, and Thymly Herb's lead gardener at the museum's Colonial Herb Garden. This week's theme "Plants to dye for – plants, both for dyeing and healing. Meet woad, Queen Anne's Lace, and sage. Their stories are history." Questions and discussions about any aspect of gardening, historic or otherwise, will be welcome. The programs are free, though donations are always appreciated. Children are welcome, and there will be 18th-century toys and games and other activities for them to explore. This is an in-person event that will take place at SCHC's Brookside Museum.

August 13 - 10am – 4pm Spin Till You Dye day. Representatives from the Saratoga County-based fiber spinning group The Rock Day Spinners will gather at SCHC's Brookside Museum to dye wool using natural dyes and demonstrate fiber spinning.

August 14 -3pm Free Music at the Museum Concert. A concert band under the direction of Dennis Searles, an area music teacher with over 50 years experience directing and performing in many musicals, concert bands and the Glens Falls Symphony. The band is comprised of professional Musicians from the entire capital district and north country performing traditional concert band music, including Broadway Musicals, popular melodies, and many marches. The musicians will perform on the front porch of SCHC's Brookside Museum. Bring your lawn chairs, sunscreen, and enjoy the music – and please visit the museum while you are there. The event is sponsored by the Village of Ballston Spa Arts Council.

August 15 -10am Zim Smith Trail in Round Lake. *Sold out*

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<https://brooksidemuseum.networkforgood.com/events/45743-historians-walking-tours-forest-park-amusement-park>

Register for the Forest Park Walking Tour

September 10 – 10:30am From Slavery to Freedom: Blacks in Saratoga From the Colonial Period Through Gradual Manumission. Dr. Armstead has a deep understanding of African-American social and cultural life and is well known for her first book, *‘Lord, Please Don’t Take Me in August’* a comparative study of black life in the resort communities of Saratoga Springs, NY, and Newport, RI during the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Her presentation will be held at the Dyer-Phelps Memorial AME Zion Church, 122 Crescent St. in Saratoga Springs. It is based on research supported by a collaboration between the Organization of American Historians and the National Parks Service. Please register for the talk at:

<https://brooksidemuseum.networkforgood.com/events/46718-dr-myra-armstead-from-slavery-to-freedom-blacks-in-saratoga-from-colonial-period-to-gradual-manumission>

Register for From Slavery to Freedom Talk

September 17 – 10am Historians' Walking Tour - Vischer Ferry. John Scherer, Clifton Park Town Historian, will lead a tour of Vischer Ferry, one of Saratoga County’s “Forgotten Crossroads.” The Tour will explore the Vischer Ferry Historic District, learning about its Greek Revival and Victorian homes, its heyday during the canal era, and it’s time as a summer resort at the end of the 19th and early 20 th centuries. Stories of some of the hamlet’s more interesting residents will be discussed. This walking tour will be about 1.5 miles round trip on level paved roads. The tour will begin at the parking area at the end of Ferry Drive, and end at noon at the Vischer Ferry General Store for those interested in lunch. Our annual farm fest will also be happening that day as an added attraction. The suggested donation is \$10 per registration. Please register for the tour at

<https://brooksidemuseum.networkforgood.com/events/45745-historians-walking-tours-vischer-ferry-sept-17th>

Register for Vicher Ferry Walking Tour

September 21 – 7pm Experts Next Door - The Saratoga-Las Vegas Connection. Mob Museum Trustee and University of Nevada, Las Vegas Associate Professor of History Michael Green will go over some of the famous and not-so-famous links between the two resort towns, after which he will take questions and comments from the audience. A native of Las Vegas, Dr. Green is a nationally-recognized scholar of US history and an experienced, engaging public speaker who delights audiences with anecdotes and inside scoops. From movies to mobsters to migrants, Dr. Green will pull back the curtain (or should we say prison bars?) on the Saratoga-Las Vegas relationship. The

event, to be held on Zoom, is open to the public. It is free, but donations are greatly appreciated. To register, please visit

<https://brooksidemuseum.networkforgood.com/events/44049-experts-next-door-20-saratoga-las-vegas-connection?fbclid=IwAR3V7t-jX4BHw7XTjYV-EWjmHR3jZr86Ln-OOQcDKIBHBZrsKNp5xtQleio>

