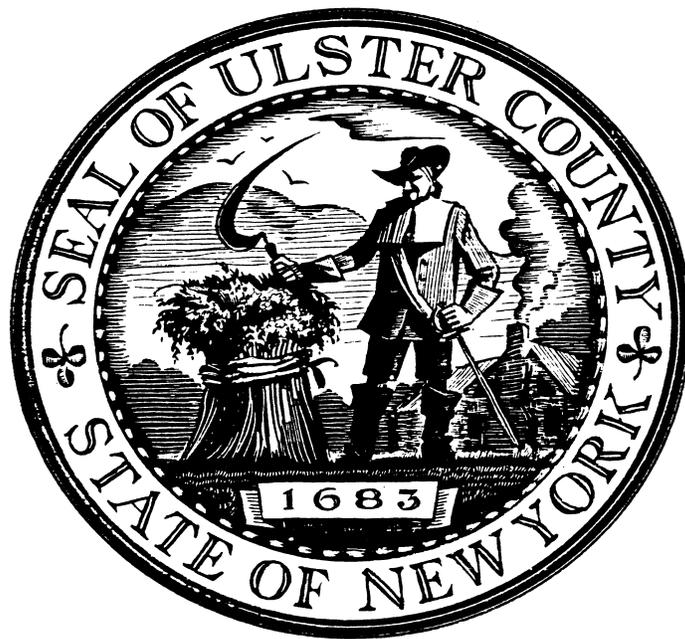


**County Executive Michael P. Hein presents:
Ulster County's Cultural Heritage Week
October 11 – October 20, 2013**



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<http://www.UlsterCountyAlive.com>



Ulster County Executive Mike Hein

Ulster County is alive with history. We have a rich cultural legacy inherited from many generations. An astonishing array of sites, structures, and objects attest to Ulster County's Revolutionary, Civil War, industrial, agricultural, and political past. All have left their mark. The National Register of Historic Places lists over 160 sites in Ulster County: everywhere you turn, you can experience a special story.

County Executive Hein invites you to participate in the following events during Ulster County's 3rd Cultural Heritage Week.

Nina Postupack, Ulster County Clerk Hosts Heritage Week Activities- <http://www.co.ulster.ny.us/countyclerk/archives>

- **“for Building Curricula: Teaching Tools from the Ulster County Archives” Exhibit** - This exhibit is the culmination of a year-long series of exhibits, *about, by, and, for* Ulster County students and teachers. The Teaching Packets that are featured in this exhibit were developed through grant funding that was awarded to the Ulster County Clerk's Office by the Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund grant program, which is managed by the New York State Archives. The function of the Teaching Packets is to provide teachers with curriculum using local historical documents from the Ulster County Archives and archives of other local repositories. This assists our educators in bringing local history directly into the classroom, and helps make history come alive for our Ulster County students! This exhibit is interactive as you can read the sample lessons and see if you can answer the questions. Don't worry; the answers are there as well! At the Ulster County Office Building weekdays during **Cultural Heritage Week and until 12/31 from 9am - 4:45pm.**
- **“Dividing Lines: Early Maps of the Ulster County Clerk's Office” Exhibit** - All the maps in this exhibit were selected from Ulster County Map Index Number 1 showing maps #1 to #1850 filed between 1797 and 1956. The index includes a wide variety of map types such as boundary lines, bridges, cemeteries, easements, election districts, fire districts, plank roads, railroads, reservoirs, turnpikes and subdivisions. Maps were chosen to represent the Ulster County townships formed by patent (Kingston, New Paltz, Hurley, Marbletown, and Rochester); the wide variety of maps listed in the index; the County of Ulster itself; the Ashokan Reservoir; and in at least one map, each and every township in the county. The Ulster County Clerk's Office had completed a Land Records Initiative Grant Project funded through New York State Archives, Local Government Records Management Improvement Fund. During the project, these and other maps in the series were scanned on a Contex HD540plus scanner. Reproductions featured in this exhibit were printed in-house on an Océ TCS500 printer, grant funded as well, from files created in

