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Fraunces Tavern® Museum to honor Mary Beth Norton as 2021 Book Award Winner at Battles of Lexington and Concord Commemoration (including Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award Presentation).

NEW YORK: On **Monday, April 19**, Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York, Inc. will host their annual **Lexington and Concord Commemoration (including Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award Presentation)**, where they will honor this year's recipient, American historian and scholar **Mary Beth Norton**, for *1774: The Long Year of Revolution*. Honorable mentions will also be awarded to **Nina Sankovitch** for *American Rebels: How the Hancock, Adams and Quincy Families Fanned the Flames of Revolution* and **Andrew Waters** for *To the End of the World: Nathanael Greene, Charles Cornwallis, and the Race to the Dan*.

Since 1972, the Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award has been presented annually to the author of the best newly published work on the American Revolutionary War, combining original scholarship, insight and good writing. "The Book Award Committee works year-round to select the work that provides a captivating, enlightening experience for both scholars and history enthusiasts," says **Sarah Kneeshaw, Education and Public Programs Manager**. "We are pleased to present the 2021 Book Award to Dr. Mary Beth Norton, whose book *1774: The Long Year of the Revolution* delivers an in-depth look at how the loyal British colonies turned to revolution."

The Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award fulfills the Museum's mission to educate the public about the Revolution and acknowledge the historical community dedicated to the public education and study of the American fight for freedom.

Tickets are now on sale at www.frauncestavernmuseum.org and will be available until 3pm EDT on April 19. Ticket purchase includes access to the virtual presentation and reception.

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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. To learn more, visit our website at frauncestavernmuseum.org

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