Register for Experts Next Door
The Saratoga-Las Vegas Connection

September 29 – 1pm Historians' Walking Tour - The Champlain Canal, Waterford. Russ VanDervoort, Waterford Town Historian, will lead a tour of the Champlain Canal in Waterford. This section of the canal opened in 1823, some parts remain unchanged. Along the tour route we will pass a swing bridge, a basin, a change bridge, several waste weirs, and a power canal which played a major role in the Industrial Revolution This walk will begin at Lock 2 Park in Waterford. This tour is a 1 ½ mile round walk on a basic level path that is a part of the Empire State Trailway and the Champlain Canal Trailway, known as the Waterford to Whitehall Trail. Lock 2 Park is located off Broad St. which is on Rt. 32 and the main thoroughfare in downtown Waterford. The entryway is part of the old Canal towpath, and there is a large sign for Lock 2 at the entrance. Parking available at Lock 2 Park and other nearby streets. The suggested donation is \$10 per registration. Please register for the Tour at:

<https://brooksidemuseum.networkforgood.com/events/45747-historians-walking-tours-champlain-canal-sept-29th>

Register for Champlain Canal Walking Tour

All these programs are free and open to the public unless otherwise indicated, and donations are accepted with gratitude. The SCHC's Brookside Museum is located at 6 Charlton Street in Ballston Spa, NY 12020.

History Center Begins Partnership with the Mob Museum



Jackpot! The Saratoga County History Center is thrilled to announce the beginning of a hoped-for long-term partnership with the Mob Museum, located in Las Vegas, Nevada. The connections between Saratoga and “Sin City” are notorious, and the possibilities for future exhibits and events are exciting!

To kick-off the partnership, Mob Museum Trustee and University of Nevada, Las Vegas Associate Professor of History Michael Green will participate in the History Center’s popular virtual speaker series “Experts Next Door.” At 7pm EST, on September 21, Dr. Green will go over some of the famous and not-so-famous links between the two resort towns, after which he will take questions and comments from the audience.

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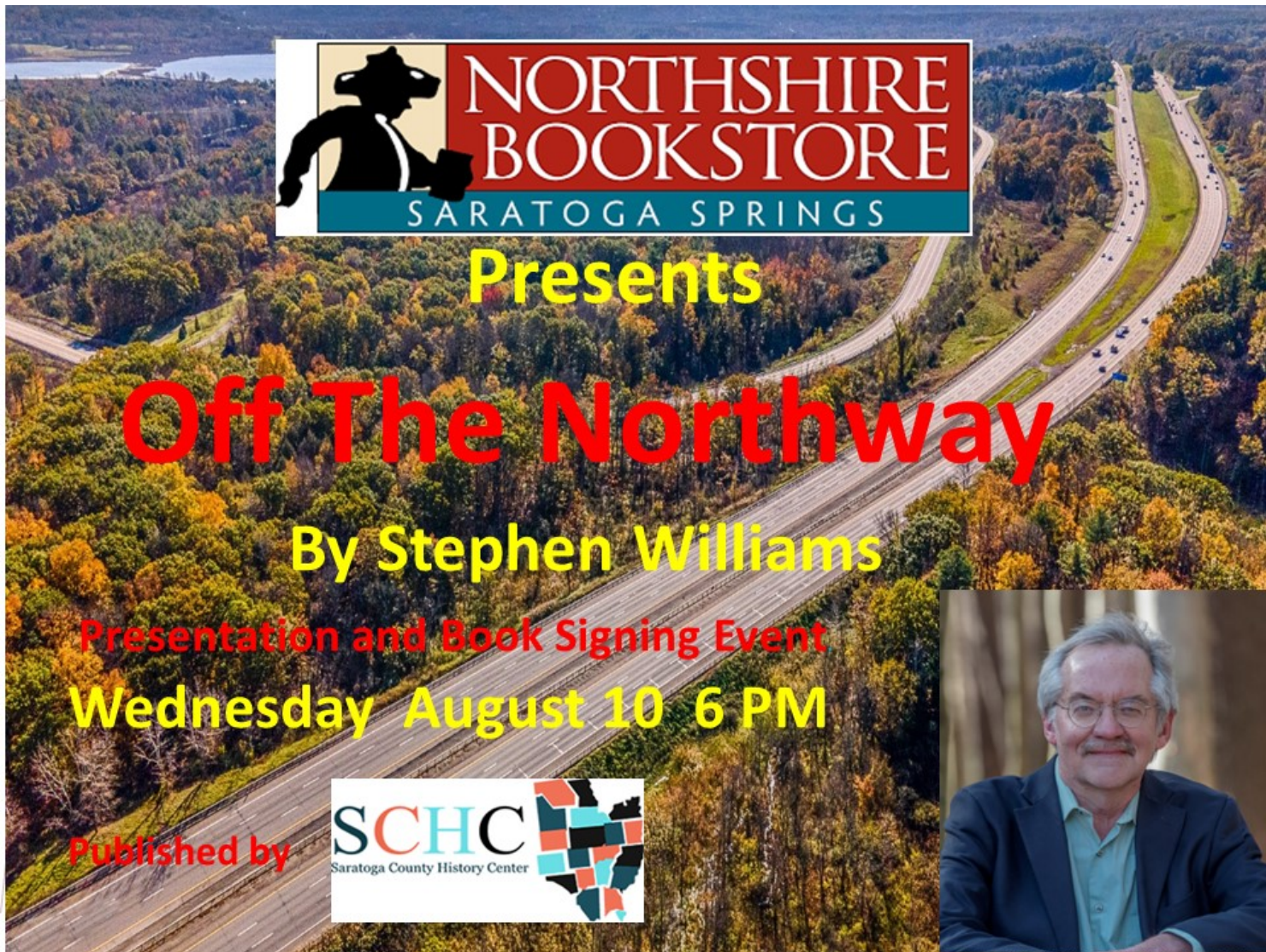
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The “Experts Next Door” virtual speaker series was launched in the summer of 2020 and has featured specialists from a wide variety of fields, from archaeology to gardening to mixology to history to teaching. Please visit the History Center website at www.brooksidemuseum.org for more information.