Photoshop. At the Ulster County Records Center, 300 Foxhall Avenue, Kingston, weekdays during **Cultural Heritage Week and until 12/31 from 9am - 4:45pm.**

- **“Artifacts Uncovered: A Closer Look” Exhibit** - This exhibit features an up close and personal look at some of the artifacts found in the archaeological dig done at the Persen House. Take a peek at a 1200 BC projectile point and see the second only known Bodkin in New York State. You like cannonballs? We have them and know where they were found in the house. What has brought the house good fortune? Could it be the old shoe found in the attic of the house? Explore, learn more and have some fun all at the same time! Join us at The Matthewis Persen House, 74 John Street, Corners of Crown and John Street, Kingston, **10/12 & 10/19 and each Saturday until 11/23 from 10am – 2pm.**
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Ashokan Center – www.ashokancenter.org

Fall Family Fun Festival – Enjoy apple cidering, blacksmithing, broommaking, pumpkin painting, 1885 covered bridge walk, 1817 schoolhouse visits, food, nature hikes & more! **10/19, 11am – 4pm.**

Byrdcliffe Arts Colony – www.woodstockguild.org

Walking Tour of the Byrdcliffe Art Colony and White Pines - Join the spirited Henry T. Ford, Byrdcliffe's Board President, for a moderate walking tour through the more than 100 years of historic buildings and grounds that make up the Byrdcliffe Art Colony. A highlight of the tour is White Pines, built in 1903 as the home of Byrdcliffe founders, Ralph and Jane Whitehead. The streamlined Arts and Crafts style home is beautifully situated on a hilltop offering views of the spectacular Hudson Valley fall foliage. Famous literati like Wallace Stevens, Will Durant and Thomas Mann, naturalist John Burroughs, and dancer Isadora Duncan were all regular visitors to White Pines. Next door to White Pines, visitors will have a glimpse of a contemporary outdoor sculpture exhibition. Come see where Woodstock got its start as the multi-disciplinary cultural center that it is today. Wear comfortable shoes, bring light rain gear and water. Heavy rain cancels. Meet at the parking lot adjacent to the Byrdcliffe Theater, 454 Upper Byrdcliffe Rd., Woodstock. Wear comfortable shoes. Free admission. **10/19 at 1:00pm.**

Canal Forge- <http://hudsonvalleyblacksmith.com/>

Blacksmith Shop - Come visit a working blacksmith shop with a display of old tools and historic hardware, overlooking the Rondout Creek and adjacent to the old D&H Canal. Visit **10/11 – 10/20, 9am to 5pm** or call ahead (845) 687-7130.

City of Kingston - www.kingston-ny.gov

Re-enactment of the October 1777 Burning of Kingston by the British Troops - The City of Kingston is pleased to host the re-enactment of the October 1777 Burning of Kingston by the British Troops. Watch as British soldiers land on the same soil they did hundreds of years ago. Observe as soldiers of the King advance along the historic streets of the Stockade District opposed by the local militia. View street battles and a public trial. Tour the campgrounds, and attend an 18th century Grand Ball. All events are free and

open to the public. For the complete schedule and other information, please visit the City of Kingston website. **10/4, 10/5, & 10/6.**

D & H Canal Museum in High Falls - <http://www.canalmuseum.org/>

Canawler's Apple Festival – Enjoy this cider fest on the museum grounds. The admission price includes entrance into the museum. \$15 fee, \$10 for members. **10/19, 1pm – 5pm.**

Visit the Museum and Tour of Five Locks Walk - The museum's exhibits portray the canal's history and includes a moving model of a gravity railroad brake car and dioramas of the gravity railroad and canal life, as well as other items. Many tools and artifacts are on display. Also Tour Locks 16-20. Museum is open **10/12, 10/13, 10/19, & 10/20, 11am – 5pm**, admission \$5 for adults, \$3 children. Tours are at 11:30am, 1pm, & 3pm.

