

Announcing the Big Watch!

Film screenings & discussions and many events around the state!



Join us to mark the 250th anniversary of the Declaration of Independence with more than 80 community-driven programs across the state! In each location below, we'll watch a short excerpt from THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION, the new film by Ken Burns, Sarah Botstein, and David Schmidt. Focusing on an excerpt called "The Spirit of Service," each event includes a facilitated discussion on "remembering together": the moments that shape who we are, where we're headed, and the stories that define your own community. In addition to the screening & discussion events listed below, host organizations will also offer a related community event (see page 4). **Come watch, reflect, and be part of the conversation!**

Screening & Discussion Events

3/18 | NORTHFIELD | 4:00 PM

Hall Memorial Library, 18 Park Street
Contact: Chelsea@hallmemoriallibrary.org

3/18 | HAMPTON FALLS | 6:00 PM

Hampton Falls Free Library, 7 Drinkwater Rd.
Contact: outreach@hamptonfallslibrary.org

3/24 | NORTH SUTTON | 9:30 AM

Kearsarge Regional High School, 457 North Rd.
Contact: kfish@kearsarge.org

3/31 | CONTOOCOOK | 6:00 PM

Hopkinton Town Library, 61 Houston Drive
Contact: info@hopkintontownlibrary.org

3/31 | MANCHESTER | 5:30 PM

New Hampshire Institute of Politics
50 Saint Anselm Drive
Contact: acamann@anselm.edu

4/3 | JACKSON | 7:00 PM

Jackson Public Library, 16 Black Mountain Rd.
Contact: meg@jacksonlibrary.org

4/7 | WALPOLE | 6:30 PM

Walpole Town Library, 34 Elm Street
Contact: jmalmborg@walpoletownlibrary.org

4/11 | LISBON | 2:00 PM

Lisbon Area Historical Society, 9 Depot Street
Contact: lisbonareahistoricalsociety@gmail.com

4/15 | LITCHFIELD | 6:00 PM

Aaron Cutler Memorial Library
269 Charles Bancroft Highway
Contact: acml_librarian@comcast.net

4/20 | EXETER | 6:30 PM

Exeter Public Library, 4 Chestnut Street
Contact: jlanter@exeternh.gov

4/21 | DURHAM | 6:30 PM

Durham Public Library, 49 Madbury Road
Contact: djarvis@ci.durham.nh.us

4/22 | MONROE | 6:00 PM

Monroe Public Library, 19 Plains Road
Contact: monroepubliclibrary@gmail.com

4/23 | DURHAM | 4:00 PM

UNH, 18 Library Way, Mem. Union Bld., Rm. 311
Contact: Mairead.SmallStaid@unh.edu

4/29 | MARLBOROUGH | 7:00 PM

Marlborough Historical Society, 160 Main St.
Contact: robinsonjoann07@gmail.com

4/30 | BRISTOL | 6:00 PM

Minot-Sleeper Library
35 Pleasant Street
Contact: librarian@bristolnh.gov

5/6 | TAMWORTH | 6:30 PM

Cook Memorial Library
93 Main Street
Contact: director@tamworthlibrary.org

5/7 | DOVER | 10:00 AM

Dover Adult Learning Center
61 Locust Street
Contact: lharris@doveradultlearning.org

5/7 | HAMPTON | 6:00 PM

Lane Memorial Library, 2 Academy Ave.
Contact: library@hampton.lib.nh.us

5/8 | MONT VERNON | 2:00 PM

Daland Memorial Library, 8 Lilac Lane
Contact: dalandlibrary@comcast.net

5/12 | HAMPSTEAD | 6:30 PM

Hampstead Public Library, 9 Mary E. Clark Dr.
Contact: jwatt@hampsteadlibrary.org

5/13 | TAMWORTH | 6:30 PM

Cook Memorial Library, 93 Main Street
Contact: director@tamworthlibrary.org

5/16 | JEFFERSON | 10:30 AM

Jefferson Historical Society, 178 Meadows Rd.
Contact: jeffersonnhhistory@gmail.com

5/16 | NEWFIELDS | 5:00 PM

Paul Memorial Library, 65 Main Street
Contact: director@newfieldslibrary.org

5/19 | WINDHAM | 6:30 PM

Nesmith Library, 8 Fellows Road
Contact: mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org

5/20 | EXETER | 6:30 PM

Exeter Public Library, 4 Chestnut Street
Contact: jlanter@exeternh.gov

5/21 | ENFIELD | 5:00 PM

Enfield Public Library, 23 Main Street
Contact: librarian2@enfieldnh.gov

5/21 | GORHAM | 6:00 PM

Medallion Opera House, 20 Park Street
Contact: randolphnhlibrary@gmail.com



In late February, Big Watch facilitators gathered for training, reflection, and conversation as they prepare to lead screening and discussion events around the state.

