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AARCH MATTERS

Your Preservation News for the Adirondack Region

"Once a year, go someplace you've never been before."
Dalai Lama

There's something exciting about exploring a new place every year. It can be a new country, a new city, or an interesting spot near your hometown or perhaps discovering something new in a favorite location.

We hope that most of you will have an opportunity this summer to join AARCH as we explore new locations and share many of our favorite locations. It is always a delight to see how places we have visited many times are born anew through fresh eyes and different perspectives. In the bustle of the summer season with so many events and activities vying for our attention, we are eternally grateful to AARCH members who share our enthusiasm and are excited to explore our region's rich and diverse history.

While the tremendous response to our tour season filled most of our tours quickly there are still a few spaces on some exciting programs. For those of you wishing to travel further afield, AARCH will be traveling to **Guatemala** in the Spring. This is a rare opportunity to explore the rich culture of this country with expert guides and an affable group of AARCH friends and members. There is also still time to register for our Annual Benefit and Celebration honoring Steven Engelhart's 27 years of leadership as Executive Director. We hope to see you soon.

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Above: Steven Engelhart and AARCH group at Camp Santanoni.

Below: AARCH Group at Hudson Falls

ADVENTURE

2021 PROGRAMS and EVENTS

Only a few outings still have space, reserve your spot now!

Our special events: Celebrating Steven and Annual Benefit and the Annual Meeting and Awards have some available spaces.

Our first outings of the summer season have been wonderful. From Preserving Camp Santanoni, Paddling Lowe's Lake, a trip to Valcour Island, exploring the rich heritage of Hudson Falls and a visit to Leary Castle we have had a most engaging and rewarding start to the 2021 tour season.

If you would like to register for any of our available tours please contact Nolan Cool . We could not offer any of these outing without the generosity and kindness of our hosts and guides. We hope you will join us in saying thank you when you are out and about with us this year.

Limited Space Available:

SACKETS HARBOR ON THE ADIRONDACK WEST COAST
July 30, 2021

SKETCHING ADIRONDACK ARCHITECTURE WORKSHOP
NEW!
September 1+8, 2021

GOING GREEN: BUILDING ADIRONDACK SUSTAINABILITY
NEW!
September 2, 2021

Image: Sackets Harbor

Image: Knollwood Camp, Wanakena

You can read more about this year's program offerings **HERE**.

SPECIAL EVENT

Celebrating the Distinguished Career of Steven Engelhart
BENEFIT FOR AARCH | Valcour Inn & Boathouse | Peru
August 14, 2021 3:30 - 6:30

Please join AARCH staff, board members, and special guests for an exceptional summer afternoon at the scenic Valcour Inn & Boathouse.

After 27 years of spirited, cherished, and defining leadership and success, AARCH's founding Executive Director **Steven Engelhart** will be retiring this fall. Join us for an afternoon celebration to honor Steven, AARCH's successes under his leadership, and his storied career as the most recognizable champion of historic preservation across the Adirondack region and beyond. Attendees will be able to thank Steven for all of his good work, and learn more about what lies ahead for himself and for AARCH. Relax and reflect on AARCH's 30 years of building a historic preservation ethic across the Adirondacks with staff, board members, and fellow members and friends.

Our venue, the historic Valcour Inn & Boathouse, sits on the beautiful shoreline of Lake Champlain. The afternoon will include a signature cocktail made by the distillery **Murray's Fools Distilling Co.**, makers of fine small batches of vodka, brandy, whisky, and aquavit. We will enjoy delicious hors d'oeuvres and friendly conversation and listen to the jazz and contemporary sounds of the **Wickmoore Jazz Trio**. We can't wait to see you there!

Individual tickets are $150 per person. Young Preservationist tickets are $40 (ages 30 and under). Price includes delicious hot and cold hors d'oeuvres, refreshments, an opportunity to thank Steven, and the chance to mingle and chat with fellow members and friends.

Proceeds from this exciting event will benefit AARCH's preservation,

education, and advocacy efforts in towns and communities throughout the Adirondack region.

PRESERVE

Former Masonic temple finds new life as Hudson Falls arts hub

On our recent tour of Hudson Falls We were delighted to see the completed restoration of former Masonic Temple. This two-year, $2 million renovation has adapted the building to serve as the Sandy Hill Vision Arts Center.

The 21,000 square foot building was built in 1901 and added to the New York State National Register of Historic Places in 1983 as a contributing building to the Hudson Falls Historic District.

The money came from Empire State Development grants and owner funding. Additionally, the developers utilized federal and New York State Historic Tax credits which, combined, created an additional $400,000 of equity to the project.

This was an exceptional Historic Preservation Project and we commend all the parties involved in making this project such a success.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Keeseville Community Arts Festival
July 23-25
FESTIVAL EVENTS

Anderson Falls Heritage Society presents: HISTORIC BRIDGES OF THE ADIRONDACKS
Wednesday July 21, 2021 7:00 PM
Keeseville Fire Department 8 Pleasant Street, Keeseville, NY

Preservation in the Adirondacks - Hosted by the Preservation League of New York State
Wednesday, August 11, 2021
12:00 PM 1:30 PM

SUPPORT

GUATEMALA

International Tour!
March 2022

11-Day Guided Adventure to Guatemala — in the Heart of Central American Architecture and Culture

Guatemala is one of the most diverse and beautiful countries in Central America with its extraordinary landscapes and a civilization-spanning culture that reaches back centuries. On this outing, we will explore the best that Guatemala has to offer adventurous travelers, including the rich architecture and cultural life of the Spanish Colonial capital of Antigua, the Mayan ruins of Tikal, Iximché, and Uaxactun, and the native villages around stunning Lake Atitlan. We will be led by author, guide, and preservationist Elizabeth Bell and her professional staff and you'll be in the good company of fellow AARCH members, friends, and staff.

Deadline for registration is September 17, 2021. You can learn more here. We hope you will join us.

2021 RAFFLE WINNERS

A big thank you to our generous donors that helped make our 2021 Raffle a success.

Three-night stay at Camp Dragonfly: Suzanne Carter

Two-night stay at The Hedges: Robert Monaco

Two-night Glamping Experience at Lake Harris Lodge: Josie & Paul Campbell

Dinner/Lunch for six at No Vacancy (Berks): Ted Konieczka

$250 Visa Gift Card (from Imerys Wollastonite USA, LLC): The Wyands

Two 18-hole rounds of golf at Hight Peaks Golf Course: Jean Quattrocchi

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$100 Gift Certificate to Ward lumber: MP Blatchford

$100 Gift Certificate to Smoke Stacks: Peter Slocum

$25 Gift Certificate to North Country Creamery: Gaye Grabowski

Adirondack Experience Gift Basket: Tamra Mooney

Six passes to Ausable Chasm: Jean Killian

Adirondack Life Gift Basket: Lynn Meldrim

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This award winning initiative was recently highlighted by the National Community Pharmacists Association. Read about it HERE.

Keeseville Pharmacy
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