



**REAL TIME REVOLUTION® Signature Reenactment Event:
“Today We Are a Nation Among the People of the World”
July 28, 2026**

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

Discover the incredible story of Ticonderoga and all the great experiences Fort Ticonderoga offers today. Learn about the iconic battles of Carillon & 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.

10:40 a.m. Family Guided Tour (Begins at American Flag) Explore the history of this great fort and discover all of the exciting things to do together during your visit!

11:00 a.m. Musket Firing Demonstration (Demonstration Area) Explore the workings of the different flintlock weapons carried by Continental Army soldiers in 1776. From a small guard of veteran New Yorkers to thousands of Americans, discover how different soldiers received and employed these weapons as we recreate 1776, day-by-day, at Fort Ticonderoga.

11:30 a.m. Guided Tour of the Fort Ticonderoga Museum (Begins on Parade Ground) More than a century of collecting has allowed Fort Ticonderoga to acquire North America’s largest and most important collection of 18th-century military material culture. This guided tour will give you the scoop on the most significant, rare, and interesting pieces on exhibit.

11:30 a.m. Tom Hand Book Talk & Signing (Mars Education Center Great Room)

Join author, creator and publisher of Americana Corner, Tom Hand as he reflects on the significance of the Declaration of Independence and the resilience of the American cause in 1776, inspired by his books on the American Revolution.

11:30 a.m. Garden March (Begins at American Flag)

Follow the fifers and drummers of the Northern Department of the Continental Army as they provide a musical escort to the King’s Garden.

11:45 a.m. Breaking Ground Tour: A Guided Tour of the Fort Ticonderoga Gardens (Begins at Greenhouse) From military garrison gardens to a vibrant botanical garden, explore one of North America’s oldest cultivated landscapes. Discover the incredible story of America’s first historic preservation effort, and the family country estate and gardens emblematic of that legacy.

1:00 p.m. Procession to Liberty Hill Encampment (Begins on Parade Ground)

Follow the Fifes & Drums from Fort Ticonderoga to our recreated Liberty Hill Encampment, where American soldiers first heard the Declaration of Independence 250 years ago

1:15 p.m. Reading of the Declaration of Independence (Liberty Hill Encampment)

Set among the tents of a brigade of Continental Army soldiers, hear the Declaration of Independence, just as those soldiers experienced it on July 28, 1776

2:00 p.m. Cannon Demonstration (Recreated Redoubt)

Beginning summer of 1776, American soldiers labored away building earthen fortifications stop the British at Ticonderoga. See how skilled American artillerymen loaded and fired cannons in defense of this new nation.

2:30 p.m. Guided Tour of the Fort Ticonderoga Museum

See 11:30 a.m. description.

2:45-3:30 p.m. Book Signing with Author Tom Hand (Log House Welcome Center)

Guests have the opportunity to meet author, creator, and publisher, Tom Hand, and have their copies of his books on the American Revolution personally signed.

2:45 p.m. Breaking Ground Tour: A Guided Tour of the Fort Ticonderoga Gardens

See 11:45 a.m. description.

3:00 p.m. Key to the Continent Guided Tour 30 minutes

See 10:15 a.m. description.

4:00 p.m. Mount Defiance: Witness to History Guided Tour 30 minutes Daily 4:00 p.m. (Atop Mount Defiance, located at 72 Defiance Street) This graceful mountain overlooking Fort Ticonderoga played a pivotal role during the French & Indian War. Discover the legacy of Mount Defiance by 1776 and its exciting chapters in the Revolutionary War. View the breathtaking landscapes that shaped the history of our nation.