

# The Patriot



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Adeleine Moses Loeb, shown here in a painting displayed in Fraunces Tavern Museum's Loeb Gallery, is the subject of a new book on Jewish ancestry by her grandson, Amb. John L. Loeb.  
Photo by Suzanne Prabucki .

## **Book on Jewish-American Ancestry to Benefit Fraunces Tavern Museum**

Ambassador John L. Loeb outlines his family's history with a deeper look into early American Jewish ancestry in with his new book *An American Experience: Adeline Moses Loeb (1876-1953) and Her Early American Jewish Ancestors*.

Loeb, along with other contributors, presents a study of his grandmother's fascinating life from her early years in Alabama and St. Louis to her marriage to New York Wall Street banker Carl M. Loeb. The book goes into details of the Loeb family's relationship with the Sons of the Revolution and Daughters of the American Revolution, and the family's sponsorship of national exhibits of early Jewish life. Historian Judith Endelman also chronicles the genealogy of the Moses family back to the 1600s.

Proceeds from the sale of the book will benefit the restoration of Fraunces Tavern: the historic Revolutionary War site, home to precious Revolutionary War artifacts and headquarters of the Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York.

To order a copy of the book please contact the Sons of the Revolution Office:

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More information can be found by visiting [Syracuse University Press's website](#).

## **SRNY Honors Annual Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award Recipients**

Sons of the Revolution in the State of New York and the Fraunces Tavern Museum are pleased to announce the 2009 *Fraunces Tavern Museum Book Award* recipients. Each year, authors are recognized for their notable writings in early American history. This years recipients are:

***Forgotten Patriots: The Untold Story of American Prisoners During the Revolutionary War***, Dr. Edwin G. Burrows (Basic Books)

Honorable Mention: ***If By Sea: The Forging of the American Navy-From the Revolution to the War of 1812***, George C. Daughan (Basic Books)

Special Recognition: ***Taxation in Colonial America***, Alvin Rabushka (Princeton University Press)

Special Recognition: ***John Adams, Miniseries***, HBO Films/Playtone Production

The awards were presented at the annual Family Night Stated Meeting which commemorates the Battles of Lexington and Concord. Members of the Sons of the Revolution who have attained 40 year and 50 year membership were invited and honored, and the Book Awards were given during the meeting. The dinner meeting was held on Monday, April 27, 2009 at Fraunces Tavern.

## **Tickets Now Available for James S. Kaplan's Summer Walking Tours**

Join us as James S. Kaplan hosts two [reservation-only](#) historic walking tours this summer. Mr. Kaplan is a veteran historic walking-tour guide who has led the popular overnight July 4 tour for the past 7 years. This year, we are pleased to announce that he has added a special tour marking the 200th anniversary of the death of Thomas Paine.

### ***These Are the Times that Try Men's Souls***

*Lunchtime Lecture-Tuesday June 2nd at 12:30*

*Walking Tour-Sunday, June 7th at 2pm*

Thomas Paine, author of the 1776 influential political pamphlet Common Sense, died in obscurity and poverty in Greenwich Village on June 8th, 1809. In the 200 years since his death, very few New Yorkers realize that this influential figure in political movement in America, France and England was a resident of New York City during the final years of his life. The lecture will serve as a preview and "sit down" version of the walking tour which will visit sites relating to Paine's time in Lower Manhattan upon his return to the United States in 1802. Both programs will emphasize the diverse stages of Paine's life that shaped his political legacy.

The June 2nd lecture is free with Museum admission.

The June 7th walking tour is \$15/\$10 for Museum members.

### ***7th Annual Nighttime Walking Tour of Revolutionary War New York***

*Friday, July 4th from 2am-6am*

For the seventh year in a row, join James S. Kaplan and learn little known facts about important Revolutionary War heroes buried in Lower Manhattan. Watching the early morning sun rise from Trinity Church, you'll be fascinated to discover just how pivotal New York City was throughout the war for independence.

\$20/\$15 for Museum members.

**Tickets in advance are required for both walking tours and may be purchased through our website: [www.FrauncesTavernMuseum.org](http://www.FrauncesTavernMuseum.org).**

**Once your tickets have been purchased, you will be emailed a confirmation receipt and the starting location for the walking tour.**

## **New Exhibit Through July 31! Revolution and the City**



*Revolution and the City: New York's Place in America's Fight for Independence* features works is on display through July 31, 2009.

