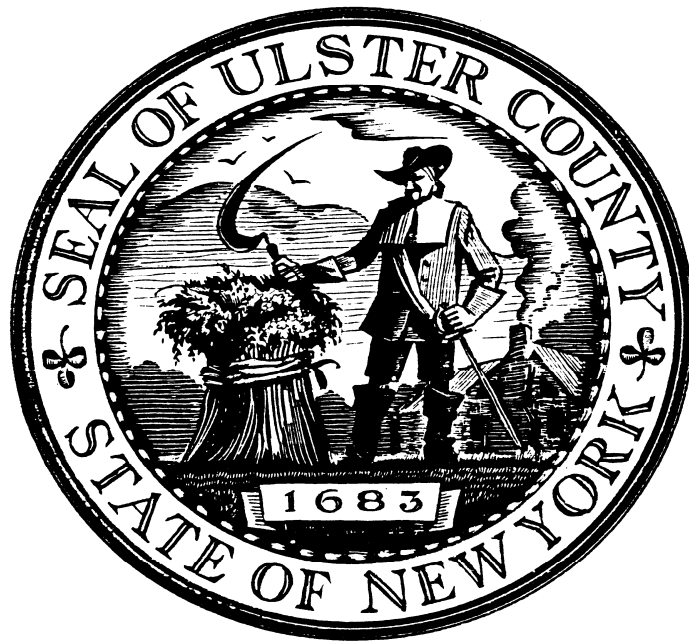


**County Executive Michael P. Hein
Presents:
Ulster County's 1st Cultural Heritage Week**

September 18 - 25, 2011



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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 First Cultural Heritage Week.

Nina Postupack, Ulster County Clerk Hosts Heritage Week Activities

<http://www.co.ulster.ny.us/countyclerk/archives>

- **Tour the Documented Treasures of Ulster County – A Look at Some of the Oldest and Most Significant Records in Ulster County.** On exhibit will be some of the original records significant to the understanding of our history including the 1665 Treaty between Governor Richard Nicolls and the Sopes Indians, the Order by Director General Peter Stuyvesant to build the stockade, the Wampum Belt and more. Stop by the Ulster County Records Center, 300 Foxhall Avenue in Kingston **Monday 9/19 through Friday 9/23 from 10 to 3 PM** and the staff will take you into the Archival Vault for a look at these original and rare records. See a preview on-line at <http://www.co.ulster.ny.us/archives/documents/index.html>.
- **Grand Opening and Reception for the “It’s Not Unusual Exhibit”** featuring some of the unusual and surprising materials found in the Ulster County Archives: a taking notice for the Ashokan Reservoir; anonymous art; brewery labels; a stallion broadside; and an illustrated Civil War poem, just to name a few. Exhibit will be displayed at the Ulster County Office Building, 2nd Floor Archives Gallery, 244 Fair Street in Kingston, beginning on **Wednesday 9/21, with the Opening Program beginning at 11 AM.**
- **Grand Opening and Reception for the “Celebrating Saugerties: 1811-2011” Exhibit** celebrating the bicentennial of the Town of Saugerties consisting of archival material from the Ulster County Archives created by or about the Town of Saugerties at the Saugerties Library, located at 91 Washington Avenue in Saugerties. Exhibit will be on view **beginning Monday, September 12** with the Grand Opening and Reception on **Tuesday, 9/20 at 10 AM.**

Ashokan Center in Olivebridge – <http://www.ashokancenter.org>

- **Gorge Hike and Mill Ruins Tour**, with a discussion of human activity on the property over time. Free, on **Saturday, 9/17 at 10 AM.**