Register for Experts Next Door
The Saratoga-Las Vegas Connection



NORTHSHIRE BOOKSTORE
SARATOGA SPRINGS


Presents

Off The Northway

By Stephen Williams

Presentation and Book Signing Event
Wednesday August 10 6 PM

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Saratoga County Historical Community Upcoming Events

These programs come from several organizations in Saratoga County. The event organizers are noted. These are not hosted or sponsored by SCHC.

August 12 – 6:30pm "Bells, Bells, Bells" Outdoor lecture presented by Michael Barrett at the Waterford Historical Museum and Cultural Center at 2 Museum Lane, Waterford, NY 12188. These are bring-your-own chairs and refreshments picnic-style events on the museum lawn offered on the second Friday of the month over the summer. Admission is \$10 per person. For more information, contact info@waterfordmuseum.com

August 20 - 1pm "Heritage Hunters: Guided Tour of the Hugh White Homestead" The Waterford Historical Museum and Cultural Center will welcome the Heritage Hunters and friends on a guided tour. Begun in 1830, the house was built in several two-story sections on Saratoga Avenue in Waterford, NY and moved to 2 Museum Lane in 1964. Hugh White was born into a prominent Oneida County family in 1798. He was drawn to the Waterford area when he and his brother developed a waterproof cement product that was much in demand for use in canals and dams. The group tour costs \$5 per person. It will run 30-45 minutes, after which there will have free time to explore on your own. The History of Waterford is on permanent exhibit, and the current seasonal exhibit is Waterford Travel Through Time. Contact Ginny Humphrey, 518-885-9309, or bhumphre@nycap.rr.com

August 21 - 2-4pm "The Legacy of 'Urban Renewal' in Saratoga Springs Community Conversations at The Frederick Allen Elks Lodge." Erasing Spaces and Faces: The Legacy of Urban Renewal in Saratoga Springs is a series of community conversations and art-making events, open to all members of our community to share stories, poems, songs, artwork and document oral histories that reflect their experience of displacement and removal during "urban renewal" projects in the city of Saratoga Springs. For more information and resources contact julie@createcommunitystudios.org