The Sunday Market in Grady Park - The market attracts vendors of antiques and collectibles, jewelry, vintage clothing, plants, and more. It is located on the site of the original D&H Canal Locks 17 and 18, on Route 213 East in the heart of High Falls. **Sundays, 10/13 & 10/20 from 9am – 4pm.**

Ellenville Public Library & Museum - www.eplm.sharepoint.com/

Murder & Mayhem in Ulster County – In 1870, the New York Herald proclaimed that Ulster County was New York's "Ulcer County" due to its lawlessness and crime. Join authors A.J.Schenkman & Elizabeth Werlau as they present Mayhem & Murder followed by a book signing. Free admission. **10/16 at 6:30pm.**

Empire State Railway Museum – www.esrm.com

“Ulster and Delaware Railroad - Gateway into the Catskills,” – A photo exhibit will be on display at the 1899 Phoenicia Junction Station which will follow the role the railroad played in the cultural and industrial development of the Catskill Mountains. In addition, there will be railroad artifacts on display and you are invited to take a ride on the 1/8th scale Mini Ride-on Railroad. Suggested donations for the museum are accepted and there is a \$3 fee per person for the train ride. **10/12, 10/13, 10/19 & 10/20, 11am-4pm.**

Friends of Historic Kingston in Kingston- www.fohk.org

The Friends of Historic Kingston Gallery, “Greetings from Kingston: A Story in Postcards,” features an exhibition of 100 vintage postcards showcasing the rich historic and architectural heritage of our city. The exhibition encourages viewers to consider how postcards tell the story of Kingston’s growth, civic pride and community spirit. Images of the city’s streets, parks, buildings and vistas reveal the essence of Kingston’s character and identity over centuries. The postcards visually reconstruct the remarkable story of our community, our energy and what we value. They serve to remind viewers of what has been lost, but at the same time, how much more has been saved. Also take tours of the Fred J. Johnston House and listen to gallery talks. Corner of Wall & Main Streets, Kingston. Free admission. **10/11, 10/12, 10/18 & 10/19, 11am – 4pm.**

“Kingston Postcard Conversations” – “Our Bluestone Heritage” – Listen to Peter Roberts, President of the Friends of Historic Kingston discuss the valuable resource that enhances the city’s beauty and character. The 30 minute talk will take place in the Gallery at the Fred J. Johnston House, Corner of Wall & Main Streets., Kingston. Free admission, **10/11, 12pm.**

“Kingston Postcard Conversations” – “The Construction of the Ashokan Dam” – Listen to Frank Almquist discuss the construction of the Ashokan Dam and the towns displaced by the construction. It was recently the 100th anniversary of the start of the filling of the Reservoir dating back to Sept. 9, 1913. The 30 minute talk will take place in the Gallery at the Fred J. Johnston House, Corner of Wall & Main Streets., Kingston. Free admission, **10/18, 12pm.**

Friends of Historic Rochester – www.fhaaccord.com

Heritage Day & Fun Fall Festival – Enjoy games and activities for all heritage crafts, antique appraising, genealogy, create and bring a scarecrow, visit with artists and authors, and see old time tractors and cars. There will also be food and music all day. Free admission. **10/5, 10am – 3pm.**

Gomez Mill House – www.gomez.org

Transcendence: Images of the Gomez Mill House Landscape- is a photographic exhibit by Jennifer L. Kronowitz from Poughkeepsie, NY which is being displayed in Gallery G of the Gomez Mill House. Also, visit the museum or take a tour of the Gomez Mill House built in 1714 by Louis Moses Gomez and view the contributions of former Mill House owners to the multicultural history of the Hudson River Valley. It is the oldest extant Jewish dwelling in North America continuously lived in for nearly three centuries. \$8 Adults, \$6 Senior Citizens, \$3 children 6-18yrs, **10/11, 10/12, 10/13, 10/16, 10/17, 10/18, 10/19, & 10/20, 10am-4pm, Tours given at 10:30am, 1:15pm & 2:45pm.**