Byrdcliffe Art Colony in Woodstock - <http://www.byrdcliffe.org>

- **2011 Artist in Residence Program** - last official open studio for the year. Meet the artists, view their work, and enjoy a potluck buffet at the Viletta Inn in the Byrdcliffe Art Colony on **Saturday 9/17 from 3:30 to 7 PM.**
- **Guided walking tour of the Byrdcliffe Art Colony** including a tour of White Pines and stops in the ceramics and jewelry studios and the woodworking workshop. Meet at the Byrdcliffe Theater. Lunch available at the Byrdcliffe Cafe, located on the patio of the historic Byrdcliffe Theater, on **Saturday 9/24 from noon to 2 PM.**
- **Quick, Down & Dirty** – outdoor exhibition of works of local artists on the grounds of White Pines curated by Alan Baer, **throughout Ulster County Cultural Heritage Week.**

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

- **D & H Canal 5 Lock Docent-Led Walk** following the towpath. Great family friendly walk begins in front of the Museum on Mohonk Road in High Falls on **Sunday 9/11, 9/18, and 9/25 from 2 – 3 PM.**

Donskoj Gallery in Kingston - <http://www.donskoj.com/gallery.htm>

- **Charles Eggert: 1960s Rondout Photographs.** Eggert was a widely-respected conservationist who made award winning documentaries and photographs for Stuart Udall, US Secretary of the Interior (1961 - 1969). Eggert's Rondout photographs, which sought historic preservation for buildings slated for the infamous wave of "urban renewal" that later decimated Kingston's Lower Broadway corridor, will be exhibited from 9/3 to 9/24 at Donskoj Gallery, 101 Abeel Street in Kingston. A presentation and discussion will be held on **Saturday, 9/24 at 7 PM.**

Empire State Railway Museum in Phoenicia - <http://www.esrm.com>

- **Images of Rail – The Five Historic Ulster County Railroads** - A photo exhibit based on Stephen Ladin and Glendon Moffett's upcoming new book "Ulster County Railroads." **Weekends and holidays through October.**

- **Tribute to Indigenous Music** including a mix of Catskill Mountain, Camp Woodland, and Hudson River Music on **Wednesday afternoon 9/21**.
- **Ride the Catskill Mountain Railroad** in celebration of Ulster County Cultural Heritage Week! The Catskill Mountain Railroad runs on a restored section of the historic Ulster & Delaware Railroad roadbed alongside the beautiful whitewater Esopus Creek. <http://catskillmtrailroad.com> on **Saturdays and Sundays from 11:30- 2:45 PM**.

Friends of Historic Kingston - <http://www.fohk.org>

- **Stockade District Discovery Day** - Pick up a clue sheet with photos of 18 objects found within the 1658 Stockade National Historic District and walk the neighborhood like a detective hunting down the objects to match the photos. Suitable for all ages over 5. Clue sheets available at the Persen House, corner John and Crown Streets on **Saturday 9/24 from 10-2 PM**; and at the Friends of Historic Kingston Gallery on **Saturday 9/24 from 10-4 PM and Sunday 9/25 1- 4 PM**.
- **Rondout National Historic District Walking Tour** - Hear how the historic waterfront district of Kingston mushroomed from farmland into a thriving maritime village and major Hudson River port during the heydays of the Delaware & Hudson Canal (1828-1898) which terminated here. Approximately 2 hours with some uphill walking. Adults - \$5, children under 16 - \$2. Meet outside the Kingston Heritage Area Visitor Center at 20 Broadway on **Saturday 9/24 at 11 AM**.
- **Anton Otto Fischer Exhibit** Stunning seascapes by the noted marine painter and illustrator featuring 18 works from the permanent collection of the Hudson River Maritime Museum and regional landscapes. Supported by John R. Shults, Jr. Free. Friends of Historic Kingston Gallery, corner Wall-Main Streets on **Sunday 9/18, Saturday 9/24 and Sunday 9/25, from 1 to 4 PM**.
- **1812 Historic House Tour** of the stunning collection of American antiques and decorative arts of Fred J. Johnston, displayed in eight elegant room settings in the Federal style house he rescued from demolition and preserved. Adults - \$5, children under 16 - \$2, on **Sunday 9/18, Saturday 9/24 and Sunday 9/25 from 1 to 4 PM**.