August 21 - 4-6pm "Organ Recital with Craig Williams' with the National Historic Landmark the Davis-Ferris Tracker Organ at the Round Lake Auditorium." At 3pm, on Sunday, August 21 ticket holders will be given a guided tour of the Round Lake Auditorium along with the history of the Organ. Craig Williams, the West Point Organist and Choirmaster, will play a little Bach, Brahms, and Mendelssohn in a recital at 4pm. Also following the recital there will be a Sweet Tea Meet and Greet with Craig Williams. The ticket price is \$10 to help preserve this wonderful treasure. Tickets and details available <https://www.roundlakeauditorium.org/events/craig-williams> or at the door. The Round Lake Auditorium is located at 2 Wesley Ave, Round Lake, NY 12151

September 9th – 6:30pm "The Transcontinental Railroad." The 1869 completion of what was then the largest infrastructure project in American history turned the United States into a true continental power and opened the development of our “Wild West.” Many of the personalities who were prime movers in the project had ties to the Capital District, and our local industrial base provided a number of the necessary parts that made. Join Historian Michael Barrett, for this presentation .on the front lawn at the Waterford Historical Museum and Cultural Center at 2 Museum Lane, Waterford, NY 12188. These are bring-your-own chairs and refreshments picnic-style events on the museum lawn offered on the second Friday of the month over the summer. Admission is \$10 per person. For more information, contact info@waterfordmuseum.com

Programs are free unless otherwise indicated. Submit events to sean@brooksidemuseum.org. SCHC News and Events is a collaborative effort. We count on the contributions of the historic community of Saratoga County and others for the entire content of this page.

WE NEED YOU!

On August 15th, the Saratoga County History Center is beginning its' membership drive for 2023.

Renew your membership or become a member today by visiting:
www.brooksidemuseum.org



Membership Announcement!

Support
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We've been able to accomplish all of this because of your continued support, and we are incredibly grateful. As we grow and change for the better, we will be implementing a new membership renewal process beginning September 1, 2022. As current members, each year, you received a membership renewal on a rolling basis depending on when you initially became a member. Starting September 1, all members will reset as we try to make the renewal process easier for you and SCHC. If you are a new or existing member who joined or renewed after March 1, 2022, your membership will roll over to 2023, and your membership will be valid until September 2023.

Starting August 15, if you have not renewed or joined since March 1, 2022, you will start receiving renewal letters in the mail. The SCHC is able to do what we do because of your financial contributions - and we thank you. Additionally, you may have heard that we've revamped our membership to include perks for each membership level, which are listed below. These new membership levels and perks can be used throughout the year as you come and visit the museum. When renewing your membership, you will also have the option to set up a recurring donation throughout the year.

[Become a member](#)

SCHC Wish List

The Saratoga County History Center relies on community support. Support doesn't necessarily need to be in the form of cash. Providing us with much needed equipment, supplies and services helps reduce our costs greatly. We are currently looking for the below items/services. If you are interested in donating the items/services, please contact SCHC at info@brooksidemuseum.org or 518 585-4000

Podium

USPS Forever Stamps

Professional Microphones

Topsoil

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August 12- 2pm
at Brookside Museum

6 Charlton Street in Ballston Spa, NY
12020



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The Saratoga County History Center invites you to "Fridays in the Herb Garden: there's more to an herb than its name." Join Kathleen Royka, Master Gardener, and Thymly Herb's lead gardener for the museum's Colonial Herb Garden at 2pm on Fridays, July 29 and August, 12. Each Friday will have a different and unusual theme.

Questions and discussions about any aspect of gardening, historic or otherwise, will be welcome. The programs are free, though donations are always appreciated. Children are welcome, and there will be 18th-century toys and games and other activities for them to explore.

The series continues on Friday, August 12th at 2 pm: Plants to dye for – plants, both for dyeing and healing. Meet woad, Queen Anne's Lace, and sage. Their stories are history.

News from the colonial herb garden...

“To everything, there is a season...” The lush green of early summer is gone. The dog days of August are here. The garden is feeling the effects! Plants are showing signs of aging—spotted leaves on the mullein and roses, yellowing leaves on the lovage and dame's rocket, and spent blooms going to seed. Deadheading calendula and cosmos help keep them in blossom, but Mother Nature says now is the time to produce seed! Shorter days are bringing their time in the sun slowly to an end. Autumn will soon be knocking on the door.