Historic Huguenot Street - www.huguenotstreet.org

Night Shift Tombstone Tours – Come join us as the sun sets and the lanterns are lit for burial ground tours exploring historical burial practices, mourning customs, and tombstone symbolism. Tours begin with a visit to the atmospheric French Church, decorated for the creepy occasion. Enjoy storytelling (with some true tales mixed in) around the campfire on the Fort Lawn. View an exhibit of some of our more ghoulish collections. Portions of the tour are outdoors so dress appropriately and keep your eyes open for things that go bump in the night. Refreshments will be available. \$15 for advanced registration and for current members of HHS, \$18 day of/at the door. In addition, during the week, Ulster County residents can receive a 20% discount in the Museum Shop at the DuBois Fort Visitor Center by mentioning “Ulster County Heritage Week.” Tours begin at 6:00, 7:00, 8:00, 9:00 & 10:00 PM. **Saturday, October 19th (Rain/snow date is October 20th.)**

Hudson River Maritime Museum – www.hrmm.org

Cinema Sunday: “Rails to the Catskills” – Come see a special preview of “Rails to the Catskills” by Filmmaker Tobe Carey (1hr 30 min) followed by a Q&A session. This documentary begins with the early canals and railroads in the 1820s and 1830s, winding its way through the Gilded Age into the 20th Century. Suggested Donation \$5. **10/13, 2pm-5pm.**

Lecture: “Architecture of a River Port: Rondout in the 1960’s” – Lecture by Eugene Dauner. Through his photographs and personal collection, follow the transformation of the Downtown waterfront district of Kingston, known to many as the Strand or the Rondout. Mr. Dauner chronicles pre-urban renewal and subsequent demolition of many buildings now long gone. \$5 suggested donation, **10/16, 7pm-9pm.**

Vermont Sail Freight Project – Come join “Transition Kingston” for the Vermont Sail Freight Project and enjoy lunch, music and learn about Ceres, a sail powered barge, built by a Vermont farmer and volunteers that will be docking at the Maritime Museum on October 17th during its trial run from Lake Champlain to New York City carrying approximately 15 tons of shelf stable, handcrafted, organic and heirloom pantry items and fall storage crops. Cargo items will be for sale, and local farms and businesses will offer snacks as well as chili or soup. For more information: www.vermontsailfreightproject.org. **10/17, 12 pm – 2 pm.**

Klyne Esopus Museum - www.klyneesopusmuseum.us

“Ulster County and the Civil War - 1863” – This exhibit features artifacts and documents from the Klyne’s collection together with those loaned by the Ulster County Civil War Roundtable, the Ulster County Clerk’s Office, Bevier House, and the Klyne’s collection. **10/11, 10/12 & 10/13, 1pm - 4pm.**

Matthewis Persen House Museum and Cultural Heritage Center-

<http://www.co.ulster.ny.us/countyclerk/Persen%20House%20Schedule%202012.pdf>

“Rondout Revisited” Exhibit - The Reher Center for Immigrant Culture and History presents Rondout Revisited an exhibit that highlights the three stages in the history of the Rondout in Kingston, New York. This exhibit is located upstairs in the Persen House and is sure to please all. There are many photographs to see! The Reher Center highlights the social and mercantile history of the 19th and 20th century in the Rondout, Kingston’s waterfront. At The Matthewis Persen House, 74 John Street, Corners of Crown and John Street, Kingston. **10/12 & 10/19, and each Saturday through 11/23, 10am – 2pm.**

Ulster County Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee - “The Civil War Soldiers” Exhibit - For the 3rd year of the 150th Anniversary of the Civil War, the Sesquicentennial Committee will be exhibiting materials pertaining to the medical treatments applied to Civil War Soldiers. In addition, there will be information exhibited regarding prisoners and prisoner of war camps. Stop by the Persen House and enrich your Civil War History! Located at the The Matthewis Persen House, **10/5, 10/12, 10/19, & 10/26, 10am to 2 pm.**