Gomez Mill House in Marlboro - <http://www.gomez.org>

- **History and Connections on the Life of Luis Gomez** - Shelomo Alfassa will demonstrate through historic narrative, maps and images the interconnections of history which led to the unique experience, life and times of Luis Gomez on **Sunday, 9/18 at 1 PM**. ½ price tour admissions to Gomez Mill House on 9/18 and 9/23-25.

- **Smithsonian Museum Day** - Offering free admission to Museum Day ticket holders, plus a guest. Go to <http://www.smithsonianmag.com/museumday/> to sign up for a free Museum Day Ticket. **Saturday 9/24.**

Heritage Folk Music in Saugerties - <http://heritageconcerts.blogspot.com>

- **Geoff Kaufman and the Kingston Sea Chantey Singers** perform “Songs of my Catskills and Hudson River Years. Tree of Life: songs of celebration and concern for life on earth will be one strong theme in Geoff’s program, along with songs reflecting his years of growing up on a local farm. For Geoff this is a special opportunity to “come home” musically to his own roots. At the Dutch Arms Chapel, 16 John Street in Saugerties. Admission is \$8. Call 594-4412 for further information - on **Sunday 9/18 from 3 to 5 PM.**

Historic Huguenot Street in New Paltz - <http://www.huguenotstreet.org>

- **Home School Day** - With the general rising trend in home-schooling, HHS has set aside a day especially for home-schooled students to come to The Street and experience our history through tours and document-based lessons. We are offering a special new program called *A Walk Through Time: One Street, Many Stories* for this day. Travel back through time with six individuals whose lives were part of the fabric of the Hudson Valley. Working in small groups, students will use physical artifacts and primary documents to piece together the lives of a Lenape woman, a Revolutionary War soldier, a colonial school girl, a run-away slave, a Civil War soldier, and a 19th century student at the Poughkeepsie Academy. Please call ahead with reservations to Susan Stessin-Cohn director of exhibits, educational, and public programs @ 255-6738 or contact susan@huguenotstreet.org. **Wednesday, September 21 from 10 AM – 4 PM.**
- **Smithsonian Museum Day** - In the spirit of Smithsonian Museums, who offer free admission everyday, Museum Day is an annual event hosted by *Smithsonian* magazine in which participating museums across the country open their doors to anyone presenting a Museum Day Ticket...for free on **Saturday 9/24 from 10:30 to 5 PM.**
- **Art Opening: Robert Goldwitz** -Award-winning photographer, Robert Goldwitz has been featured in one-man and group shows in New York City and elsewhere. His fine art photography has been reviewed in the past by the New York Times; his stock photography can be found in New York Magazine, Adweek, Boat U.S. as well as textbooks, journals and other print media. The DuBois Fort - 81 Huguenot Street **on Saturday, 9/24 at 7 PM.**
- **Ulster Residents’ Day** - This day caps off Ulster County Heritage Week, which is designed to highlight the rich culture and tradition that our county has to offer. Historic Huguenot Street marks the occasion with a special "pay what you wish" day on the Street. Ulster County residents, with proof of residence, can enjoy either our **11 AM or 2 PM guided museum house tour** for whatever they wish to contribute. Tours begin at the

- Dubois Fort Visitor Center | 81 Huguenot Street. Pay what you wish. No reservations necessary on **Saturday 9/25**.
- **Certainly Not Silent: Women of the Huguenot Street Archive** with Laura Rose - This enlightening workshop breathes life into several women whose paths crossed Huguenot Street whether during their lives or after. The stories are funny, sad, shocking and profound. Join historical detective Laura Rose as she shares some of the most delectable tales she's found at Deyo Hall - 6 Broadhead Avenue \$5 on **Sunday 9/25 at 3 PM**.

Hurley Heritage Society - <http://www.hurleyheritagesociety.org>

- **First- Person Walking Tour of Historic Hurley** - Hillegond Roosa Van Deusen, an early 18th century resident of Hurley, will be portrayed by first – person interpreter Patricia Lamers during a tour of Hurley’s historic main street. Rain or shine on **Sunday 9/25 at 2 PM**.