Speaking of seeds... is there anything more rewarding than dropping a tiny seed into the soil, and seeing life emerge, gain hold, then proudly burst into blossom? I find planting seeds more rewarding than popping a plant out of a pack. Our successes this year include a feast for the eyes: flax and calendula in the dyer's bed and spicy-scented stock and jasmine-scented tobacco plant in the fragrance bed.









The Wild rascals are raiding the Three-Sisters Garden! Young corn ears and squash leaves are their favorite nighttime snacks. Fingers crossed, they won't devour the beans.





Join me tomorrow, August 12th, at 2:00 for the last Friday in the Herb Garden. According to the weatherman, the weather will be perfect: sunny with a high of 78 degrees. What a welcome relief!

Coming up this weekend at the SCHC Brookside Museu



FRIDAYS IN THE HERB GARDEN

THERE'S MORE TO AN HERB THAN ITS NAME

AUGUST 12 2 PM

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SPIN TILL YOU DYE DAY



SPECIAL GUEST :

The Rock Day Spinners

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

10AM - 4PM

www.brooksidemuseum.org



MUSIC AT THE MUSEUM CONCERT

BROADWAY MUSICALS,
POPULAR MELODIES,
AND MANY MARCHES

AUGUST 14 -3PM

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2022 Historian's Walking Tours

Saratoga County History Center



- 1 Ballston Spa Walkabout July 18**
- 2 Schulyer's Saratoga Aug 4**
- 3 Zim Smith Trail – Round Lake Aug 15**
- 4 Forest Park – Ballston Lake Aug 31**
- 5 Vischer Ferry Historic District Sept 17**
- 6 Old Champlain Canal Sept 29**

For more information please contact Brookside Museum
info@brooksidemuseum.org or call 518-885-4000



FOREST PARK AMUSEMENT PARK

**HISTORIANS
WALKING TOURS**

With
Rick Reynolds
Ballston Town Historian

**10 AM
August 31.
2022**



Our fourth tour is scheduled for **August 31** at 10am **Historians' Walking Tour - Forest Park**. Rick Reynolds, Ballston Town Historian, will lead a tour of the site on Ballston Lake, which from 1901-1927 was home to the Forest Park Amusement Park. This was a "destination vacation" for people of the time as well as a popular place for locals. The tour will include viewing the layout of the park as well as experiencing some of the buildings and structures that still exist today. This is a walking tour of approximately 1 mile total on mostly level land and takes place in wooded areas some of the time. It is advisable to wear comfortable clothing, good walking shoes or sneakers, and protect against ticks. Tour begins at 62 West Side Drive in Ballston Lake, next to the closed Carney's Restaurant, with parking along the road. The suggested donation is \$10 per registration. Please register for the tour at

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You will want to register early for the Historians Walking Tour series because they sell out.

WALKING TOUR

Historians Walking Tours

Exploring the Hotels of Old Ballston Spa
 lead by Anne Clothier & Dave Waite

Monday, July 18, 2pm – Ballston Spa

Details and Registration at brooksidemuseum.org/
 Suggested Donation \$10

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EST. 1807
 Village of **BALLSTON SPA NY**
 A Village of Friends

WALKING TOUR

Historians' Walking Tours

Schuyler's Saratoga
 led by Sean Kelleher

Thursday, August 4, 4pm – Schuylerville

Details and Registration at brooksidemuseum.org/
 Suggested Donation \$10

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**ZIM SMITH
TRAIL IN
ROBERTS**