Photo by Suzanne Prabucki.

While the cities of Boston and Philadelphia are most traditionally recognized for their vital roles in the American Revolution, New York City was a major center of wartime activity. This new exhibit, located in the museum's Louise Mesick Gallery, explores the Revolutionary War's timeline from New York's point of view: a story not nearly as romanticized as others, but one that is equally as gripping and important in the story of America's fight for independence.

Pieces in the exhibit include works of art from John Ward Dunsmore and Henry Hintermeister along with Revolutionary War relics from the museum's own collection. On special loan is a scale model of the Brooklyn Ship Martyr's monument (modeled after the original in Fort Greene Cemetery), courtesy of the Daughters of the American Revolution, National Society, Fort Greene Chapter.

*Revolution and the City: New York's Place in America's Fight for Independence* runs through July 31, 2009 at Fraunces Tavern Museum. For more information on our other current and ongoing exhibits, please visit our [exhibit page!](#)

## **Magna Carta Exhibit Set to Feature Images of American Documents**

Through the generosity of the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History, the upcoming exhibition, *Magna Carta and the Foundations of Freedom*, will feature images of the founding documents of American government. A draft of the U.S. Constitution, a printing of Thomas Paine's *Common Sense* and documents relating to the Declaration of Independence and the U.S. Bill of Rights will all be featured in images and literature accompanying the Magna Carta document. The Magna Carta was an influence on the ideals of liberty and rights that led to America's independence.

*Magna Carta and the Foundations of Freedom* will be on exhibit at Fraunces Tavern Museum September 15, 2009 through December 15, 2009. For up to date information on this very special exhibit, please visit our [website](#).

## **May Lecture! The Once and Future New York**

Rich with archival research, Randall Mason documents the emergence of historic preservation in New York at the turn of the twentieth century. Between 1890 and 1920, preservationists saved and restored buildings, parks, and monuments throughout the city's five boroughs that represented continuity with the past. Directly relating to Fraunces Tavern's own history of survival, these efforts established a framework for New York's collective memory and fused celebrations of the city's past with optimism about its future.

The event will be held **Thursday, May 21, 2009 at 6:30pm** in the Museum's Flag Gallery. Tickets are \$6 (members are free) and there will be a wine and cheese reception to follow. Books will be available for purchase (discounts apply for Museum members).

**For a list of all of our Spring 2009 events, please visit:**  
[http://www.frauncestavernmuseum.org/mus\\_cal.html](http://www.frauncestavernmuseum.org/mus_cal.html)

## **Flag Day to be Commemorated with Parade in June**

On Friday, June 12th, the Sons of the Revolution will sponsor the 2009 Flag Day Parade. This year marks the 232nd anniversary of the adoption of the American Flag by the Second Continental Congress in June 1777. The parade steps off at 12 noon from City Hall Park and concludes with a ceremony in front of Fraunces Tavern. Contributions to assist with the many expenses associated with organizing the parade will be greatly appreciated and can be mailed to Sons of the Revolution, 54 Pearl Street, New York, NY 10004. For further information, please email: [2administrator@sonsoftherevolution.org](mailto:2administrator@sonsoftherevolution.org)

## **Museum Membership Benefits**

A membership to Fraunces Tavern Museum not only supports our efforts to preserve and educate on colonial, revolutionary and early republic American history, but grants access to great benefits such as:

- Free admission to the museum
- Free or discounted admission to special events
- Discounts on book sales based on our lectures
- Invitations to special openings
- **NEW this year:** Free admission to the [New York City Police Museum](#) and 10% discount at their gift shop when you present your Fraunces Tavern Museum member card!

Please visit our [website](#) to learn about our different levels of membership and ways to sign up!

## Fraunces Tavern Restaurant

Fraunces Tavern is one of the oldest bars and restaurants in New York City. The building holds a very important spot in both New York City and American history, as well as the history of SRNY. Come and experience a delightful dining experience at Fraunces Tavern Restaurant, open Monday-Friday 11:00am to 9:30pm and Saturday, 11:30am to 9:30pm. For reservations or more information, please call 212.968.1776 or visit <http://www.frauncestavern.com>.

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