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Family Event for the Whole Family!
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exhibits, and programs that the History Center offers. "A greater Saratoga starts here" when you become a part of the SCHC community. Don't miss out on this opportunity to connect with fellow history enthusiasts and support the preservation of Saratoga County's unique history.

Join Now

These programs come from several organizations in Saratoga County. The event organizers are noted.

"Saratoga County: Our Home!” Exhibit Now Open

Tuesday through Sunday: 1pm – 5pm
Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Avenue Ballston Spa, NY 12020
Saratoga County: Our Home!” takes guests on an immersive, artifact-rich journey spanning four centuries of Saratoga life, business, and nature. The exhibit fills three large rooms in the historic Brookside Museum, itself a cherished relic of local history from the early years of Saratoga resort life. From the First Nations who lived here before European settlement to the new tech-centered economy, “Saratoga County: Our Home!” offers guests a rich time-travel experience that will instill awe and respect for the county’s evolution. https://brooksidemuseum.org/exhibits/saratoga-county-our-home/

"A Saratoga Family Tale" Exhibit Now Open

Friday, June 30: 1pm – 5pm
Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Avenue Ballston Spa, NY 12020
“A Saratoga Family Tale” explores the heritage and legacies of the Medbery, Betts, and Clark families as they established themselves in and around Saratoga County during the 18th and 19th centuries. There are numerous photographs, artifacts, family trees, and personal accounts, which offer a window into the lives of each family. The Civil War uniform of Col. James C. Clark and selections from the
diaries of his wife, Sarah Betts Clark, will be on display. The exhibit is in the "long room" of Brookside Museum and is open during the museum's normal hours, Tuesday through Sunday from 1pm to 5pm.

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**Exhibition of Military Uniforms and Memorabilia**

**Saturdays: 12pm – 4pm**

**Parks Bentley Place, 35 Ferry Boulevard South Glens Falls, NY 12803**

The historic Parks-Bentley Place in South Glens Falls celebrates local veterans with an exhibition of military uniforms and gear from the Civil War through the Afghan war. Many of the uniforms on display were worn by military personnel from the South Glens Falls area. The exhibition, which is free to the public, can be seen during open hours each Saturday from noon-4 pm.

The exhibit includes listing of men from South Glens Falls who served during the Civil War and includes members of the Parks family. There are uniforms from area women serving in various branches of the military, ration books, helmets, rifles, an army cot, newspaper clippings, and even an autographed instruction manual from WWII helping to round out the exhibit. Visit parksbentleyplace.org for more information.

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**Capturing Flowers: A Class with Photographer David Waite**

**Friday, July 14: 4pm AND Saturday, July 15: 10am**

**Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Avenue Ballston Spa, NY 12020**

The Saratoga County History Center is honored to offer a choice of classes on “Capturing Flowers” on Friday, July 14th at 4:00pm and Saturday, July 15th at 10:00am, with photographer David Waite. The classes, both of which will present the same material, will be held in the beautiful gardens of Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Avenue, Ballston Spa. Emphasis will be on the use of DSLR cameras, but phone camera users will still have opportunities to learn. Registration is preferred and there is a suggested donation of $5 per person.

https://brooksidemuseum.org/2023/06/flower-photography-classes-at-history-center/

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**Historian Walking Tour: Rick Reynolds speaks on Hillside Cemetery in Burnt Hills**

**Wednesday, July 19: 10am**

**193 Kingsley Road Burnt Hills, NY 12027 (Please park in lot adjacent to church)**

Join Rick Reynolds in a tour of Hillside Cemetery in Burnt Hills, NY to learn the role of cemeteries in Preserving our History. What goes into the preservation of our past in a cemetery? What stories lurk within cemeteries? Rick will explain how the town of Ballston is preserving its past in Hillside Cemetery and tell the stories of those buried there. After the program, visit the sanctuary of the 1820 Burnt Hills Baptist Church which owned the cemetery for over 75 years. Please park in the lot adjacent to the Burnt Hills Baptist Church on Kingsley Road and walk to the cemetery on the other side of the church. Wear good walking shoes! Suggested donation is $10. Please register at https://brooksidemuseum.org/event/historians-walking-tours-hillside-cemetery-burnt-hills-baptist-church/

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**Music in the Park Presented by the Town of Greenfield Historical Society**
Saturday, July 22: 3pm – 7pm  
Middle Grove Town Park, 428 Middle Grove Road, Middle Grove, NY 12850  
5 Bands:  
Elizabeth Conant; Bonnie Greco; New American Cuisine; Out of Reach; Saratoga Springs High School Fiddle Club  
Bring along your family, friends, and folding chairs and enjoy the talented musicians who have donated their time to benefit our Historical Society. This is a FREE event. Donations are greatly appreciated as they help us “Keep Greenfield’s History Alive for Our Future Generations!”  
Food and drink will be available for purchase, provided by the Middle Grove United Methodist Church. Questions? Call Patti at (518) 428-9343.

America’s Turning Point Presents: Revolution on the Hudson – Stillwater Riverfront Park  
Tuesday, July 25: 6pm – 8pm  
Stillwater Riverfront Park, 1940 US Route 4 Stillwater, NY 12170  
Revolution on the Hudson is a summer speaker series aimed at inviting the public to enjoy our beautiful public parks located along the Hudson River while learning about our revolutionary past. All three events will begin at 6pm and the public is invited to bring a picnic dinner and enjoy the grounds. 18th century living historians will be ready to answer questions and provide demonstrations before the speaker program begins at 7pm. 18th Century toys and games along with replica colonial clothing will be available for children to try. Please bring your own chairs.  
Living Historians: 2nd Continental Artillery *(There will be cannon firing as part of this demonstration)*  
Speaker: David Pitlyk, Revisiting the Battle of Bennington

Fridays in the Garden: Meet the Three Sisters  
Friday, July 28: 2:30pm – 3:30pm  
Brookside Museum, 21 Fairground Avenue Ballston Spa, NY 12020  
A return of our popular program from last year, Fridays in Herb Garden. Jere Blackwelder will present "Meet the Three Sisters: Corn, Beans and Squash," Native American agriculture when the Pilgrims arrived.  
This program will take place outside, in the beautiful gardens of Brookside Museum, weather permitting. In case of inclement weather, it will move indoors to the Long Room at Brookside Museum. As ever, questions and discussions about any aspect of gardening, historic or otherwise, will be welcome. Programs are free and open to the public, though registration and donations are appreciated.  

America’s Turning Point Presents: Revolution on the Hudson – Hudson Crossing Park  
Tuesday, August 1: 6pm – 8pm  
Hudson Crossing Park, County Road 42 Schuylerville, NY 12871
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Living Historian: Anne Clothier, Camp Followers of Burgoyne’s Army
Speaker: Bruce Venter, “The Battle of Hubbardton: The Rear Guard Action that Saved America”

Programs are free unless otherwise indicated. Submit events to bsilvestri@brooksidemuseum.org. SCHC Events and News 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. The SCHC Events and News are available on our website.