# ALBANY INSTITUTE OF HISTORY & ART

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PRESENTS

## The Schuvler Sisters and Their Circle

As the wife of Alexander Hamilton, Eliza Schuyler had a front row seat to events that shaped this country in the years immediately following the revolution. "The Schuyler Sisters and their Circle" will highlight the women of the Schuyler family and will focus not only on their genteel lives, but also on their roles as mothers, social managers, business women, influencers, and revolutionaries.

### The exhibit will run from July 20, 2019 to December 29, 2019.

### **HOURS:**

Monday: Closed Tuesday: Registered groups only Adults: \$10

Wednesday: 10AM-5PM Thursday: 10AM-8PM Friday: 10AM-5PM

Saturday: 10AM-5PM Sunday: Noon-5PM

### **ADMISSION:**

Members: FREE

Seniors/Students: \$8 Children 6-12: \$6 Children Under 6: FREE

Please call for current tour schedule.

## TEN BROECK MANSION

Albany County Historical Association

9 Ten Broeck Pl. Albany, NY, 12210 (518) 436-9826 | www.tenbroeckmansion.org

The Ten Broeck Mansion was built in 1798 for Revolutionary War General Abraham Ten Broeck, a close friend of Hamilton's father-in-law, General Philip Schuyler. Abraham's son, Dirck Ten Broeck, was a law clerk for Hamilton and had a lunch date set with Hamilton in New Jersey the day of the duel. Tragically, Dirck found himself sitting vigil at Hamilton's deathbed. Dirck penned a letter detailing the duel and the passing of his "dear departed friend." A recording of this letter by local theatre company Creative License, is available during tours of the Mansion.

#### **HOURS:**

Thursday: 10AM-4PM Friday: 10AM-4PM Saturday: 1PM-4PM Sunday: 1PM-4PM

### **ADMISSION:**

Adults: \$5 Seniors/Students: \$4 Children Under 12: FREE

Public Tours of the Mansion are May-October. Tours are given on the hour. For other dates, call (518)436-9826

# **SCHUYLER MANSION STATE** HISTORIC SITE

32 Catherine Street, Albany, NY 12202 (518) 434-0834 | parks.ny.gov

## "When Alexander Hamilton Called Albany Home"

Alexander Hamilton (1757-1804) was a remarkable political figure involved in every aspect of the nation's founding and, as the son-in-law of Major-General Philip Schuyler, was intimately connected with the city of Albany. Come join us as we examine Hamilton's relationship with the Schuyler family, his connection to the Schuyler family home, and to Albany itself.

Please call for current tour schedule.

## "Women Of Schuyler Mansion"

The Schuyler Sisters have been causing quite a stir in the Broadway musical Hamilton: An American Musical, but did you know there were really five Schuyler sisters? Learn what it was like growing up Schuyler, as Schuyler Mansion presents an in-depth look at the history of the Schuyler Women, their daily lives, and the lives of the other women who inhabited the Schuyler household.

## **RESERVATIONS REQUIRED ADMISSION:**

Call (518) 434-0834 to speak Adults: \$7 with site staff. Reservations Seniors/Students: \$6 may be made for the current Children 12 & under: FREE month only.

## **ALBANY RURAL CEMETERY**

Cemetery Ave., Albany, NY 12204 (518) 463-7017 | albanyruralcemetery.org

Margarita "Peggy" Schuyler is buried here with her father, Gen. Philip Schuyler and Patroon husband and founder of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, NY, Stephen Van Rensselaer III. Visitors are welcome to visit Peggy, Stephen, and Philip. They are located in Lot 1, section 14 of the cemetery. Maps are available at the Main Office.

### **GROUNDS HOURS:**

Spring-Fall: 8:30AM-7:30PM Winter: 8:30AM-4:30PM

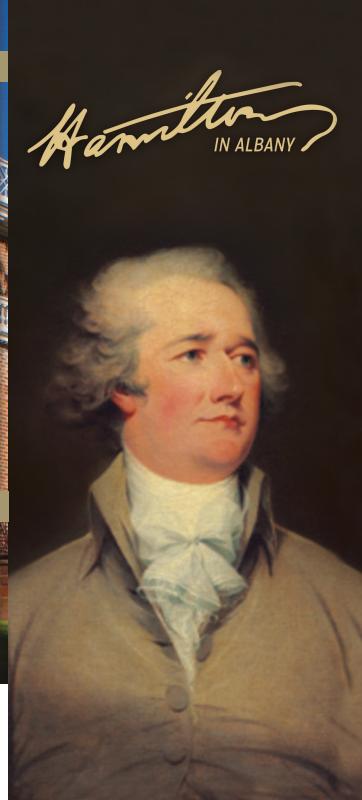
### **OFFICE HOURS:**

M-F: 8:30AM-4:30PM Saturday: 8:30AM-12PM Sunday: Closed



Discover Albany Visitors Center 25 Quackenbush Square, Albany, NY 12207 (518) 434-0405 | 1-800-258-3582 | www.albany.org