6/5 | FRANCES TOWN | 6:30 PM

George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library
2 New Boston Road
Contact: frances townlibrary@gmail.com

6/11 | GILFORD | 5:30 PM

Gilford Public Library, 31 Potter Hill Road
Contact: patty@gilfordlibrary.org

6/13 | SPRINGFIELD | 6:00 PM

23 Four Corners Road
Contact: libbiecass@gmail.com

6/14 | PORTSMOUTH | 1:00 PM

Strawbery Banke Museum, 14 Hancock Street
Contact: sseacord@lemd.com

6/24 | HOOKSETT | 5:30 PM

Hooksett Public Library, 31 Mt. St. Mary's Way
Contact: jayotte@hooksettlibrary.org

6/27 | MANCHESTER | 11:30 AM

Manchester City Library, 405 Pine Street
Contact: dbasora@manchesternh.gov

07/2 | CHARLESTOWN | 7:30 PM

Silsby Free Public Library, 267 Springfield Rd.
Contact: silsby@charlestown-nh.gov

07/3 | PORTSMOUTH | 1:00 PM

Moffatt-Ladd House & Garden Museum
154 Market Street
Contact: director@moffattladd.org

07/30 | AUBURN | 6:00 PM

Auburn Historical Association, 102 Hooksett Rd.
Contact: duckrace@auburnhistorical.org

Schedule is subject to change. Please check our website listings before heading out!

To watch the entire film series, visit www.pbs.org/kenburns/the-american-revolution.





Big Watch Community Events



3/21 | BOW | 2:30 PM

New Hampshire Connections to Belleau Wood, France: World War I Soldiers and Marines and the Pilgrimages After the War
Baker Free Library, 509 South Street
Contact: liesl@bakerfreelib.org

3/25 | FRANCESTOWN | 6:00 PM

Portrait of a Revolution with Inez McDermott
Francestown Town Hall, 2 New Boston Road
Contact: francestownlibrary@gmail.com

3/25 | HAMPTON FALLS | 6:30 PM

Book Discussion: "1776"
Hampton Falls Free Library, 7 Drinkwater Rd.
Contact: outreach@hamptonfallslibrary.org

4/8 | MANCHESTER | 12:30 PM

Unlikely Allies: How a Merchant, a Playwright, and a Spy Saved the American Revolution
New Hampshire Institute of Politics
50 Saint Anselm Drive
Contact: acamann@anselm.edu

4/8 | MANCHESTER | 6:00 PM

Indivisible: Daniel Webster and the Birth of American Nationalism
New Hampshire Institute of Politics
50 Saint Anselm Drive
Contact: acamann@anselm.edu

4/9 | MEREDITH | 6:30 PM

Shot Not Heard 'Round the World
Meredith Public Library, 91 Main Street
Contact: erin@meredithlibrary.org

4/24 | DURHAM | 5:00 PM

Dressed Wholly in the Manufactures of This Country
UNH Library's Special Collections & Archives (Room 101), 18 Library Way
Contact: Mairead.SmallStaid@unh.edu

5/1 | FRANCESTOWN | 9:00 AM

American Hero Portrait Contest
George Holmes Bixby Memorial Library
52 Main Street
Contact: francestownlibrary@gmail.com

5/7 | EXETER | 6:30 PM

Town-Wide Read: "American Nations" and "Nations Apart"
Exeter Town Hall, 10 Front Street
Contact: jlanter@exeternh.gov

5/8 | MONT VERNON | 1:00 PM

Boston Tea Party Social Hour
Daland Memorial Library, 8 Lilac Lane
Contact: dalandlibrary@comcast.net

5/14 | GOFFSTOWN | 6:30 PM

Redcoats & Rebels: NH & the American Revolution
Goffstown Public Library, 18 Parker Station Rd.
Contact: carolinek@goffstownlibrary.com