The Ulster County Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee Presents “The Important Role Ulster County Played in the Civil War”- Please join members of the Ulster County Civil War Sesquicentennial Committee as they commemorate the 150th anniversary of the Civil War. The Committee will offer to the public a special program that shows the important role that Ulster County played in this war. Please join the Ulster County Sesquicentennial Committee as they pay tribute to our Ulster County Civil War Veterans. At The Matthewis Persen House, **Saturday, 10/19, 10am to 12 pm.**

Phoenicia Library – www.phoenicia.lib.ny.us

Phoenicia Wild West Weekend – Dress up as your favorite wild west character. Attend the Cowboy/Cowgirl poetry slam at the Library, Free. **10/12, 11am.**

The Sons of Phoenicia - Gene Autry Concert with screening with Robert Burke Warren – to benefit the Phoenicia Library rebuild, STS Playhouse, \$15, 10/13, 7pm-9:30pm.

Saugerties Historical Society - www.saugertieshistoricalsociety.com

The History of Folk Music in the Hudson Valley – There is a month long exhibit of Regional Folk Music at the Kiersted House, the home of the Saugerties Historical Society. The exhibit will illustrate music and song from a variety of sources, including Hudson River songs of sloops and sailors, regional civil war and abolitionist ballads, the building of the Ashokan Reservoir, the Woodstock Festival and Clearwater Revival, and much more. In addition, there will be traditional fiddlers, banjo players and guitar pickers. Exhibit formally opens on **October 5, 2013 at 3pm**. Come join us for a concert featuring music from the exhibit, Sunday, **10/20, 3pm to 5pm**.

Senate House – www.nysparks.com

“With Malice Toward None: Ulster County and the Civil War” – View the exhibit that explores the sacrifices local residents made during one of the most critical periods of American history. This exhibit is located in the Loughran House, 296 Fair St. in Kingston. The house was built by Civil War Veteran Dr. Robert Loughran in the early 1870s. Loughran served as a surgeon in the 20th Regiment, NYSM. Everyone is invited to attend. Free admission, **10/12, 11am-3pm, 10/20 1pm-4pm, and each Sunday thereafter 1pm-4pm**.

“Rondout-The Boom Years” – part of Kingston’s Buried Treasure Lecture Series. Attend a lecture by author and Rondout Historian Robert Steuding at the Vanderlyn Gallery of the Senate House Museum located at 296 Fair Street, Kingston. **10/18, 5:30pm**.

Town of Lloyd Historical Preservation Society – www.tolhps.org

Lloyd Historical Society to present “Recollections and Collections” program – For an evening of “history shorts” come to the Vineyard Commons Theater in Highland to hear Vivian Yess Wadlin talk about the Nudist Colony that existed in early 1930s; Town Historian Liz Alfonso, will speak on an artifact from the Town's historical collection; and Charles Glasner, will bring a collection of ephemera relating to the 1909 Hudson Fulton Tercentennial Celebration and speak on collecting in general. In addition, anyone with a special memory to share or an item or collection to describe for this local history event can contact Charles Glasner at (845) 527-5859 to arrange for their slot in the program and for a computer/projector if needed. For more information please visit the website. Complimentary refreshments served. **Fee event, 10/7, 7:30pm**.

Town of Saugerties Historic Preservation Commission – www.saugerties.ny.us

Presentation - Join the discussion on how new material, including local history, can be incorporated into the curriculum by Saugerties teachers that are in line with the new Common Core standards in education. This presentation will show how historic resource surveys, historic designation findings, historic collection management programs and internet research and discussion sites on local history topics are providing a more useful understanding of our heritage. The focus of the presentation will be describing:

- electronic publication of criteria for identification of local historic significance at the Town of Saugerties Historic Preservation Commission;

- development of digital management standards at the Rosenblum and Lamb collection;
- connection of the library local history room collection to the HRVH web site;
- varification of findings for designation of the Clovelea estate by the Village Historic Review Board through electronic searches;
- and electronic transcriptions of handwritten records and journals from the 1830's and 40's by the Town Historian.