John Burroughs Association in West Park – <http://john-burroughs.org>

- **John Burroughs Slabsides Ramble** through the woods. An interpretive walk at an intermediate pace with readings from John Burrough’s works. Starts at naturalist John Burrough’s rustic cabin on **Saturday 9/17 at 10 AM. Raindate: 9/24**.

Klyne Esopus Museum in Ulster Park - <http://www.klyneesopusmuseum.org>

- **Discussion on Old Historic Stone Houses in Esopus** with Robert Sweeney. Free on **Sunday, 9/18 at 4 PM**.

Mud Day on the Hudson in Highland –

- **Make Mud Art**. Dress for mess. All ages. \$ 5 per person at Highland Landing Park on River Rd in Highland (next to Mariner’s) on **Saturday 9/17 from 11 AM to 5 PM**. **Raindate: Sunday 9/18**.

Reher Center in Kingston - <http://ucjf.org>

- **Rondout Revisited Exhibit** highlighting three stages in the history of Rondout at the Kingston’s Heritage Area Visitor Center. Official opening and reception on **Sunday 9/18 from 3 – 5 PM**, exhibit open throughout **Ulster County Cultural Heritage Week and into the fall**.

- **Slide Presentation by Eugene Dauner** featuring images from the urban renewal years in Rondout not included in the Rondout Revisited Exhibit. Slide presentation will be shown at the Art Society of Kingston - 97 Broadway on **Tuesday 9/20 at 7 PM.**

Senate House State Historic Site in Kingston –

<http://nysparks.state.ny.us/historic-sites/18/details.aspx>

- **Apple Heritage Day** – 18th century activities including cider pressing, apple butter making, magician, musicians and open hearth cooking in a Dutch oven. At 1 PM and 3 PM, enjoy the 18th century magic of Bob Olsen, A.K.A. Mr Bayly and at 2 PM and 4 PM there will be children’s puppet shows. On **Sunday 9/25 from 12 to 5 PM.**

Town of Esopus Bicentennial Celebration -

<http://www.esopus.com/feature.html>

- **Art Exhibit at Esopus Town Hall** featuring historical paintings, photographs and other memorabilia focusing on Esopus events and places over the years **from 9/6 through 10/31.**

Town of Lloyd Historical Preservation Society in Highland -

<http://lloydhistory.org>

- **Self Guided Walking Tour of the Town of Highland’s Past** focusing on the era of the Highland - New Paltz Trolley, the only trolley line in Ulster County connecting two towns. By following little green trolleys stenciled on the sidewalk and on the Hudson Valley Rail Trail, viewers can stroll through the village and glimpse the town “then and now.” Large framed pages have been placed in business windows throughout the village showing pictures and text explaining what a site looked like and/or what occurred in that area. **Throughout Ulster County Cultural Heritage Week and the fall season.**

Town of Saugerties Historic Preservation Commission

<http://saugerties.ny.us>

- **Saugerties Historic Preservation Commission Meeting with Guest Lorraine Weiss** from the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation to discuss the ongoing development of the Town and Village Guidelines for Historic Preservation in the Saugerties Library Community Room on **Monday 9/19 at 7:30 PM.**
- **Town Historian Audrey Klinkenberg’s Discussion on 200 years of Saugerties History** in the Saugerties Library Community Room on **Wednesday 9/21 at 6 PM.**

- **Michael Sullivan Smith, member of the Town of Saugerties Historic Preservation Commission, Discussion on “Digitizing the History of Saugerties” in the Saugerties Library Community Room on Thursday 9/22 at 6 PM.**
- **Myles Putman and Michael Sullivan Smith, members of the Town of Saugerties Historic Preservation Commission, Discussion on “Mapping Harry Carle’s Memories” in the Saugerties Library Community Room on Friday 9/23 at 6 PM.**

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
- 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 1st 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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