

The Friends of the Jacobus Vanderveer House
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Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum



2018 Calendar of Events



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River Road Park
3055 River Road
Bedminster, New Jersey
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February 18, Sunday Five Generals Narrated Bus Tour Tours at 11, 12, 1, 2 pm

Discover five of the original Somerset County houses that served as general staff headquarters during the Revolutionary War—the Van Horne House in Bridgewater, the Van Veghten House in Finderne, the Abraham Staats house in South Bound Brook, the Wallace House in Somerville and the Jacobus Vanderveer House. Visitors will be greeted by General Henry Knox, chief artillery officer of the Continental Army. The tour starts from the Van Horne House and runs approximately two and a half hours. Tours are \$25 per person. Students \$15. Children under 6 free. For reservations call (732) 356-8856 or online at www.heritagetrail.org.



March 4, Sunday Pysanky-Art of Egg Dyeing, 12 noon

Pysanky is the art of egg designing and dyeing practiced traditionally in Eastern Europe. Practice the Ukrainian folk art of Pysanky under teacher Patty Wiszuck-DeAngelo, an award winning Pysanky artist. Attendees will learn division of the egg, drawing of designs, use of kistka, techniques of wax and resist method, dyeing process, technique of drilling eggs, removing wax and finishing methods. This three hour class is \$30 per person and includes materials. Advance registration is required.



March 11, Sunday Lecture with Jude M. Pfister, D. Litt Historian and Author, 1 pm

Join us for a lively discussion with Jude M. Pfister—Author, Historian and Chief of Cultural Resources at Morristown National Historic Park. Jude will discuss his upcoming book *The First Decade of the United States Supreme Court*, which is due out in August of 2018. Constitutional development in the US Supreme Court is commonly held to have begun with Chief Justice John Marshall. Pfister's book through analysis and elaboration of several seminal cases brought before the Court under Chief Justices Jay and Ellsworth shows that in fact constitutional jurisprudence began in the US in the decade before John Marshall arrived. Pre-registration is required and registration is limited. Admission \$10 per person. Members Free. Children 12 and under, free.



March 16, Friday 2nd Annual Colonial Tavern Night, 7pm

Huzzah! Join us for a night of colonial merrymaking! Sample rustic fare, play authentic tavern games, learn boisterous songs and cheerful dances in a spirited colonial tavern atmosphere. \$30 per person, advance registration is required.



April 7, Saturday Artillery School with 6th NY Independent Battery, 10 am -2 pm

If the thought of learning more about Civil War cannons gets **you** fired up, sign up for the "School of the Piece"—a muzzle-loading artillery safety qualification program for re-enactors and history buffs—includes classroom and practical instruction. Instructors from the Sixth New York Independent Battery Civil War re-enactment group and National Civil War Artillery Association will teach registered participants how to safely work around, load and fire two cannons that will be on hand for the day. The fee for the course is \$20, and includes a two-year membership in the National Civil War Artillery Assoc. The program open to all ages, but participants must be at least 16 years of age to work with the cannon. Pre-registration is required. Spectators are welcome to observe the artillery demonstrations free of charge. The Jacobus Vanderveer House will also be open for tours. Admission is \$10 per person. Members free. Children 12 and under, free.



April 8, Sunday Abigail & John Adams, 2 pm

During their courtship and marriage, John Adams and Abigail Smith Adams exchanged over 1,100 letters, many filled with intellectual discussions on government and politics considered an invaluable account of the Revolutionary War. Abigail, a fierce advocate of rights for women and African-Americans, was an important partner throughout John's political career. Hear their stories first hand portrayed by actors Kim Hanley and Peyton Dixon. Pre-registration is required and registration is limited. Admission \$10 per person. Members Free. Children 12 and under, free.



April 22, Sunday

Martha Washington & Oney Judge
Morristown National Historic Park
Auditorium, 2 pm

Oney "Ona" Judge served as personal servant to Martha Washington until she escaped from the President's Mansion in Philadelphia and relocated to Portsmouth, New Hampshire in 1796. At age ten, Judge was incorporated into Mount Vernon's labor force, working in the Mansion. Always a personal favorite of Martha Washington's, Judge was one of the handful of slaves brought by George and Martha Washington to New York in 1789 and then to Philadelphia in 1790 at the start of the presidency. Listen as Oney Judge, portrayed by Alex Simpson, and Martha portrayed by Pat Jordan, retell their personal stories. Admission is free, however pre-registration is required at www.jvanderveerhouse.org.



May 2, Wednesday

Winterthur Museum Trip & Lunch
Bus Departs 9 am, Lunch 11:30 am
Followed by Museum Tour

Founded by Henry Francis du Pont, Winterthur (pronounced "winter-tour") is the premier museum of American decorative arts, reflecting both early America and the du Pont family's life here. Its 60-acre naturalistic garden is among the country's best! Enjoy lunch at the self-service Garden Café followed by a museum tour. \$75 per person includes luxury bus transportation, lunch voucher and museum admission. Bus departs at 9 am and returns approximately 6 pm. Sorry no refunds.