Other electronic forms used by the American Legion Post 72, the “I Like Saugerties Facebook” page and the “Lighthouse TV Internet” streaming site will be represented. Illustrations will be given that encourage discussion of the topics. **Monday, 10/14, 6pm to 8pm.**

Ulster County Historical Society – www.ulstercountyhs.org

Bevier House Museum – attend the annual meeting open house with champagne and dessert at the Bevier House Museum. The Ulster County Historical Society will present their newest collection piece, a draft letter from George Clinton to George Washington, dated May 1779 regarding an incident with a group of Tories and Indians on the Ulster County Frontier. William Rhoads will give a short talk on the significance of the letter followed by champagne and dessert. **10/17, 7pm.**

Ulster County Round Table - www.oocities.org/uccwrt/

“Their Conduct was more than Heroic, It was Glorious!: The 149th Pennsylvania Infantry at Gettysburg” – Clarence Anspake will present a talk in the Legislative Chambers at the Ulster County Building and the public is welcome to attend this free event. **10/24, 7pm.**

Volunteer Fireman's Hall & Museum of Kingston – 266 Fair Street, Kingston.

Visit the Volunteer Fireman’s Hall & Museum of Kingston, The former 1857 home of the Wiltwyck Hose Company, featuring antique firefighting artifacts and apparatus including an 1898 streamer. \$2 suggested donation for adults. **10/11, 10/12, 10/18 & 10/19, 11am – 3 pm.**

Woodstock Public Library – www.woodstock.org

Woodstock Library Centennial Project – Journey through Time Art Project – Outdoor environment Educational Workshops and Exhibitions developed and conducted by public artist Susan Togut. This Centennial Library Project is inclusive and multi-dimensional, educational and historical. For more information visit the website or call 845-679-2213. Workshops for adults, teens and children. **10/20, 10/22, etc.**

County Executive Hein invites you to visit these Cultural Heritage Sites and Organizations located in Ulster County throughout the year:

- A.J. Snyder Estate in Rosendale
- Bevier House Museum/ Ulster County Historical Society in Marbletown
- Bruderhof Museum in Rifton
- Canal Forge in Alligerville
- Catskill Heritage Alliance in Shandaken

- Century House Historical Society in Rosendale
- Cragmoor Historical Society in Cragmoor
- Ellenville Public Library & Museum in Ellenville
- Ellenville Historic Preservation Commission in Ellenville
- Esopus Meadows Lighthouse in Ulster Park
- Friends of Historic Rochester in Accord
- Greenfield Park Schoolhouse/Museum in Greenfield Park
- Historical Society of the Town of Olive in Shokan
- Historical Society of Woodstock in Woodstock
- Hudson River Maritime Museum Kingston
- Kingston Historic Landmark Preservation Commission in Kingston
- Kingston Land Trust in Kingston
- Klyne Esopus Museum
- Kripplebush Schoolhouse Museum in Kripplebush
- Marbletown Historic Preservation Commission in Stone Ridge
- Marlborough Historical Society in Marlboro
- Marlboro Library in Marlboro
- New Paltz Historic Preservation Commission in New Paltz
- O & W Napanoch Train Station/Museum in Napanoch
- Old Dutch Reformed Church in Kingston
- Opus 40 in Saugerties
- Perrine's Bridge in Rifton
- Rondout Lighthouse in Kingston
- Samuel Dorsky Museum of Art in New Paltz
- Saugerties Historical Society/Kiersted House in Saugerties
- Saugerties Lighthouse Conservancy in Saugerties
- Third Ulster County Militia in Gardiner
- Town of Plattekill Historical Society in Clintondale
- Town of Shandaken Historical Museum in Pine Hill
- Trolley Museum of New York in Kingston
- Ulster County Community College: Local History and Special Collections Room in Stone Ridge
- Ulster County Genealogical Society in Hurley
- Ulster County Round Table in Kingston
- Volunteer Fireman's Hall and Museum in Kingston

Thank you very much for sharing Ulster County's Cultural Heritage Week with us and for enjoying all that Ulster County has to offer. Please feel free to call my office at: 845-340-3800 or the Ulster County Department of Tourism at: 845-340-3566 should you require any assistance.

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