



## **REAL TIME REVOLUTION® Living History Event: Proceed to Canada**

**March 28, 2026 | 10 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

Experience Ticonderoga as a vital supply hub for the Northern Department of the Continental Army, keeping soldiers alive in Canada. Watch as we recreate trains of supply sleds and columns of Continental reinforcements, headed for Canada. Through vignettes, weapons demonstrations, and historic trades demonstrations, discover the challenges of keeping the northern army alive at the gates of Quebec City highlighting Fort Ticonderoga's place within a rapidly changing campaign.

### **10:00 a.m. Fort Ticonderoga Opens to Visitors**

#### **10:15 a.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour (Begins at Large American Flag)**

In this entertaining half-hour tour, discover the incredible story of Ticonderoga and all the great experiences Fort Ticonderoga offers today. Learn about the iconic battles of Carillon and Ticonderoga within the French & Indian War and the Revolutionary War. Explore groundbreaking preservation and reconstruction efforts that allow Fort Ticonderoga to bring to life its heroic tales today and for generations to come.

#### **10:45 a.m. Reinforcements Arrive (Parade Ground)**

Watch a detachment of Connecticut troops arrive at Fort Ticonderoga. Discover the rush to raise new regiments in the colonies and the stream of individual companies that passed through Ticonderoga on their way north.

#### **11:00 a.m. Musket Demonstration (Begins on Parade Ground)**

Watch the fort's Guard of New York soldiers, muster to meet the newly arrived Connecticut Yankee reinforcements. Discover the assortment of firelocks carried by these different soldiers and the challenges of arming soldiers for the campaign of 1776. See the striking unity of military exercise and maneuver found in the Continental Army less than a year after its official creation.

#### **12:30 p.m. "To do Duty With the Garrison" (Parade Ground)**

Discover General Philip Schuyler's solution for soldiers refusing to duty at Ticonderoga. See Captain Joseph McCracken assemble both New Yorkers and Connecticut men to see these orders posted for all to see and abide by.

#### **1:15 p.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour**

*See 10:15 a.m. description.*

#### **1:45 p.m. "Drawn out of the Store for Troops Going into Canada" (Begins on Parade Ground)**

As soldiers prepared to continue their march to the Continental Army in Canada see Fort Ticonderoga's role filling gaps in arms and equipment. See how officers accounted for deficiencies and for drawing necessary equipment from the Northern Department of the army.

**2:00 p.m. Cannons for Canada (Demonstration Area)**

Just weeks after Colonel Henry Knox's Noble Train of Artillery freed the City of Boston, more guns were needed by the Continental Army in Canada. Discover the process of cleaning cannons with gunpowder and how Ticonderoga's guns were loaded onto carts and wagons to be sent north to aid the fledgling army outside of Quebec.

**2:30 p.m. "Proceed to Canada With All Possible Expedition" (Begins at Demonstration Area)**

With supplies loaded, watch as Connecticut soldiers resume their march to Canada. Follow these reinforcements leaving the fort as they begin their long journey to bolster the siege lines around Quebec.

**3:00 p.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour**

*See 10:15 a.m. description.*

**4:00 p.m. Fort Ticonderoga Closes to Visitors**

**Ongoing 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.**

**Captain McCracken's Quarters (Second Floor of Officers' Barracks)**

Explore the challenges of maintaining Fort Ticonderoga for soldiers and supplies headed northward for Captain Joseph McCracken. See his continued work to recruit soldiers for his own company even as he commanded the guard of this vital fort on Lake Champlain.

**The Power of Oxen (Around Fort Ticonderoga)**

Watch as oxen deliver supplies from the south into stores at Fort Ticonderoga. Discover the trek along frozen lakes and portage roads that brought each barrel of food northward.

**Woodcutters (At the Fort Archway/Entrance)**

Whether stoves, hearths, or clay fireplaces, soldiers needed firewood to keep warm in the winter. Watch soldiers section, split, and stack wood to stockpile enough fuel to keep the garrison warm. In this fun hands-on soldiers' life program, try your hand at cutting logs or splitting wood!

**Laundry (Parade Ground and Ground Floor of Soldiers' Barracks)**

See the process of laundering, as the women of each company boil soldiers' shirts in brass kettles to clean and disinfect them. Discover the deep roots of this employment and the importance of clean shirts to the health of soldiers in the new American Continental Army.

**Carpentry (Ground Floor of Officers' Barracks)**

As the ice thawed on the lakes, supplying the army in Canada by boat became possible once again! See shavings fly as carpenters shape oars to keep bateau moving northward filled with barrels and soldiers.

**"Warmest and Most Fashionable Here" (Ground Floor of Soldiers' Barracks)**

By the end of March 1776, the Canadian style of blanket coats began to reach Continental soldiers to the south. See the clever piecing that efficiently used an entire blanket to make this hooded overcoat. See the wool binding and closing that made this garment distinct and popular in camp at Ticonderoga.