May 11-13* & 19-20

John Phillip Osborne:
An American Master
Special Exhibition with
J.M. Stringer Gallery

*** **May 13th - Mothers and Mimosas Tour!** ***

Join us for a special exhibition featuring the work of American master painter John Phillip Osborne. Mr. Osborne is a preeminent painter of revolutionary subjects, and his works are part of the Jacobus Vanderveer House's permanent collection. Admission \$10 per person, Members Free, Children 12 and under, free. Visit our website for more information about the exhibition.



June 3, Sunday

Patriotic Tie Dye, 1 pm

Get ready for Independence day and make your own patriotic tie dyed shirt, socks, etc. Leave the mess to us and just bring one (1) item of your choice to tie dye, dying materials provided. The program is \$10 per person. Members Free. Children 12 and under, free.



June 10 & July 29, Sunday

Yoga in the Park, 10:30 am - 12:30 pm

Enjoy a Yoga class on the grounds of the Jacobus Vanderveer House located inside River Road Park, Bedminster. The class will be followed by light breakfast and a tour of the museum. The program is \$10 per person. Members Free. Children 12 and under, free.



June 22, Friday

Movie in the Park, 8:30 pm

Tour Bedminster's historic Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum, followed by the hit family movie, *Night at the Museum 3*, on our outdoor movie screen. \$10 per family. Members Free. Popcorn, candy and beverages available for purchase. No outside refreshments please. Rain Date: Saturday, June 23.



July 8, Sunday

3rd Annual Field of Honor®

Flag Display July 2-11, Picnic July 8 (1-4pm)

The Field of Honor® is a community project of remembrance, and an expression of humanity and patriotism. Over 200 American flags will be available for adoption and displayed on the grounds from July 2-11. On Saturday, July 8, join us for a picnic on the grounds of the Jacobus Vanderveer House & Museum featuring live music and food & beverage available for purchase. For more information visit www.jvanderveerhouse.org.



July 23 - 27 Youth Camp, 1 to 5 pm
Youth Archaeology Study

Our popular youth Archaeology Camp offers participants a unique opportunity to explore and investigate the world of archaeology as it relates to local history dating back to the American Revolution. Participants will work alongside professional archaeologists at an actual archaeological site at Bedminster's historic Jacobus Vanderveer House. They will learn to measure, plot, dig, sift, sort, wash and categorize the artifacts found. Register directly with Bedminster Recreation www.bedminster.us.



September 21, Friday

Paint & Sip
7 to 9 pm

Learn to paint with Center for Contemporary Art's Priscilla Flores as she guides you through the creative process. Relax and unwind with friends as you learn painting styles and techniques while creating your own masterful design using acrylics on canvas. Cost of the program is \$35 or Members \$25. Includes supplies for painting and sipping.



October 13, Saturday

Bedminster Charities Fall Fest
11 am to 5 pm

Visit us at Bedminster's annual fall festival in River Road Park. Stop by the Jacobus Vanderveer House booth for Colonial games and demonstrations. Admission to Fall Fest is \$5 per person. Children 3 and Under Free.



October 13 & 14

Weekend Journey Through the Past
Saturday & Sunday, 12 to 4 pm

Sponsored by Somerset County Cultural and Heritage Commission, thirty (30) of the County's significant historic sites open their doors for the weekend--many with significant Revolutionary War histories. Local historians will be on hand to share their knowledge and stories about Somerset County's history. Admission to all sites is free.



October 28, Sunday

Halloween Treat Decorating, 2 pm

Come and have a ghoulish time decorating delicious Halloween treats to share with family and friends. All supplies included. Class is appropriate for ages 6 to adults. Pre-registration is required. Program begins at 2 pm and is \$20 per kit, limited to one child & one adult per kit. Registration is limited. The Jacobus Vanderveer House will also be open for tours. Admission is \$10 per person. Members free. Children 12 and under, free.



November 11, Sunday

Anne & Ridley Enslow Perform Music
from Hamilton Era. Programs at 1 pm &
2:30 pm, Museum Open 1 to 4 pm

The overwhelming success of the musical "Hamilton" has brought about a resurgence of interest in America's first Treasury Secretary. Enjoy an up close and personal 60 minute show with Anne and Ridley Enslow as they present a narrative of Hamilton's life, interspersed with 18th-century music that's relevant to key episodes in his life. Anne and Ridley appear in period dress, and play instruments that are appropriate to the Colonial period. \$20 per person. \$10 Members. Children 12 and under, free.



November 24 & 25

December 1 & 2

16th Annual Colonial Christmas
Tree Lighting Friday, November 23 @
7pm. House Tour 10 am to 4 pm Daily

** **Friday, November 30th is School Group Tour Day** **

Experience *A Colonial Christmas* at the 1772 homestead beginning with our holiday tree lighting, on Friday, November 23 at 7 pm. Our annual two weekend-long celebration of the holidays will follow with festive music, period decorations, re-enactors, holiday shopping, visits from Santa and more! 10 am to 4 pm daily. Admission is \$10 per person. Members Free. Children 12 and under, free.

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