



COLUMBIA COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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CCHS PRESENTS:

EARLY & DIVERSE NEW YORK

Hudson River Valley Architecture,

Landscape Paintings, Early Photography,

Enslavement and African American History are the subjects of this

Seven-Part 2022 Winter Lecture Series

held via Zoom by the

Columbia County Historical Society

COLUMBIA COUNTY, NY -- Early & Diverse New York Subjects are themes found in the Columbia County Historical Society's forthcoming *Seven-Part 2022 Winter Lecture Series*.

CCHS will host Historians and Genealogists, Art Historians, Photographers, and authors during its 2022 Winter Lecture Series held via Zoom over seven Saturdays beginning 29 January through 21 May. Speakers include: Victoria Jimpson-Fludd and Lisa Fludd-Smith-Genealogists; Pieter Estersohn, author/photographer; David Sokosh, photographer; Lisa Weilbacker, Curator; Gayle Skluzacek, art historian and appraiser; Dr. Gary Darden, historian; and Dr. Andrea Mosterman, historian and author.

These lectures will explore the rich and diverse history, culture and heritage of Columbia County and New York's Hudson Valley, from the mouth of the Hudson River through all of the original New Netherlands.

Tickets are strictly limited and are now available to purchase online (\$15 for non-members; \$ 10 members) <https://www.cchsny.org/winter-lectures-2022>

ABOUT THE SERIES

First in the Series, and to introduce February's Black History Month -- On Saturday 29th January, African American researchers/genealogists **Vicki Jimpson Fludd & Leigh Fludd-Smith** will discuss the History of Blacks in the Hudson Valley; Dutch and English slavery; enslaved populations here through the years; and how the northern Black experience and history differs from usual classroom narratives. The researchers' personal genealogy includes family names such as Whitbeck, Van Alen, Van Ness, Gardener, Leggett etc. The team will also outline their practices and resources for African American genealogical research.

WHO: Columbia County Historical Society

WHAT: Zoom Lecture Series: "Early & Diverse New York Subjects" by selected diverse authors, historians and authorities including: Victoria Jimpson-Fludd and Lisa Fludd-

Smith; Pieter Estersohn, David Sokosh, Gayle Skluzacek, Dr. Gary Darden and Dr. Andrea Mosterman

WHEN: Seven (7) Saturday late afternoons, beginning January 29th until Saturday May 21st. Full schedule at link

WHERE: purchase zoom tickets here: <https://www.cchsny.org/winter-lectures-2022>

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Full Schedule below and at link: <https://www.cchsny.org/winter-lectures-2022>

**Jan 29**

*"Challenges and Obstacles to researching African American History in the Hudson Valley"*,  
**Vicki Jimpson Fludd & Leigh Fludd-Smith**

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**Feb 19**

*Life Along the Hudson, The Livingstons in Columbia County*  
**Pieter Estersohn**

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**March 19**

*19<sup>th</sup> Century Photography in Columbia County*  
A conversation with Photographer **David Sokosh** & CCHS Curator **Lisa Weilbacker**

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**April 2**

Part I *Uniquely American - The Hudson River School*  
**Gayle Skluzacek**

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**April 9<sup>th</sup>**

Part II *Uniquely American - The Hudson River School*  
**Gayle Skluzacek**

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**Apr 23**

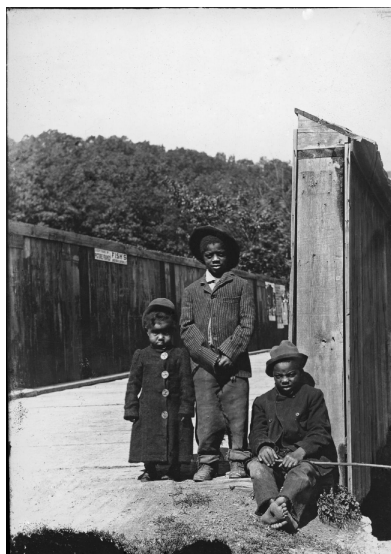
*Gotham goes Global: New York City from 1825 to 1925*  
**Gary H. Darden, Ph.D.**

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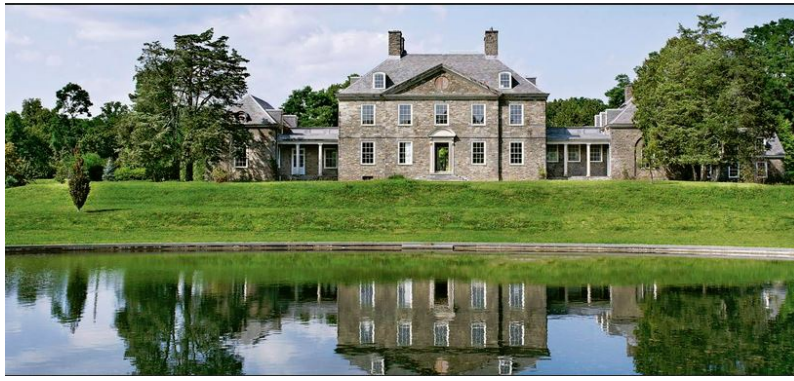
**May 21**

*Spaces of Enslavement and Resistance in Dutch New York*  
**Dr. Andrea Mosterman**

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Clara, Dakotah, and Milton Barton on the Chatham Center Bridge, ca. 1890; CCHS Collection



*'Marienruh' outside Rhinebeck, ©photo by Pieter Estersohn*

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**ABOUT CCHS** Columbia County Historical Society is a 501(c)(3) cultural education organization founded in 1916 and chartered by the NYS Department of Education Board of Regents to collect, preserve, interpret and present the history, heritage and culture of Columbia County, New York, for its residents and visitors. CCHS serves residents of all eighteen towns and the City of Hudson. In addition to a research library and permanent collection of more than 15,000 objects, CCHS owns and maintains the Columbia County Historical Society Museum & Library and three additional historic properties: the National Historic Landmark Luykas Van Alen House (1737); James Vanderpoel 'House of History' (c.1820); and Ichabod Crane Schoolhouse (c.1850).

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