5/18 | MARLBOROUGH | 6:00 PM

"Marlborough, America" Film Screening
Historical Society, 28 Jaffrey Road
Contact: robinsonjoann07@gmail.com

5/21 | WALPOLE | 1:00 PM

Film Screening, "1776"
Walpole Town Library, 48 Main Street
Contact: jmalMBERG@walpoletownlibrary.org

5/23 | NEWFIELDS | 6:00 PM

Revolutionary War Militia Encampment
Hilton Field
Contact: director@newfieldslibrary.org

5/24 | MARLBOROUGH | 2:00 PM

Patriotic Parade
Downtown Marlborough, 28 Jaffrey Rd.
Contact: 603-876-4068

5/26 | CONTOOCOOK | 5:30 PM

A Brewing Conflict
Hopkinton Town Library, 61 Houston Drive
Contact: info@hopkintontownlibrary.org

5/27 | MARLBOROUGH | 7:00 PM

Cemeteries of Marlborough NH
Marlborough Historical Society, 160 Main St.
Contact: 603-876-4068

6/1 | WINDHAM | 9:00 AM

Town-Wide Scavenger Hunt
Nesmith Library, 8 Fellows Road
Contact: mschroeter@nesmithlibrary.org

6/1 | RICHMOND | 12:00 PM

Revolutionary War Sites Driving Tour
Richmond Public Library, 19 Winchester Road
Contact: library@richmondnh.us

6/3 | MANCHESTER | 6:00 PM

Why Democracy?
Manchester Millyard Museum, 200 Bedford St.
Contact: dbasora@manchesternh.gov

6/14 | PORTSMOUTH | 12:00 PM

Revolutionary Portsmouth
Strawbery Banke Museum, 14 Hancock Street
Contact: sseacord@lemd.com

6/18 | MEREDITH | 6:30 PM

Women of '76
Meredith Public Library, 91 Main Street
Contact: erin@meredithlibrary.org

6/20 | JEFFERSON | 10:30 AM

Unpacking the Declaration Independence: What It Meant Then and Now
Jefferson Community Center, 178 Meadows Rd.
Contact: effersonnhhistory@gmail.com

6/24 | NORTHFIELD | 6:00 PM

Cozy Paint Night
Hall Memorial Library, 18 Park Street
Contact: Chelsea@hallmemoriallibrary.org

6/27 | MONROE | 10:00 AM

Day of Celebration of Community and the USA
Monroe School Grounds, 77 Woodsville Road
Contact: monroepubliclibrary@gmail.com

6/30 | NORTH HAMPTON | 6:00 PM

New Hampshire in the American Revolution
North Hampton Public Library, 239 Atlantic Ave.
Contact: nhplprogramming@gmail.com

7/1 | TAMWORTH | 11:00 AM

What Was It Like to Live in Tamworth in 1776?
Cook Memorial Library, 93 Main Street
Contact: director@tamworthlibrary.org

7/4 | MARLBOROUGH | 9:00 AM

Monument Dedication
Downtown Marlborough, 28 Jaffrey Road
Contact: 603-876-4068

7/5 | LISBON | 7:00 PM

Who Was John Stark?
Lisbon Area Historical Society, 9 Depot Street
Contact: lisbonareahistoricalociety@gmail.com

7/8 | PLYMOUTH | 6:00 PM

Declaration of Independence Reading
Plymouth Historical Society, 1 Russell Street
Contact: info@plymouthnhhistory.org

7/11 | HOOKSETT | 10:30 AM

Travel Back to 1776
Hooksett Public Library, 31 Mt. St. Mary's Way
Contact: jayotte@hooksettlibrary.org

7/25 | MOULTONBOROUGH | 9:00 AM

Celebrate #250America Kids Day!
Moultonborough Public Library
935 Whittier Hwy.
Contact: adultservices@moultonboroughlibrary.org

7/29 | HOOKSETT | 6:00 PM

Abigail Adams - Liberty & Legacy
Hooksett Public Library, 31 Mt. St. Mary's Way
Contact: jayotte@hooksettlibrary.org

7/29 | WALPOLE | 7:00 PM

Book Discussion: You Never Forget Your First
Walpole Town Library, 48 Main Street
Contact: jmalMBERG@walpoletownlibrary.org

9/12 | AUBURN | 10:00 AM

Duck Race
Auburn Village, Hooksett Road
Contact: duckrace@auburnhistorical.org



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