



# Fraunces Tavern® Museum

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## Spring & Summer Events 2010

### All Lectures Begin At 6:30pm

Cost: \$8/ free for FTM members

Includes Museum admission

& light refreshments

### By the People And For the People

*Art for the American Masses*

*Presented by Michelle Temares*

**Thursday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>**

In the Colonial & Early Republic era, both artists & patrons worked together to form a substantial catalog of American art. However, in a young country without museums and public galleries, these treasures remained hidden away in private collections only viewable by the owner & his invited guests. In this engaging talk that fuses American art with the nation's early history, artist and historian Michelle Temares reveals how forms of mass media that emerged by the late 18<sup>th</sup> century introduced art to the vast American public. More information on Michelle's work can be found at [www.bellamichelle.com](http://www.bellamichelle.com).

### Abigail Adams

*Presented by Woody Holton†*

**Thursday, May 6<sup>th</sup>**

Drawing on the rich collection of letters and previously overlooked documents in his new book, Woody Holton reveals some startling new discoveries. Best known for exhorting her husband, John Adams, to remember the ladies in devising America's new political system, she also amassed a fortune in her own name. In defiance of the law that made her husband the master of all she owned, she also wrote a will leaving property to her granddaughters. From a childhood as the daughter of a poor parson to the long and sometimes uncertain courtship with John, her boldness developed in the context of the revolutionary era in which she lived.

### General Horatio Gates

*New York's Forgotten Hero*

*Presented by James S. Kaplan*

**Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup>**

General Gates' defeat of British General Johnny Burgoyne at the Battle of Saratoga was the decisive turning point in the American Revolution & caused a number of men in the Continental Congress to believe Gates should replace Washington as commander in chief. Gates also was a key figure in the New York City elections of 1800, which led to the rise of Jeffersonian. A New Yorker for the last 16 years of his life, Gates is almost completely forgotten today, so much so that his grave, a few blocks from Fraunces Tavern, is completely unmarked.

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### 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Nighttime Walking

#### Tour of Revolutionary War

#### New York

*Sunday, July 4<sup>th</sup> from 2am - 6am*

For the seventh year in a row, join veteran walking tour guide James S. Kaplan and learn little known facts about important Revolutionary War heroes buried in Lower Manhattan. Watching the early morning sun rise from Trinity Church, you'll be fascinated to discover just how pivotal New York City was throughout the war for independence.

**\$20 /\$15 for Museum members**

**Tickets in advance are required & may be purchased through our website: [www.FrauncesTavernMuseum.org](http://www.FrauncesTavernMuseum.org)**

Once your tickets have been purchased, you will be emailed a confirmation receipt & the starting location of the tour.

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Fraunces Tavern Museum is located at 54 Pearl St., at the corner of Broad St., in Lower Manhattan. Subway: R/W to Whitehall St., 4/5 to Bowling Green, 2/3 to Wall St., 1 to South Ferry, J/M/Z to Broad St. Buses: M1, M6, M15

### Lafayette & The Farewell Tour

*An American Idol*

*Presented by Alan Hoffman †*

**Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>**

Born the Marquis de Lafayette in Auvergne, France, the last surviving major general of the Continental Army was truly an American Idol in the 19<sup>th</sup> century. In this program, the translator of Auguste Levasseur's Lafayette in America in 1824 and 1825 will describe the full extent of his reputation and explore its origins. From his military record in the Revolution & sincere friendship with Washington to his continued support of American interests, a storybook life unfolds. With a focus on Lafayette's visits to New York City in 1824 and 1825, we are granted just a glimpse of the grand reception that the American people of all 24 states gave him while renaming countless towns, counties & streets in his honor.

### The Early American Table

*Food & Society in the New World*

*Presented by Trudy Eder†*

**Thursday, August 12<sup>th</sup>**

In the 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> century, it was the European understanding that food affected the body, mind, & spirit in unique ways that other social markers. After the first few decades of settlement, many of the English colonists of North America enjoyed unprecedented prosperity enabled by a fertile environment. Lower & middle-class families could set their tables with a greater variety & higher quality of food than social counterparts in England. As a result, the differences between the diets of artisans & urban laborers, of plantation owners & small farmers, were not as great as what had existed on the dinner tables in England, thus creating strong social and political consequences.

†Books will be available for purchase-discounts apply for Museum members