

BACK ROADS *of the* SOUTH SHORE

A Consortium of Regional
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PRESENTS

THE 2025

South Shore

History Symposium

REVOLUTIONARY CONNECTIONS:
THE SOUTH SHORE AND THE WAR
FOR INDEPENDENCE



APRIL 26, 2025

Registration: 8:30 a.m.

Presentations: 9:20 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

THE SPIRE CENTER FOR THE
PERFORMING ARTS
25 ½ Court Street, Plymouth

Schedule

- 8:30 a.m. **Registration & Refreshments**
- 9:15 a.m. **Welcoming Remarks**
Donna Curtin, Back Roads of the South Shore Chair and Executive
Director of Pilgrim Hall Museum
- 9:20 a.m. **Tea, Tories, and the Almost-Battle of Marshfield**
Patrick Browne, Executive Director of Plymouth Antiquarian Society
- 10:00 a.m. **The Revolutionary Life of Mary Cushing Lincoln**
Michelle Coughlin, Author and Historian
- 10:40 a.m. **A Comedy of Errors: Plymouth County Militia and the American
Campaigns in Rhode Island**
James Glinski, Author and Historian
- 11:20 a.m. **Break**
- 11:30 a.m. **Mercy Otis Warren, the First Female Historian of the American
Revolution**
Nancy Rubin Stuart, President of the Mercy Otis Warren Society and
Executive Director of the Cape Cod Writers Center.
- 12:10 p.m. **South Shore Stories of Bailey's 2nd Mass Regiment**
Stephen O'Neill, Executive Director, Hanover Historical Society &
Director, Dyer Memorial Library

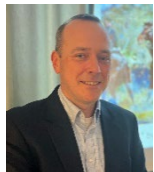


Back Roads of the South Shore is a consortium of 20 non-profit organizations operating over 25 historic sites in 12 towns along the South Shore of Massachusetts, from Weymouth to Plymouth. The group is dedicated to celebrating the history and spirit of the region. For more information, visit southshorehistory.org.

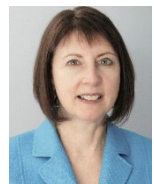
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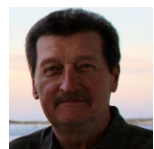
Speakers



Patrick Browne is Executive Director of the Plymouth Antiquarian Society. He holds a Ph.D. in History from Boston University. Prior to his doctoral studies, Patrick worked in public history for nearly 20 years as Executive Director of the Duxbury Rural and Historical Society and Pilgrim Hall Museum. He is the author of two books on local history and has published papers in the *New England Quarterly* and the *Historical Journal of Massachusetts*.



Michelle Marchetti Coughlin is a historian of early American women and the author of *One Colonial Woman's World: The Life and Writings of Mehetabel Chandler Coit* and *Penelope Winslow, Plymouth Colony First Lady: Re-Imagining a Life*. Formerly a longtime board member of the Abigail Adams Birthplace, she currently serves as a Trustee of Pilgrim Hall Museum and often works with historic sites seeking to integrate women's history into their interpretation.



Jim Glinski taught history at Xaverian Brothers High School for 41 years. He has written extensively on local history, including books on Scituate's fire department, water supply, and temperance movement. He also contributed a chapter to Boston's Histories, honoring historian Thomas H. O'Connor. A researcher for the Scituate Historical Society, he gives talks and tours for the North and South Rivers Watershed Association and serves on the Scituate Historical Commission.



Nancy Rubin Stuart is the author of acclaimed nonfiction books about women and social history. Her most recent books include *Poor Richard's Women*, *Defiant Brides*, *The Muse of the Revolution*, and the best-selling *American Empress*. She is the President of the Mercy Otis Warren Society and Executive Director of the Cape Cod Writers Center.



Stephen O'Neill, a graduate of Boston College and Boston University, is Executive Director of Hanover Historical Society and Director of the Dyer Memorial Library in Abington. He was formerly Associate Director/Curator of Collections at Pilgrim Hall Museum and Senior Lecturer in History at Suffolk University. He is the author of *The Life of Peregrine White: The First Englishman Born in New England* and serves as Guest Curator/Consultant for the Alden House Historic Site in Duxbury.

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April 21, 2025

**If space permits, tickets may be purchased at
the door.**

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