SOLD OUT

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County Historian

10 AM
August 15.
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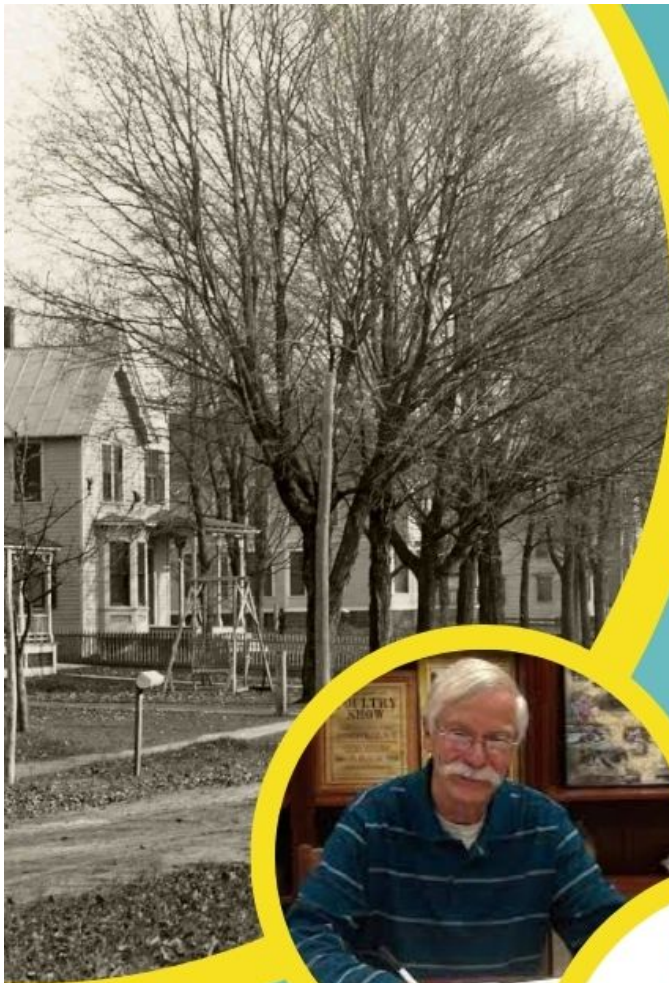
VISCHER FERRY HISTORIC DISTRICT

**HISTORIANS
WALKING TOURS**

With
John Scherer
Clifton Park Town Historian

10 AM

**September 17
2022**





THE CHAMPLAIN CANAL, WATERFORD

**HISTORIANS
WALKING TOURS**

With
Russ VanDervoort
Waterford Town Historian

1 PM

**September 29
2022**



Now it's time to sign up for our final two Historians Walking Tours.

Register for Vicher Ferry Walking Tour

Register for Champlain Canal Walking Tour

Volunteer wanted!

We are looking to increase the number of volunteers.

Roles include:

- General Volunteers
- Museum Assistants
- Building and Grounds Assistants

You can also sign up to volunteer through our website. <https://brooksidemuseum.org/support-schs/volunteer/>

Volunteer At Brookside

Saratoga County History Center

with Skidmore College Department of History

Presents

County Life in Photographs



See the exhibit at Brookside Museum. Open Thursday through Sunday from 1 pm to 5 pm.



The Saratoga County History Center is proud to be a Blue Star Museum

The Blue Star Museums program is a collaboration with the National Endowment for the Arts, Blue Star Families, the Department of Defense and more than 2,000 museums across America.

Black Experiences in Saratoga County 1750 - 1950



This exhibit explores the diversity of the lives of African Americans in Saratoga County over 200 years of our history from the colonial period to the mid-20th century. It is a panorama of the struggles and hardships they faced, but also of their persistence and success.

New additions to the exhibit include The prestigious Scriptor Award, awarded by the University of Southern California and other artifacts related to Solomon Northup,



The Brookside Museum is open Thursday to Sunday from 1pm to 5pm. You will find it at 6 Charlton Street in Ballston Spa, NY 12020. Entry is free and donations are acceptable.

Become a Member of the SCHC this Month!

Become a member of the History Center today at the Brookside Contributor with a \$100 donation. You will receive SCHC's newsletter, access to special events, free museum and library admission, window sticker, and reduced prices for events. In addition, Contributors receive a welcome packet, membership card with NARM membership, and a 10% discount at the museum shop.

Visit the link to explore our different membership levels: <https://brooksidemuseum.org/support-schs/new-individual-membership-page/>

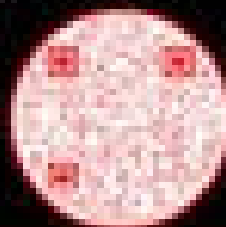
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Telling a different story about Saratoga Springs, NY

Erasing Spaces and Faces: The Legacy of Urban Renewal in Saratoga Springs is a series of community conversations and art-making events, open to all members of our community to share stories, poems, songs, artwork and document oral histories that reflect their experience of displacement and removal during 'urban renewal' projects in the city of Saratoga Springs.