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ALEXANDER HAMILTON (1757-1804), one of the Founding Fathers of the United States, spent much of his time right here in Albany, New York. Now, visitors can walk in Hamilton's footsteps, and become intimately familiar with the society and issues that informed his most important decisions. This selfguided walking tour will highlight what Hamilton did when he spent time here, as well as some of the matters he grappled with. Though modern sensibilities tend to sympathize with Hamilton, and his writings in The Federalist Papers helped usher in our present form of government, we must understand that during his lifetime, Hamilton's ideas were considered controversial. During Hamilton's lifetime, the city was beset by boisterous public debate on a number of issues, and it was this debate that ultimately led to Hamilton's death.



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THE OUACKENBUSH HOUSE

Now the home of The Olde English Pub, the Quackenbush House is the second oldest building in Albany. It was built c. 1730 for brick maker Peter Quackenbush and generations of his family lived here for nearly 150 years. During the American Revolution, the home belonged to Col. Henry Quackenbush who fought in the Battle of Saratoga in 1777. Quackenbush escorted British captive General Burgoyne to Albany. They briefly stopped at the Quackenbush House = for refreshments before continuing the journey to Schuyler Mansion, where Burgoyne would be imprisoned.

3 THE FIRST CHURCH

The congregation of the First Church in Albany, part of the Reformed Church in America, was established in 1642. It is the second oldest congregation in New York State. Aaron Burr's daughter, Theodosia, was married here and Hamilton's in-laws, the Schuylers, were members of the church congregation. After Hamilton's death, the Reverend Eliphalet Nott from the First Presbyterian Church, gave a rousing eulogy at the church titled On the Death of Hamilton, which was considered a driving force in the eventual outlawing of dueling.

**IUDGE JOHN TAYLER** 

Though the original structure no longer stands, this corner is the location of a pivotal moment in Hamilton's life. Judge Tayler hosted a dinner party at his home at 50 State Street attended by Alexander Hamilton, Philip Schuyler and Tayler's son-in-law Dr. Charles D. Cooper. Cooper later composed a letter detailing the evening, claiming Hamilton called Burr "a dangerous man and ought not to be trusted." The Albany Register obtained a copy of a letter and published it on April 25th, 1804. When Burr demanded a retraction, Hamilton would neither admit nor deny the allegation. Burr challenged Hamilton to a duel on July 11 th in Weehawken, New Jersey, where he fatally shot Hamilton.

## CONSTITUTIONAL FRAMER

ALBANY CITY HALL

Albany City Hall was constructed between 1880-1883, some time after the time of Hamilton. However, in front of its steps, a statue has been erected to celebrate an important figure in Hamilton's Albany life, Revolutionary War General Philip Schuyler. Schuyler was both father-in-law and mentor to Alexander Hamilton. Schuyler and Hamilton were federalist allies and it was Schuyler

who chose Hamilton as a delegate for the Constitutional Convention. A lifelong resident of Albany, Schuyler served as member of the New York State Assembly, and was elected to the Continental Congress in 1775. Incensed by British colonial rule, he joined the Continental Army in summer of 1775, and helped the colony overthrow the British. Following the revolution, he was the first Senator for the state of New York. Schuyler lost his seat to Aaron

Burr in 1791. This is considered the beginning of Hamilton and Burr's rivalry.

**CAPITAL CITY** 

**6** NEW YORK STATE CAPITOL BUILDING

The NYS Capitol Building construction began in 1867 and was declared completed in 1899 at the cost of \$25 million dollars. During Hamilton's life, state government resided in the more modest Stadt Huys, at the foot of State Street, which no longer stands. As the original city hall, the Stadt Huys was home to the local revolutionary movement during the Revolutionary War, and temporary home for the New York State Legislature after the U.S. won its freedom from Great Britain. In 1754, the Albany Plan of Union was drafted at the Stadt Huys with Benjamin Franklin, which was the foundation of the Articles of the Confederation.

**7** HAMILTON AND BURR: POLITICAL RIVALS AND PERSONAL VENDETTAS FORT ORANGE CLUB

The Fort Orange Club has been a private club since 1880. Built in 1810 as the private residence of Samuel Hill. Between 1819 – 1827 it was a boarding house named "Soulden House." Reportedly, Aaron Burr, then disgraced by the duel with Hamilton, stayed the night here.



Historic Albany Foundation presents guided tours of "Walking In Hamilton's Footsteps" this summer. Visit historic-albany.org for schedule of tours.