



DESCENDANTS OF THE FOUNDERS OF ANCIENT WINDSOR

2023 Spring Program
Saturday, March 25, 2023

JOIN US IN PERSON OR ZOOM FOR OUR SPRING PROGRAM

We invite you—wherever you may live—to join us at 1:30 p.m. Eastern time on Saturday, March 25 for a “hybrid” meeting conducted both in person at the Windsor Historical Society and via Zoom.

By popular demand, our speaker will be John E. Putnam, who presented “The Connecticut River Valley: Colonial New England’s Forgotten Frontier” for us in September 2021. This time John’s topic is “Ancient Windsor Migrations”. Although he will be doing his presentation remotely via Zoom, we invite members and friends who live locally to join us for the presentation, fellowship, viewing exhibits, and checking out the Historical Society’s research library.



With many natural, political, geopolitical, and human hardships, the settlement of Ancient Windsor was not a simple enterprise. However, as it grew and started to thrive, its residents found themselves with too many people in the confines of the original settlement, so they needed to find new places to call home. In the late seventeenth century, a number of Windsor “daughter towns” were founded in adjacent lands on the east and west sides of the Connecticut River that started to fill the remaining vacant lands of Connecticut. This process was limited in the early eighteenth century by lack of new lands, which required Windsor ancestral families to seek new places to settle which led them initially up the Connecticut River to areas of Western Massachusetts, Vermont, and New Hampshire in ever increasing numbers after the French and Indian War as the area became safer to settle. After the American Revolution, this outmigration continued unabated to Western New York and to the new lands of the Northwest Territories. John will share this migration story, the hinterland migration pattern, and other historical events which facilitated this migratory process that started from this fragile early settlement by the River.

SCHEDULE - SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 2023 (ALL TIMES EASTERN)
OPEN TO THE PUBLIC; INVITE A FRIEND!

- What: 1:00 Set-up
1:30 - 2:00 Registered “live” attendees arrive at Windsor Historical Society
1:50 Zoom waiting room opens
2:00 - 2:05 Welcoming Remarks by DFAW President Richard Roberts and WHS Executive Director Douglas R. Shipman
2:05 - 3:05 Program: “Ancient Windsor Migrations,” John E. Putnam
3:05 - 4:00 Light refreshments for “live” attendees. Explore the WHS exhibits and research library.

Where: Windsor Historical Society, 96 Palisado Ave., Windsor, CT 06095 or from your home, via Zoom.

Registration: \$8.00 per person. Registrations must be received by noon on Friday, March 24, 2023. Those registered to attend via Zoom will receive a link to the meeting prior to March 25.

To register online, visit us at www.DFAW.org.

To register by mail, complete the form below, make your check payable to “DFAW” and mail to: DFAW, 596 Gurleyville Rd., Storrs Mansfield, CT 06268-1408. Your form must be received by noon on March 24.

If you can’t attend the meeting but want to help keep the stories and history of Ancient Windsor alive, please consider making a donation, either by using the form below or online at www.DFAW.org.

Questions? E-mail: contact@DFAW.org with the subject heading “DFAW Spring Program” or call 860-428-2172.

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Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip +4: _____
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I will attend in person at the Windsor Historical Society: _____ I will attend via Zoom: _____
Program @ \$8.00 \$ _____ Donation \$ _____ Total Enclosed \$ _____