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Fraunces Tavern ® Museum to honor Joyce Lee Malcolm as 2019 Book Award winner at Battles of Lexington and Concord Dinner (including Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award Presentation)

New York: On **April 22**, Sons of the RevolutionSM in the State of New York, Inc. will host their annual **Lexington and Concord Dinner (including Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award Presentation)**, where they will honor this year's winner, historian and constitutional scholar **Joyce Lee Malcolm** for *The Tragedy of Benedict Arnold: An American Life*. An Honorable Mention will also be awarded to reporter and Pulitzer Prize nominee **Bob Drury** and writer **Tom Clavin** for their book *Valley Forge*, and to author **Albert Louis Zambone** for *Daniel Morgan: A Revolutionary Life*.

Since 1972 the Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award has been presented annually to the best author of a newly published work on the American Revolutionary War that combines original scholarship, insight, and good writing. "Choosing a winner for the Book Award is no easy task, since each year the Museum receives dozens of submissions of fascinating, newly published works," says **Education & Public Programs Coordinator, Sarah Kneeshaw**. "The committee looks for a book that is a compelling read for both scholars and history enthusiasts. We are pleased to present the 2019 Book Award to Joyce Lee Malcolm, whose book *The Tragedy of Benedict Arnold: An American Life* has succeeded in presenting a fresh, nuanced look at an often misunderstood figure of the American Revolution."

The Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award is one way the Museum fulfills its mission to educate the public about the Revolution and acknowledge the historical community dedicated to the study and public education regarding the American fight for freedom.

Tickets are now on sale at www.frauncestavernmuseum.org and will be available through April 14. Ticket purchase includes a reception beginning at 6:30pm and dinner from 7:30-9:30pm with open bar beer and wine at Fraunces Tavern, and a signed copy of *The Tragedy of Benedict Arnold: An American Life*.

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About Fraunces Tavern Museum:

Fraunces Tavern Museum's mission is to preserve and interpret the history of the American Revolutionary era through public education. This mission is fulfilled through the interpretation and preservation of the Museum's collections, landmarked buildings and varied public programs that serve the community. You can stand in the room where General George Washington bid farewell to his officers and explore eight additional galleries that focus on America's War for Independence and the preservation of early American history. To learn more, visit our website at frauncestavernmuseum.org.

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