For more information and resources
 scan the QR code or contact
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Upcoming Events:

Community Conversations at The Frederick Allen Elm Lodge

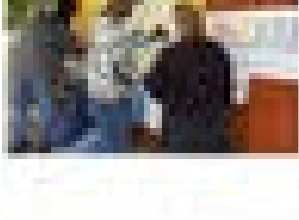
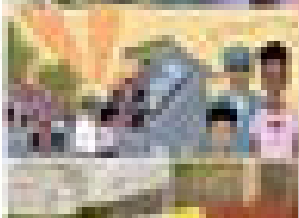
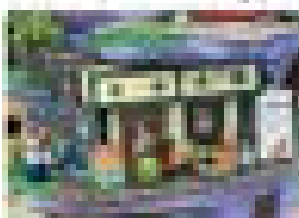
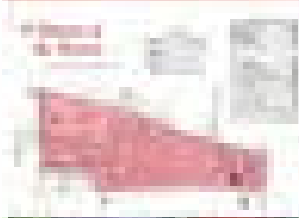
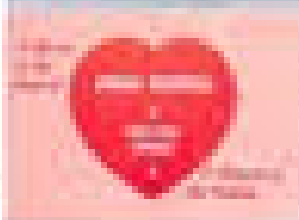
Come share your story

- August 23, 2-4pm
- September 18, 2-4pm
- October 16, 2-4pm

What happened in Saratoga Springs?

"They paved paradise and put up a parking lot" - Janis Mitchell

In the 1960's federally funded "urban renewal" programs sprung up all over the United States, with the intention to "revitalize" struggling neighborhoods by removing historic structures and re-developing the land. As a political arm of the city government, the Saratoga Springs Urban Renewal Agency accepted these federal funds, and systematically bought up neighborhoods of mostly immigrant and black and brown community members. Families, individuals and businesses were relocated (some went to public housing facilities, others left the city or closed their businesses). Ultimately a lively cultural center and close-knit community was destroyed and strip malls and parking lots took it's place.



Our Project

Exploring a place's history, celebrating its culture, and helping people envision an achievable future—that is a place where artists can have immense impact. Our hope is to explore the history of "urban renewal" and the spaces and faces that were erased, find ways to explore this culture and history, and spark conversation about community development that would foster belonging and inclusivity. In 2020, we held 2 community conversations and art-making events, collected oral narratives, held 2 storytelling workshops and began to build digital archive of historical items related to urban renewal. In 2022 we plan to continue collecting oral narratives of local residents affected by urban renewal and gentrification, hold 2 community conversations and art-making events and build upon the digital archive we created. This year's work will be integrated into a multi-media exhibition that includes a mural and digital comic narratives by Marcus Anderson, small scale miniature recreations of the Congress Street area prior to 1968 by Jennifer Watson, oral narrative audio/video collected by The People's Voice, and digital photo materials to provide context and learning about the history.



This project is generously supported by Saratoga Arts, Saratoga Springs Public Library, Williams College's MDOCS/CCI and Humanities New York.

SCHC's Brookside Museum is open Thursday through Sunday from 1pm to 5pm. SCHC's Brookside Museum lists all closings at <https://www.facebook.com/brooksidemuseum/>

The SCHC's Brookside Museum is located at 6 Charlton Street in Ballston Spa, NY 12020. Admission to this museum is free and donations are welcome. The current exhibits are *In the Saratoga Style: Potato Chips and Their Regional Folklore*, *Black Experiences in Saratoga County, 1750-1950*, *A Century of Ice Cream, a centennial of the Dake family and Stewart's Shops*, and *County Life in Photographs*.

The Saratoga County History Center is dedicated to the preservation and sharing of the diverse histories of Saratoga County. In addition to the Brookside Museum, the History Center offers a variety of innovative, exciting and educational programs online and in person throughout the county. Please visit the website (www.brooksidemuseum.org) and social media accounts (@SaratogaCoHistory) for news and announcements.

Contribute to Saratoga County History Center News and Events. Submit events, stories, job changes, promotions or news about Saratoga County history to sean@brooksidemuseum.org. SCHC News and Events is a collaborative effort. We count on the contributions of the historic community of Saratoga County and others for the entire content of this page. Producer Sean Kelleher and Editor Donna Dardaris coordinate the creation of the email with the help of many contributors, including Anne Clothier, Andrew Collier, Cindy Corbett, Jim Richmond, Kathleen Rebmann Royka, Beth Silvestri, and David Waite.

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